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PART I
- PRELIMINARY

Division into Parts

- 1 *[omitted]*

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Interpretation

2 In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires—

“class” means prescribed class;

“copyright” means the exclusive right to apply a design to any article of manufacture or to any substance artificial or natural, or partly artificial and partly natural, in the class or classes in which the design is registered;

“design” means only the features of shape, configuration, pattern, or ornament applied to any article by any industrial process or means, whether manual, mechanical, or chemical, separate or combined which in the finished article appeal to and are judged solely by the eye; but does not include any mode or principle of construction, or anything which is in substance a mere mechanical device;

“invention” means any manner of new manufacture which, at the time of the application for a patent, is not in use by others, and which is not contrary to law, nor mischievous to the State, by raising prices of commodities at home, nor to the hurt of trade, nor generally inconvenient; and “invention” includes an alleged invention;

“Judge” means the Chief Justice, or in his absence the Acting Chief Justice (if any), or in the event of the absence of both of them, any Puisne Judge or Assistant Justice of the Supreme Court;

“Minister” means the Minister responsible for intellectual property;

“mark” includes any device, brand, heading, label, ticket, name, signature, word, letter, numeral, or any combination thereof;

“patent” means certificate of registration in the Register of Patents, and includes, whenever not inconsistent with the context, all the rights conferred or evidenced by such registration;

“patentee” means the person for the time being registered as the proprietor of a patent;

“prescribed” means prescribed by this Act or by any rules made thereunder, or under any other Act, applicable to the case;

“Registrar” means the Registrar-General.

[Section 2 amended by BR 11 / 2009 reg. 2 effective 6 February 2009; “Minister” deleted and substituted by BR 5 / 2011 para. 5 effective 25 February 2011]

PART II

Who may apply for patent

3 (1) Any person may make an application for a patent.

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(2) Two or more persons may make a joint application for a patent, and a patent may be granted to them jointly.

Form of application; delivery of patent

4 (1) The Registrar, on an application by or on behalf of any person claiming to be the inventor or proprietor of any invention, and on the delivery to the Registrar of a declaration in writing in Form A in the Schedule, together with a specification in duplicate signed by the applicant or his agent, particularly describing the nature of the invention and in what manner the same is to be performed, and on payment of the prescribed fee, shall deliver to such person or his agent, a certificate in Form B in such Schedule, hereinafter called a "patent", and a copy of such patent shall be inserted by the Registrar in the Gazette.

(2) All drawings, tracings, diagrams, plans and other exhibits referred to in any specification shall be made on tracing linen or some other durable material to the satisfaction of the Registrar, and in no case on tracing paper.

(3) Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this section, in any case where in lieu of such specification as aforesaid, the applicant delivers a provisional specification describing the nature of the invention and, if required by the Registrar, accompanied by plans, and in lieu of the fees otherwise payable on application for a patent, pays a fee of four dollars and eighty cents or such other fee as may be prescribed, the Registrar may issue to the applicant a certificate in Form C in the Schedule, and the invention may thereupon be used for a period of nine months or until within such period as a patent is granted for the invention without prejudice to such patent, and in such case such patent shall be granted on delivery within such period of nine months of such complete specification as hereinbefore mentioned and on payment of the balance of the fee payable on application for a patent:

Provided that on an application for a patent the specification or provisional specification and plans, if any, accompanying or left in connection with such application shall not at any time be open to public inspection or be published by the Registrar unless and until such patent has been granted.

Register of Patents

5 (1) The Registrar shall keep in his office a book to be called the Register of Patents, and shall record therein under a distinguishing number and in the order in which applications have been duly made to him, every such invention, and the Christian name and surname of the inventor, and the day of the date of the patent, and shall cause every specification to be marked with the distinguishing number of the invention to which the specification referred.

(2) All assignments, charges, transmissions, amendments, extensions, and revocations of patents, and such other matters affecting the validity of proprietorship of patents as may from time to time be prescribed, shall be notified to the Registrar, who shall, on sufficient evidence thereof and on payment of the prescribed fee, note the same in the Register of Patents.

