

Act	Type of intangible asset that the act concerns	Manners of exploitation that the act concerns	Main requirements for justification of the exclusive right	Validity time of the exclusive right	Manner of obtaining the exclusive right in Sweden
Patents act	Inventions (technical solutions): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Product • Process • Use See article 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making • Offering • Putting on the market • Using • Importing See article 3	The invention must differ essentially from any previously known technology and must be susceptible of industrial application. See articles 1 and 2	Maximum 20 years after the filing date of the patent application. Annual fees must be paid to maintain the patent. See article 40	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application process at PRV, the Swedish intellectual property office, or • Application process at EPO, the European Patent Office, and then validation in Sweden. See article 8 and chapter 11
Trademarks act	Distinguishing marks, e.g.: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Words • Figures • Slogans • Hologram • Sounds • Form or shape • Packaging See article 4	Using the mark for goods and services of the same type (class) that the trademark registration concerns. See article 10	The mark must be distinctive and there must not be any risk for confusion between the mark and older marks. See articles 4, 5, and 9	Renewable every ten years. Remains valid as long as it is renewed every ten years. See article 35	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application process at PRV, or • Application process at EUIPO, the EU Intellectual Property Office • By establishment See articles 6 and 7
Design Protection act	The appearance of the whole, or a part of, a product See article 1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manufacturing • Offering • Marketing • Importing • Exporting • Using • Keeping in stock See article 5	The design must be new and have a distinctive character. See article 2	Maximum five years from the filing of the design protection application. It may be renewed up to four times. See articles 24 and 25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application process at PRV, or • Application process at EUIPO See articles 9, 10, and 50.

<p>Copyright act</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Text • Computer programs • Music • Scenography • Film • Photographic works or other works of visual art • Architecture or applied art • Works expressed in other ways. <p>See article 1 and chapter 5</p>	<p>Economical rights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preparing copies • Making copies available to the public <p>Moral rights:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the name of the author shall be stated in connection with the work • offensive or derogatory action in relation to the work is not allowed <p>See articles 2 and 3 and chapter 5</p>	<p>The work must be sufficiently original.</p>	<p>Until the expiry of the seventieth year after the year of the author's death.</p> <p>See article 43</p> <p>For related rights, other validity times apply. See article 43 and chapter 5</p>	<p>No registration is required. The rights arise automatically when work has been created.</p>
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