

Leaflet Designs in Canada

Duration

The duration of the design is 5 years from the day of registration. The design may be maintained for additional 5 years provided that a maintenance fee is paid.

Compulsory Use

Use of a registered design is not obligatory, and there is no provision for compulsory licenses.

Marking

It is strongly recommended that articles protected by an industrial design registration and/or labels or packaging associated with such articles be marked (with a capital 'D' inside a circle, followed by the name or the usual abbreviation of the name of the proprietor). Otherwise, in case of infringement, if the defendant establishes that he did not know and had no reasonable grounds to suspect that the design was registered, only an injunction may be obtained, but no award of damages.