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#### Part 1: General

- 1. Definitions In these Regulations -
- "The Website" the Authority's website;
- "Filing Site" the Authority's website through which the electronic filing to the Authority is done;
- "Interim motion" an application made in a proceeding before the Commissioner that is not an application for a principal remedy;
- "Applications that have been divided" applications that have been divided under Regulation 29(b);
- "Mediation", "Mediation arrangement" as defined in section 79C of the Courts Law;
- "Paper filing " filing of a document by hand delivery or by mail delivery;
- "Dispute Proceeding" a proceeding under sections 12 (b), 25, 34 (b), 46 to 48 of the Law;
- "Computer material" as defined in the Computers Law, 5755 1995;
- "Application form" an application form for registering a design, prepared according to the language in the First Schedule;
- "Electronic filing form" an electronic form used for electronic filing to the Authority as it appears at the time of filing on the filing Site;
- "Days of rest" as defined in section 18A of the Law and Administration Ordinance, 5708 1948;
- "Days of sabbatical" according to legislation;
- "Electronic message" as defined in the Electronic Signature Law, 5761 2001;
- "Computerized scanning" as defined in Regulation 3A of the Evidence Regulations (Photocopies), 5730 1969;
- "Principal remedy" the remedy requested in a dispute proceeding that may conclude the proceedings;
- "Patent attorney" as defined in the Patents Law, 5727 1967;
- "Additional design" according to Article Seven of the Law;
- "The Evidence Ordinance" the Evidence Ordinance [New Version], 5731 1971;
- "Approved electronic certificate" as defined in the Electronic Signature Law, 5761 2001;
- "Affidavit" one of the following, provided that it meets the provisions of regulation 8:
  - (1) An affidavit under section 15 of the Evidence Ordinance;
  - (2) An affidavit or a written declaration regarding the veracity of the statements written therein, which were given outside Israel, and are prepared and signed before a diplomatic or consular representative of Israel authorized to do so or before a person authorized to receive them in accordance with the law of the place where they were given.

#### Part 2: Registration Procedures

#### Chapter A: Documents

#### 2. Filing of documents

- (a) An application, notice or other document, and any copy thereof filed to the Authority, shall be filed by filing in paper as stated in regulation 3 or on the Filing Site as stated in regulations 4 to 7, subject to sub-regulation (b).
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-regulation (a), a person who is one of the following listed below shall file applications, notices and documents on the Filing Site only, unless requested by the competent authority:
  - (1) An applicant that is a corporation;
  - (2) A licensed professional under any law, whose filing is made in the framework of his profession or license.

#### 3. Documents filed in paper

- (a) An application, notice or other document, and any copy thereof, filed by filing in paper to the Authority
  - (1) Shall be printed in an indelible color;
  - (2) Shall be on A4-size white paper (width 21 centimeters, height 29.7 centimeters);
  - (3) Shall have a margin of at least 5 centimeters at the top of each sheet, 3 to 4 centimeters to the right of a sheet written in Hebrew or Arabic and to the left of a sheet written in English and at least three centimeters at the end of each line;
  - (4) Shall be printed on one side of the sheet only;
  - (5) Shall be numbered, if containing more than one sheet;
  - (6) Shall include a noting of the design number or number of the design application to which the document relates;
  - (7) Shall be on one subject only;
  - (8) If the document is an image pursuant to regulation 14, it shall be noted in an accompanying document if it is the replacement of a document that was filed earlier.
- (b) In addition to the filing of an application, notice or document by filing in paper in an application under section 48 of the Law or in objection to the decisions of an employee of the Authority pursuant to section 96 of the Law, or an image pursuant to regulation 14, or a copy of the prior application pursuant to regulation 17, a copy thereof shall also be filed on a device used for the storage of computer material, in accordance with sub-regulation (c) and regulation 4 (c) or (d).

- (c) In the filing of an application, notice and other documents to the Authority, on a device used for the storage of computer material made alongside filing in paper under sub-regulation (b) -
  - (1) The date of filing of such notice, application or document shall be regarded as the date of their filing in paper or the date of filing thereof on the device, the later of the two;
  - (2) Sub-regulation (a) (4) shall not apply to the application, notice or document filed by filing in paper.
- (d) Sub-regulation (a) shall not apply on a filing in paper of an official document given by an authority of the State or an authority of a foreign State or given by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO).

#### 4. Submission of documents on the Filing Site

- (a) A design application filed on the Filing Site shall be filed to the Authority by means of an electronic filing form, and files containing the visual description and, as applicable, a power of attorney pursuant to regulation 11, shall be attached thereto.
- (b) An application, notice or other document that must be or may be filed to the Authority may be filed on the Filing Site.
- (c) A document filed on the Filing Site containing verbal (textual) information will be prepared using software that enables a literal search in the language in which the document is written, such as in software that is used to create verbal PDF files (Portable Document Format); A document containing only non-verbal information may also be filed in non-verbal PDF format, subject to subregulation (d).
- (d) A document filed on the Filing Site containing a visual description as stated in regulation 14 shall be filed in one of the following formats: TIFF, JPEG.

#### 5. Identification requirement

- (a) Anyone filing any application, notice or other document filed under regulation 4 shall identify himself by means of an approved electronic certificate.
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-regulation (a), anyone filed an application, notice or a document listed below is not obligated to identify himself by means of an approved electronic certificate, but must register to

the Filing Site and provide the details required for this purpose, including personal information and a password:

- (1) An application for the Commissioner's decision on the question of a service design under section 12 (b) of the Law;
- (2) A design application under section 18 of the Law;
- (3) An application to list a designer's name under section 33 of the Law;
- (4) An application to cancel the listing of the designer's name under section 34 of the Law;
- (5) An application for an amendment filed under section 46 (a) of the Law by a person who is not the applicant or the proprietor of the design;
- (6) An application to cancel the registration of a design in the Register, to cancel the validity renewal of a design that has lapsed and to cancel the amendment of a registered entry under section 48 of the Law;
- (7) An additional design application under section 55 of the Law;
- (8) A request to join a proceeding under section 98(b) of the Law;
- (9) Application for renewal of a design registration under regulation 41;
- (10) A response under regulation 73 to an application for the commissioner's ruling on a question of a service design;
- (11) Payment of fees to which no additional document was attached.

#### 6. Receipt of documents

- (a) Upon the filing of an application, notice or other document on the Filing Site, they shall be deemed to have been filed on the date on which they were received on the Filing Site according to the notice of their receipt, which the Authority shall send to the e-mail address provided by the Applicant for this purpose upon filing; If the receipt of such application, notice or document is rejected, the Authority shall send the notice of their rejection to said e-mail address stating the reason for the rejection.
- (b) Upon the filing of a document on the Filing Site, the document will not be received and will not be considered as filed, unless it has successfully passed a technical acceptance test, including checking the integrity of the file, its size, format and the like; filing will not be permitted for a document that has not passed the acceptance test.
- (c) An application for registration of a design that is filed on the Filing Site, where the name of the applicant has not been noted, for which a fee has not been paid or to which no visual description file has been attached, will not be received on the Filing Site and no notice as stated in sub-regulation (a) shall be sent in respect thereof, however, the Filing Site shall show an automated display that these details have not been completed.

#### 7. Submission in times of a malfunction

- (a) If a malfunction is expected or if there is a malfunction in the Filing Site, the competent authority shall publish a notice on the Website indicating the date of commencement of the malfunction and the date of its termination, if it is known to the competent authority; If the date of the termination of the malfunction is not known at the time of publication of the said notice or if the date of commencement or termination of the malfunction has changed then the competent authority will publish on the Website an additional notice stating the date of the termination of the malfunction or the updated date, as applicable (in this regulation Additional Notice).
- (b) Where the competent authority has published such notice, including any additional notice, these provisions shall apply to anyone filing an application, notice or document (in this regulation Document):
  - (1) With respect to a malfunction that ends before the deadline for filing of the document (in this regulation the Deadline) then notwithstanding the provisions of regulation 2 (b), the applicant may file the document by filing in paper as stated in regulation 3, from the date of the onset of the malfunction according to the notice up to two business days after the actual date of termination of the malfunction or two business days after the date of publication of a notice or additional notice of the termination of the malfunction, the later of the dates;
  - (2) With respect to a malfunction occurring on the deadline notwithstanding the provisions of regulation 2 (b), the applicant may file the document by filing in paper as stated in regulation 3 or on the Filing Site, up to two business days after the deadline, and the document shall be deemed to have been filed upon the deadline;
  - (3) If the applicant acted as stated in paragraph (2), he shall not be charged with the payment of a fee for the extension of such date in accordance with item 13 of the Second Schedule.
- (c) An additional notice shall not affect the validity of a filing made under sub-regulation (b) on the basis of a previous notice.
- (d) Where it is not possible to file a document on the Filing Site at the deadline, either because the filing failed on the Filing Site and the Authority did not publish a notice of a malfunction or because of a failure of the applicant's computers that prevents filing on the Filing Site and cannot be rectified on the same day, sub-regulation (b)(2) shall apply to the filing of the document, provided that an affidavit detailing the filing attempt and the circumstances leading up to failure in filing on time shall be attached to the

filed document.

