

Copyright United States Copyright Office

Publications on Copyright

This circular presents sources of publications about copyright. Information on obtaining publications on copyright is grouped here according to these sources:

- Copyright Office
- Library of Congress Cataloging Distribution Service
- Library of Congress Duplication Services
- National Technical Information Service
- Government Printing Office
- Internet Archive

The types of publications that are available include informational circulars, copyright registration and recordation information, application forms, selected reports, studies on specific copyright issues, copies of the law, and volumes of judicial decisions on copyright. Many publications are available online at no charge. Others may be ordered in hard copy (CD, microfiche, paper) for a fee. There is no charge for publications obtained from the Copyright Office.

Copyright Office

Below is information on how to view and obtain Copyright Office publications and records. Publications are available on the Copyright Office website. Many are available in paper format by request. Copyright Office records in machinereadable form cataloged from January 1, 1978, to the present, including information on copyright registrations and recorded documents, may be searched and examined on the Copyright Office website. Certain historical documents may be viewed and downloaded from *www.copyright.gov/history/*.

- WEBSITE: www.copyright.gov
- U.S. POSTAL SERVICE: Request publications by writing to the following address:

Library of Congress Copyright Office- COPUBS 101 Independence Avenue SE Washington, DC 20559

• FORMS AND PUBLICATIONS HOTLINE: If you know which application forms and circulars you want, request them 24 hours a day from the Forms and Publications Hotline at (202) 707-9100. Leave a recorded message.

Form for Primary Registration Method

Register basic claims to copyright online, even if the deposit is not in digital format. For information on registration, go to the Copyright Office website or contact the Copyright Office.

Registration with Paper Forms

Paper versions of forms are available on the Copyright Office website; and staff will send them to you by postal mail upon request. Call the Public Information Office at (202) 707-3000 or 1-877-476-0778 (toll free) or the Forms and Publications Hotline at (202) 707-9100.

Forms for Applications that Must Be Completed on Paper

GROUP REGISTRATION FORMS

Form GR/CP: For registering a group of literary, performing arts, or visual arts works

GR/PPh/CON: For registering a group of photographs

Form SE/Group: For registering a group of serial publications

Form G/DN: For registering a group of daily newspapers or newsletters

Form CON: Continuation sheet to be used with forms above

MASK WORKS

Form MW: For 3-dimensional patterns fixed on a semiconductor chip (not for theatrical facial masks)

Form MW/CON: Continuation sheet to be used only in conjunction with MW application form

RECORDATION

Document Cover Sheet: For use when submitting transfers and other documents

RENEWAL

Form RE: For renewal of claims of copyright

Form RE/CON: Continuation form to be used only in conjunction with Form RE application

Addendum to Form RE: For all works published between January 1, 1964, and December 31, 1977, that were not registered during their first 28-year term. Must accompany Form RE.

URAA—FOR RESTORED WORKS Form GATT: For restored works Form GATT/CON: Continuation form to be used only in conjunction with GATT application form

TO CORRECT AN ERROR OR AMPLIFY THE INFORMATION GIVEN IN A REGISTRATION

Form CA: To correct an error or amplify the information given in a registration

Form CA w/instructions: To correct an error or amplify the information given in a registration

Form CON: Continuation sheet to be used with Form CA

VESSEL HULL DESIGN FORMS

Form D-VH (nonfill-in version): For registering vessel hull designs

Form D-VH w/instructions (nonfill-in version): For registering vessel hull designs

Form D-VH/CON (nonfill-in version): Continuation sheet and for multiple designs

Form DC (nonfill-in version): Application to correct a design registration

Form DVH-ID (nonfill-in version): Recordation of distinctive identification of owner of vessel hull designs

LICENSING DIVISION FORMS

Cable Statement of Account Forms: For semiannual accounting periods

SA 1-2 Short Form: For use by cable television systems whose semiannual gross receipts are less than \$527,600