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Vesting of exclusive right of patent for 16 years

6 Every patent shall vest in the patentee, his executors, administrators or assigns, and licensees, the sole right and benefit of using within Bermuda the invention mentioned in such patent for and during the space of sixteen years next after the granting of such patent:

Provided that at any time before the expiration of such period the Registrar may, with the sanction of the Minister, extend the same for any period not exceeding seven years, as the Minister may direct, and may in like manner extend such further period with the like sanction and direction for any period not exceeding seven years as often as such extension is sanctioned as aforesaid.

Disclaimer

7 Any patentee may, on payment of the prescribed fee, enter with the Registrar a disclaimer or disclaimers of any part or parts of either the title of the invention or of the specification, stating the reasons for such disclaimer, or may enter a memorandum of any alteration in such title or specification, not being such disclaimer or such alteration as would make the patentee claim an invention substantially larger than or substantially different from that claimed by the specification as it stood before such amendment, and on such disclaimer or memorandum of alteration being filed by the Registrar it shall be deemed and taken to be part of such title or specification:

Provided that the foregoing provisions of this section shall not apply to a patent in respect of which an action for infringement or proceeding for revocation of a patent is pending.

Advertisement of amendment of specification

8 Every amendment of a specification shall be advertised in the Gazette.

Restraint of infringement of patent

9 The Supreme Court may, on the application of the patentee, restrain any person from infringing his patent, and a patentee may by action recover damages for any infringement of his patent.

Petition for revocation of patent

10 Revocation of a patent may be obtained on petition to the Supreme Court on any of the following grounds—

- (a) that the pattern was obtained by fraud; or
- (b) that the grantee was not the true inventor or proprietor of every invention included in his application: or
- (c) that anything claimed by the grantee as his invention was publicly manufactured, used, or sold within Bermuda, before the date of the patent, or included in some prior patent.

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Who may petition for revocation of patent

11 A petition for revocation of a patent may be presented by any of the following persons—

- (a) the Attorney-General, or by any person authorized by him;
- (b) any person alleging that the patent was obtained in fraud of his rights, or of rights of any person under or through whom he claims;
- (c) any person alleging that he, or any person under or through whom he claims, was the true inventor of any invention included in the claim of the patentee;
- (d) any person alleging that he, or any person under or through whom he claims an interest in any trade, business, or manufacture, had publicly manufactured, used or sold within Bermuda before the date of the patent anything claimed by the patentee as his invention.

Proceedings for infringement or revocation

12 (1) In any action or proceeding for the infringement or revocation of a patent the plaintiff or petitioner must deliver with his writ of summons or petition particulars of the breaches complained of or the objections on which he means to rely, and a defendant must deliver with his defence or other pleading particulars of any objections on which he relies, and no evidence except by leave of the Supreme Court or a judge shall be admitted in proof of any breach or objection in which particulars are not so delivered.

(2) Particulars delivered may from time to time be amended by leave of the Supreme Court or a judge.

(3) When a patent has been revoked on the ground of fraud the Registrar may, on the application of the true inventor made in accordance with this Act, grant to him a patent in Form B in the Schedule in lieu of and bearing the same date as the date of revocation of the patent so revoked, and a copy of such patent shall be inserted by the Registrar in the Gazette, but the patent so granted shall cease on the expiration of the term for which the revoked patent was granted.

(4) No action or proceeding shall lie for the revocation of a patent vested in Her Majesty's Secretary of State for War for the time being, except by consent of the Governor.

Patents have effect against Crown

13 (1) A patent shall to all intents have the like effect against Her Majesty, Her heirs and successors as it has against a subject.

(2) Notwithstanding anything in the foregoing provisions of this section, the public officers or public authorities administering any department of the service of the Crown may by themselves, their agents, contractors or others, at any time after the application, use the invention for the service of the Crown on terms to be before or after the use thereof agreed on between those officers or authorities and the patentee or, in default of such agreement, on such terms as may be settled by the Governor.