#### 8. Affidavit

An affidavit shall be in the first person, divided into sections, and contain only facts which the affiant can prove from his own knowledge or, if he has provided the reasons for this, to the best of his knowledge.

#### 9. Submission of documents in a dispute proceeding

- (a) If one of the parties to a dispute proceeding is entitled or obliged to file to the Commissioner a notice, request, response, statement of arguments or evidence or any other document regarding the same proceeding, the party filing the document must file, upon its filing to the Commissioner, a copy to any other person who is a party to the dispute proceeding, if there is no other provision in this matter, and the following provisions shall apply:
  - (1) A party to the dispute proceeding, who provides a copy of a document filed to the Authority, other than the first document in the proceeding, to another party in the proceeding as stated in the first part, may send it to the email address provided under regulation 10(b), if so provided; If the party filing the document has sent the copy of the document via e-mail as stated, he shall notify the addressee by phone, within 24 hours from the time of the delivery, that he has sent him the copy of the document via e-mail and that the document has been filed to the competent authority and he shall prepare a note of the telephone message, that shall include the document details, the time of the call and the name of the person to whom the notice was given, but if the other party has confirmed the receipt of the document via e-mail, the filing party is not obliged to notify him by phone, as stated;
  - (2) A party to the dispute proceeding, who provides a copy of a document filed to the Authority, other than the first document in the proceeding, to another party in the proceeding as stated in sub-regulation (a), may send it to the fax number provided under regulation 10(a), if so provided; If the party filing the document has sent the copy of the document via fax as stated, he shall notify the addressee by phone, within 24 hours from the time of the delivery, that he has sent him the copy of the document via fax and that the document has been filed to the competent authority and he shall prepare a note of the telephone message, that shall include the document details, the time of the call and the name of the person to whom the notice was given;
  - (3) A party to the dispute proceeding, who filed a document to the Authority through the Filing Site, shall be delivered to the other party by the e-mail procedure as stated in paragraph (1), by fax as stated in paragraph (2) or by hand delivery;
  - (4) A copy of a document filed under paragraphs (1) or (2), on a Friday, on

- a day of rest, on a sabbatical, or after 17:00, shall be deemed to have been delivered on the following weekday.
- (b) The competent authority may at any time demand from any party that is required to deliver a document to another party to a proceeding under sub-regulation (a), to file to the competent authority a confirmation of receipt or other evidence, to its satisfaction, that the said document was indeed delivered.
- (c) Where a person has delivered a document to the Authority and he must deliver a copy thereof to the other part as stated in sub-regulation (a) and has not delivered it, the document filed to the Authority shall be deemed to have not been filed as long as the copy has not been delivered to the other party; For this purpose, delivery to the other party including delivery by mail in a duly addressed letter and for which the postage was paid.
- (d) Where a person filed a document to the Authority which is subject to subregulation (a) and which is invalid on the face of it or to which the prescribed
  fee has not been attached, the competent authority shall send notice thereof to
  the parties as soon as possible after the document has been delivered to the
  Authority, and the documents shall be deemed to have not been delivered as long
  as the invalidity has not been rectified or the fee has not been paid.

#### 10. Address for delivery of documents

- (a) Anyone filing a document to the Authority who has not yet filed a document to the Authority on that same matter, shall provide an address in Israel for the delivery of documents, including the name of the locality, the street name, the house number and the postal code number, and including the phone and fax numbers or the mailbox number at that address; In the absence of a street name or house number another identifying mark.
- (b) In addition to the address as stated in sub-regulation (a), someone who files a document may also provide an e-mail address, if he wishes to receive documents from the Authority and from a party to a dispute proceeding under regulation 9(a)(1); Receipt of documents via e-mail as stated requires the express consent of the applicant, and if such express consent is given, the consent shall be valid for all documents sent to that same applicant; Upon receipt of the e-mail address, the Authority shall notify the applicant that said documents will be sent to this address if the applicant does not update otherwise.
- (c) Anyone filing a design application shall specify an e-mail address for

receiving notices prior to the expiration of the design under section 45 of the Law, and for the purpose of receiving documents that the competent authority is not obligated to send under these regulations; where the applicant has not filed an e-mail address - he will not receive the notifications mentioned in this sub-regulation.

- (d) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-regulation (b), the Authority shall send a certified copy of the application or a registration certificate, in paper, if so requested by the design applicant.
- (e) An address as stated in sub-regulation (a) shall be regarded as the address with respect to any duty or permission to deliver documents to the addressee under the Law or these regulations, but if an e-mail address is provided pursuant to sub-regulation (b), the Authority and a party to a dispute proceeding may deliver documents to the addressee through it, subject to the provisions of sub-regulation (b) and regulation 9(a)(1), as applicable.
- (f) A notice sent by the Authority via e-mail as stated in sub-regulation (b) shall be deemed to have been delivered to the addressee on the day and time of dispatch as it appears on an internal clock in the Authority's computer system calibrated according to rules ensuring proper and acceptable calibration, unless proven otherwise.
- (g) Where a person has given authorization under regulation 11, the address of the authorized person shall be deemed to be the address for the delivery of documents to the authorizing person, as long as the authorization is valid and as long as the authorizing person or the authorized person has not notified the Authority otherwise; This regulation shall also apply to the authorized person's address or other address provided, and the authorized person may give a notification of an e-mail address as stated in sub-regulation (b) in respect of all design applications and the proceedings in which he serves as the representative, or any part thereof.

#### 11. Authorization

- (a) Any act required of a person under the Law or these regulations or permitted thereunder, may, by written power of attorney given to the Authority, permit a patent attorney or an attorney of law authorized to practice their profession to perform the act.
- (b) No more than one authorized person shall be authorized in respect to the same matter unless a number of authorized persons who are partners or are

working together in one office were authorized; however, a person may permit more than one authorized person to appear and argue in his name.

(c) Where a number of persons are authorized under sub-regulation (b) and later the partnership is dissolved or the authorized persons have ceased to work together, in the absence of any other notice from the authorizing person or the authorized persons, the authorized person whose address was provided as the address of these authorized persons prior to them ceasing to work together, shall be deemed to be the authorized person.

#### 12. Change of authorized person and cancellation of authorization

- (a) A person represented by an authorized person before the Authority may replace his authorized person or cancel his authorization, provided that a notification in that regard has been given to the competent authority; Until such time, the previous authorized person shall be deemed as the authorized person of said person, until the final conclusion of the handling of the matter for which the authorized person was authorized, and without cancellation or exchange in said manner, the authorized person may not be released from the handling of the matter or part of it without the permission of the competent authority.
- (b) The competent authority may, if it deems reasonable to do so, refuse to acknowledge a power of attorney given to an authorized person if ten years have elapsed since the date on which it was given.

#### Chapter B: The Application and the Visual Description

#### 13. The application

- (a) A design application filed by filing in paper, including an additional design application, shall be filed to the Authority on the application form and accompanied by a proper visual description, as well as the filing fee as specified in items 1 or 2 of the Second Schedule, as applicable; In addition, a copy of the visual description will be filed to the Authority on a device used for the storage of computer material.
- (b) A design application filing on the Filing Site as stated in regulation 4, including an additional design application, shall be accompanied by a proper visual description, as well as the filing fee as specified in items 1 or 2 of the Second Schedule, as applicable.

