

Denmark (DK) Coverage

Patent Office Details

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Kinds of Protection

Patents of Invention	Granted for a term of 20 years from submission date; maximum term of 15 years for pharmaceutical patents (since 02.01.1993)
Supplementary Protection Certificates	Extensions of up to five years for pharmaceutical patents only

Convention & Treaty Membership

Patent Cooperation Treaty	01.12.1978
European Patent Convention	01.01.1990
Signatory of:	Paris Convention (Stockholm wording) Budapest Treaty World Intellectual Property Organization International Convention for the Protection of New Varieties of Plants

Filing for Patents

Patents are granted for inventions that have an industrial application and which differ from what was known prior to the filing date.

Applications may be made, in Danish, by the inventor or his legal successor who may be an individual, a corporation or a firm.

Under the *International Convention* applications claiming priority must be filed within 12 months of the earliest filing in a Convention country. Priority can be claimed within three months of filing and a certified copy of the priority document must be filed within 16 months of the priority date. Under the PCT, applications designating Denmark has the same effect as a national application filed on the same day. A Danish translation must be filed with the Danish Patent Office within 20 months of the International filing date. Under the *European Patent Convention*, a European patent application is granted preliminary protection in Denmark from the date of publication. However, this only comes into effect providing a translation of the claims is filed with the Danish Patent Office.

Applications are examined as to form, utility of invention, novelty and inventive step. Under the New Act the patentee or a third party can request a re-examination at any time following the opposition period. However, the re-examination may not broaden the scope of the patent.

Patent applications are published 18 months after the filing or priority date (even if the application has not been laid open to public inspection). Notification of the patent being available for inspection occurs via the official gazette.

The pre-grant opposition requirement of an opposition being filed within three months from the date of publication has been replaced in the New Act with a post-grant provision which allows an opposition to be filed within nine months from the grant of a patent.

DWPI Coverage

Kind	DWPI Start Dates
A	Granted Patent (to 12 June 1978); OPI application (from 12 June 1978)
B	Granted patent

DWPI Data elements online	Notes
✓ Bibliographic data	
✓ English value-add title and abstract	
✓ Original title and abstract	
✓ Manual Codes	Chemical (CPI) Electrical (EPI) Update 199001 onwards if also chemical Update 199519 onwards if only electrical

Numeration

Kind Code – A

Publication Numbers				
Original Data	Derwent Innovation	Dialog	Questel	STN
Application dates prior to 2000				
DKYYnnnnn	DKYYYYnnnnn	DK YYnnnnn	DKYYnnnnn	DKYYnnnnn
DK9801743	DK199801743	DK 9801743	DK9801743	DK 9801743
Application dates from 2000				
DKYYYYnnnnn	DKYYYYnnnnn	DK YYYYnnnnn	DKYYnnnnn	DKYYYYnnnnn
DK201070389	DK201070389	DK 201070389	DK201070389	DK201070389

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 nnnnn 5 digit serial number

Application Numbers*				
Original Data	Derwent Innovation	Dialog	Questel	STN
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DK 200970069	DK2010141A	DK 2010141	2010DK-0000141	DK2010-141

YYYY 4 digits representing the year
 Nnn 1 to 5 digit serial number
 nnnnn 5 digit serial number
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Kind Code – B

Publication Numbers				
Original Data	Derwent Innovation	Dialog	Questel	STN
DKnnnnnn	DKnnnnnn	DK nnnnnn	DKnnnnnn	DKnnnnnn
DK176411	DK176411	DK 176411	DK176411	DK176411

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