

equipment, exhibition goods, etc. A carnet is valid for one year from the date of issue, and cannot be extended. All items covered by a carnet must be returned to Canada by the expiry date. A security deposit of 40 per cent of the total value of goods and a fee is required for each carnet issued. For more information contact:

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## **Trademarks and Patents**

It is recommended that you consult specialist Japanese legal firms in Canada or Japan to ensure that your company's product will be protected. Trademarks are generally valid for ten years and renewable for like periods. Patents are generally valid for 15 years with a possible five year extension.

## **Shipping and Steamship Services**

For air cargo, both CAIL and JAL have several flights each week between Vancouver and Tokyo. In addition, Air Canada and Concord Freight System Ltd. offer air/sea services from Japan worldwide.

Freight-forwarding agents will have suggestions on shipping to Japan. While shipping from the West Coast