

Info Sheet: Copyright Notice

Copyright protection of a work actually arises at the point in time when the work is being created (art. 29 CopA). In order to achieve copyright protection for a film, it is neither necessary to enter it into a film index, nor to register it with SUISSIMAGE.

Neither does the work itself need to feature any reference with regard to its protection. It is, however, quite common that the copyright symbol © is shown together with the year of the first publication of the work and the name of the owner of the copyright(s). While this kind of inscription may not be necessary for the actual protection of the work, it actually is quite useful; furthermore, it indicates the existence of the protection. Unless proven otherwise, the person named on the copies of the work with their own name, pseudonym or some kind of identifier is deemed to be the author. In the case of films, this kind of information is shown during the opening and closing credits; in the case of DVDs, it can be found on the case sleeve.

We recommend that you also indicate which copyright society you belong to. By displaying the inscription © 2021 SUPERFILM Ltd. / SUISSIMAGE, you indicate that the rights subject to individual management are vested in SUPERFILM Ltd., whereas the rights subject to collective management are administered by SUISSIMAGE.

Example

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Please note that this is not an official wording but merely a recommendation.

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