

The Executive Director

**Communication No 3/2024 of the Executive Director of the Office  
of 11 December 2024**

**concerning the calculation of the Registered Community Design renewal fees and the basic and grace period for renewal in view of the entry into force of the Regulation (EU) 2024/2822 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2024 amending Council Regulation (EC) No 6/2002 on Community designs and repealing Commission Regulation (EC) No 2246/2002**

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN UNION INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY OFFICE (THE OFFICE),

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 6/2002 of 12 December 2001 on Community designs (CDR) and in particular [Article 12](#) and [Article 13\(3\) and \(4\)](#) thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 2246/2002 of 16 December 2002 on the fees payable to the Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market (Trade Marks and Designs) in respect of the registration of Community designs (CDFR) and in particular [Annex \(11\)](#) thereof,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) 2024/2822 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2024 amending Council Regulation (EC) No 6/2002 on Community designs and repealing Commission Regulation (EC) No 2246/2002 (EUDR) (hereafter 'Amending Regulation') and in particular [Article 50d\(3\) and \(6\)](#), and [Annex 1\(6\)](#), thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Amending Regulation shall apply from **01 May 2025** (date of application).
- (2) The Amending Regulation leaves the term of protection of a Registered Community Design (RCD) unchanged at 5 years from the date of filing of the application which may be renewed for periods of 5 years up to a total of 25 years from the date of filing (four renewal periods).
- (3) Following the date of application, however, there will be changes in:

(i) the renewal fees

The renewal fees for the first to the fourth periods under [Annex \(11\) of the CDFR](#) will be replaced by those set out in [Annex 1\(6\) of the EUDR](#).

Renewal fee per design, included or not in a multiple application	Current fee	New fee
First renewal	€90	€150
Second renewal	€120	€250
Third renewal	€150	€400
Fourth renewal	€180	€700

(ii) the method of calculation of the renewal periods

Currently, pursuant to [Article 13\(3\) CDR](#), the request for renewal shall be submitted and the renewal fee paid within a period of 6 months ending on the last day of the month in which protection ends (basic renewal period). If these conditions are not met, the request may be submitted and the renewal fee paid within six months from the end of the basic renewal period (grace period), provided that an additional fee is paid within the grace period.

From the date of application of the EUDR, according to [Article 50d\(3\) EUDR](#), the reference date for calculating the two periods in question (basic renewal period and grace period) will be the date of expiry of the registration (instead of the last day of the month in which protection ends).

HAS ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING COMMUNICATION:

## **I. Scope and Purpose**

In the absence of any transitional provision, this Communication is intended as general guidance on how the EUIPO will apply the previous and new renewal fees for RCDs and the periods relating to these fees. This guidance applies to RCDs that come up for renewal both before and after the Amending Regulation enters into force.

## **II. Date taken into account for the calculation of the renewal fees**

Regardless of the payment method, and whether payments by current account make use of the 'debit now' or 'debit later' option, the fees applied to each renewal will depend on the date of request of the renewal, namely:

- if a renewal request is received before the date of application of the Amending Regulation, the fees set out in the [Annex to the CDFR](#) will apply.
- if the request for renewal is received on or after the date of application of the Amending Regulation, the fees set out in [Annex I of the EUDR](#) will apply.

Therefore, filing a renewal request before the date of application of the Amending Regulation will result in a more lower renewal fee.

### III. Calculation of the basic and grace renewal periods for RCDs

The Office will apply the Amending Regulation's changes to the calculation of the renewal periods as follows:

- Where the basic renewal period starts to run before the date of application of the Amending Regulation, the provisions contained in [Article 13\(3\) CDR](#) will apply for calculating both the basic renewal period and, where applicable, the grace period.
- Where the basic renewal period starts to run on or after the date of application of the Amending Regulation, the provisions contained in [Article 50d EUDR](#) will apply for calculating both the basic renewal period and, where applicable, the grace period.

Done at Alicante, 11 December 2024



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