

Patenting in Norway

To apply for patent protection in Norway, you file a patent application to the Norwegian Industrial Property Office. It can be filed via Altinn.no.

Application form can be found in [HERE](#). The form is Norwegian; a nice guide is available to fill out the form [HERE](#).

1- The application

A patent application should include a description of the invention, including drawings if necessary. You must describe your invention in full and in such a manner that a trained person would be able to execute the invention based on this account. The description should also include examples showing different versions of the invention if this is relevant.

The application must include patent claims. A patent claim is a definition in words of what you want to protect in the patent.

The application must also include an abstract or short summary of the description and claims. The abstract serves as technical information and does not fulfill any function with regards to the protection of your invention.

You may only apply for one invention in each application. If you have several inventions, you must file a new application for each invention.

You may not alter your application after it has been filed. It is therefore important that you describe the full extent of your invention at first filing.

2- Fee

Companies with 20 man-years or less: NOK 800

Additional fee for each patent claim in excess of ten: NOK 200

An invoice for the application fee will be sent to the applicant, the amount payable within one month.

Before a patent is granted, a fee is payable:

Basic fee: NOK 1100

Additional fee for each page in excess of 14: NOK 250

The fee for grant falls due when the applicant has been notified that a patent may be granted. An invoice will be sent to the applicant.

The patent filing in total will cost around NOK 2200

3- ANNUAL FEES

A patent lasts for up to 20 years, but an annual renewal fee is payable to keep the patent in force each year. The renewal fee can be paid with a 20% respite at the latest 6 months after due date (amount in parenthesis). Patent protection expires if the annual renewal fees are not paid.

For medicines and herbal remedies it is possible in certain cases to apply for a five-year extension (SPC). The annual renewal fee is the same as for the 20th fee year, which is NOK 5900 per year.

- 1st fee yearNOK 600 (720)
- 2nd fee yearNOK 600 (720)
- 3rd fee yearNOK 600 (720)
- 4th fee yearNOK 1200 (1440)
- 5th fee yearNOK 1500 (1800)
- 6th fee yearNOK 1800 (2160)
- 7th fee yearNOK 2000 (2400)
- 8th fee yearNOK 2300 (2760)
- 9th fee yearNOK 2600 (3120)
- 10th fee yearNOK 2900 (3480)
- 11th fee yearNOK 3200 (3840)
- 12th fee yearNOK 3500 (4200)
- 13th fee yearNOK 3800 (4560)
- 14th fee yearNOK 4100 (4920)
- 15th fee yearNOK 4400 (5280)
- 16th fee yearNOK 4700 (5640)
- 17th fee yearNOK 5000 (6000)
- 18th fee yearNOK 5300 (6360)
- 19th fee yearNOK 5600 (6720)
- 20th fee yearNOK 5900 (7080)

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