

Copyright Registration Guide

This step-by-step guide will walk you through the process of registering your artwork with the U.S. Copyright Office.

1. Go to copyright.gov and click on 'Register a Copyright'.
2. Create an account or log in.
3. Choose 'Visual Arts' as the work type.
4. Complete the application including title, description, and author information.
5. Upload a digital copy of your artwork.
6. Pay the fee (currently \$45–65 depending on the registration type).
7. Submit your application.

You will receive a confirmation email and eventually a certificate. Processing time is typically 3–6 months.

Tip: Register multiple works as a collection to save time and cost.