#### 14. Proper visual description

- (a) The applicant shall file the images of the design in its entirety and shall specify the total number of images, the order of the images and the projection in which the design product is displayed in each image.
- (b) Images showing a design may be of one of the following formats, provided that their quality is sufficient, they are clear enough, and their number is concurrent with the description of the design:
  - (1) Photographs;
  - (2) Drawings;
  - (3) Computer simulation.
- (c) If the application is filed by filing in paper in respect of more than one design, the applicant shall clearly indicate to which of the designs each image pertains and each sheet shall have a visual description of one design only.
- (d) Where an application has been filed on the Filing Site, for more than one design, each image file shall contain a visual description of only one design.
- (e) The visual description shall include only the design whose registration is requested, on a smooth, uniform background.
- (f) The visual description shall not include details other than the body of the design, including words, letters, numbers, lines, surfaces, or a legend.
- (g) The applicant may use dashed lines of various types, provided that he specifies in the verbal description as stated in regulation 15 what each type

of line is meant to signify.

- (h) An applicant may limit parts of the product that are not part of the design whose registration is requested in one of the ways specified below, provided that they will not impair the ability to receive an impression of the design or to discern the details of the design, and provided that they appear in the same manner in every projection in which the design is described in that application:
  - (1) The use of dashed lines, however, the dashed lines shall not describe parts of the product hidden from view;
  - (2) Obscuring;
  - (3) Blackening or whitening.
- (i) If the design product has varying states in the course of its normal use, the applicant may file Full and updated version images of the various states, noting the projection, provided that no images of the intermediate stages of the product are filed.
- (j) If the design product consists of several components, each of which consists of part of the design in the normal use of the product, the applicant may, in addition to displaying the whole product, display the product in an exploded projection, in which the components will be displayed in close proximity and in the order of their assembly.
- (k) If the design product has varying length, the applicant may mark the varying length by a double zigzag line in each projection showing the varying length, provided that the change in length does not change material details in the design of.
- (1) The applicant may add a visual description of one design detail in an enlarged display, provided that this detail is attached in a separate image that also includes the entire design from the same projection.
- (m) If the design product is a set of items, the applicant must file at least one image showing the entire set of items together.
- (n) If the design product is a graphic mark or an animated screen display, the applicant shall indicate this in the verbal description as stated in regulation 15 on the application form or the electronic filing form, as applicable, and shall file a sequence of images reflecting the progress of the animation.
- (o) If color is one of the visual characteristics of the design, the visual

description shall include the same characteristic, provided that all images are filed in the same color.

- (p) If the visual description is provided in color and the color is not a visual characteristic of the product, the applicant shall indicate this in the verbal description, as stated in regulation 15 on the application form or the electronic filing form, as applicable.
- (q) The applicant may file a single image to illustrate the design in its context, provided that he notes on it that the image is for illustrative purposes.
- (r) The Commissioner may require the applicant to file an image of the design product or an image for illustrative purposes as stated in sub-regulation (q).

#### 15. Verbal description

The applicant may include in the application a verbal description of the visual characteristics of the design as expressed in the visual description, provided that all of the visual characteristics are expressed in the visual description; If he chooses to act as aforesaid, he must do so in accordance with regulation 14(g), (n) and (p).

#### 16. Amendments to the application

- (a) If the applicant wishes to amend the application, whether on his own initiative or following notification regarding deficiencies therein, regulation 14 will apply to the amended proper visual description; If the amended visual description is filed by filing in paper, the applicant shall file a copy thereof on a device used for the storage of computer material.
- (b) where the competent authority has decided that the requested amendment changes material details of the design, it shall notify the applicant of the fact and refuse to amend the design.

#### Chapter C: Priority Claim

#### 17. Priority Claim

- (a) A priority claim, under section 21 of the Law, shall be made on the application form or on the electronic filing form, as applicable.
- (b) The priority claim shall be filed no later than two months after the filing of the design application in Israel.
- (c) Where priority is claimed, the applicant shall file the copy of the prior application no later than two months after the claim.
- (d) The applicant shall file the copy of the prior application in one of the following ways:
  - (1) With regard to an earlier application for which the competent authority has given its approval by electronic mail as received by the applicant from the competent authority, provided that the Commissioner is satisfied that the document is reliable;
  - (2) With regard to an earlier application for which the competent authority has given its approval, in paper by electronic message constituting a computerized scan of the copy of the application in paper, as received by the applicant from the competent authority;
  - (3) Reference to the depositing of a copy of the prior application with the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO).
- (e) A priority claim that was not filed on the date of filing the application or a priority claim in addition to the application already filed to the Authority shall be made by means of a request to amend the design registration application as stated in regulation 16.

#### 18. Filing a translation of a prior application

Anyone making a priority claim on the basis of an earlier application in a language other than an official language or English shall file its translation, to the satisfaction of the competent authority, into an official language or into English, within three months from the date on which the competent authority has requested him to do so.

# 19. Division of a design application for which priority is claimed

If the competent authority has ordered the division of an application for which priority is claimed, regulations 17 and 18 shall apply to each application deposited, but it shall not be necessary to file with each application a copy of the prior application as stated in regulation 17 (c), and it is sufficient to note on each application that has been divided the number of the application that was divided and in which a copy of the prior application has been filed.

# Chapter D: Handling of a filled Application, and its Publication 20. Confirmation of filing

Filling confirmation of an application shall be provided to filing the applicant; The confirmation shall state the application number, the date and the date of its expected publication under section 22 of the Law.

#### 21. A deficient application

- (a) Where an application filed is found to be deficient under section 20 of the Law, the Authority shall notify the applicant of the deficiencies and shall not issue the applicant confirmation of filing as provided in regulation 20; For the purpose of this regulation, a proper visual description shall be provided for each design, at least one image, as stated in regulation 14, which presents the design in its entirety.
- (b) The applicant may remedy the deficiencies for which he was given notice under sub-regulation (a), within three months from the date on which the Authority's notice was delivered to him; If he has not made such remedies and the application has been filed by filing in paper, the application form and the documents attached thereto shall be returned to the applicant; But, where it cannot be returned to him, because he did not specify an address or the address he specified is incorrect, the application will be kept by the Authority for one year and then destroyed; If the application is filed on the Filing Site, the application will be kept by the Authority for one year after which the competent authority may delete the application.
- (c) If the applicant remedies the deficiencies for which he is notified under sub-regulation (a), the competent authority shall confirm the filing in the manner prescribed in regulation 20 and the application date will be established as stated in section 20(b) of the Law.

#### 22. Deficiencies in the form of the application

- (a) Where an application has been filed and found to be deficient with one or more of the following, the competent authority shall notify the applicant in writing, as soon as possible after the furnishing of the confirmation of filling pursuant to regulation 20, of the deficiencies that were found:
  - (1) The applicant did not inform the design proprietor under section 19(a)(3)(a) of the Law;
  - (2) A copy of the application was not filed on a device used for the storage of computer material as stated in regulation 3(b), where it is required under these regulations;
  - (3) The application was filed by one claiming to be an authorized person, but

his authorization was not delivered to the Authority as stated in regulation 11(a);

- (4) The application was not filed on an application form or on an electronic filing form, as applicable, or if all of its particulars, including the name of the design, have not been completed;
- (5) The applicant did not specify the date of publication of the design pursuant to regulation 27;
- (6) The applicant did not specify the class or sub-class in which the registration was requested;
- (7) A reduced fee has been paid as specified in the Second Schedule and the applicant was not entitled to such a reduction;
- (8) A registration application of a set of articles has been filed, but a fee was paid for a design according to item 1 of the Second Schedule.
- (b) The applicant may, within three months of the notification of the competent authority as stated in
- sub-regulation (a), remedy the deficiencies for which notice has been given pursuant to sub-regulation (a).
- (c) If the applicant did not remedy deficiencies for which such notification was given, he shall be deemed to be a person who did not rectify deficiencies in respect of which he was notified under section 29 of the Law.

# 23. Publication of the application on the Website

When an application for registration is filed, the competent authority shall publish the application, including the visual description of the design contained therein, on the Website as soon as possible after its filing, unless a postponement of the date of publication under regulation 24 has been requested

# 24. Postponement of the publication on the filing of an application

- (a) If the applicant wishes to postpone the publication of the application as stated in section 22(b) of the Law, he shall inform the competent authority regarding this matter in one of the following ways:
  - (1) On the application form or on the electronic filing form, as applicable;
  - (2) Within seven days from the date of delivery of the filing confirmation to the applicant, by means of a request to postpone the publication of the design application.
- (b) If the applicant wishes to publish the application after requesting the postponement of the publication, as stated in section 22(c) of the Law, he shall notify the competent authority by means of a request to cancel the postponement of the publication of the design application.

