



Registered Designs Act 1949

1949 CHAPTER 88 12 13 and 14 Geo 6

Register of designs, etc .

19 Registration of assignments, etc.

- (1) Where any person becomes entitled by assignment, transmission or operation of law to a registered design or to a share in a registered design, or becomes entitled as mortgagee, licensee or otherwise to any other interest in a registered design, he shall apply to the registrar in the prescribed manner for the registration of his title as proprietor or co—proprietor or, as the case may be, of notice of his interest, in the register of designs.
- (2) Without prejudice to the provisions of the foregoing subsection, an application for the registration of the title of any person becoming entitled by assignment to a registered design or a share in a registered design, or becoming entitled by virtue of a mortgage, licence or other instrument to any other interest in a registered design, may be made in the prescribed manner by the assignor, mortgagor, licensor or other party to that instrument, as the case may be.
- (3) Where application is made under this section for the registration of the title of any person, the registrar shall, upon proof of title to his satisfaction—
 - (a) where that person is entitled to a registered design or a share in a registered design, register him in the register of designs as proprietor or co—proprietor of the design, and enter in that register particulars of the instrument or event by which he derives title; or
 - (b) where that person is entitled to any other interest in the registered design, enter in that register notice of his interest, with particulars of the instrument (if any) creating it.

^{F1}(3A)

- (3B) Where [^{F2}national unregistered design right] subsists in a registered design and the proprietor of the registered design is also the design right owner, an assignment of the [^{F2}national unregistered design right] shall be taken to be also an assignment of the right in the registered design, unless a contrary intention appears.

Changes to legislation: Registered Designs Act 1949, Section 19 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 21 January 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations. (See end of Document for details) View outstanding changes

^{F3}(4)

- (5) Except for the purposes of an application to rectify the register under the following provisions of this Act, a document in respect of which no entry has been made in the register of designs under subsection (3) of this section shall not be admitted in any court as evidence of the title of any person to a registered design or share of or interest in a registered design unless the court otherwise directs.

Textual Amendments

- F1** S. 19(3A) omitted (1.10.2014) by virtue of [Intellectual Property Act 2014 \(c. 18\)](#), [ss. 9\(1\), 24\(1\)](#); [S.I. 2014/2330](#), [art. 3](#), [Sch.](#)
- F2** Words in s. 19(3A)(3B) substituted (9.12.2001) by [S.I. 2001/3949](#), [reg. 9\(1\)](#), [Sch. 1 para. 6\(2\)\(3\)](#) (with transitional provisions in [regs. 10-14](#))
- F3** S. 19(4) repealed (29.4.2006) by [Intellectual Property \(Enforcement, etc\) Regulations 2006 \(S.I. 2006/1028\)](#), [art. 1](#), [Sch. 4](#)

Changes to legislation:

Registered Designs Act 1949, Section 19 is up to date with all changes known to be in force on or before 21 January 2024. There are changes that may be brought into force at a future date. Changes that have been made appear in the content and are referenced with annotations.

[View outstanding changes](#)

Changes and effects yet to be applied to the whole Act associated Parts and Chapters:

Whole provisions yet to be inserted into this Act (including any effects on those provisions):

- s. 22(1)(aa) and word inserted by [2014 c. 18 s. 9\(2\)](#)
- s. 22(5) inserted by [2014 c. 18 s. 9\(4\)](#)
- s. 22(6)(7) inserted by [2014 c. 18 s. 9\(5\)](#)