SA 3 Long Form: For use by cable television systems whose semiannual gross receipts are \$527,600 or more

Satellite Statement of Account Form: For semiannual accounting periods

Digital Audio Recording Products: Quarterly and annual Statement of Account Forms

Form for Initial Notice of Distribution of Digital Audio Recording Devices or Media

Form м-269: Notice of Use of Sound Recordings under Statutory License

Licensing Electronic Funds Transfer Form: For use by statutory licensees to receive refund payments via electronic funds transfer

Application for Preregistration

Form PRE: For preregistering certain works that have had a history of prerelease infringement. This form is only available on the Copyright Office website at *www.copyright.gov* and may only be filed online.

NOTE: You must have Adobe Acrobat Reader installed on your computer to view and print the forms. The free Adobe Acrobat Reader may be downloaded from Adobe Systems Incorporated through links from the same Internet site at which the forms are available. Print forms head to head (top of page 2 is directly behind the top of page 1) on a single piece of good quality $8\frac{1}{2}$ " × 11" white paper. To achieve the best quality copies of the application forms, use a laser printer. Or you may request paper copies from the Copyright Office.

Copyright Office Circulars

Circular 1: Copyright Basics

Circular 1: *Fundamentos de los Derechos de Autor* (Spanish version of Circular 1)

Circular 1A: United States Copyright Office: A Brief History and Introduction

Circular 1B: Limitations on the Information Furnished by the Copyright Office

Circular 1C: Make Sure Your Application Will Be Acceptable

Circular 2: Publications on Copyright

Circular 3: Copyright Notice

Circular 4: Copyright Office Fees

Circular 5: How to Open and Maintain a Copyright Office Deposit Account

Circular 6: Obtaining Access to and Copies of Copyright Office Records and Deposits

Circular 7B: "Best Edition" of Published Copyrighted Works for the Collections of the Library of Congress

Circular 7C: The Effects of Not Sending a Timely Reply to Copyright Office Correspondence

Circular 7D: Mandatory Deposit of Copies or Phonorecords for the Library of Congress

Circular 8: Supplementary Copyright Registration

Circular 9: Works Made for Hire Under the 1976 Copyright Act

Circular 10: Special Handling

Circular 12: *Recordation of Transfers and Other Documents* (includes the *Document Cover Sheet*)

Circular 14: Copyright Registration for Derivative Works

Circular 15: Renewal of Copyright

Circular 15A: Duration of Copyright

Circular 15T: Extension of Copyright Terms

Circular 21: Reproduction of Copyrighted Works by Educators and Librarians

Circular 22: How to Investigate the Copyright Status of a Work

Circular 23: The Copyright Card Catalog and the Online Files of the Copyright Office

Circular 31: Ideas, Methods, or Systems

Circular 32: Blank Forms and Other Works Not Protected by Copyright

Circular 33: Computing and Measuring Devices

Circular 34: Copyright Protection Not Available for Names, Titles, or Short Phrases

Circular 38A: International Copyright Relations of the United States

Circular 38B: Highlights of Copyright Amendments Contained in the URAA

Circular 40: Copyright Registration for Works of the Visual Arts

Circular 40A: Deposit Requirements for Registration of Claims to Copyright in Visual Arts Material

Circular 41: Copyright Claims in Architectural Works

Circular 44: Cartoons and Comic Strips

Circular 45: Copyright Registration for Motion Pictures Including Video Recordings

Circular 50: Copyright Registration for Musical Compositions

Circular 55: Copyright Registration for Multimedia Works

Circular 56: Copyright Registration for Sound Recordings

Circular 56A: Copyright Registration of Musical Compositions and Sound Recordings

