

COPYRIGHT GUIDE AND PROCEDURE

A copyright grants protection to the creator and his representatives for the works and prevents such works from being copied or reproduced without his/their consent. The creator of a work can prohibit or authorize anyone to:

- reproduce the work in any form, such as print, sound ,video, etc;
- use the work for a public performance, such as a play or a musical work;
- make copies/recordings of the work, such as via compact discs, cassettes, etc.;
- broadcast it in various forms; or
- translate the same to other languages

As per the Copyright Act, 1957, copyright subsists in the following classes of works:

I. Original literary work

It means any abridgement or any version of the work in which the story or action is conveyed.

This covers the following: books, e-books, poetry, computer programmes, magazine, manuscripts, newspaper, short stories, articles, journals, song lyrics, dialogues from a movie or similar periodical.

II. Original dramatic work

It means any piece for recitation, choreographic work or any other form of entertainment including the scenic arrangement or acting form of any writing.

This covers the following stage plays, mime performances, choreographed performances etc.

III. Original musical work

It means a work consisting of music and includes any graphical notation of such work but does not include any words or any action intended to be sung, spoken or performed with the music.

This covers sound recording of any musical instruments etc.

IV. Original artistic work

It means a painting, a sculpture, a drawing (including a diagram, map, chart or plan), an engraving or a photograph.

V. Cinematograph films

A combination of visual and pictorial recording on any medium. This covers in its ambit movies, advertisement, video tapes.

