



Visual Art Works



Follow these steps to register your pictorial, graphic, sculptural, or architectural work:

Step 1

Make sure your work is a visual arts work. Visual arts are pictorial, graphic, or sculptural works, including 2-dimensional and 3-dimensional works of fine, graphic, and applied art. Here are [examples of visual arts](#). "Useful articles" may have both copyrightable and noncopyrightable features ([read details](#)). Some architectural works also qualify as visual arts works ([read details](#)).

Step 2

Put into one envelope or package:

- a completed application [Form VA](#) and [Form CON](#) if needed.
- a \$45 payment to "Register of Copyrights."
- nonreturnable copy(ies) of the material to be registered. Read details on [deposit requirements](#).

Please read this important notice about mail delivery disruption.

Step 3

Send the package to:

Library of Congress
Copyright Office
101 Independence Avenue, S.E.
Washington, D.C. 20559-6000

Your registration becomes effective on the day that the Copyright Office receives your application, payment, and copy(ies) in acceptable form. If your submission is in order, you will receive a certificate of registration in approximately 4 months.

For more details, please see [Circular 40, Copyright Registration for Works of the Visual Arts](#); [Circular 40a, Deposit Requirements in Visual Arts Material](#); [Circular 41, Copyright Claims in Architectural Works](#); [Circular 44, Cartoons and Comic Strips](#) and other [informational circulars](#).

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