

**Japan's first desktop photocopier with integrated exposure and development**

Registration No.	Number 00356		
Registration Date	September 12, 2023	Registration Category	Category 1

Name (Model, etc.)	Ricopy 101		
Location	Ota-ku, Tokyo		
	Ricoh Company, Ltd.		
Owner (Custodian)	Ricoh Company, Ltd.		
Manufacturer (Company)	Ricoh Company, Ltd.		
Year Manufactured	1955		
Year first appeared	1955		
Reason For Selection	<p>Ricopy 101 is a photocopier that uses diazo-sensitive paper with blue coloring, exposure through a mercury lamp, and wet development. Although photocopiers employing photochemical reactions had existed for some time, the advent of the desktop photocopier with integrated exposure and development made it easier to copy office documents and slips, and had a major impact on office work in firms and government offices. The development of a new type of diazo-sensitive paper by Ricoh Company, Ltd. and the ability to match exposure and development speed also contributed to the success of this machine. Over 1 million units of its successor models, which use diazo-sensitive paper, were produced until 2007. It played a significant forerunner role.</p>		
Registration Standard	2-A (Played a notable role in improving people’s way of life and creating new ways of living.)		

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