

Searches

Searches must be conducted at various stages of enforcement action including:

- (a) prior to seizure
- (b) prior to sale, and
- (c) prior to distribution

This manual addresses the standard search types. Consult your legal counsel for further direction regarding necessary searches.

Distribution Seizure ("DS") Search

"DS" distribution seizure search allows for multiple names and aliases to be searched on one specific file only. Do not use for searching names on multiple files as the search results will not be accurate. This search will be conducted prior to effecting seizures, sales and distributions. It is an "historical" search which, by using an "as at date" on the search screen, allows the Agency to determine what registrations were current at the time the receipt was eligible for distribution. The date entered in the "as at date" field on the search screen can date as far back as 21 days from the date you are conducting the search.

Types of registrations included in this search are: Writs, Maintenance Orders, Court Orders, Bankruptcy Registrations, Stays, OPD Registrations, Security Agreements, Garage Keeper's Liens, WCB Charges, Land Charges, Crown Charges, Matrimonial Property Orders, and Railway Rolling Stock Registrations. Complete information relating to seizure, seizure disposition, and sales distribution information will print on exact matches only (including debtor identifier, if any). The advantages of conducting a "DS" are as follows:

- the capability of including up to 21 days prior expired or discharged registrations
- multiple variations of the debtor name can be searched within one "DS" search
- search results are in registration date order, easier to consider priorities
- search is conducted by individual or business debtor name
- only exact writs are included in results

Bank of Canada

Searches may be conducted at the Bank of Canada to determine securities that may be registered pursuant to The Bank Act. A search may be obtained by writing to the Bank at:

Section 427 Department
Box 98
Calgary, Alberta T2P 2H4

Telephone: 1-800-388-8995

Superintendent of Bankruptcy

Searches may be made against the public records of the Superintendent of Bankruptcy to confirm the insolvency status of individuals or businesses. For more information on how to request these searches you should contact:

Industry Canada
Bankruptcy Branch
Journal Tower South
365 Laurier Avenue West
8th Floor
Ottawa, Ontario
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