

Hague Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Industrial Designs

LAUNCHING OF THE INTERNATIONAL DESIGNS RENEWAL INTERFACE (“E-RENEWAL”)

1. As of December 23, 2010, an electronic interface for the online renewal of international registrations, hereinafter referred to as “e-renewal” will be available on the Hague system website at the following address: https://webaccess.wipo.int/erenewal_dm/. The introduction of the e-renewal interface presents users with the ability to specify the scope of renewal of their international registrations in a more granular manner than which may be requested via the paper renewal form (DM/4).
2. The Hague system for the international registration of industrial designs allows, in addition to a total renewal, for the possibility of partial renewal, that is, a renewal in respect of only some of the designs and/or some of the designated Contracting Parties contained in the international registration. The e-renewal interface allows users to specify different sets of Contracting Parties for which different sets of industrial designs are to be renewed. The e-renewal interface also takes into account the history of the international registration to be renewed so as to calculate the fees accordingly and allows users view the reproductions of the industrial designs contained in the registration
3. The e-renewal interface allows the payment of the renewal fee either through a current account opened with the International Bureau or by credit card.
4. It will remain possible to request the renewal of an international registration in writing, using the DM/4 form (available at the following address: <http://www.wipo.int/hague/en/forms>) or simply through the payment of the renewal fees. However, users are strongly encouraged to use e-renewal instead.

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