



EU Design Act

Design protection that is fit for the era of digital designs and evolving technologies. Protect your designs in the digital space.

Key changes
that will
become
effective on

1 July 2026

New types of EU designs, including digital designs, will become available for filing before the EUIPO

Dynamic and animated representations of EU designs will be allowed and not just traditional static representations

- *Computer imaging or computer modeling files (OBJ, STL) for dynamic (3D) reproductions*
- *Videos (MP4) for animated reproductions*

Increase in number of views to up to 10 views for static representations

- *Currently, the EUIPO only allows 7 views*

Combination of static and dynamic or animated reproductions will not be allowed by the EUIPO

Amending views in immaterial details will be allowed, after filing EU designs in response to office action

Partial invalidity of EU designs will not be possible

Fast track invalidity proceedings based on lack of novelty and individual character in cases where EU design owner does not contest the invalidity action

Updated EUIPO Design Guidelines and Decision of Executive Director with technical rules will come into force

For national designs in EU Member States, the European Design Directive will need to be transposed by 9 December 2027.

We are here to help you navigate these changes to maximize your design portfolio - our people have first-hand, in-depth knowledge, having been involved in the foundations of the reform. Members of our team are part of the ECTA EUIPO Link and Design Committees. For more information, please contact a member of our *EU Design Act Taskforce*.