Circular 61: Copyright Registration for Computer Programs

Circular 62: Copyright Registration for Single Serial Issues

Circular 62A: Group Registration of Newspapers and Newsletters on Form GD/N

Circular 62в: Copyright Registration for a Group of Serial Issues

Circular 64: Copyright Registration for Secure Tests

Circular 65: Copyright Registration for Automated Databases

Circular 66: Copyright Registration for Online Works

Circular 73: Compulsory License for Making and Distributing Phonorecords

Circular 74A: How to Make Statutory License Royalty EFT Payments via Wire

Circular 74в: How to Make Statutory License Royalty EFT Payments via ACH Credit

Circular 74C: *How to Make Statutory License Royalty EFT Payments Using* Pay.gov

Circular 75: The Licensing Division of the Copyright Office

Circular 92: Copyright Law of the United States

Circular 100: Federal Statutory Protection for Mask Works

Copyright Office Factsheets

sL-04: Copyright Office Fees

sl-04A: Requesting Reconsideration of a Refusal to Register a Copyright, Mask Work, or Vessel Hull Claim

sl-04D: Calculating Fees for Recording Documents and Notices of Termination in the Copyright Office

sL-04L: Copyright Office Licensing Division Service Fees

SL-6A: Placing an Order with the Records Research and Certification Section

sL-07: Short Forms Available from the Copyright Office

sl-09: Have a Question about Copyright Registration?

SL-09A: Call the Copyright Office Toll Free 1-877-476-0778

SL-10: Get It Quick Over the Net

SL-10A: Subscribe to NewsNet

SL-30A: Changing Your Address with the Copyright Office

sL-35: Registering a Copyright with the U.S. Copyright Office

SL-37: Privacy: Copyright Public Records

sl-39: Electronic Registration of Groups of Published Photographs

FL-100: International Copyright

FL-100: Protección Internacional de Derechos de Autor

FL-101: Pseudonyms

FL-102: Fair Use

FL-103: Useful Articles

FL-104: Contribution to a Collective Work

FL-105: Copyright Registration of Music

FL-106: Copyright Registration of Poetry

FL-107: Copyright Registration of Photographs

FL-108: Copyright Registration of Games

FL-109: Copyright Registration of Books, Manuscripts, and Speeches

FL-119: Dramatic Works: Scripts, Pantomimes, and Choreography

FL-122: Recipes

FL-124: Group Registration of Published Photographs

M-295: How to Respond to a Mandatory Deposit Notice if You Elect to Register Your Work

The Regulations of the Copyright Office from the Code of Federal Regulations

The Copyright Office no longer creates paper circulars based on the *Code of Federal Regulations*. The information is now available for printing from the Copyright Office website at *www.copyright.gov/title37*.

The Copyright Law

The Copyright Law of the United States and Related Laws Contained in Title 17 of the United States Code is available on the Copyright Office website at *www.copyright.gov/title17*. A paper copy may be purchased from the Government Printing Office. Go to *www.gpo.gov/fdsys* for ordering information.

Catalog of Copyright Entries

The Copyright Office published the *Catalog of Copyright Entries* (*CCE*) in print format from 1891 through 1978. These volumes often may be available at federal depository libraries. From 1979 through 1982, the *CCE* was issued in microfiche format. The catalog was divided into parts according to the classes of works registered. Each *CCE* segment covered all registrations made during a particular period of time. Renewal registrations made from 1979 through 1982 are found in section 8 of the catalog. Renewals prior to that time were generally listed at the end of the volume containing the class of work to which they pertained. Effective with registrations made since 1982, the way to see the *CCE* is by using the Internet to access the Copyright Office automated catalog. The automated catalog contains entries from 1978 forward. To access the catalog, go to *www.copyright.gov*. Certain *CCE* volumes and other records are available at *www.archive.org*.

