


Registration No.	Number 00109		
Registration Date	September 11, 2012	Registration Category	Category 1

Name (Model, etc.)	The first stereo cassette player "Walkman" TPS-L2		
Location	Shinagawa City, Tokyo Metropolis		
	Sony Archives		
Owner (Custodian)	Sony Corporation		
Manufacturer (Company)	Sony Corporation		
Year Manufactured	1979		
Reason For Selection	<p>The Walkman was the first portable audio cassette player the world had ever seen. Building on the new compact cassette format that had expanded the horizons of the tape recorder, the Walkman was the first product to provide the superior sound quality of the high-performance compact cassette in a truly compact and portable form. The Walkman soon became a runaway success throughout the world, resonating with young people in particular. But its major achievement was the way it changed the way we listen to music. Recent advances in digital technology may have introduced new media and new formats, but the basic concept of the Walkman lives on today. The word Walkman is now a generic term for portable music player, and even has its own entry in the Oxford English Dictionary. The original Walkman cost ¥33,000.</p>		
Registration Standard	1 - B , 2 - A		

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