

## DENMARK - DK

### Jurisdiction - General Information

Denmark has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since October 1, 1894. It has also been a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since December 1, 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).

Denmark is also 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 Denmark can be found on [WIPO Lex](#).

### Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

Denmark has an [Online Register](#) and an [Online Gazette](#).

#### Features and search functionalities

The Online Register has a **Danish** and **English interface**. Through the patent register you can retrieve information on PCT **National Phase Entry, Fee Payment, 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**.

European patents designating Denmark can be searched in the Online Register by selecting the box DK/EP or in the [European Patent Register](#).

The Online Gazette is published weekly in Danish. The coverage is from 1999 to present.

The gazettes published in HTML format from the period 2012 - present can be found at this [link](#). Publications for Danish patents and utility models as of 25 June 2018 can be found at this [link](#).

The gazettes published in PDF format and listed by year from 1999-2012 (for patents) can be found in the archive list at this [link](#).

### Additional Information

#### Particularities of patent protection in Denmark

Protection through **SPCs** is available.

## Search tips

There is a Help page in English for each search field which can be obtained by clicking on the corresponding question mark.

PCT can be searched only by **PCT Application Number** when it is used as a priority, see e.g. PCT/US2015/034604.

Priorities of other jurisdictions can be searched by using the numeric part only, e.g., "19957128.7" for application DE 19957128.7, leading to patent DK 176735.

The PCT **National Phase Entry** coincides with the Publication date reported for the PCT. In the Online Gazette, instead, it is explicitly indicated with the INID code (85).