

## 14. Design for a Set of Articles

In cases where two or more articles are used together, falling under the category of “a set of articles” listed in the Appended Table 2, and the set of articles is coordinated as a whole, applicants can file an application for design registration for such two or more articles as one design for “a set of articles.” (Please see the Examination Guidelines for Design 72)

### 14.1 Points to be noted in making a statement in the application

In the column of [Article to the Design], it is necessary to state “a set of XXX” using the name of set item listed in the Appended Table 2.

The same rule shall apply to the statement in [Description of Article to the Design] and [Description of the Design] as in the case of an ordinary application for design registration.

### 14.2 Points to be noted in making a statement in drawings

#### (1) Two different cases

- (i) In cases where if the form of each article that constitutes a set of articles is represented, the design of a set of articles can be sufficiently represented, applicants need to prepare “a set of six views” for each article that constitutes a set of articles.
- (ii) In cases where “a set of articles” show a sense of unity when all article are combined, applicants need to prepare not only “a set of six views” for each article that constitutes a set of articles, but also views necessary to sufficiently represent the form of a state in which all constituent articles are combined.

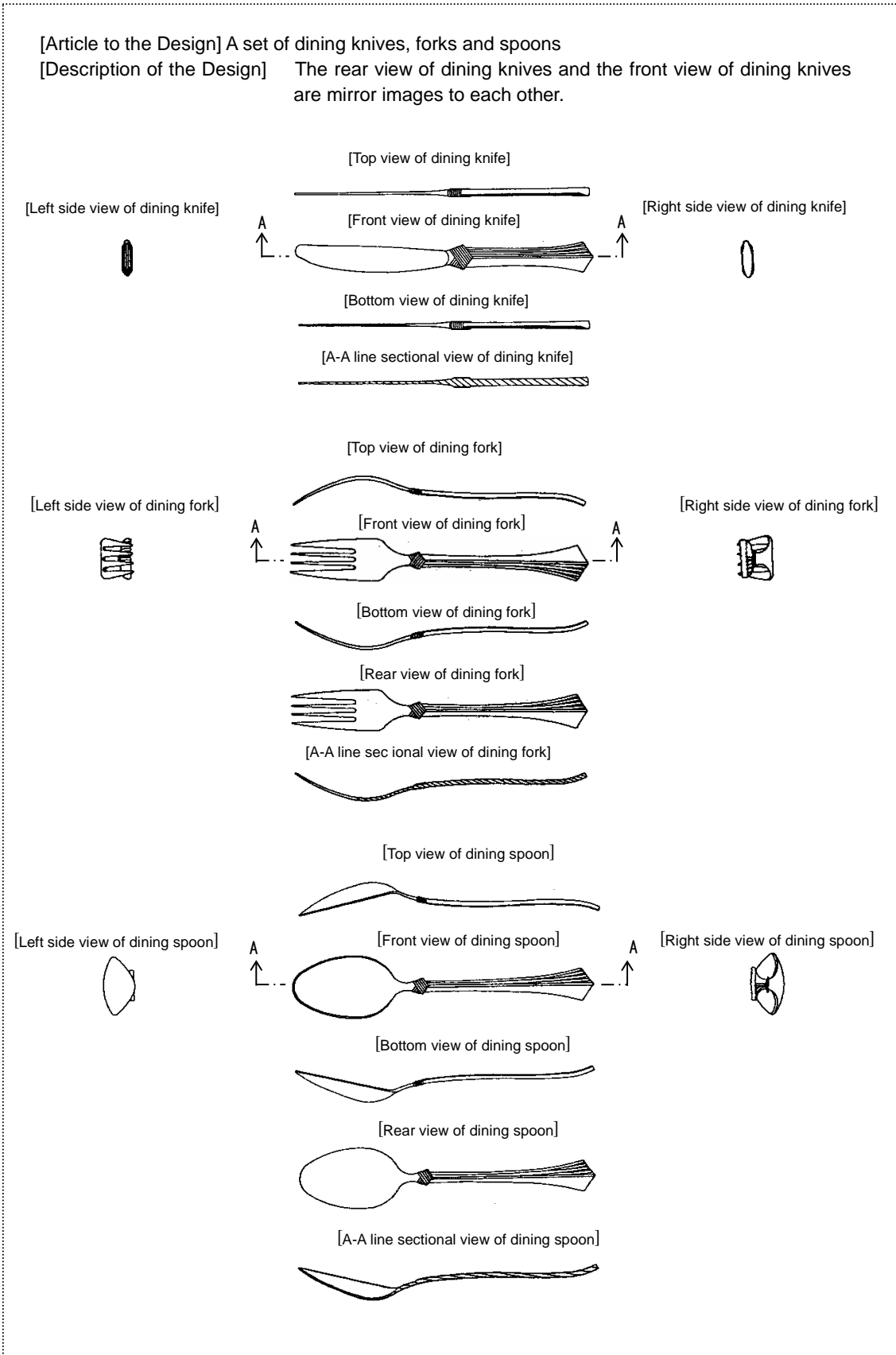
#### (2) Indication of the view

- (i) The indication of the view representing each constituent article needs to be that with the name of constituent article (from “Classification of Articles” listed in Appended Table 1 or a classification name equivalent to the “Classification of Articles”) (e.g. [Front view of XXX] or [Rear view of XXX].
- (ii) In cases where the item names from “Classification of Articles” for the constituent articles are the same, applicants need to indicate, for example, [Front view of chair

1], [Front views of chair 2], and so on, so that indications of the same view may be clearly distinguished from each other.

- (iii) In cases where “a set of articles” shows a sense of unity when all articles are combined, the indication of the view needs to be as follows: the indications of “a set of six views” for the state in which all articles of the set are combined are [Front view], [Rear view], etc., and the indication of each constituent article is [Front view of XXX].

<Fig. 3.14-1> Example of the drawing depicting only the form of each article that constitutes a set of articles



<Fig. 3.14-2 Example of the drawing in the case where the form of the state in which all articles of the set are combined needs to be depicted

