

Part III - Registrable Documents - One-page Cheat Sheet

2-minute summary: Decide whether registration is compulsory or optional and ensure language, alterations, property description and plans satisfy statutory and State rules.

Provision map

17: Documents of which registration is compulsory; 18: Documents of which registration is optional; 19: Documents in language not understood by registering officer; 20: Documents containing interlineations, blanks, erasures or alterations; 21: Description of property and maps or plans; 22: Description of houses and land by reference to Government maps or surveys

Workflow

1. Classify document and rights. 2. Capture State sources. 3. Verify title/authority/stamp. 4. Compute time, fee and office. 5. Present and admit. 6. Reconcile certificate/copy and remedies.

Red flags

Wrong instrument label; stale State rule/fee; incorrect office; late presentation; invalid POA; missing maker; denial of execution; insufficient stamp; missing annexure; portal copy mismatch; unrecorded refusal.

Evidence file

Act and State sources; title/property; authority; final instrument; stamp/fee; identity; witnesses; portal and office receipts; endorsements; certificate; registered copy; searches; refusal/remedy chronology.

Practical scenario

A property instrument is commercially agreed before document classification, State rules, stamp, authority, office jurisdiction and presentation mechanics are complete. Registration must be treated as a controlled legal closing, not a clerical step.

Key calculations

Transaction value	Reconcile consideration, debt, non-cash value, guideline value and taxes.
Registration clock	Map execution, presentation, appearance, completion and remedy dates.
Exposure	Quantify title/stamp/fee defects, delay, litigation, interest and cure cost.

Remedy and forum

Preserve presentation/delay, Registrar and section 77 clocks. Separate administrative registration remedy from title, specific relief, cancellation, injunction, damages, criminal and writ strategy.

Source warning

State amendments, section 69 Rules, fee tables, office jurisdiction, valuation and online workflows vary. Verify transaction-date official sources.