

2.4 Image copyright

Copyright of images

It is important that all images uploaded to this register have copyright clearance. For the reproduction of an image to be legal, the copyright owner must grant permission for the photograph to be reproduced and made available to the public via this website.

The Copyright Act 1968 contains provisions that determine who owns copyright in different types of works, and for how long. For photographs, the general rule is that the person who took the photo is the owner of copyright unless there is a contrary agreement. There are, however, several exceptions to this rule including photographs taken by

employees, those produced by the government or commissioned photographs.

Generally, copyright in photographs lasts for the life of the photographer plus 70 years, but all photographs taken before 1 January 1955 are now out of copyright in Australia.

Further information on copyright is available on the Australian Copyright Council's website <http://www.copyright.org.au/publications/infosheets.htm>.

Below is a possible format for the copyright approval of images.

Copyright approval form

I, _____ (name) _____, as the copyright owner of the image/s

of _____ (object) _____, agree for the images to be used on the

Australian Dress Register, as set out in the terms and conditions.

Signature _____

Date _____

Please keep this completed form for your reference.