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- The expression “industrial design” covers designs and models.
- Information related to design patent activities reported by industrial property offices issuing design patents is included in this series of documents.

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I. Evolution of registration activities:

In 1999, our office received 22 Application for Industrial Design, out of which 8 applications were from national applicants and 14 from foreign applicants. Fourteen industrial designs were granted in 1999.

The numbers of industrial design applications for period between 1997 and 1999 are shown in the following table.

Year	National Industrial Design Applications	Foreign Industrial Design Applications
1997	2	13
1998	6	11
1999	8	14

In 1999, the draft of the new industrial design law has been prepared. The draft of the new industrial design law is harmonized with TRIPS (Trade Related Aspects of Intellectual Property Rights) and the Hague Agreement. The new industrial design law is expected to enter into force in 2001.

II Matters concerning the generation, reproduction, distribution and use of primary and secondary sources of industrial design information

The Institute for Standardization, Metrology and Patents of Bosnia and Herzegovina issues official Gazette »Glasnik«. The Gazette is issued four times a year, every three months. In this official Gazette bibliographical data and photographs or other graphic representation for industrial design are published. Some other relevant information regarding industrial property protection in Bosnia and Herzegovina are also published in official Gazette.

III Matters concerning classifying, reclassifying and indexing of industrial design information according to the classification systems applied

All industrial design documentation is classified according to the International Classification Industrial Designs (Locarno Classification, 7-th edition).

IV Search file establishment and upkeep

The industrial design documentation is of paper kind and is kept in the Industrial Design Department. The documentation is updated continuously. We do not make the search reports.

V Activities in the field of computerized and other mechanized system

All employees have their own PC station and all of them are connected into a LAN. Everyday work is based on the following software: Microsoft Windows and Microsoft Office. The database of filed industrial design applications and the granted industrial designs are developed within Microsoft Access.

VI Administration of the industrial property office library and services available to the public:

In the Information Center of the Institute there are industrial design literature and all kind of non-industrial design literature as well as Official Gazettes from many countries available to the public free of charge. In addition, all information regarding industrial design documentation, at present not available in the Information Center, can be obtained via the Institute.