

France

Designs

▪ **Contents:**

Legal, administrative and bibliographic information concerning French industrial designs:

- 1st Publication Bulletin of the office: January 2006
- The update is programmed within 24 hours of reception of the data from the office.
- Applications before October 1st, 2001 are protected for 25 years starting on the date of the application, and cannot be extended. After that date, applications are protected for 5 years renewable up to 25 years.

▪ **Period covered:** From January 1910. Images from 1996.

▪ **Link to bulletin:** No

▪ **Frequency of updating:** Semimonthly, on Fridays

▪ **Source:** INPI

▪ **Searchable Fields:**

INID	Field Designation
11	Registration Number
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▪ **Search Format:**

Design number:

<6 digits>-<3 digits>: xxxxxx-yyy
Examples: 070558-001
 070558-002

Specifications on some search fields:

- **Design Number:** Any multiple designs in a single application are broken into 1 record per design, sharing a single parent number in the format x number of digits – y number of digits, where “x” is the parent design number and “y” is an incremental suffix number, also called child.
- **Notification:** A significant number of images were not available. Questel decided to get those images from the priority data. Some images may not be reproduced as you may find the record at INPI.

Classification:

The Locarno Classification is applicable since 1973. Prior to that date, their classification index may be searched in the advanced search screen under National Class (INID 52)
Please refer to the INPI website for further and up-to-date information.

▪ **Notes on data:**

Some application, publication and renewal dates are incorrect from INPI delivery.

We decided to change the dates in DesignFinder to make them searchable, and to alert INPI on these mistakes. Please find below the changes:

Remarks: For a comprehensive search of all industrial designs having effect in France, we recommend a search covering **FRANCE, INTERNATIONAL** and **EUROPE** registers.

You can get the most updated database status directly on DesignFinder interfaces under the Source Field.