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Supreme Court may order patentee to grant licences

14 If on the petition of any person interested it is proved that by reason of the default of a patentee to grant licences on reasonable terms—

- (a) an invention is not being worked in Bermuda; or
- (b) the reasonable requirements of the public with respect to the invention cannot be supplied; or
- (c) any person is prevented from working or using to the best advantage an invention of which he is possessed,

then in any such case the Supreme Court may order the patentee to grant licences on such terms, and may enforce such order in such manner, as it may think fit.

Lost patent

15 If a patent is lost or destroyed, or its non-production is accounted for to the satisfaction of the Registrar, he may at any time cause a duplicate thereof to be sealed.

Patent registered in United Kingdom may be registered in Bermuda

16 (1) Any person, being the grantee of a patent in the United Kingdom or any person deriving his right from such grantee by assignment, transmission, or other operation of law, may apply within three years from the date of issue of the patent to have such patent registered in Bermuda.

(2) Where any partial assignment or transmission has been made, all proper parties shall be joined in the application registration.

Application

17 Every application under this Act shall be accompanied by a certified copy of the specifications and drawings (if any) of the patent and a certificate of the Comptroller-General of the Patent Office in the United Kingdom giving full particulars of the issue of the patent on such specifications.

Advertisement; hearings

18 (1) Upon such application together with the documents mentioned in section 17 being received, the Registrar shall advertise the application in the Gazette in such manner as he may deem expedient, and any person may at any time within two months from the date of such advertisement give written notice to the Registrar of opposition to the issue of a certificate of registration, and shall state in such notice his grounds for opposing such issue, and shall at the same time forward the prescribed fee.

(2) Where notice of opposition is given within the prescribed time, the Registrar shall transmit a copy of the notice to the applicant and, after hearing both parties if desirous of being heard, shall decide on the case.

(3) If there is no opposition, or, in the case of opposition, if the decision of the Registrar is in favour of the issue of the certificate of registration, the Registrar shall issue a certificate of registration.

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(4) The Supreme Court shall have power upon the application of any person who alleges that his interests have been prejudicially affected by the issue of a certificate of registration, to declare that the exclusive privileges and rights conferred by such certificate of registration have not been acquired on any of the grounds upon which the United Kingdom patent might be revoked under the law for the time being in force in the United Kingdom; and such grounds shall be deemed to include the manufacture, use or sale of the invention in Bermuda before the priority date applicable to the patent in the United Kingdom, but not to include the manufacture, use or sale of the invention in Bermuda by some person or persons after the priority date applicable to the patent in the United Kingdom and before the date of issue of the certificate of registration under this section.

For the purposes of this subsection the expression "priority date" in its application to a patent in the United Kingdom has the meaning assigned to it in section 5 of the United Kingdom Act entitled the Patents Act 1949.

Effect of registration in Bermuda of United Kingdom patent

19 The certificate of registration shall confer on the recipient privileges and rights subject to all conditions established by the laws of Bermuda as though the patent had been issued in the United Kingdom with an extension to Bermuda.

Time of commencement of rights; cessation when patent no longer in force in United Kingdom

20 Privileges and rights granted by virtue of the registration of a patent shall date from the date of the patent in the United Kingdom and shall continue in force only so long as the patent remains in force in the United Kingdom:

Provided that no action for infringement shall be entertained in respect of any manufacture, use, or sale of the invention prior to the date of issue of the certificate of registration in Bermuda.

Amendment of specifications

21 Whenever the specifications or drawings of a patent registered under this Act have been amended by way of disclaimer, correction, or explanation according to the law of the United Kingdom, a request, accompanied by a copy of the specifications and drawings (if any) as amended, duly certified by the Comptroller-General of the Patent Office in the United Kingdom, may be made to the Registrar to substitute a copy of the specifications and drawings as amended for the specifications and drawings originally filed.

