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**NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS
UNDER ARTICLE 63.2 OF THE TRIPS AGREEMENT**

FINLAND: REGISTERED DESIGNS ACT, 1971/221

Notifying Member	FINLAND
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Details of the notified legal text

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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://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/IP/FIN/18_4480_00_e.pdf (English) https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/IP/FIN/18_4480_00_x1.pdf (Finnish) https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2018/IP/FIN/18_4480_00_x2.pdf (Swedish)
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)
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Brief description of the notified legal text

Act amending Section 43 c of the Registered Designs Act, adopted on 25 August 2016, 2016/718, entry into force on 1 January 2017

- Laki mallioikeuslain 43 c §:n muuttamisesta
- Lag om ändring av 43 c § i mönsterrättslagen

Technical amendment: reference to the Courts Act (2016/673) was changed.

Act amending the Registered Designs Act, adopted on 31 January 2013, 2013/109, entry into force on 1 September 2013

- Laki mallioikeuslain muuttamisesta
- Lag om ändring av mönsterrättslagen

The following provisions were amended:

- section 21.1 concerning the appeal against a final decision of the registering authority
- section 22 concerning appeals which shall be lodged with the Market Court
- section 33a relating to definition of community design
- subsections 2 and 4 of section 35a concerning cessation orders
- section 43 regulates the centralization of contentious and non-contentious civil matters to the Market Court whereas section 44 regulates on the duty to inform the Patent and Registration Office about the given decisions

Subsection 2 of section 31 b as well as sections 39.2, 41.3 and 42 were repealed. New sections 43a–43c concerning i.e. the competent court in criminal matters were inserted.

Act amending Section 37 of the Registered Designs Act, adopted on 22 July 2011, 2011/862, entry into force on 1 January 2014

- Laki mallioikeuslain 37 §:n muuttamisesta
- Lag om ändring av 37 § i mönsterrättslagen

Amendments concerning the adoption of a new Coercive Measures Act (806/2011).

Act amending the Registered Designs Act, adopted on 3 December 2010, 2010/1058, entry into force on 1 May 2011

- Laki mallioikeuslain muuttamisesta
- Lag om ändring av mönsterrättslagen

Section 23 was repealed. Amendments relating to application for registration and application procedure were made to the following sections:

10 (subsections 2 and 3), 12, 15, 18, 18a (subsection 1), 19, 20, 21 (subsection 1), 31a (subsection 1), 45, 47 (subsection 1) and 48.

New sections 8a–8c, 22a and 23a–23c were inserted. Also a new chapter 8 a on the international registration was added.

Act amending Section 44 of the Registered Designs Act, adopted on 14 May 2010, 2010/394, entry into force 1 January 2010

- Laki mallioikeuslain 44 §:n muuttamisesta
- Lag om ändring av 44 § i mönsterrättslagen

Addition of a new Section 44.2 to the Registered Designs Act concerning a court's obligation to notify its judgements to the national information system of the judicial administration.

Act amending the Registered Designs Act, adopted on 21 July 2006, 2006/685, entry into force on 1 September 2006.

- Laki mallioikeuslain muuttamisesta
- Lag om ändring av mönsterrättslagen

Addition of new Sections related to the infringement of an industrial design right concerning injunctions and the publication of judgements.

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