THE INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY OFFICE

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Guidelines to Applicants for the Registration of Industrial Designs

- 1. Any application to register an industrial design shall be made on the prescribed form available at the Industrial Property Office or downloadable from our website (http://foreign.govmu.org)
- 2. The application shall be signed by the applicant or by all the applicants, where it is a joint application.
- 3. The application shall contain 4 copies of the necessary drawings, photographs or graphic representations of each of the different sides of the design. The representations, drawings or tracings shall not exceed 10 centimetres by 20 centimetres. It shall be affixed on 4 sheets of **strong paper** of A4 size and shall be in black ink.
- 4. Reproductions shall be of a quality permitting all the details of the industrial design to be clearly distinguished and permitting publication.
- 5. Where applicable, a declaration claiming priority shall be made at the time of filing the application for registration and a certified copy of the earlier application shall be submitted within a period of 3 months from the date of the application.
- 6. The type of products for which the registration of the industrial design is requested shall be correctly listed in accordance with the Locarno Classification. For more information on Locarno Classification please visit
 https://www.wipo.int/classifications/nivilo/pdf/eng/locarno/LOC_11e.pdf
- 7. There are two sets of fees for the registration of an Industrial Design:
- (i) application fee of Rs. 2100 at the time of filing;
- (ii) registration fee of Rs. 4200 for the certificate of registration

Payment to be made either by cash, credit card, debit card or cheque payable to "The Government of Mauritius."

- 8. The attention of applicants is drawn to Section 49 of the Act which provides that where an applicant's ordinary residence or principal place of business is outside Mauritius, he shall be represented by a legal practitioner resident and practicing in Mauritius or an approved agent.
- 9. A Power of Attorney appointing an approved agent or legal practitioner shall be registered with the Registrar General and shall be filed together with the application or **within two months** from its filing date.

For any additional information, you may contact this office:

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