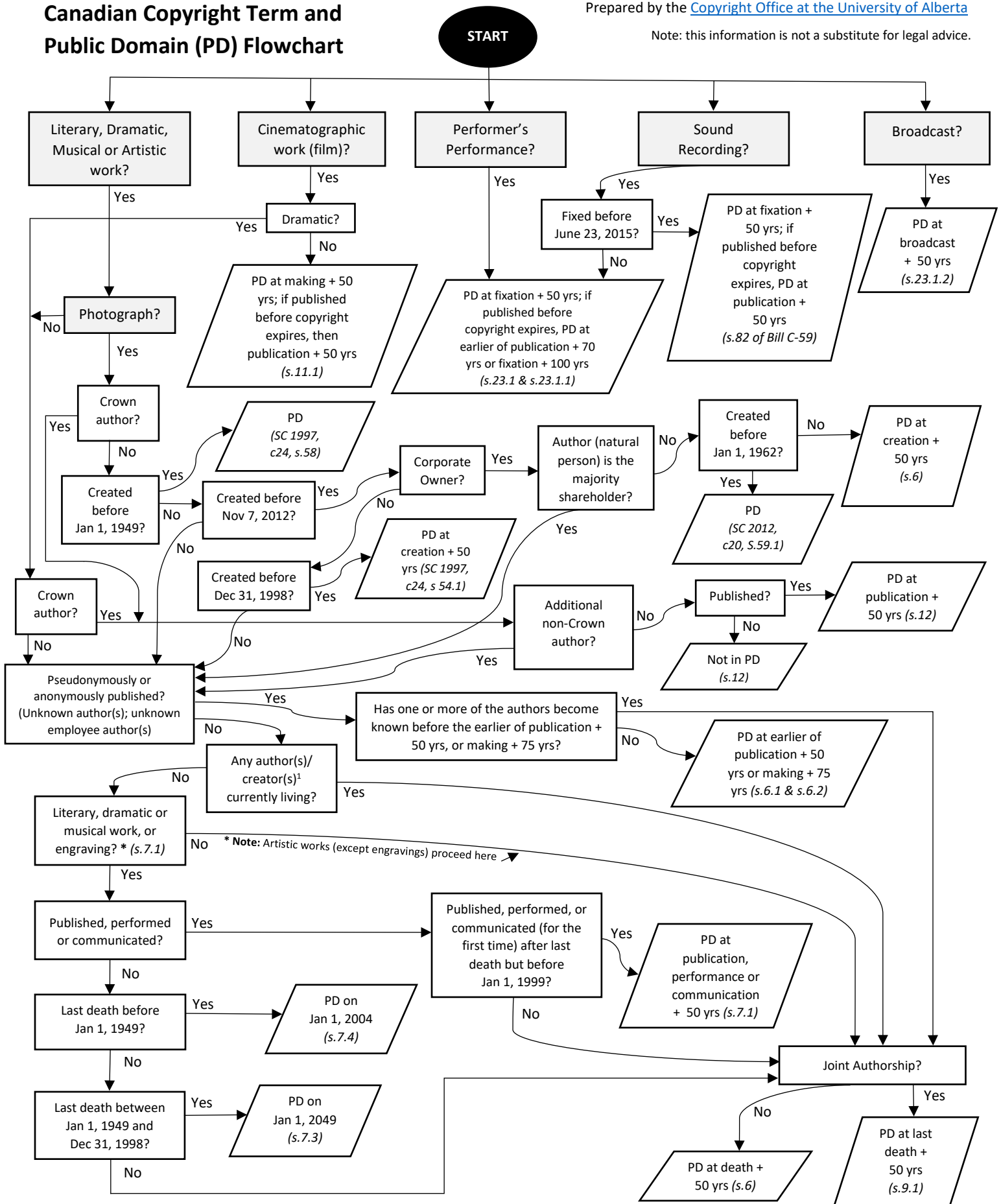


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¹ For Dramatic Cinematographic Works, the author and first owner of copyright is the scriptwriter/director: see *Films Rachel Inc. v. Druker & Associés Inc.* (Sept 28, 1995) (Que. S.C.).

Note: Where term of copyright expires during a given year, a work enters the public domain on January 1st of the following year.

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