



Scope of legal protection

The scope of legal protection of an industrial design is based on the **representation** of the design presented in the application for registration. Each variant of an industrial design acquires legal protection independently. A set of industrial designs acquires legal protection as a whole.

The rights acquired by registration of an industrial design are **territorial**. Industrial designs registered in the Estonian Patent Office are [protected on the territory of the Republic of Estonia](#). An owner of a Community design enjoys [protection in all member states of the European Union \(incl. Estonia\)](#). Designs registered in the offices of foreign countries have protection in the relevant countries. ([How to protect industrial design via the other national offices](#); [How to protect industrial design via the Hague system of international registration](#)).

The rights of the owner of the registered industrial design are **valid** for five years. The validity can be renewed by paying a fee for a period of five years at a time up to a total term of twenty-five years.

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