# Part 3: Examination of the Application

#### 25. Examination of applications

- (a) The applications shall be examined in the order in which they are filed.
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-regulation (a), an application that was divided shall be examined together with the application divided from it.
- (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-regulation (a), the examination of the application shall not commence prior to its publication under section 22 of the Law.
- (d) Where the competent authority has ordered that the examination of a later application be postponed as stated in section 27 of the Law, it shall inform the applicant of the matter and indicate in its notice the number of the prior application.

#### 26. Advancing an examination

An application for advancing an examination shall be filed in writing pursuant to section 28(a) of the Law, together with a fee according to item 3 of the Second Schedule.

#### 27. Notification of publication that does not negate novelty

The applicant shall notify the competent authority, in writing, upon filing the application, of a publication of the design over the 12 months preceding the relevant date under section 9 of the Law, if any.

#### 28. Notice on deficiencies

- (a) Notice of deficiencies under section 29 of the Law shall be in writing and shall include:
  - (1) The reasons for which the design does not constitute a set of articles, if such protection is requested pursuant to section 1 of the Law;
  - (2) The reasons why the subject of the application does not constitute a design as defined in section 1 of the Law or that its visual characteristics are not eligible for protection pursuant to section 10 of the Law;
  - (3) The reasons for which a design is contrary to public policy, pursuant to section 5 of the Law;
  - (4) Reference to a publication that negates the novelty of design, pursuant to section 6 of the Law;
  - (5) Reference to a publication that negates the individual character of the design, pursuant to section 7 of the Law;
  - (6) An instruction to divide the design application as stated in regulation

29(b);

- (7) The reasons for which the design constitutes a set of articles, if no such protection has been requested or if a sufficient fee has not been paid, according to item 2 of the Second Schedule;
- (8) Notice that the visual description does not meet the requirements of these regulations;
- (9) Notice that the application does not comply with the requirements of these regulations regarding its form.
- (b) If the competent authority finds that the reason for the deficiency is one of the reasons specified in sub-regulation (a)(4) or (5), which originates in a registered design owned by the applicant, and the design subject of the application complies with the provisions of section 31 of the Ordinance, the design application shall be deemed to be an application under said section of the Ordinance, except with respect to the publication thereof under section 22 of the Law.

#### 29. Dividing a design application

- (a) Where a design application includes a number of designs and a fee has been paid for each of the designs contained therein, the competent authority shall divide it into several design registration applications, so that each application shall include one design.
- (b) Where a design application includes a number of designs and a fee has not been paid for each of the designs contained therein, the competent authority shall inform the applicant of the division of the application and instruct the applicant to file separate design registration applications so that each application will include one design, and if possible, specify the various designs included in the application.
- (c) The applicant may, within three months of the date of being given notice as stated in sub-regulation (b), act in one of the ways specified below; If the applicant does not act as aforesaid, his application shall be denied:
  - (1) File separate applications as stated in the aforesaid notice together with payment of the fee according to the number of designs for which no fee has been paid;
  - (2) Explain why a sufficient fee has been paid for the design application.
- (d) If an application that has been divided includes a number of designs and a fee has not been paid for each of the designs contained therein, the competent authority shall inform the applicant and order the amendment of the application

so that the divided application shall include one design.

- (e) The applicant may not divide an application that has been separated.
- (f) The dates of each divided application under this regulation shall be the date of the application that was divided and regulations 20 to 22 shall apply.

#### 30. The applicant's response to the notice

The applicant may, within three months from the date of being given notice as stated in regulation 28, in a response to the notice, remedy the deficiencies in respect of which he was notified, together with an explanation of how the remedy executed corrects the deficiencies, explain why the applicant is not required to remedy the deficiencies, all or part thereof, or file an appeal request against the decision or action of the competent authority before the Commissioner under regulation 34, together with a fee according to item 11 of the Second Schedule.

#### 31. Examination of remedies

- (a) If the applicant remedied the deficiencies, as stated in regulation 30, the competent authority shall examine the application and the visual description as amended, and shall examine any amendment to the following matters:
  - (1) whether it is sufficient to remove the deficiencies in respect of which the applicant was notified as stated in regulations 28 and 29;
  - (2) whether the amendment comply with the provisions of the Law and the regulations regarding its content and form;
  - (3) whether the amendment changes material details of the design.
- (b) The competent authority shall notify the applicant of the deficiencies found in the amended application; Such notice shall be deemed to be a notice under regulation 28, and the applicant may respond to it as stated in regulation 30.
- (c) This regulation shall also apply to the examination of amendments made by the applicant prior to the examination date of the application, provided that an amendment to the application shall not be examined before the date for examination of the application.

# 32. Examination of the reasons

If the applicant claimed, in reasons given under regulation 30, that he is not required to remedy the deficiencies, or has responded to a notice under regulation 29, the competent authority shall examine the reasons and if it sees fit to reject them, it shall notify the applicant; A notice as aforesaid shall

be deemed to be a notice under regulation 28, unless the competent authority has decided to refuse the application as stated in regulation 33.

#### 33. Refusal due to failure of respond or rejection of response

If the applicant did not respond in one of the ways stated in regulation 30, or if the competent authority determines that the response does not remove the deficiencies or rejects the applicant's reasons as stated in regulation 32, the competent authority will refuse the application and notify the applicant.

#### 34. Objection to a refusal

If the competent authority refuses the application as provided in regulation 33, the applicant may, within one month from the date of the notification, object to the decision in writing to the Commissioner, together with a fee according to item 11 of the Second Schedule.

#### 35. Filing of an objection

In an objection under regulation 30 or 34, the applicant shall specify the decision or action of the competent authority to which he objects and his arguments, and shall attach to the objection any document on which he wishes to rely; The applicant shall attach an affidavit to verify the facts that serve as the basis for the objection.

#### 36. Scheduling a date for making arguments

Where an objection is filed, the competent authority shall set a date for hearing the applicant's arguments and shall notify the applicant of the fact.

#### 37. The Commissioner's decision

The Commissioner's decision on the objection shall be reasoned and in writing and shall be delivered to the applicant.

#### 38. Completion of the examination within one year

- (a) A design application shall be examined within one year from the date of sending the first notice of deficiencies under regulation 28.
- (b) An examination of an application that has been divided shall be completed within one year from the date of sending the notice by the competent authority pursuant to regulation 29(b) regarding the divided application.
- (c) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-regulations (a) and (b), if the examination is postponed under regulation 25(c), or if a request for bringing arguments under regulation 36 or an objection under regulation 34 is filed, the

period of postponement and the period of the hearing before the Commissioner, as applicable, shall not be taken into account in the period of the year.

#### 39. Determination of class and sub-class

The competent authority shall determine the class and sub-class of the design pursuant to the Third Schedule.

# 40. Design certificate

Where the design is registered according to section 31 of the Law, the applicant shall be issued a certificate signed by the Commissioner and it shall be delivered after the registration of the design in the register to the proprietor of the registered design, as stated in regulation 10.

#### Part 4: Renewal of Registration

#### 41. Renewal fee

- (a) For the purpose of renewing a design registration, the applicant shall file a request and attach the confirmation of payment of the fee as set forth in sub-regulation (b).
- (b) The renewal fees to be paid in order for the design to be valid shall be in the amounts set forth in item 5 of the Second Schedule and shall be paid as specified below and subject to regulation 43:
  - (1) The first renewal fee shall be paid before the expiration of five years from the date of filing of the design application;
  - (2) The second renewal fee shall be paid before the expiration of ten years from the date of filing of the design application;
  - (3) The third renewal fee shall be paid before the expiration of fifteen years from the date of filing of the design application;
  - (4) The fourth renewal fee shall be paid before the expiration of twenty years from the date of filing of the design application.
- (c) Anyone who paid, on the date on which he must pay the first renewal fee, the fee according to item 5(5) of the Second Schedule does not have to pay any additional renewal fee, and he is deemed to have duly and timely paid all the renewal fees he owes.

#### 42 Reminder for payment

Where the applicant furnishes an e-mail address as stated in regulation 10(b), the competent authority shall send notice to the design proprietor of any date on which he must pay a renewal fee no later than three months before that date.

#### 43. Payment of the fee

- (a) Any renewal fee shall be paid not earlier than six months before the date determined for its payment.
- (b) The payment of any renewal fee shall be recorded in the Register and the design proprietor shall be given a confirmation as such.
- (c) Anyone paying a renewal fee after the date on which he was required to pay it according to regulation 41 and the Second Schedule, shall pay, in addition to the renewal fee, in respect of each month of delay in payment or any part thereof, the fee under item 6 of the Second Schedule.