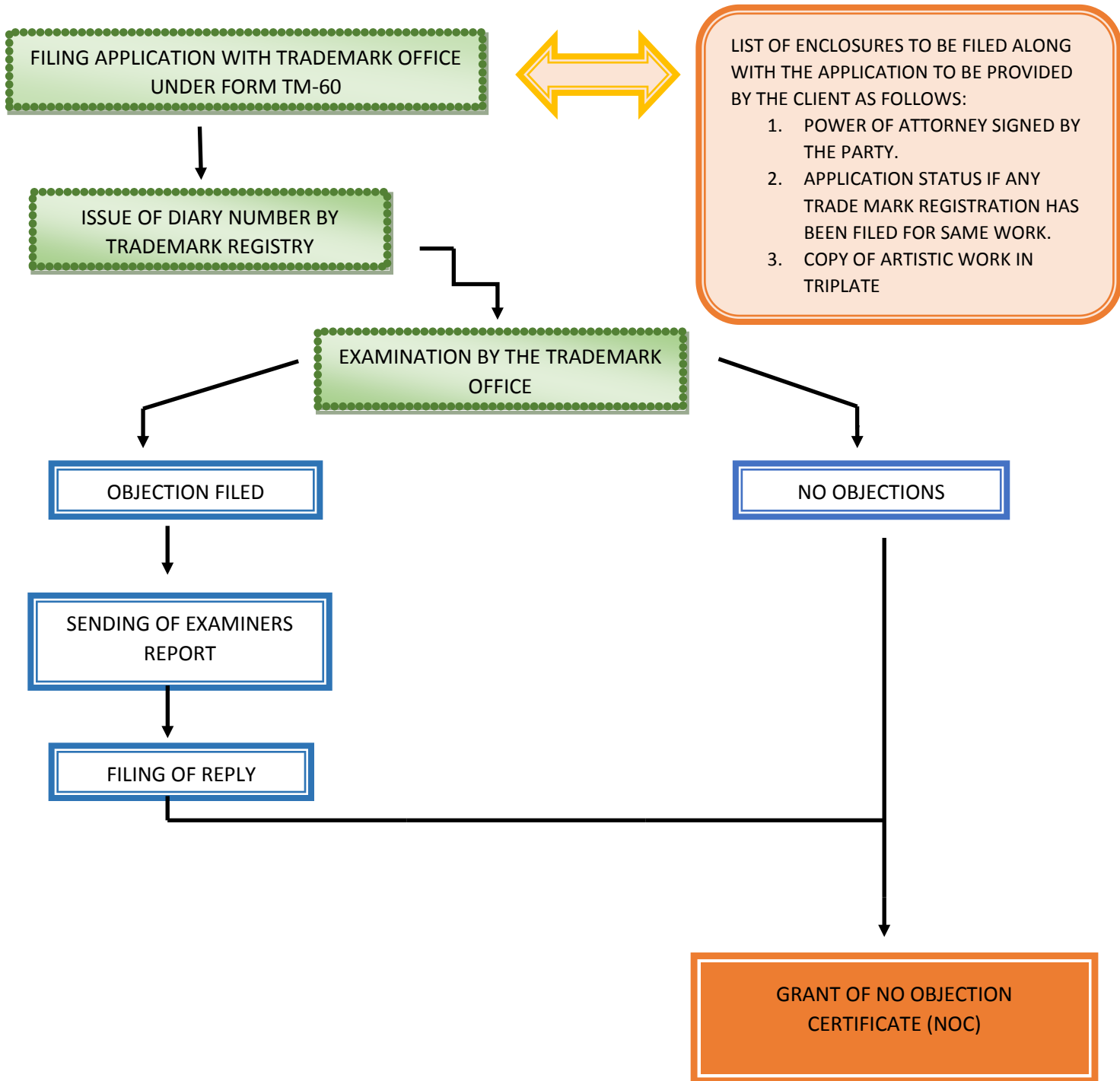
VI. Sound recording

Recording of sounds in any medium. This covers CD, audio recording of any instrument.

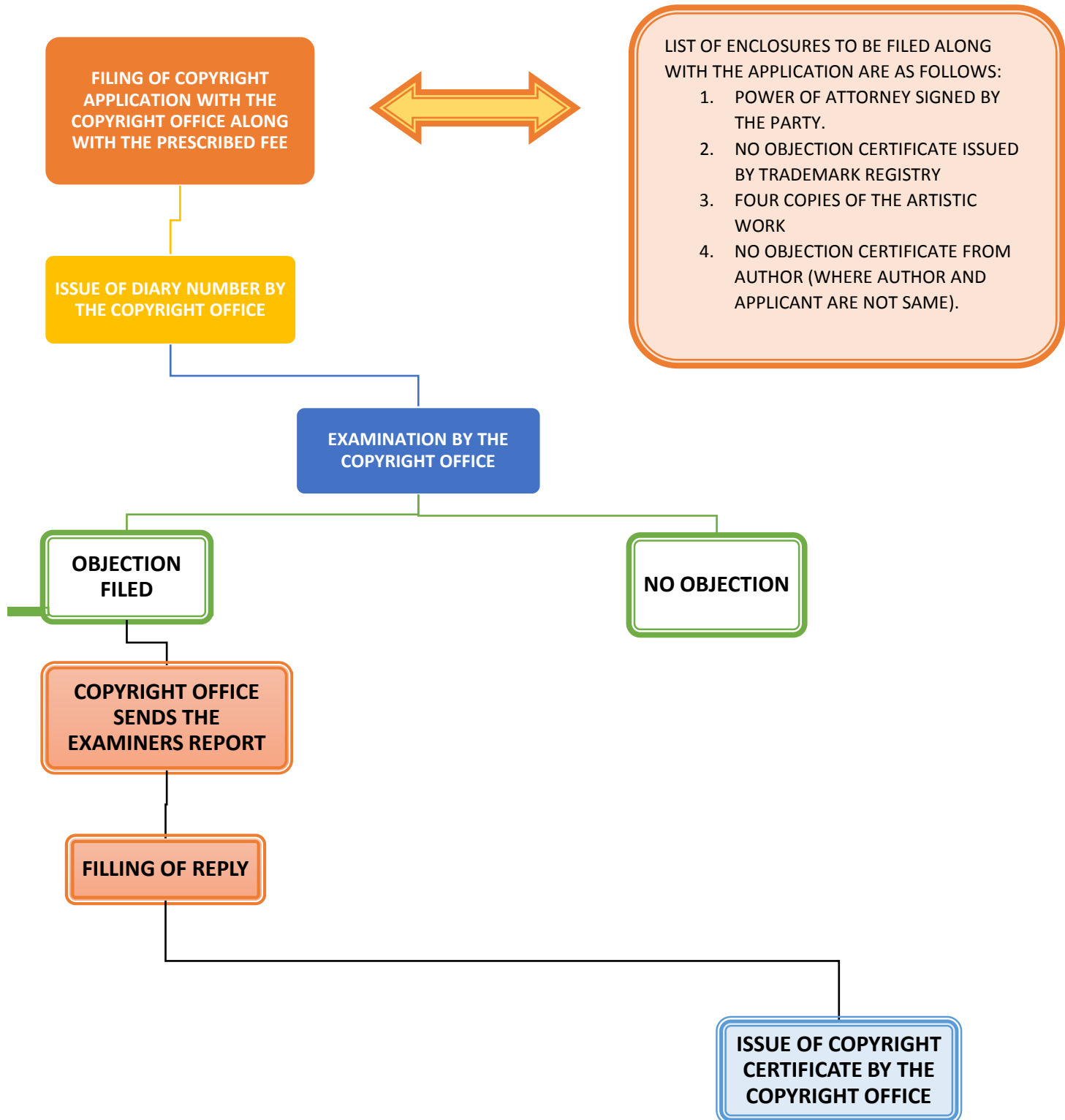
Registration Process of copyright in India is discussed in detail as below.