Additional Catalog Information

Pre-1978 catalog information, including musical works, can be obtained from Duplication Services in the Library of Congress and from certain U.S. government depository libraries. For more information, go to *www.loc.gov/preserv/ pds/. The Catalog of Copyright Entries, Cumulative Series, Motion Pictures from 1894–1969* is available from the National Technical Information Service. To order, go to *www.ntis.gov.*

Library of Congress Cataloging Distribution Service

The Cataloging Distribution Service (CDS), a part of the Library of Congress, makes available for sale certain registration and recordation records created by the Copyright Office. These include the copyright catalog of registrations and recordations from 1978 forward. In addition, files may be acquired in custom-tailored sets. For ordering information, contact the CDS.

- WEBSITE: www.loc.gov/cds
- EMAIL: cdsinfo@loc.gov
- U.S. POSTAL SERVICE: Library of Congress Office of Business Enterprises Cataloging Distribution Servic 101 Independence Avenue SE Washington, DC 20540-4910
- TELEPHONE: 1-855-266-1884 (Toll-free in the U. S. for CDS products and services only)
- FAX: (202) 707-1334 or (202) 707-1771

Library of Congress Duplication Services

Duplication Services, a part of the Library of Congress, is a fee-for-service program responsible for copying and duplicating the Library's collections. Virtually all collections are available for duplication. Restrictions on availability for duplication are based on physical conditions of the materials, copyright limitations, and legal restrictions imposed on particular collections. Many records created by the Copyright Office may be duplicated. For complete information, contact Duplication Services.

- website: www.loc.gov/preserv/pds
- EMAIL: duplicationservices@loc.gov
- U.S. POSTAL SERVICE: Library of Congress Duplication Services 101 Independence Avenue SE Washington, DC 20540-4917
- DUPLICATION SERVICES WALK-UP COUNTER: Library of Congress John Adams Building, Room LA-128 2nd Street and Independence Avenue SE Washington, DC 20540-4917
- TELEPHONE: (202) 707-5640
- FAX: (202) 707-1771

National Technical Information Service

Many publications no longer available from the Copyright Office or the Government Printing Office may be obtained through the National Technical Information Service (NTIS) of the Department of Commerce. NTIS electronically stores a collection of more than three million items and customreproduces a copy specifically for your order. For information, contact NTIS.

- WEBSITE: www.ntis.gov
- EMAIL: orders@ntis.gov
- U.S. POSTAL SERVICE: National Technical Information Service 5301 Shawnee Road Alexandria, VA 22312
- Telephone: (703) 605-6000 or 1-800-553-6847
- FAX: (703) 605-6900
- TDD: (703) 487-4639

Government Printing Office

Many publications of the Copyright Office, including the *Copyright Law of the United States* (Circular 92), may be purchased in print format from the U.S. Government Printing

Office (GPO). For information on available publications, contact GPO.

- WEBSITE: www.gpo.gov/fdsys
- EMAIL: contactcenter@gpo.gov
- U.S. POSTAL SERVICE: U.S. Government Printing Office 732 N. Capitol Street NW Washington, DC 20401
- TELEPHONE: (202) 512-1800 or (866) 512-1800 (toll free)
- FAX: (202) 512-2104

Internet Archive

Internet Archive is a nonprofit digital library that makes available certain Copyright Office publications. Many volumes of the *Catalog of Copyright Entries* and records of copyright renewals have been digitized and placed online for free public access. Other information is being added over time. To search for Copyright Office publications on Internet Archive, go to *http://archive.org* and enter "Copyright Office."

For Further Information

By Internet

Circulars, announcements, regulations, other related materials, and all copyright application forms are available from the Copyright Office website at *www.copyright.gov*. To send an email communication, click on *Contact Us* at the bottom of the homepage.

By Telephone

For general information about copyright, call the Copyright Public Information Office at (202) 707-3000 or 1-877-476-0778. Staff members are on duty from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Eastern time, Monday through Friday, except federal holidays. Recorded information is available 24 hours a day. Or, if you know which application forms and information circulars you want, you can request them 24 hours a day from the Forms and Publications Hotline at (202) 707-9100. Leave a recorded message.

By Regular Mail

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