Intellectual Property

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Introduction

This article pulls together a whole suite of resources available to you to understand intellectual property (IP).

Although we're not IP police we do respect the intellectual property of others and expect that you do the same. This article is aimed at helping you to respect the copyright and IP of others, as you'd probably want the same respect shown to your items!

The basics

Intellectual property is a complex area of the law and covers a whole range of things like copyright, trademarks, design, patents, design and moral rights among others! There are many misconceptions surrounding the use of works which are protected by intellectual property rights.

As author your main intellectual property areas to understand will probably be copyright and trademarks. To get a feel for what copyright is and how copyright can be infringed check out our Copyright article <u>here</u>. If you're unsure about trademarks and logos head across to the Trademarks article <u>here</u>.

We've also prepared a specific article about what assets you can use in your items <u>here</u> which covers off on how to license assets for your items, and some creative commons and open source questions. Along with these resources, there's also a specific article about using real-world products and trademarks in your items <u>here</u> that deals with the general approach and specific exceptions applying on the Tixter Market. We've tied it all together in a visual flowchart which you can access <u>here</u>.

What's left to say? On topic but not directly related to intellectual property is our Tixter originality threshold. So all else equal, your items still need to be original and creative enough to make it past our reviewers and onto Tixter Market.

If you still have any questions revisit the resources linked in this article and if that doesn't help open a Help <u>ticket</u> and we'll be glad to help.

Getting up to speed

Here is a list of the IP resources (and links) available to you:

• <u>Intellectual Property Policy</u> – basically the IP rules we abide by on our Tixter Market.

- <u>Copyright 101</u> an introduction to the world of copyright.
- <u>Lodging a DMCA</u> and <u>Dealing with a DMCA</u> what you need to do and the information you need to provide to lodge a DMCA take down notice and information of what your options are and how to file a counter notification.
- <u>DMCA Frequently Asked Questions</u> answers to the questions that you may have about the DMCA process.
- <u>Using Assets</u> an explanation of the types of assets you can use in your item previews and downloads.
- <u>Pastiche (AudioJungle items)</u> what's allowed when your audio item imitates the style of another work or artist.
- <u>When do I need a Model or Property Release?</u> issues with recognisable human beings or identifiable buildings.
- <u>Trademarks 101</u> an overview of trademarks and how a trademark might be infringed.
- <u>Trademark Use and Real World Products</u> when you can and can't use real-world products and other peoples' trademarks in your items.
- <u>Copyright</u>, <u>Products and Trademark Flowchart</u> a visual snapshot of the IP issues you need to be aware of in a flowchart.