I. PROCEDURE FOR OBTAINING REGISTRATION IN ARTISTIC WORK

First Step – For obtaining No Objection Certificate from Trademark Office-

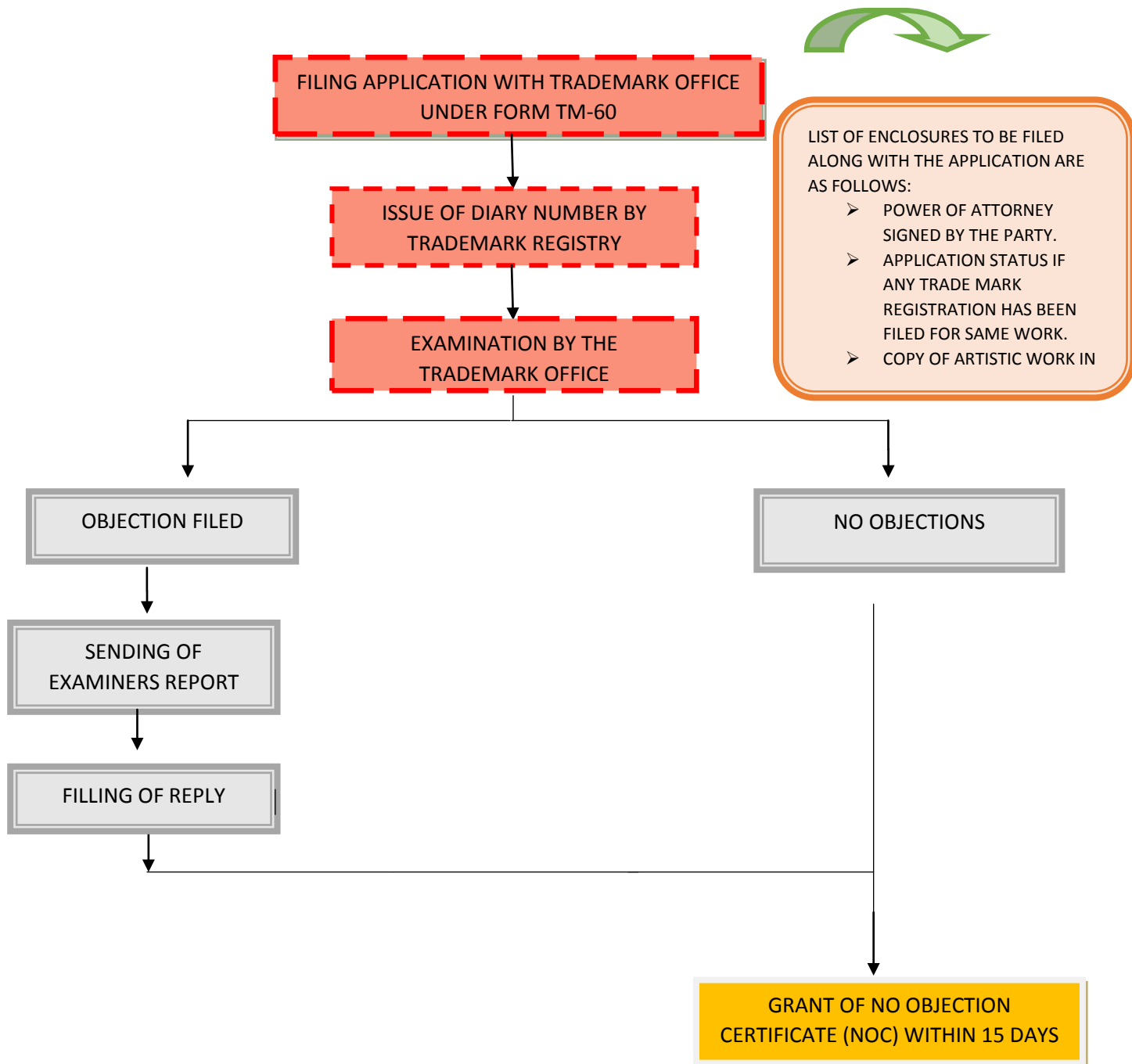


Second Step – For obtaining the Copyright Certificate from Copyright Office

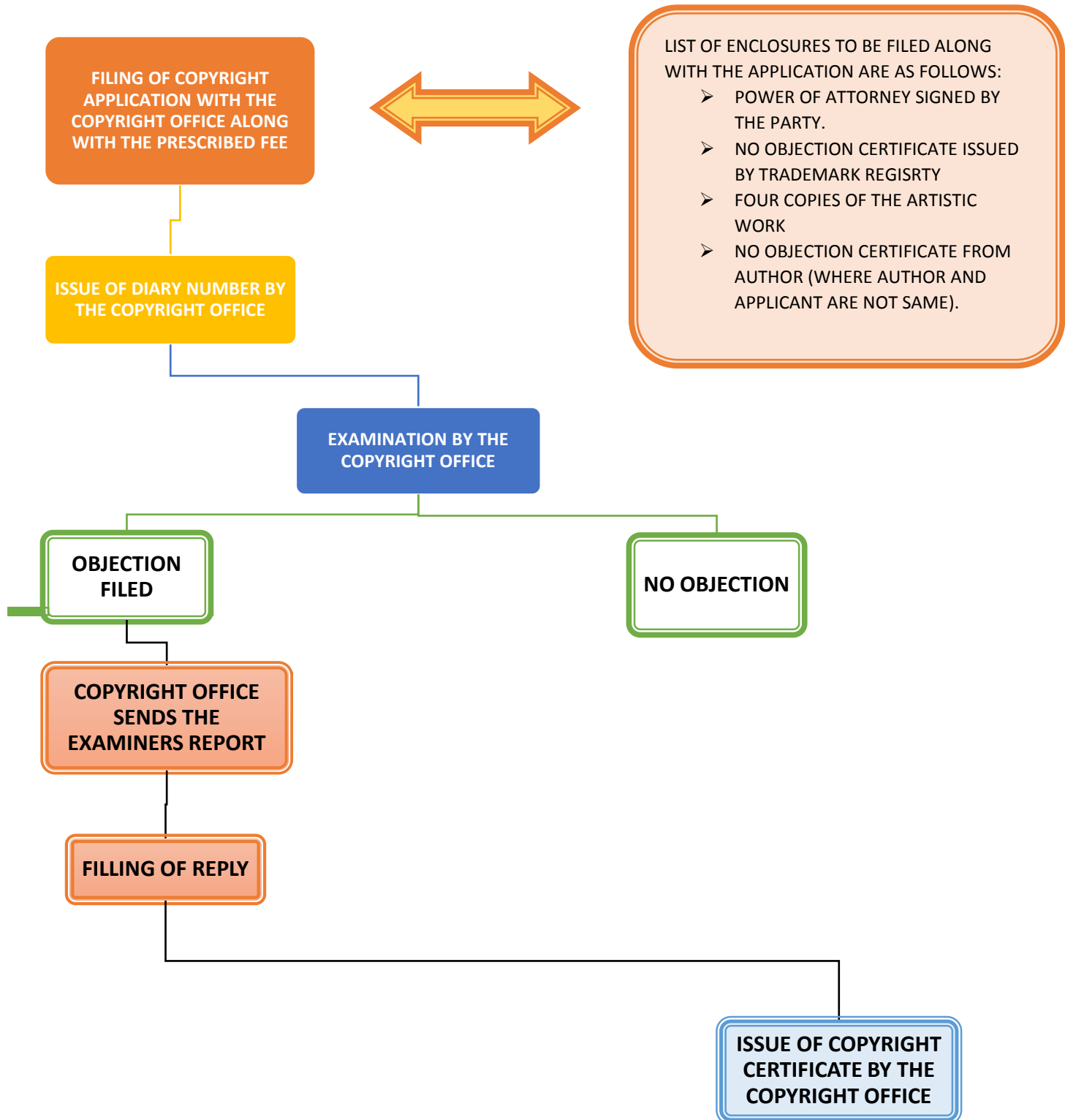


**II. THE FOLLOWING IS A SPEEDY PROCESS FOR OBTAINING REGISTRATION
IN ARTISTIC WORK**

**First Step – For obtaining No Objection Certificate from Trademark Office – NOC
GRANTED WITHIN 15 DAYS**



Second Step – For obtaining the Copyright Certificate from Copyright Office



III. PROCEDURE FOR OBTAINING REGISTRATION IN LITERARY/ DRAMATIC/ MUSICAL/ CINEMATOGRAPHIC WORK