PART III

- REGISTRATION ETC. OF DESIGNS

Register of Designs

22 The Registrar shall keep in his office a book to be called the Register of Designs, and shall enter therein the names and addresses of proprietors of registered designs and such other matters as may from time to time be prescribed.

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Proprietorship of design

23 The author of any new or original design shall be deemed to be the proprietor thereof, unless he executed the work on behalf of another person for good and valuable consideration, in which case such other person shall be considered the proprietor; and every person acquiring for good or valuable consideration a new or original design, or the right to apply the same to any article or substance, either exclusively of any other person or otherwise, and also every person on whom the property in such design or such right to the application thereof shall devolve, shall be considered the proprietor of the design in the respect in which the same may have been so acquired and to that extent, but not otherwise.

Application for registration of design

24 (1) The Registrar, on application by or on behalf of any person claiming to be the proprietor of any new or original design not previously published in Bermuda, and on payment of the prescribed fee, may register the design under this Act.

(2) An application for the registration of a design shall be made in Form D in the Schedule or in such other form as may from time to time be prescribed, and shall be left at the office of the Registrar in the prescribed manner.

(3) The application must contain a statement of the nature of the design and the prescribed class or classes of goods in which the applicant desires that the design should be registered.

(4) The same design may be registered in more than one class.

(5) In case of doubt as to the class in which a design ought to be registered the Registrar may decide the question.

(6) The Registrar may, if he thinks fit, refuse to register any design presented to him for registration, or may refuse to register it in any particular class, but any person aggrieved by any such refusal may appeal therefrom to a judge in Chambers.

Drawings; photographs; tracings of design for Registrar

25 On application for registration of a design the applicant shall furnish to the Registrar the prescribed number of drawings, photographs, or tracings of the design sufficient to the Registrar for enabling him to identify the design and suitable for the official records; or the applicant may instead of such drawings, photographs, or tracings furnish exact representations or specimens of the design.

Copyright on registration of design

26 (1) When a design is registered, the registered proprietor of the design shall, subject to this Act, have copyright in the design during five years from the registration of the design.

(2) If within the prescribed time before the expiration of such period of five years application for the extension of the period of copyright is made to the Registrar in the prescribed manner, the Registrar shall on payment of the prescribed fee extend the period of copyright for a second period of five years from the expiration of the original period of five years.

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(3) If within the prescribed time before the expiration of such second period of five years application for the extension of the period of copyright is made to the Registrar in the prescribed manner, the Registrar may, subject to any rules under this Act, on payment of the prescribed fee, extend the period of copyright for a third period of five years from the expiration of the second period of five years.

(4) Before delivery on sale of any goods or articles to which a registered design has been applied the proprietor must, unless exact representations or specimens were furnished on the application for registration, furnish to the Registrar the prescribed number of exact representations or specimens of the design; and if he fails to do so the Registrar may erase his name from the Register of Designs and thereupon his copyright in the design shall cease.

Marking registered designs

27 Before delivery on sale of any goods or articles to which a registered design has been applied the proprietor of the design shall cause each of such goods or articles to be marked with the prescribed mark, or with the prescribed word or words, or figures denoting that the design is registered, and if he fails to do so, the proprietor shall not be entitled to recover any penalty or damages in respect of any infringement of his copyright in the design, unless he shows that he took all proper steps to ensure the marking of the article, or unless he shows that the infringement took place after the person guilty thereof knew or had received notice of the existence of copyright in the design.

Inspection of registered designs

28 (1) During the existence of a copyright in a design, the design shall not be open to inspection except by the proprietor, or a person authorized by the Registrar or by the Supreme Court, and furnishing such evidence as may enable the Registrar to identify the design, nor except in the presence of the Registrar, nor except on payment of the prescribed fee, and the person making the inspection shall not be entitled to take any copy of the design or any part thereof; and if the person making the inspection takes a copy of the design or any part thereof he shall be liable for every such copy so taken to forfeit to the registered proprietor of the design a sum not exceeding two hundred and forty dollars, and such registered proprietor may recover the same by action in the Supreme Court.

