



Registered Designs Act 1949

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Registrable designs and proceedings for registration

[^{F1}3 Applications for registration.

- (1) An application for the registration of a design[^{F2}or designs]^{F3} ... shall be filed at the Patent Office in the prescribed manner.
- ^{F4}(2)
- (3) An application for the registration of a design[^{F5}or designs] in which national unregistered design right subsists shall be made by the person claiming to be the design right owner.
- ^{F6}(4)
- (5) An application for the registration of a design which, owing to any default or neglect on the part of the applicant, has not been completed so as to enable registration to be effected within such time as may be prescribed shall be deemed to be abandoned.]

Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 3-3D substituted (9.12.2001) for s. 3 by [S.I. 2001/3949, reg. 4](#) (with transitional provisions in [regs. 10-14](#))
- F2** Words in s. 3(1) inserted (1.10.2006) by [Regulatory Reform \(Registered Designs\) Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/1974\)](#), arts. 1(1), **11(2)**
- F3** Words in s. 3(1) omitted (1.10.2014) by virtue of [Intellectual Property Act 2014 \(c. 18\)](#), **ss. 12(2), 24(1)**; [S.I. 2014/2330](#), art. 3, Sch.
- F4** S. 3(2) omitted (1.10.2014) by virtue of [Intellectual Property Act 2014 \(c. 18\)](#), **ss. 6(2), 24(1)**; [S.I. 2014/2330](#), art. 3, Sch.
- F5** Words in s. 3(3) inserted (1.10.2006) by [Regulatory Reform \(Registered Designs\) Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/1974\)](#), arts. 1(1), **11(4)**
- F6** S. 3(4) omitted (1.10.2006) by virtue of [Regulatory Reform \(Registered Designs\) Order 2006 \(S.I. 2006/1974\)](#), arts. 1(1), **4**

Changes to legislation:

Registered Designs Act 1949, Section 3 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.

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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\(5\)](#)