

**Restoration is available
for unintentional lapse**

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Restoration is available for “unintentional” reasons

Used to require a “legitimate reason” and evidence

Now, “unintentional” is sufficient, and
no evidence is required.

Procedures Subject to the Restoration

- ◆ PCT national entry and translation (P, U)
- ◆ Paris priority (P, D, U, T)
- ◆ Examination request (P)
- ◆ Annuity/renewal after the six-month grace period:
(P, D, U, T)

P: Patents D: Designs U: Utility Models T: Trademarks

The time limit for restoration

Priority Restoration:

- 14 months from the priority for Paris route applications
- 1 month from the translation due date for PCT route

If the translation was not filed in time, **its restoration must also be requested.**

Other Restorations:

Earlier of:

- 2 months from knowing the lapse of time
- 1 year from original due date (6 months for trademarks)

Office fee for restoration (JPY)

Patents 212,100

Trademarks 86,400

Designs 24,500

Utility Models 21,800

as of December 5, 2025

Limitation of restored rights

If the issued patents or trademark registrations are restored:

- Patent rights are ineffective to the products imported into or, produced or acquired in Japan after the six-month grace period and before the restoration.

Unlike in the US (35USC41(c)(2)), those who worked the patented invention cannot continue the work except for the above products.

- Trademark rights are ineffective against the use of the trademark after the six-month grace period and before the restoration.

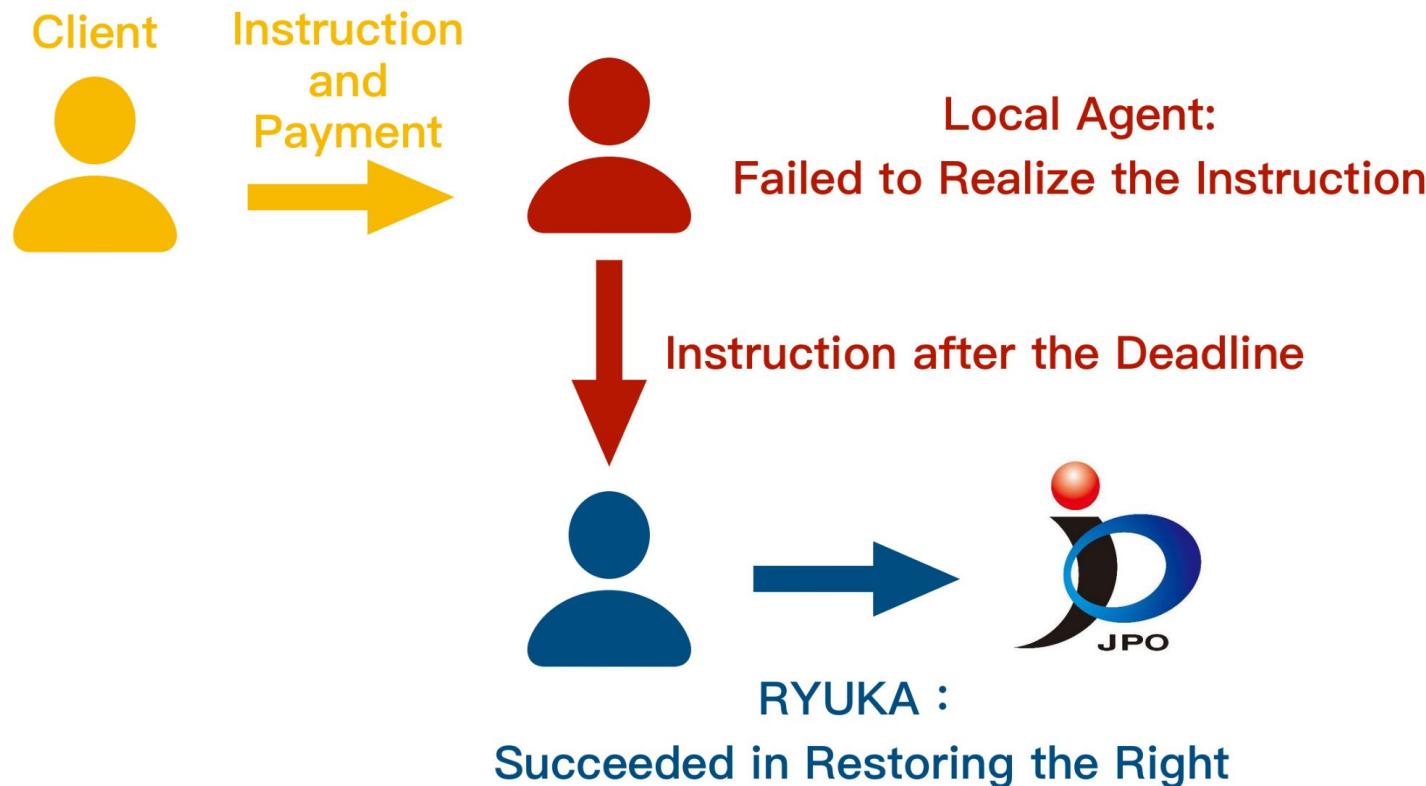
Official Example

The official example merely states:

"Due to our **oversight**, we missed the deadline and failed to complete the procedure by the due date. We realized of the failure on **. The fact that we missed the deadline was unintentional."

No further details are required.

An Actual Case



Even if the deadline was missed by a human error,
it is restored, as long as it was "**unintentional**"

Success Rate

RYUKA's success rate under the "unintentional standard" has been **100%** as of December 5, 2025 (**17 of 17**).