# 44. Expiration of a design

Where a renewal fee has not been paid by the end of the extension stated in section 41 of the Law, it shall be recorded in the Register that the validity of the design has expired.

#### Part 5: Proceedings before the Commissioner

# Chapter A: Application for the Cancellation of a Registered Design 45. Application for cancellation

- (a) An application for the cancellation of a design shall be filed to the Commissioner in writing together with the fee according to item 10 of the Second Schedule and shall specify the grounds for the cancellation, the facts on which the applicant bases his arguments and the requested remedy.
- (b) The one requesting the cancellation may attach his evidence to his statement of arguments.
- (c) If the applicant for the cancellation does not intend to file evidence, he shall give notice of that fact in his statement of arguments.

#### 46. Statement of arguments and evidence of the design proprietor

- (a) Within one month from the date of submission of the statement of arguments on behalf of the applicant for cancellation under regulation 45(a), the design proprietor shall file to the Commissioner his statement of arguments in response.
- (b) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-regulation (a), where evidence was attached to the statement of arguments on behalf of the applicant for cancellation as stated in regulation 45(b) or if the applicant for cancellation announced that he will not file evidence as stated in regulation 45(c), the design proprietor shall file to the Commissioner his statement of arguments within two months, and attach his evidence.
- (c) If the design owner does not file a statement of arguments as stated in sub-regulation (a) or (b), as applicable, he shall be deemed to have admitted to the argument made by the applicant for cancellation and to have agreed to the granting of the remedy requested by the applicant for cancellation.

#### 47. Evidence on behalf of the applicant for cancellation

Where the applicant for the cancellation did not file his evidence as stated in regulation 45(b) and did not give notice under regulation 45(c), he shall file his evidence to the Commissioner within one month from the day on which the statement of arguments was filed to the Commissioner on behalf of the design proprietor, as stated in regulation 46(a); If he fails to do so, he shall be deemed to have admitted to the facts argued by the design proprietor, and the Commissioner shall decide accordingly.

#### 48. Evidence in response on behalf of the applicant for cancellation

The applicant for the cancellation may, within one month from the date on which the evidence is filed by the design proprietor as stated in regulation 46(b), file evidence in response to the Commissioner regarding facts explicitly denied by the design owner in his evidence or that first arose in said evidence.

#### 49. End of evidence

No additional evidence shall be filed on behalf of the applicant for cancellation or the design proprietor, unless given permission by the Commissioner.

#### 50. Translation of documents in the evidence

If a document filed as evidence is prepared in a language other than an official language or English, its translation into an official language or into English shall be enclosed, verified to the Commissioner's satisfaction, unless otherwise directed by the Commissioner.

#### Chapter B: Conducting a Proceeding before the Commissioner

#### 51. Joining a proceeding before the Commissioner

- (a) A request to the Commissioner to join a proceeding before him under section 98 of the Law shall be filed to the Commissioner in writing within 30 days from the date of publication of the proceeding, specifying the pertinent facts for deciding on the request and evidence for establishing it together with the fee according to item 12 of the Second Schedule.
- (b) The parties to the proceeding shall be the respondents to the request and shall be noted in the request if they agree to it.
- (c) Regulation 97 shall apply to a request to join the proceeding.

#### 52. Scheduling a date for hearing the parties' arguments

Where statements of claim and evidence were filed, or if no evidence has been filed, the period for their filing has passed, the competent authority shall appoint a time for hearing the parties' arguments.

#### 53. Failure to appear to the making of the arguments

- (a) On the day set for hearing the parties' arguments, they shall act as follows:
  - (1) If one of the parties fails to appear, the Commissioner shall hear the other party, provided that if the Commissioner finds that a party that has failed to appear has abandoned his case, he shall deny his request;
  - (2) If the Commissioner has reasonable grounds to assume that no notice has been given to one of the parties, or that he has been prevented from appearing before him due to special circumstances, he shall postpone the hearing to another date;
  - (3) The Commissioner shall decide on the basis of the material before him, if the parties so request up to one week before the date of the hearing, and the Commissioner approves such a request.
- (b) Where the parties have concluded their arguments, the Commissioner may instruct them to summarize their arguments in writing on the entire case or on a specific question as directed by him; Such an instruction shall determine the order of claims and all other matters which, in his opinion, require arrangement.
- (c) A party who has not filed the summation of his arguments pursuant to the instructions of the Commissioner under sub-regulation (b) shall be deemed a party who did not appear at the time appointed for hearing the parties' arguments, unless the Commissioner orders otherwise.

#### 54. Questioning of affiants

- (a) If a party wishes to cross-examine a affiant that is not a party, he shall notify the Commissioner of the fact by written notice no later than fifteen days before the date scheduled for hearing the parties' arguments, and such notice will require the presence of the affiant on the relevant date; If the affiant is a foreign resident, the notice shall be filed no later than one month prior to said date.
- (b) A party claiming that there are reasonable grounds not to permit the questioning of a particular affiant whose appearance is required under sub-regulation (a), shall file their request to the Commissioner no later than seven days from the date on which the counter-party's request was delivered to him and the Commissioner shall decide on the matter of the appearance.
- (c) If a notice has not been given under sub-regulation (b) and the affiant has not appeared in accordance with sub-regulation (a), an affidavit shall not serve as evidence unless the Commissioner is satisfied that the receipt of the affidavit as evidence is necessary for the purpose of justice or for the protection of a public interest.
- (d) The Commissioner may at any time demand, on his own initiative, the appearance of a particular affiant for the purpose of questioning.

# 55. Discovery of documents and provision of additional details

- (a) At any stage of the hearing, the Commissioner may order a party to disclose whether a particular document is or was in his possession or under his control, and if it is not available as aforesaid when it left his possession or control and what was on it; If the Commissioner so orders, the other party may review and copy the document.
- (b) The Commissioner shall not so order, unless he deems it necessary so as to allow a fair hearing, taking into account, among other things, the contribution of the document to the hearing, to the questions in dispute, its evidentiary value, the stage in the hearing in which the disclosure is requested, the imposition on the opposing party resulting from the disclosure of the document and the applicant's ability to review the document without this provision.
- (c) At any stage of the hearing, the Commissioner may, at the request of a party in a reasoned and written decision and on special grounds, instruct another party to disclose in an affidavit which documents are relevant to the matter in question, that are or were in his possession or control and that have been

located after an examination and inquiry.

(d) The Commissioner may order the provision of additional details if he believes that this would clarify the arguments of the parties or the questions in dispute between the parties pertaining to the matter before him.

#### 56. Recording of minutes

In any proceeding before the Commissioner, minutes shall be recorded, by the competent authority, by means of recording instruments or other technological means.

#### 57. Amendment of the minutes

The Commissioner may, at the request of a party and after giving the other parties an opportunity to make their statements, amend any recording of minutes, whether before a decision is made in the request for cancellation or thereafter.

#### 58. Mediation

The Commissioner may, with the consent of the parties, transfer a proceeding before him to mediation; Section 79C of the Courts Law shall apply to this regulation mutatis mutandis and with the following changes:

- (1) In each place, instead of "court" it shall read "the Commissioner";
- (2) Matters delivered under a mediation proceeding shall not be used as evidence in a proceeding being conducted before the Commissioner;
- (3) If the parties reach a mediation arrangement, the parties shall notify the Commissioner of the fact, and the Commissioner may give the arrangement the effect of a decision, if he deems it proper to do so and if no public interest is harmed by this decision;
- (4) The Commissioner shall only hear proceedings within his powers.

# 59. The Commissioner's decision

- (a) At the end of the hearing, or thereafter as soon as possible under the circumstances, the Commissioner shall render his decision, however the Commissioner may -
  - (1) At any stage of the hearing, render his decision in one of the motions for remedy, if it appears to him that there is nothing in the continued hearings that shall change the findings regarding the material facts pertaining to that motion or the questions to be decided;
  - (2) If he deems it appropriate to do so, to give an interim decision in which he shall decide on questions in dispute.
- (b) The Commissioner's decision shall contain a concise summary on the matter,

the findings of the Commissioner regarding the material facts, the questions that were to be decided upon, and the decision and its reasons.

(c) The Commissioner's decision shall be in writing, signed and shall bear the date of his signature.

#### 60. Delivery of the decision to the parties

The competent authority shall deliver the decision to the parties.

