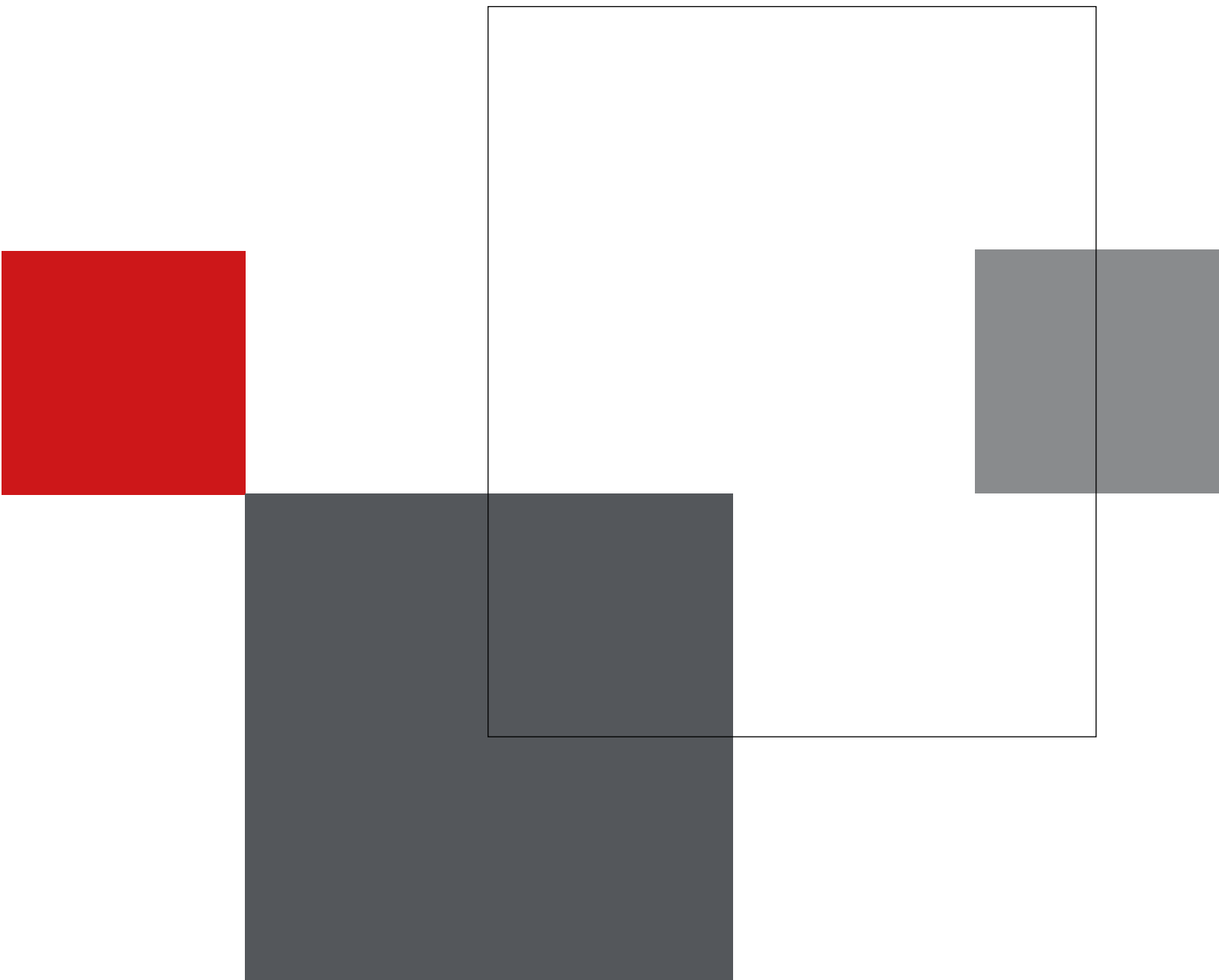


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# **UK registered design application**



**In order for us to file a UK Registered Design application at the UKIPO, we will require the following documents and information:**

- The full name, address and nationality/ state of incorporation of the (or each) Applicant.
- Representations of the design, preferably in the PDF or JPEG format.
- Up to 12 views of each design can be submitted. Representations can be in the form of black and white line drawings, rendered CAD images or photographs. However, there are strict requirements for the format of the representations for filing and our draughtsmen can prepare suitable representations if necessary.
- An indication of the type of products to which the design will be applied. This is required to allocate the design to a specific Locarno Class for searching and administration purposes.
- If the UK Registered Design application is to claim priority for an earlier application, the country, filing date and application number of the earlier application.