(2) When the copyright in a design has ceased the design shall be open to inspection and copies thereof may be taken by any person on payment of the prescribed fee.

Registrar to give information on request

29 On the request of any person producing a particular design, together with its mark of registration, or producing only its mark of registration, or furnishing such information as may enable the Registrar to identify the design, and on payment of the prescribed fee, it shall be the duty of the Registrar to inform such person whether the registration still exists, and, if so, in respect of what class or classes of goods, and stating also the date of registration, and the name and address of the registered proprietor.

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Application for cancellation of registration

30 (1) Any person interested may, at any time after the registration of a design apply to the Registrar for the cancellation of the registration of the design, on either of the following grounds—

- (a) on the ground that the design has been published in Bermuda prior to the date of registration; or
- (b) on the ground that the design is applied by manufacture to any article in a foreign country, and is not so applied by manufacture in Bermuda to such an extent as is reasonable in the circumstances of the case:

Provided that—

- (i) if the application is on the ground mentioned in paragraph (b), and the Registrar is satisfied that the time which has elapsed from the date of registration has been insufficient for such application by manufacture in Bermuda, the Registrar may adjourn the application for such time as he may deem sufficient for that purpose; and
- (ii) the Registrar may, in lieu of cancellation, order the grant of a compulsory licence on such term as he considers just.

(2) An appeal shall lie from any order of the Registrar under this section to the Supreme Court, and the Registrar may at any time refer any such application to the Supreme Court for trial.

Penalty for infringement of copyright

31 (1) During the existence of copyright in any design no person—

- (a) shall, without the licence or written consent of the registered proprietor, apply or cause to be applied such design, or any fraudulent or obvious imitation thereof, in the class or classes of goods in which such design is registered, for purposes of sale, to any article of manufacture or to any substance artificial or natural, or partly artificial and partly natural; or
- (b) shall publish or expose for sale any article of manufacture or any substance to which such design or any fraudulent or obvious imitation thereof has been so applied, knowing that the same has been so applied without the consent of the registered proprietor.

(2) Any person who acts in contravention of this section shall be liable for every such act as aforesaid to forfeit to the registered proprietor of a design a sum not exceeding two hundred and forty dollars, and such registered proprietor may recover the same by action in the Supreme Court.

Proprietor of design registered in United Kingdom to have certain rights in Bermuda

32 The registered proprietor of any design registered in the United Kingdom under the Acts of the Parliament of the United Kingdom entitled the Patents and Designs Act 1907 and 1919, or any Act of the Parliament of the United Kingdom amending or substituted for those Acts of Parliament of the United Kingdom shall enjoy in Bermuda the like privileges

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and rights as though the certificate of registration had been issued with an extension to Bermuda.

No entitlement to damages in certain cases

33 The registered proprietor of a design shall not be entitled to recover damages in respect of infringement of copyright in a design from any defendant who proves that at the date of the infringement he was not aware nor had any reasonable means of making himself aware of the existence of the registration of the design:

Provided that nothing in this section shall affect any proceedings for an injunction,

Application to Supreme Court for declaration of rights regarding design

34 (1) The Supreme Court shall have power, upon the application of any person who alleges that his interests had been prejudicially affected, to declare that exclusive privileges and rights in a design have not been acquired in Bermuda, under this Act, upon any grounds upon which the United Kingdom registration might be cancelled under the law for the time being in force in the United Kingdom.

(2) Such grounds shall be deemed to include the publication of the design in Bermuda prior to the date of registration of the design in the United Kingdom.

PART IV

- GENERAL AND SUPPLEMENTAL PROVISIONS

[formerly contained in Part V section 64 et seq]

Trusts not to be entered on register

35 There shall not be entered in any register kept under this Act, or be receivable by the Registrar, notice of any trust expressed, implied, or constructed.

