

Design

. Required Information / Documents for Filing

- Information about the application (e.g., Application No. of Original Application, Publication No.)
- Information about the applicant (e.g., Name, Address)

. Procedure and Fees for obtaining Design Right

Approximate Period	STEP		Example Cases	
			Official Fee	Attorney Fee
10 Months Average 	1	Application Filing	US\$200	US\$950
		Translation (per English word)	-	US\$0.50
		Claiming Priority	-	US\$156
		Drawing Correction (per drawing)		US\$65
	2	Formality Examination	-	-
		Substantive Examination		
	3	Notification of Reasons for Refusal		
		Response to Office Action	-	US\$300 / hr
		Decision of Refusal		
		Appeal against the Decision of Refusal		
		→ Decision to Grant a Design Right		
4	Registration / Annuity Fee			
	1st to 3rd Year (per Year)	US\$107	US\$195	
↳ 4th to 20th Year (per Year)	US\$212	US\$195		
Minimum Subtotal		US\$307	US\$1,145	
Minimum TOTAL		US\$1,452		

Areas highlighted with this color may not be necessary in some cases

*Please note that fees are for exchange rate US\$1 = JPY 80

. Brief Information about Design Right in Japan

Q1: What is Design Right?

A1: Design Right is a form of Intellectual Property. Japanese Design Law grants a set of exclusive rights to the designer or their assignee, if the design gets registered to JPO.

Q2: What specifically is "Design"?

A2: Japanese Design Law is aimed to protect shape, pattern, color or combination(s) of any, in an article.

Q3: How long is the term of Design Right?

A3: Maximum of 20 years from the date of registration.

. How to Apply

Please fill in the Order Form and Send it to us.

. Payment Method

Payment could be made through banks or by online payment using "PayPal"