# 61. Payment of reasonable expenses

- (a) In any proceeding before him, the Commissioner may order the payment of reasonable expenses but no more than the amounts specified in the Fourth Schedule to these regulations.
- (b) The Commissioner shall instruct which of the parties shall pay the expenses and how they shall be paid.
- (c) Nothing in the above shall derogate from the Commissioner's power to award expenses to be paid to the Treasury.

#### 62. Notice on an appeal

Where an appeal has been filed on the Commissioner's decision in a proceeding under this chapter, the appellant shall notify the Commissioner of the fact at the time of the filing of the appeal to the court.

#### 63. Motion for independent validation for an additional design

Where the proprietor of a design that was canceled under Article Six of Chapter D of the Law wishes to exercise his right under section 60 of the Law, he shall file his application on the matter to the competent authority no later than one month from the date on which the main design was canceled.

#### Chapter C: A Request to List the Designer's Name

#### 64. Manner of filing a request to list the designer's name

A request to list the designer's name under section 33 of the Law shall be filed to the Authority in writing together with an affidavit verifying the facts that constitute the basis for the application and the fee according to item 4 of the Second Schedule.

#### 65. Manner of filing of a motion to cancel the listing of the designer's name

- (a) A motion to cancel the listing of a designer's name shall be filed at any time and shall specify the grounds and the facts on which the applicant relies.
- (b) The one requesting the cancellation may attach to his arguments his evidence.
- (c) If the one requesting the cancellation does not intend to file evidence, he shall give notice of the fact in his arguments.

# 66. The respondents to a motion to cancel the listing of a designer's name Anyone who is named as a designer and anyone who is given notice of the listing of the designer's name under section 33 (c) of the Law will be the respondents to the motion.

# 67. Continued proceedings in a motion to cancel the listing of the designer's name

The continuation of the proceedings under this chapter shall apply to the procedures prescribed for the motion to cancel the design under Chapter A and the matter of the investigation of the proceeding before the Commissioner under Chapter B.

# Chapter D: Validity Renewal of a Design

#### 68. Validity renewal application

An application for the renewal of the design's validity shall be in writing and the facts on which the applicant bases his request shall be specified and a fee shall be attached to it according to item 7 of the Second Schedule; The Commissioner may require the applicant to file an affidavit in support of the facts specified in the application, if he deems it necessary.

#### 69. Refusal of the application

- (a) If the Commissioner is not satisfied that the renewal application of the design validity is to be accepted, he shall notify the applicant accordingly, and the applicant may, within one month of the giving of the notice, request to make his arguments before the Commissioner.
- (b) If the applicant did not request to make his arguments, he shall be deemed to have abandoned his application.

#### 70. Acceptance of a renewal application of validity

- (a) Where the Commissioner has accepted the renewal application of the design validity whether after examining it only or after hearing the arguments of the applicant he shall notify the applicant accordingly.
- (b) Where the Commissioner has notified the applicant that he has accepted his application as stated in sub-regulation (a), the applicant shall pay within one month of the giving of the notice the part of the renewal fee according to item 5 of the Second Schedule, that has not been paid.

# 71. Recording of the renewal of validity in the Register

Where the Commissioner decides to renew the validity of the design and the fee according to item 5 of the Second Schedule is paid, the fact shall be recorded in the Register and the design proprietor shall be given a certificate attesting the fact.

#### 72. Application to cancel the renewal of validity

- (a) Where a person wishes to cancel the renewal of the validity of a registered design, he shall give notice of the fact in writing, specify in his application which of the conditions for the renewal of the validity have not been fulfilled, and shall pay the fee according to item 10 of the Second Schedule.
- (b) The one requesting the cancellation may attach to his arguments his evidence.

- (c) If the applicant requesting the cancellation does not intend to file evidence, he shall give notice of the fact in his arguments.
- (d) The continuation of the proceedings pursuant to this regulation shall be subject to the procedures prescribed with respect to an application for cancellation of a design under Chapter A and the conduct of the proceeding before the Commissioner under Chapter B.

# Chapter E: Dispute in Connection with a Service Design

#### 73. Notice concerning a motion to the Commissioner

- (a) A motion to the Commissioner to decide on the question whether a particular design is a service design shall be filed to the Commissioner in writing specifying the pertinent facts for determining on the question and evidence for their foundation, and shall specify who the respondent is.
- (b) If the applicant does not intend to file evidence, he shall give notice of the fact in his arguments.
- (c) The continuation of the proceedings pursuant to this regulation shall be subject to the procedures prescribed with respect to an application for cancellation of a design under Chapter A and the conduct of the proceeding before the Commissioner under Chapter B.

#### Part 6: Recording in the Register and Amendment of Documents

#### 74. The Designs Register

Following are the details that will be recorded in the Designs Register with respect to each design:

- (1) The name, address, address for delivery of documents in Israel of the design proprietor or anyone with rights to the design, and the name of the designer, if specified;
- (2) The design name, class and sub-class, date of application, and if priority is claimed the office to which a prior application was filed within the meaning of section 21 of the Law, the date of the filing of the prior application and the number or other identifying mark given to it by the authority to which it was filed, the date of registration of the design, a verbal description of the design, if any;
- (3) Renewal fees paid, expiry, renewal of validity, proceedings initiated in the matter of design and their results;
- (4) The transfer of ownership and the granting of unique licenses in respect of rights in a registered design under section 15 of the Law and the name and address of the person to whom the ownership or license has been granted and the dates of its granting and in respect of a license, the date of its expiration as well;
- (5) If the design is an additional design or a design originated from a divided application;
- (6) Any other detail requested by the competent authority, if in its opinion the public has an interest in its publication.

#### 75. Recording of changes

- (a) An application to record changes in details as stated in regulation 74(1) shall be filed to the competent authority, and the reasons for the application shall be specified and evidence in support of the application shall be attached, and the competent authority may demand additional details or evidence to its satisfaction.
- (b) Where an application has been filed as aforesaid in sub-regulation (a) for the amendment of a typographical error or for a change of address for the delivery of documents in Israel by the design proprietor, no fee shall be collected in respect thereof.
- (c) Where the application is filed as aforesaid in sub-regulation (a), a person other than the registered proprietor or holder of a unique license and not on his behalf or with the consent of the registered proprietor, the application will be subject to regulation 79.

# 76. Deleting or canceling the registration of a design in the Register at the request of the proprietor of the registered desig

An application to delete or cancel a registration of a design in the Register under section 47 of the Law shall be filed by the design proprietor in writing, specifying the reasons for the deletion or cancellation, as applicable, and the requested remedy.

#### 77. Transfer of ownership and registration of a unique license

- (a) An application to register the transfer of ownership or the grant of a unique license in a registered design shall be filed to the competent authority together with the document attesting to the action and with the fee according to item 9 in the Second Schedule.
- (b) The competent authority shall record in the Register the transfer of the right if it learns that the right was transferred after examination of the documents filed to it.
- (c) The competent authority may require a certified copy of each document filed to it and any additional document proving the transfer whose registration has been requested.

#### 78. Receipt of abstracts and documents

An application for a certified copy of an abstract from the Register and a request for a certified copy of any document in the possession of the Commissioner as stated in Section 104 of the Law, shall be filed in writing and a fee shall be attached to it according to items 14 or 15 of the Second Schedule.

# 79. Application for the amendment of records and documents

- (a) An application for the amendment of records and documents shall be filed to the Commissioner, together with a fee according to item 8 of the Second Schedule, specifying the requested amendment, the reasons for the request and an affidavit confirming the facts on which the applicant relies.
- (b) Where the competent authority considers that the right of any person is not liable to be prejudiced thereby, it shall inform the applicant that it has permitted or performed the amendment.

# 80. Application for the amendment of records and documents by someone other than the design proprietor

(a) Where the application as stated in regulation 79 has been filed by a person who is not the proprietor of the registered design, the proprietor of the

registered design may respond to the application within two months from the date on which the competent authority notified him of the filling of the application for amendment.

- (b) Where the design proprietor has not responded to the application at the time prescribed for such, the Commissioner shall examine the proposed amendment and if he is not convinced that the amendment should be permitted, or if he deems that conditions must be stipulated for granting the permission, he shall so inform the applicant and the design proprietor, as applicable.
- (c) Where the design proprietor has responded to the application or the applicant for the amendment has asked to make his arguments, the Commissioner shall set a date for hearing the arguments and shall notify the parties accordingly.

