

DESIGN REGISTRATION PROCEDURES

IN TURKEY

Registered Design rights are obtained by registration and registration procedures are performed by **novelty examination** at the Turkish Patent and Trademark Office, and then published for opposition by third parties. The **procedures for design protection** in Turkey are similar to the system applied in European Union Designs (formerly known as Community Designs) and other European Countries.

General remarks of Turkish Design Protection System are summarized below;

- Publication of designs for opposition by third parties for 3 months,
- Term of Protection is 5 years and can be extended up to 25 years by 4 times renewal,
- Deferment of publication is available up to 30 months,
- Multiple application is available in the condition of; designs falling at the same Locarno class,
- The application should be filed within **6 months** period if there is a priority claim.

APPLICATION PROCEDURES

National/direct design registration application in Turkey In the Turkish Design Protection System, a design which is new and has an individual character shall be granted for protection.

A design shall be considered new, if there is no identical design has been made available to the public in the world before the date of the application/priority. Designs differing only in immaterial details shall be deemed as identical. To make available to the public shall cover of all actions of sale, use, publication, publicity, exhibiting, or such similar activities.

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