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**Council for Trade-Related Aspects of
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**NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS
UNDER ARTICLE 63.2 OF THE TRIPS AGREEMENT**

JAPAN: DESIGN ACT (ACT NO. 125 OF 1959) - LATEST REVISION:
ACT NO. 3 OF MAY 17, 2019

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| Notifying Member | JAPAN |
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Details of the notified legal text

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| Title | Design Act (Act No. 125 of 1959) - Latest revision: Act No. 3 of May 17, 2019 |
| Subject matter | Industrial designs |
| Nature of notification | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation <input type="checkbox"/> Other law or regulation |
| Link to legal text* | https://ip-documents.info/2021/IP/JPN/21_3720_00_e.pdf https://ip-documents.info/2021/IP/JPN/21_3720_00_x.pdf |
| Notification status | <input type="checkbox"/> First notification <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment or revision to notified legal text <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Replacement or consolidation of notified legal text(s) |
| Previous notification(s) referred to | IP/N/1/JPN/52 , IP/N/1/JPN/D/12 |
| Brief description of the notified legal text The Design Act was revised for the introduction of collective application for multiple designs, elimination of the article classification table, and expansion of remediable procedure. | |
| Language(s) of notified legal text | English, Japanese |
| Entry into force | 1 April 2021 |
| Other date | Adoption: 17 May 2019 |

Notification details

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| Submission date of notification | 27 May 2021 |
| Other information | |

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