#### 81. Publication of the amendment

- (a) Where the Commissioner permits the amendment of the record or the document whether after examining the application only or after hearing the arguments of the applicant or the parties he shall so inform the applicant and the design proprietor, as applicable.
- (b) The competent authority shall publish the amendment on the Website; If the amendment is to a detail specified in the Register, the amendment shall be recorded in the Register.

## 82. Application to cancel the amendment

- (a) If a person wishes to cancel an amendment of a particular registered in the Register or in any other document issued by the Authority under the Law, he shall give notice thereof in writing, specify in his application which of the conditions for the amendment have not been fulfilled and shall pay the fee according to item 10 of the Second Schedule.
- (b) The one requesting the cancellation may attach to his arguments his evidence.
- (c) If the one requesting the cancellation does not intend to file evidence, he shall give notice of the fact in his arguments.
- (d) The continuation of the proceedings pursuant to this regulation shall be subject to the procedures prescribed with respect to an application for design cancellation under Chapter 1 and the conduct of the proceeding before the Commissioner under Chapter 2 of Part Five.

#### Part 7: Publication on the Website

#### 83. Publication of the information

- (a) The Commissioner shall publish on the Website the information and documents in accordance with the Law immediately after their receipt or creation, all in the absence of any other provision of the Law.
- (b) Notwithstanding sub-regulation (a), the Authority shall take measures to ensure that the identity number of the applicant shall not be published on the Website, whether it was delivered by the applicant or included in documents prepared by the Authority.
- (c) Where a reasoned application has been filed under section 103 (b) of the Law, the information shall not be published on the Website, unless otherwise decided by the Commissioner, in a reasoned decision in writing; Such decision shall be sent to the applicant; For the purpose of his decision, the Commissioner shall consider, inter alia, whether such information is information as defined in section 7 of the Protection of Privacy Law, 5741 1981, or knowledge of a person's private affairs even though they do not fall within the definition of such information, or information that is a trade secret as defined in section 5 of the Commercial Torts Law, 5759 1999.
- (d) The Authority shall inform the applicant through the Website of his right under sub-regulation (c).

# Part 8: Objection to Actions of the Competent Authority

## 84. Objection to Actions of the Competent Authority

Anyone seeking to object to a decision or action by the competent authority and no other date was set for this purpose in these regulations, shall file the objection to the Commissioner within one month from the day on which he was notified of the decision or action of the competent authority, together with a fee under item 11 of the Second Schedule; Regulations 35 to 37 shall apply to the objection.

## Part 9: Auxiliary Powers

## 85. Authority to permit amendments

- (a) The competent authority may amend or permit to remedy any mistake made in an application or document filed to it in any proceeding if no other provision is prescribed for this matter in the Law or in these regulations, and if in its opinion the amendment shall not affect the rights of another.
- (b) If the application for a remedy is in the matter in a dispute proceeding, the Commissioner shall decide on the matter after hearing the parties' arguments.

## 86. Summary of arguments in writing

The Commissioner may require any applicant or party before him to summarize in writing the arguments that such person has argued before him, and if he so demands, whoever is required to comply with the demand shall be bound within the time prescribed by the Commissioner.

#### 87. Demand for explanations

The competent authority may require the initiator of a proceeding other than a dispute proceeding, to appear before it and give it oral explanations of any matter in his application or in the proceeding he brought; The competent authority shall notify the applicant of such demand a reasonable time in advance and shall keep in its records the documentation of the appearance and the explanations.

## 88. Filing of originals

The competent authority may require that a person who has filed a photocopy or computerized scan of an affidavit or an official document given by an authority of the State or an authority of a foreign state, file its original or otherwise prove their reliability if it is not clear or there is a reasonable suspicion that the copy is inaccurate or not identical to the original; In this regulation, "photocopy" – as defined in section 40 of the Evidence Ordinance.

#### 89. Procedures

The procedures in an appeal on the decision of the Commissioner shall be the same as those in an appeal of a judgment of a Magistrate's Court.

## 90. Copy of a Commissioner's decision

A court of appeal shall forward a copy of its decision to the Commissioner.

## 91. Continuity of hearings

Where a Commissioner, a Deputy Commissioner or an intellectual property

arbitrator are precluded, for any reason whatsoever, from concluding a hearing on the matter that has commenced (hereinafter in this section - a matter not yet concluded), the following provisions shall apply:

- (1) The Commissioner shall decide whether to hear a matter not yet concluded himself or to transfer it to a Deputy Commissioner or an intellectual property arbitrator;
- (2) A Commissioner, as well as a Deputy Commissioner or an intellectual property arbitrator to whom a matter has not yet been transferred pursuant to paragraph (1), may treat testimony recorded under these regulations as if he himself had heard or recorded it, and he may continue the hearing from the stage reached by his predecessor.

#### Part 10: Miscellaneous Provisions

## Chapter A: Miscellaneous

## 92. Manner of giving a report in an infringement claim

- (a) Without derogating from chapters I and J of the Civil Procedure Regulations, 5744 1984, the court may, at the request of the plaintiff, if it considers that there is prima facie right, issue an order for the giving of a report in which it orders the defendant to furnish details and accounts relating to the claim, including details regarding production dates and production quantities, regarding distributors, as well as dates and quantities of purchases and sales.

  (b) A report shall be given in an affidavit, and it must be filed within 30
- (b) A report shall be given in an affidavit, and it must be filed within 30 days from the date on which the order was delivered to the respondent, or within another time to be ordered by the court

#### 93. Manner and time of marking an unregistered design

- (a) The marking of an unregistered design shall be done in one of the ways specified below and the relevant date shall be noted next to it:
  - (1) Unregistered design;
  - (2) URD;
  - (3) IL-URD.
- (b) The marking of the product shall be made at the time of it offering for sale or distribution to the public in Israel, commercially, by the design proprietor or anyone acting on his behalf, including via the Internet.
- (c) The marking shall be visible and in a proper proportion to the size of the product or packaging, as applicable.
- (d) Each product shall be marked separately, inter alia, in one of the following ways:
  - (1) On the product or a label affixed to it, whether or not it is removable;
  - (2) Where the product is displayed in the packaging, it shall be marked on the packaging;
  - (3) Where the product is displayed on a website, the marking will be done on the website, however this marking shall not constitute a substitute for marking the product if the product is also displayed in direct display, such as in a store;
  - (4) Where several products are displayed and marked together in direct display, such as in a store, the marking will include differentiation with respect to the product to which the marking pertains.

## Chapter B: General Procedures

## 94. Office hours and reviewing of documents

The Authority's offices will be open to the public from Sunday to Thursday between 8:30 and 13:30, except for days of rest, sabbatical, or days announced by the competent authority on the Website, as not having office hours; During said hours, all the documents that may be reviewed under the Law or these regulations, except for a document required at that time for the work of the Authority, will be available for review.

#### 95. Dates

The calculation of the time for the performance of an act which the Law or these regulations require or permit to do after an act of the competent authority or as a result thereof, shall commence on the day on which the notice of the operation of the competent authority is delivered in a letter addressed according to the address for the delivery of documents of those who must or may act, and if the notice was transmitted via e-mail, as stated in regulation 10 (b), it shall begin on the day on which the e-mail message was sent, unless it has been proven, to the satisfaction of the competent authority, that the notice has not been delivered.

## 96. Extensions

- (a) An application for an extension of a period under section 100 of the Law, to which regulation 97 does not apply, shall be reasoned and filed to the competent authority in writing together with a fee according to item 13 of the Second Schedule.
- (b) The competent authority shall examine the application and may request evidence to prove the facts alleged in the application; The competent authority shall give notice of its decision to the applicant, in writing, and if it denies the request, it shall give notice thereof in a reasoned decision in writing.
- (c) Where the competent authority has denied an application, the applicant may, within ten days of being notified of the decision of the competent authority, request to make his arguments before it

#### 97. Interim motion

(a) Any interim motion shall be filed in writing unless otherwise expressly provided in these regulations or if the competent authority otherwise directs with respect to a particular motion.

