

# Copyright

To know what copyright is, it is essential to know what an author is, first we will address this concept to know what this topic is about.

An author is the creator of a literary or artistic work, they can be one or more authors. It is important to register a work since in this way a contribution is made to the cultural heritage of a country, and very important is that at the time of registration the author is protecting his work from reproductions that third parties would like to make. Another important factor is that the author can, if he wishes to, publicize his work obtaining economic remuneration.

However, copyright are the rights granted by the State to the author of artistic and literary works, conferring on him both moral and patrimonial rights.

- ✓ Moral rights refer to the fact that the author has all the rights to his works, such as reproducing it whenever he wishes and as he wishes, modifying it, opposing any form of mutilation or modifications that you want to make, among others.
- ✓ Economic rights refer to the right that is granted to the author to exploit his work economically, or where appropriate, can give the right to others for exploitation, this can be done with licenses of use.

What are considered literary or artistic works are those that can be reproduced, according to Article 13 of the Federal Copyright Law, are the following:

- ✓ Literature.
- ✓ Musical (includes lyrics or not).
- ✓ Dramatic.
- ✓ Dance.
- ✓ Drawing.
- ✓ Sculpture.
- ✓ Cartoon.
- ✓ Architecture.
- ✓ Cinematographic and audiovisual.
- ✓ Radio and television programs.
- ✓ Computer programs.
- ✓ Photography.

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The validity of the copyright is the life time of the author and 100 years after the death of this, this time is in Mexico, other countries may have a difference in the years of validity. The procedure to make a registration of a work is to go to the National Institute of Copyright, proceed to fill out a form, then they must pay the rights and within 30 business days the resolution is given to the procedure.

Reference:

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