





Article

A particular section in a legal document that covers a particular topic. It can contain specific rules, regulations, guidelines, and clauses.

Attribution

Giving credit to the original creator of a work when it is used or referenced.

Author or Creator

The person who has made an original artistic work.

Authorise

To give someone else official permission to use your work.

Breach or Infringement

Breaking copyright laws by using someone else's protected work.

Clause

A section of a legal document that relates to a single point, such as a specific condition in a contract.

Commission

An artist has been asked to create a specific work for a person or organization, and is being paid to do that work.

Copyright

Means the "right to copy." It is a legal right that gives only the creator of original work the right to its use and share the work, for a limited time.

Copyright Act (1994)

The specific law passed in 1994 that outlines the rules and regulations for copyright protection, including rights, and the exceptions and limitations to these rights.

Copyright owner

The person or the organisation that owns the copyright in an artistic work.

Derivative work

Any new work based on or derived from an existing work (e.g., a movie adaptation of a book, an audio version of a book, a new arrangement of an old song).

Exception

A specific situation in which the usual rules of copyright do not apply, allowing the use of copyrighted material without permission.

Licence

Specific permission granted by the copyright holder to use the copyrighted work under certain conditions.

Licence holder/Licensee

The person who has been given permission by the copyright holder to use copyrighted material under certain terms and conditions.

Original

A work that has been created without copying someone else's work.

Party

A person or entity involved in a legal agreement or dispute.

Public Domain/Out of Copyright

A work is in the "Public Domain" (U.S. term) or "out of copyright" (New Zealand term) when copyright protection has legally expired.

Publish

The work can now be seen or experienced by other people, either online or in person.

Rightsholder

The person or entity that owns the legal rights to a copyrighted work.

Works

Anything created by a person, like artwork, music, films, plays, books.