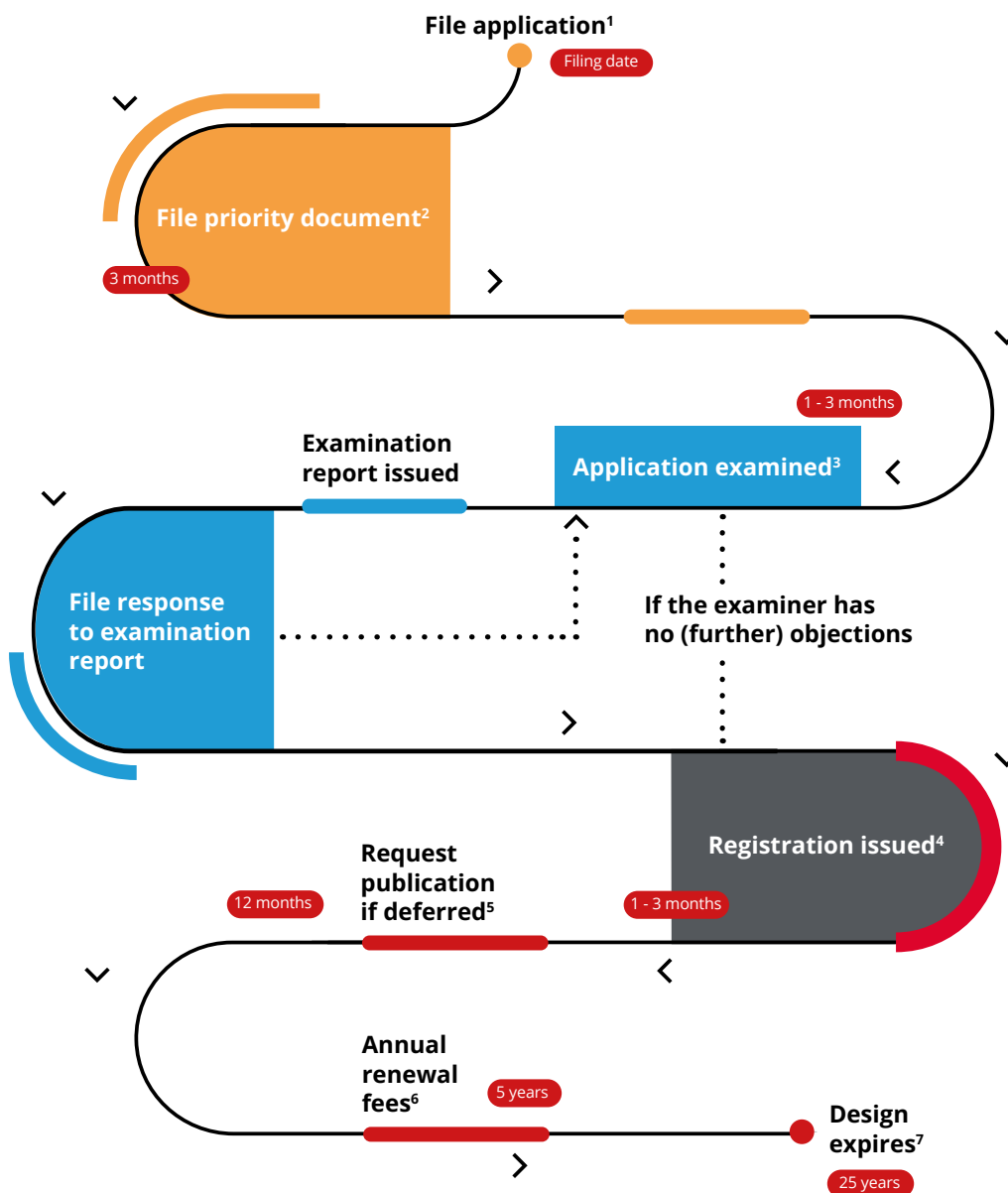
Priority from the earlier application should preferably be claimed at the time of filing the UK Registered Design application, although it can be claimed up to one month after the filing date. The UK Registered Design application must be filed no later than six months from the filing date of the earliest priority application.

- If priority is claimed, a certified copy of the priority application must be filed within three months of the UK filing date. If the UK Registered Design is identical to the earlier application, a certified copy is not required. If the priority application is not in English or Welsh, it is possible for the UKIPO to ask for a translation, but this is uncommon. An indication of whether publication of the Registered Community Design should be deferred.

It is not necessary to name the designer in a UK Registered Design application, but it is important to confirm ownership and the Applicant's entitlement to file the application.

The UKIPO does not require a Power of Attorney or any forms signed by the Applicant on filing.

# The prosecution stages of a United Kingdom registered design application



**Approximate time scale**  
(from priority date)

## Notes

<sup>1</sup> With the application, it is necessary to file representations in the form of drawings or photographs showing the relevant views of the design\*.

<sup>2</sup> A certified copy of the earlier application must be filed within three months of the filing date.

<sup>3</sup> The application is examined by the Designs Registry for formalities only. No novelty search or examination of novelty or individual character is carried out.

<sup>4</sup> Objections are rare, but if any are raised they must be dealt with within two months.

<sup>5</sup> Publication can be deferred if requested upon filing.

<sup>6</sup> On registration, the design is published. The design is regarded as registered as from its filing date.

<sup>7</sup> Registrations may be renewed for four subsequent periods of five years, up to a total of 25 years

\*If priority is claimed from an earlier UK or overseas application details of the earlier application must be given. NB. A convention application must be filed within six months of the earlier application.



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