

2. Articles having an opening/closing member

There is a design having an opening and closing member, including a door or a cover using the hinge structure, or a design having a part that freely inclines forward and backward, due to which the mode is changeable, such as the closing state and an opening state, or a standing state and a falling state, depending on the structure of the article. In such cases as these, applicants need to choose either of the states, such as the closing state or the opening state, as the main mode, taking into account the state of use or the point of creating the design, and to prepare “a set of six views” of the main mode, adding necessary views to represent the other mode so that the entire mode may be clearly understood.

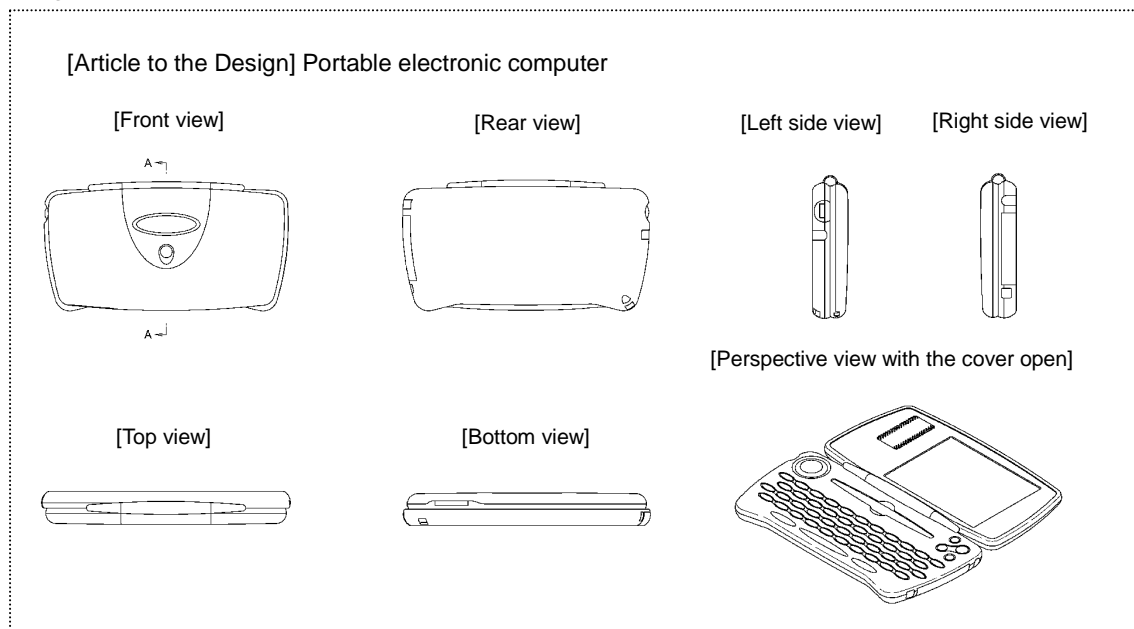
In cases of requesting for design registration only for the outer appearance form of the state in which the cover is closed, applicants can file an application for design registration for partial design specifying the outer appearance alone as “the part for which the design registration is requested” and the part that appears when the cover is opened as “any other parts.”

2.1 Where both of the opening or closing state of door or cover can be the main state

In cases where there is no need to choose either of the opening or closing state of door or cover as the main state, either one can be the main state.

For example, in the case of the design shown in Figure 3.2-1, the state in which the cover is closed has also a unique feature. Therefore, the closing state is represented as the basic state through “a set of six views,” and the opening state is represented through a perspective view. In addition, as for the non-basic state, necessary views, not limited to one view, have to be prepared in order to represent the entire mode of the article.

<Fig. 3.2-1>



2.2 Where the state in which the cover closed is the main state

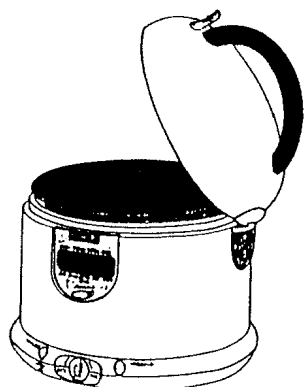
The design that has a door or a cover, such as “oven toasters,” “electric rice cookers,” “storage shelves,” and whose closing state can be seen as the main state considering the usage state, etc. of the article, “a set of six views” that represents the form of the state in which a door, etc. is closed is regarded as the drawing of the basic state.

Additionally, as for the mode of opening and closing doors, etc., and the mode of the state in which a door is open, applicants need to add a perspective view of the opening state, a sectional view, etc. in order to clarify the forms of such modes.

<Fig. 3.2-2>

[Article to the Design] Electric rice cooker

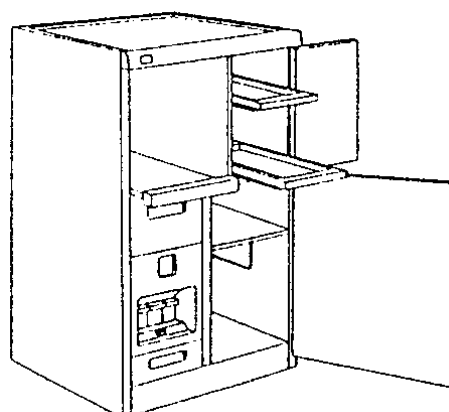
[Perspective view with the cover open]



<Fig. 3.2-3>

[Article to the Design] Storage shelf with measuring rice dispenser

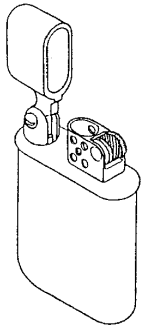
[Perspective view with the door open]



<Fig. 3.2-4>

[Article to the Design] Lighter

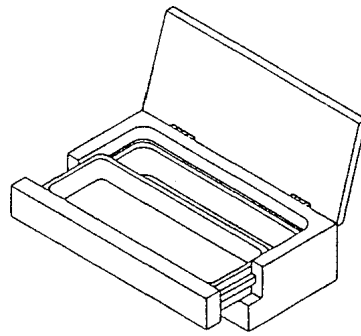
[Perspective view with the cover open]



<Fig. 3.2-5>

[Article to the Design] Jewel box

[Perspective view with the cover open and the drawer drawn]



<Fig. 3.2-6>

[Article to the Design] Microwave oven

[B-B' line sectional view with the internal mechanism omitted]

