



IN THE COMPETITION
APPEAL TRIBUNAL

Case No: 1359/5/7/20

BETWEEN:

REST & PLAY FOOTWEAR LTD

Claimant

- v -

GEORGE RYE & SONS LTD

Defendant

ORDER

UPON the Tribunal having directed the Claimant to supply additional information regarding its claim by 25 September 2020

AND UPON the request of the Defendant by letter dated 25 August 2020 for an extension of time to 9 October 2020 for service of its Defence

AND UPON the Claimant having stated that it consents to that extension

AND HAVING REGARD TO the Tribunal's powers pursuant to Rule 53(2)(j) of the Competition Appeal Tribunal Rules 2015 ("the Rules")

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The time for the Defendant to file its Defence be extended until 5pm on 2 October 2020.
2. Costs in the case.

REASONS:

It is reasonable for the Defendant to have the opportunity to consider the further information supplied by the Claimant before finalising its Defence. However, since that information concerns causation and quantum of damages and not liability, the Defendant does not need it to respond to the allegations of breach of competition law. Further, since the Claimant has applied for its claim to be subject to the Fast-track procedure pursuant to Rule 58 of the Rules any extension should be kept to a minimum, irrespective of any agreement between the parties. In those circumstances, 7 days following provision by the Claimant of the further information is a sufficient period for the purpose of finalising the Defence.

The Hon Mr Justice Roth
President of the Competition Appeal Tribunal

Made: 3 September 2020
Drawn: 3 September 2020