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In accordance with the provisions of article [L-111-1](#), [1] there is no need to complete any formalities in advance to protect a work. Protection is gained solely by the fact of its creation.

Scope of principle :

However, in the absence of registration formalities, it can be difficult for an author to materially establish his/her paternity and the date of creation of his/her work. Therefore, it is in the interest of authors to establish proof in advance in the form of a [registration](#) [2].

>> See also : [Author right / General principles](#) [3]

Links

[1] <http://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichCodeArticle.do?idArticle=LEGIARTI000006278868&cidTexte=LEGITEXT000006069414>

[2] <https://test.adagp.fr/en/en/faq/comment-deposer-mon-oeuvre>

[3] <https://test.adagp.fr/en/droit-auteur/principes-generaux>