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## Meaning

A Copyright is an intellectual property right granted by a government that gives the owner exclusive right to use, with some limited exceptions, original expressive work.

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## Types of works protected by Copyright

Copyright law protects “work by authorship”. The Copyright Act states that works of authorship include the following types of works:-

- ❖ **Literary works** :- Novels, nonfiction prose, poetry, newspaper articles and newspapers, magazine etc.
- ❖ **Music works** :- Songs, instruments and advertising jingles.
- ❖ **Dramatic works** :- Plays and operas.

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## Types of works protected by Copyright

- ❖ Pictorial, Graphics and sculptural works :- photographs, maps, painting, Drawings, graphics art, statues etc.
- ❖ Audiovisual works :- Movies, documentaries, travelogues and television shows etc.
- ❖ Sound recording :- recordings of music, sounds etc.



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## Copyright exceptions

Not every expression of an idea may be copyright protected, copyright does not protect :-

- ❖ Product name
- ❖ Title of works (Book Title)
- ❖ Name of organization
- ❖ Slogans and short advertising phrases

Such products name, may be afforded protection under trademark law.

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## Duration of Copyright

- ❖ Generally, a copyright work is protected for the length of the author's life plus another 70 years.
- ❖ In the case of joint works, copyright protection is granted for the life of the last surviving joint creator plus another 70 years.

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## Copyright and the Internet

As the Internet has become more prevalent, the need for copyright protection there has also become a necessity. Today, copyright law has been adapted to protect Internet items, But because it was not designed specifically for the Internet, in some areas copyright law on the Internet can be as clear as mud.



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## Internet protection in India

The Internet system is spreading fast in India. There are many issues related to internet. But one of the biggest issues concerning Internet is protection of intellectual property- works of the mind. As per Section 13 and 63 of Indian Copyright Act, 1957 literary works, pictures, sound recordings and other creative works are protected from being copied without the permission of the copyright holder.

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## Copyright protection of Computer Software

Computer technologies are an essential requirement for accessing and using information, accelerating technology transfer and boosting the growth of productivity. At the same time, computer software products are perhaps the most heavily protected of all forms of knowledge-based products, these products have a mass market and can be easily copied.

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## Copyright protection of Computer Software in India

In India, the Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) of computer software is covered under the Copyright Law. Accordingly, the copyright of computer software is protected under the provisions of Indian Copyright Act 1957. Major changes to Indian Copyright Law were introduced in 1994 and came into effect from 10 May 1995. These changes or amendments made the Indian Copyright law one of the toughest in the world.

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*Thank You*  
*For*  
*Watching*