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Jurisdiction - General Information

Sweden has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since July 1, 1885. It has also been a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since May 17, 1978. In addition, it is a party to the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure and the Patent Law Treaty (PLT).

Sweden is a member of the European Patent Organization ([EPO](#)) and belongs to the “European patents with unitary effect” system, started on June 1, 2023, which provides a unitary effect for an European patent (EP) granted in 17 of the 27 European Union member countries (updated January 2024).

More legal information about intellectual property-related laws and regulations of Sweden can be found on [WIPO Lex](#).

Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

Sweden has an [Online Register](#) and an [Online Gazette](#) (Svensk Patenttidning).

Features and search functionalities

The Online Register has an **English** and **Swedish interface**. It contains information about Swedish and European Patent publications.

Through the Online Register you can retrieve information on **Fee Payment**, **PCT National Phase Entry**, **Legal Status**, **Supplementary Protection Certificates (SPCs)**, and access the **Dossier/File Wrapper Information** and the **Full Publications**.

The Online Register can also be searched by **Applicant/Inventor Name** and by **Priority Data**.

The Online Gazette is published weekly in Swedish. It is searchable by number and results can be downloaded in PDF format. The current coverage is from 1968 to present. The last issue is available on the first page. To access the archive, click on "Äldre utgåvor av Svensk Patenttidning".

European patents designating Sweden can be searched in the Online Register or in the [European Patent Register](#).

Additional Information

Particularities of patent protection in Sweden

Protection through **SPCs** is available.

Search tips

An example of information on **Legal Status** is "Lapsed" for patent EP0674513.

SPCs can be searched by selecting the tab "SPC Search", e.g. "Rejected" for SPC application 0190036-4 of patent EP0674513.

PCT applications cannot be searched by **PCT Application/Publication Number** but are searchable by priority number, e.g. "JP2013-149526" for PCT 2015/008406.