

I am suggesting for clarity of amended spec or claims, to allow deletions to be shown within brackets [] instead of (or in addition to use of) strikethrough. The reason is for more readable showing of what is to be deleted, as depicted in the following example:

For example, wish to amend a claim element to end with a semicolon instead of a comma, resulting in amending as follows if we must use strikethrough:

a first network apparatus according to claim 3,;

It would look a lot clearer using the brackets to show deletion of the comma:

a first network apparatus according to claim 3[,];

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