

Directive 98/71/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 October 1998 on the legal protection of designs

Article 1

Definitions

For the purpose of this Directive:

- (a) ‘design’ means the appearance of the whole or a part of a product resulting from the features of, in particular, the lines, contours, colours, shape, texture and/or materials of the product itself and/or its ornamentation;
- (b) ‘product’ means any industrial or handicraft item, including *inter alia* parts intended to be assembled into a complex product, packaging, get-up, graphic symbols and typographic typefaces, but excluding computer programs;
- (c) ‘complex product’ means a product which is composed of multiple components which can be replaced permitting disassembly and reassembly of the product.