- (b) In an interim motion, the applicant -
  - (1) Shall indicate the following particulars:
    - (a) The names of the parties to the proceedings and their addresses, and if they are represented their representatives' names and addresses;
    - (b) The heading of the motion in such a manner as to enable identification of the remedy requested therein;
  - (2) Detail his arguments including references;
  - (3) Attach an affidavit in order to verify the facts that serve as the basis for the motion;
  - (4) An affidavit that was not attached to the motion at the time of its submission shall not be attached to it except with the permission of the Commissioner.
- (c) The respondent may respond to an interim motion within twenty days from the date on which it was delivered to him or within a period of time prescribed by the Commissioner; Sub-regulations (a) and (b) shall apply to the response.
- (d) The applicant is entitled to reply to the respondent's response within ten days or within a period of time prescribed by the Commissioner, and subregulations (a) and (b) shall apply, mutatis mutandis, to the reply.
- (e) No additional response shall be filed on behalf of the applicant or the respondent, except with the permission of the Commissioner.
- (f) An interim motion, which is an motion to change the date of a hearing, a motion for an extension of a date or a motion to amend minutes, shall include the position of the other parties in the proceeding regarding the motion as filed to the applicant according to a inquiries made prior to submission of the motion; If the position of the other parties to the proceeding is not included, the reasons for this shall be stated.
- (g) The Commissioner may decide on the interim motion on the basis of the written motion and the responses under sub-regulations (c) to (e) only or, if he deems it necessary, after the affiants have questioned on their affidavits.
- (h) If an interim motion is denied and a party to the proceeding re-files the same motion or similar motion, the motion shall state the details of the previous motion.

## Chapter C: Fees

## 98. Duty of payment of fees

- (a) Anyone filing an application to the competent authority, who brings before it a proceeding or requires him to perform an act described in column A in the table in the Second Schedule, shall pay a fee in accordance with Column B next to it; Such an application, the bringing of a proceeding or demand for action, shall be accompanied by a confirmation of payment of the fee, all if there is no other provision in that matter.
- (b) The competent authority shall not hear any application or procedure specified in the Second Schedule and shall not perform any act specified in that Schedule, unless the fee set forth in said Schedule has been paid in respect thereto; However, non-payment of a fee or part thereof does not retroactively annul the application, the proceeding or the act of the competent authority, unless explicitly stated otherwise.

#### 99. Indexation

- (a) The amounts of the fees in the Second Schedule and the maximum amounts pursuant to the Fourth Schedule shall change on January 1st of each year (hereinafter the date of change) according to the rate of change of the new index compared to the base index; In this regard -
- "Index" the consumer price index published by the Central Bureau of Statistics;
  "The new index" the index published in November preceding the date of change;
  "The Base Index" the index published in November 2018.
- (b) An amount that has been changed as stated in sub-regulation (a) shall be rounded to the nearest whole new shekel and the sum of half a shekel shall be rounded upwards.
- (c) The competent authority shall publish in the Reshumot and on the Website the versions of the Second and Fourth Schedule, as amended as a result of the provisions of this regulation.

#### 100. Payment of a fee

(a) Fees under these regulations may be paid by deposit in the Authority account designated for this purpose at the Postal Bank or through the Government Payment Server; A confirmation of the payment will be filed to the competent authority along with a notice on the matter for which the fee was paid, but in submission on the Filing Site pursuant to regulation 4, payment confirmation will not be filed.

- (b) Where a person has paid a fee for more than one matter, he shall specify in the notice under sub-regulation (a) the matters for which the fee was paid.
- (c) With respect to the fees enumerated in the Second Schedule, the Authority shall deem the date of receipt of notices under sub-regulation (a) together with confirmation of payment, if its filing is required, as the date of payment.

## 101. Refund of a fee paid erroneously

A fee paid for an action by the competent authority shall be refunded to the one who paid it, if a request was filed not to carry out the action if it was proved to the satisfaction of the competent authority that the payment was made due to an error in fact, and on the date on which said request was received by the Authority, the competent authority has not yet performed the action for which the fee was paid.

## Chapter D: Commencement and Application

## 102. Commencement and application

- (a) The commencement of regulation 17 (d)(3) shall take effect on the 28th day of Sivan 5779 (July 1st 2019).
- (b) The commencement of items 03-05, 07-09, 07-10, 08-11, 09-10, 12-17, 13-04, 14-05, 14-06, 15-10, 23-06, 23-07, 23-08, 27-07, 28-05, 30-10, 30-11 and 30-12 of the Third Schedule, on the 24th day of Tevet 5779 (January 1st 2019).
- (c) A design application that was filed on the eve of the commencement day shall be deemed to have been filed under these regulations and a fee has been paid in accordance with these regulations and these regulations shall apply to it from the commencement date.

## 103. Temporary provision

- (a) In the period from the date of publication of these regulations until the 17th day of Tevet 5581 (January 1st 2021), it shall be deemed that in regulation 83, instead of sub-regulation (b), the following is stated:
- "(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of sub-regulation (a), the Authority shall take reasonable measures, if there are any, to prevent to the extent possible, the publication of the identity number of the applicant on the Website, whether it was delivered by the applicant or included in documents prepared by the Authority."
- (b) In the period from the commencement date until the 24th day of Tevet 5779 (January 1st 2019), it shall be deemed that in the Third Schedule -
  - (1) In item 07-03, instead of "table cutlery" is said "knives, forks and table spoons";
  - (2) In item 15-04, instead of "machinery for construction and mining" is said "machines for construction";
  - (3) In item 28-04, instead of "artificial beauty items" is said "artificial hair extensions";
  - (4) In item 30-06, instead of "beds, nests and furniture for animals" is said "beds and nests".

#### First Schedule

(The definition "application form" in regulation 1)

#### Omitted

#### Second Schedule

(Regulations 7(b)(3), 13, 22(a), 26, 28(a), 30, 34, 41, 43, 44, 45(a), 51(a), 64, 68, 70(b), 71, 72(a), 75(a), 76, 77(a), 78(a), 79, 82(a), 84, 96(a), 98, 99, 100, 101)

In this Schedule -

"The Council for Higher Education Law" - the Council for Higher Education Law, 5718 - 1958;

"Special Applicant" - an applicant that is one of the following:

One who is not a corporation;

A company or partnership whose business turnover in the previous year did not exceed NIS 10 million;

A recognized institution as defined in section 9 of the Council for Higher Education Law;

An institution that received a permit certificate or approval under section 21A of the Council for Higher Education Law;

An institution who grants a degree recognized under section 28A of the Council for Higher Education Law.

## Fees Table

	Column A	Column B
	Description	In NIS
1	A design application under section 19 of the Law,	400
	including an additional design as stated in section 55	
	of the Law, for any design included in the application,	
	except for a design of a set of articles, however, a	
	special applicant who files a first design application	
	for a particular design shall pay 60% of the amount.	
2	A design application for registration of a set of	600
	articles, under section 19 of the Law, including an	
	additional design as stated in section 55 of the Law,	
	for each set, however, a special applicant who files a	
	first design application for a particular design shall	
	pay 60% of the amount.	
3	For an expedited examination of a design application	250
	under section 28 of the Law, for any design.	

4	An application for listing the designer's name under	150
	section 33 of the Law, for each design.	
5	Renewal fees under sections 40 and 86(1) of the Law,	
	for each design, as follows:	
	(1) For the first period from the expiration of five	500
	years from the date of submission of the design	
	application until the expiration of 10 years from that	
	date.	
	(2) For the first period from the expiration of 10 years	600
	from the date of submission of the design application	
	until the expiration of 15 years from that date.	
	(3) For the first period from the expiration of 15 years	700
	from the date of submission of the design application	
	until the expiration of 20 years from that date.	
	(4) For the first period from the expiration of 20 years	800
	from the date of filing the design application the until	
	the expiration of 25 years from that date.	
	(5) For all periods.	3,000
6	Fee for delay in payment of a renewal fee, according to	80
	sections 41 and 86(1) of the Law, for every design, for	
	each month	
7	An application for validity renewal of a design under	550
	section 43 of the Law	
8	An application for amendment of records and documents	550
	under section 46(a) of the Law	
9	An application for registration of a right in a design	150
	under section 17 of the Law	
10	Cancellation of registration of a design, cancellation	1,000
	of the renewal of validity of a design and cancellation	
	of amendment of a registered particular by any person	
	who is not the proprietor of the registered design under	
	section 48 of the Law	
11	Objection before the Commissioner under section 96 of	550
	the Law	
12	An application to join a proceeding under section 98 of	550
	the Law	
13	Extension fees under section 100 of the Law	80
14	Certified document under section 104 of the Law	10
15	A copy of a file under section 104 of the Law	10
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## Third Schedule

(Regulation 39)

List of classes

Omitted