Intellectual Property Office of Papua New Guinea

INDUSTRIAL DESIGN

How do I Apply for Registration?

Filing Application for registration of industrial design

- Get an **Application for registration of industrial design (Form 5).** The form can be downloaded by clicking the link above or can be collected at the office. The form must be submitted with a notice informing of intention to register a design;

- Complete the application form and submit together with a **Power of Attorney** and a **Statement Justifying the Applicant's Right;**

- The application form should state the following:-
    - Title of Design
    - Name and Address of applicant(s)
    - State priority claim (if any)
    - Explain the use of the Design
    - State the desired classification under the Locarno System
    - State the name of the good(s) that can use this design (if any).

- Attach coloured copies (if need be) or technical drawing of the design with the following views where applicable;
    - Front view
    - Back view
    - Side view
    - Aerial view
    - Bottom view
    - Cross sectional view
    - Perspective view

- Pay the prescribed fee of PG K300.00 Payment can be made via direct deposit or bank cheque.

- Lodge the application together with the receipt of payment at the IPOPNG Office. The forms can only be lodged at the IPA Head office or mailed to the office.

- Applicant must download the additional documents to assist them in completing the forms – **Physical Filing Requirements** & **Minimum Filing Requirements**

What happens to my application after it is lodged?

Your application will undergo an examination (or assessment) to verify if your design is capable for registration. This process is conducted in accordance with statutory requirements under the Patent and Industrial Design Act (2000).

This process could be quite lengthy and may take a minimum of 7 - 12 months to complete. However, the Office will inform you from time to time and throughout this entire process of the progress of your application.

In brief, the process includes Formality Assessment, Examination, Registration and Publication periods.