

## Leaflet Patents in the Republic of Türkiye

### Duration

For national patents: 20 years from the date of filing the application. For PCT applications designating Türkiye: 20 years from the international filing date. For patents granted without substantive examination, duration is limited to 7 years from the date of filing the application. In that case, a request for substantive examination may be filed within said 7 years' period. If a patent is granted hereinafter, the duration is extended to 20 years from the original filing date.

### Compulsory use

A patented invention must be worked in Türkiye by the owner of the patent or a person authorized by the owner within 3 years from the date of publication of the grant of the patent or 4 years from the application date, whichever is later. Working of a patented invention may not be discontinued for a period of 3 consecutive years or longer. If a patented invention without legitimate reasons is not worked, the same may become subject to the grant of compulsory licenses. In order to avoid a compulsory license, it is suggested to file a declaration of use for the patent in Türkiye. If the patented invention is not being used in Türkiye within the above-defined term, but if the owner intends to use it in the future, it is suggested to file a declaration of non-use stating the reasons for non-use. Conditions which are beyond control or will of the patent holder will be accepted as reasons for non-use. We suggest you to contact us if you wish to file a declaration of use resp. non-use for your Patent in Türkiye.

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