



# Registered Designs Act 1949

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*Effect of registration, etc.*

**[<sup>F1</sup>8B Effect of order for restoration of right.**

- (1) The effect of an order under section 8A for the restoration of the right in a registered design is as follows.
- (2) Anything done under or in relation to the right during the period between expiry and restoration shall be treated as valid.
- (3) Anything done during that period which would have constituted an infringement if the right had not expired shall be treated as an infringement—
  - (a) if done at a time when it was possible for an application for extension to be made under section 8(4); or
  - (b) if it was a continuation or repetition of an earlier infringing act.
- (4) If, after it was no longer possible for such an application for extension to be made and before publication of notice of the application for restoration, a person—
  - (a) began in good faith to do an act which would have constituted an infringement of the right in the design if it had not expired, or
  - (b) made in good faith effective and serious preparations to do such an act,he has the right to continue to do the act or, as the case may be, to do the act, notwithstanding the restoration of the right in the design; but this does not extend to granting a licence to another person to do the act.
- (5) If the act was done, or the preparations were made, in the course of a business, the person entitled to the right conferred by subsection (4) may—
  - (a) authorise the doing of that act by any partners of his for the time being in that business, and
  - (b) assign that right, or transmit it on death (or in the case of a body corporate on its dissolution), to any person who acquires that part of the business in the course of which the act was done or the preparations were made.

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- (6) Where [<sup>F2</sup>a product] is disposed of to another in exercise of the rights conferred by subsection (4) or subsection (5), that other and any person claiming through him may deal with [<sup>F2</sup>the product] in the same way as if it had been disposed of by the registered proprietor of the design.
- (7) The above provisions apply in relation to the use of a registered design for the services of the Crown as they apply in relation to infringement of the right in the design.]

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Ss. 8, 8A, 8B substituted for s. 8 by [Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988 \(c. 48, SIF 67A\)](#), [s. 269\(1\)\(2\)](#)
- F2** Words in s. 8B(6) substituted (9.12.2001) by [S.I. 2001/3949](#), reg. 9(1), [Sch. 1 para. 2\(a\)\(b\)](#) (with transitional provisions in [regs. 10-14](#))

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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\(5\)](#)