Registrar may refuse to register scandalous design

36 The Registrar may refuse to grant a patent for an invention or to register a design which is, or of which the use would be scandalous or contrary to law or morality.

When registration completed

37 Any patent or design shall be deemed to be registered when the name of any person is entered as the proprietor thereof in the Register of Patents or the Register of Designs, as the case maybe.

Assignments and transmissions

38 (1) Where a person becomes entitled by operation of law to a patent, or to the copyright in a registered design, the Registrar shall, on request and on proof of title, cause the name of such person to be entered as the proprietor of the patent or copyright in the design in the Register of Patents or Designs, as the case may be.

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(2) The person for the time being entered in the Register of Patents or Designs, as the proprietor of a patent or copyright in a design, as the case may be, shall, subject to this Act and to any rights appearing from such register to be vested in any other person, have power absolutely to assign, grant licences as to, or otherwise deal with the same, and to give effectual receipts for any consideration for such assignment, licence or dealing:

Provided that—

- (a) any equities in respect of such patent or design may be enforced in like manner as in respect of any other personal property; and
- (b) the priority of all assignments and charges shall, as regards purchasers for value without notice, be determined by priority of registration.

Inspection of registers

39 Every register kept under this Act shall be prima facie evidence of all matters duly entered therein, and every such register, and the specifications of every registered patent shall be open to the inspection of the public on payment of the prescribed fee, subject to this Act, and to such regulations as may be prescribed; and certified copies sealed with the seal of the Registry of any entry in such register or of any such specification, shall be given to any person requiring the same on payment of the prescribed fee:

Provided that whenever any specification or extract includes any tracing, drawing, or diagram, an additional fee for any copy thereof shall be paid equal to the cost of preparing such tracing, drawing or diagram.

Correction of errors

40 The Registrar may, on request in writing, accompanied by the prescribed fee

- (a) correct any error in or in connection with an application for a patent or for registration of a design; or
- (b) correct any error in the name, style, or address of the registered proprietor of a patent or design; or
- (c) permit an applicant for registration of a design to amend his application by omitting any particular goods or classes of goods in connection with which he has desired the design to be registered.

Evidence

41 A certificate purporting to be under the hand of the Registrar as to any entry, matter, or thing which he is authorized by this Act or any general rules made under this Act to make or do, shall be, prima facie, evidence of the entry having been made and of the contents thereof, and of the matter or thing having been done or left undone.

Orders affecting Registrar may be made by Judge in chambers

42 An order requiring the Registrar to do, or abstain from doing, anything under this Act, may be made by a judge on a summons in Chambers.

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Supreme Court or Judge may make orders

43 In any proceedings under this Act the Supreme Court or a judge, as the case may be, may at any time make such orders for an injunction, inspection, or account, impose such terms, and give such directions as to the order in which the parties shall be heard, and the procedure under this Act generally as the Supreme Court or judge may see fit.

Persons under disability

44 If any person is by reason of infancy, insanity, unsoundness of mind or other disability, incapable of making any declaration or doing anything required or permitted by this Act, or by any rules made under the authority of this Act, then the guardian or committee (if any) of such incapable person, or, if there is none, then any person appointed by any court or judge possessing jurisdiction in respect of the property of persons under disability, upon the petition of any person on behalf of such incapable person, or of any other persons interested in making such declaration or doing such thing, may make such declaration, or a declaration as nearly as practicable corresponding thereto as circumstances permit, and do such thing in the name and on behalf of such incapable person, and all acts done by such substitute shall for the purpose of this Act be as effectual as if done by the person for whom he is substituted.

Quarterly publication in Gazette of lists of patents granted and designs registered

45 (1) The Registrar shall within fifteen days after the termination of each quarter cause to be published in the Gazette a list of all patents granted, and designs registered, during such quarter, and any further information that he may deem generally useful or important.

(2) The cost of such publication shall be defrayed out of the Consolidated Fund.

Sending of copies to England

46 Copies of the specifications of all registered patents, and all registered amendments thereof, and of all published lists of registered designs shall be transmitted to the Comptroller of Patents, Designs, and Trade Marks in England.

Registrar may make rules

47 (1) The Registrar, with the sanction of the Minister, may from time to time make such general rules and do such things as he may think expedient, for regulating the practice of registration under this Act, for classifying goods for the purposes of designs, or for any other purpose which may be deemed necessary for carrying out this Act; and shall also have power, with the like sanction, to alter, add to, amend or revoke any such rules.

(2) The general rules may prescribe forms for use under this Act either in addition to or in substitution for the forms contained in the Schedule.

(3) The negative resolution procedure shall apply to rules made under this section.

48 *[repealed by 1977:35]*

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Registrar may take declarations

49 Any declarations required to be made under this Act may be taken before the Registrar, or before any other person authorized by general rules made under section 47 for the purpose.

Appeal to Governor as to fees of Registrar

50 If any person is dissatisfied as to any fee demanded from him, or paid by him for the performance of any function by the Registrar, he may appeal to the Governor, whose decision thereon shall be final.

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SCHEDULE

FORMS

FORM A

Application for Patent

To the Registrar of Patents and Designs, Bermuda.

I [*name of applicant*] of [*residence and occupation*] do solemnly and sincerely declare that I am in possession of an invention for [*state shortly the nature and object of the invention*] which invention I believe will be of great public utility, and that the same is not in use by any person or persons in Bermuda to the best of my knowledge and belief, and the instrument in writing under my hand herewith delivered particularly describes and ascertains the nature of such invention, and the manner in which the same is to be performed; and I hereby apply that a patent may be granted to me for such invention.

Declared at Bermuda, on the [*blank*] day of [*blank*] 19 [*blank*]

before me

[*Signature of Applicant.*]

FORM B

Patent

I [*name of Registrar*], Registrar of Patents and Designs for Bermuda, do hereby certify that on the day of [*blank*] one thousand nine hundred and there has been delivered to me by [*or, on behalf of*] [*name of applicant*], of [*residence and occupation*], a declaration in writing signed by the said [*name of applicant*] of a certain invention, whereof the said [*name of applicant*] claims to be the inventor or proprietor, being an invention for [*state shortly the nature or object of the invention*], together with a specification particularly describing the nature of such invention and the manner in which the same is to be performed, and that the name of the said [*name of applicant*] has been entered in the Register of Patents as the proprietor of this patent.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand at in Bermuda, this day
of one thousand nine hundred and [*blank*]

[*Signature of Registrar.*]

Registrar.

FORM C

Certificate of Provisional Protection

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I [*name of Registrar*], Registrar of Patents and Designs for Bermuda, do hereby certify that on the day of [*blank*] one thousand nine hundred and [*blank*] there has been delivered to me by [*or, on behalf of*] [*name Of applicant*], of [*residence and occupation*], a declaration in writing signed by the said [*name of applicant*] of a certain invention, whereof the said [*name of applicant*] claims to be the inventor or proprietor, being an invention for [*State shortly the nature or object of the invention*], together with a provisional specification describing the nature of the invention, and that the said [*name of applicant*] is entitled to provisional protection from the consequences of the use and publication of such invention for the period of nine months from this date, or until within that period a patent for the same shall have been granted.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand at [*blank*] in Bermuda, this [*blank*] day of [*blank*] one thousand nine hundred and [*blank*]

[*Signature of Registrar*]
Registrar.

FORM D

Application for Registration of Design

To the Registrar of Patents and Designs, Bermuda.

You are hereby requested to register the accompanying Design in Class _____ in the name of [*blank*] of who claims to be the proprietor thereof.

Statement of Nature of Design.

Dated the [*blank*] day of [*blank*] 19 [*blank*].

[*Signature of Applicant.*]

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