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Copyright and related rights	
Directive laying down rules on the exercise of copyright and related rights applicable to certain online transmissions of broadcasting organisations and retransmissions of television and radio programmes, and amending Council Directive 93/83/EEC	Directive 2019/789
Directive on certain permitted uses of certain works and other subject-matter protected by copyright and related rights for the benefit of persons who are blind, visually impaired or otherwise print-disabled and amending Directive 2001/29/EC on the harmonisation of certain aspects of copyright and related rights in the information society (" <i>Marrakesh Directive</i> ")	Directive 2017/1564
Regulation on the cross-border exchange between the Union and third countries of accessible format copies of certain works and other subject-matter protected by copyright and related rights for the benefit of persons who are blind, visually impaired or otherwise print-disabled	Regulation 2017/1563
Directive 2019/790 on copyright and related rights in the Digital Single Market and amending Directives 96/9/EC and 2001/29/EC (" <i>DSM Directive</i> ")	Dir. 2019/790
Directive 2019/789 laying down rules on the exercise of copyright and related rights applicable to certain online transmissions of broadcasting organisations and retransmissions of television and radio programmes, and amending Council Directive 93/83/EEC	Dir. 2019/789
Regulation on cross-border portability of online content services in the internal market (" <i>Portability Regulation</i> ")	Regulation 2017/1128
Directive on collective management of copyright and related rights and multi-territorial licensing of rights in musical works for online uses in the internal market (" <i>Collective Rights Management Directive</i> ")	Directive 2014/26
Directive 2012/28 on certain permitted uses of orphan works (" <i>Orphan Works Directive</i> ")	Directive 2012/28
Directive 2009/24 on the legal protection of computer programs (" <i>Software Directive</i> ")	Directive 2009/24 (codified version)
Directive 2006/115 on rental right and lending right and on certain rights related to copyright in the field of intellectual property (codified version of Directive 92/100)	Directive 2006/115/EC
Commission Recommendation 2005/737/EC on collective cross-border management of copyright and related rights for legitimate online music services	Commission Recommendation 2005/737/EC
Directive 2001/29 on the harmonisation of certain aspects of copyright and related rights in the information society (" <i>InfoSoc Directive</i> ")	Directive 2001/29
Directive 2006/116 harmonising the term of protection on copyright and certain related rights (codified version of Directive 93/98)	Directive 2006/116
Directive 2011/77 amending Directive 2006/116 on the term of protection of copyright and certain related rights (" <i>Term Directive</i> ")	Directive 2011/77
Directive 2001/84 on the resale right for the benefit of the author of an original work of art (" <i>Resale right Directive</i> ")	Directive 2001/84
Directive 2000/31 on certain legal aspects of information society services, in particular electronic commerce, in the Internal Market (" <i>E-commerce Directive</i> ")	Directive 2000/31
Directive 96/9 on the legal protection of databases (" <i>Database Directive</i> ")	Directive 96/9
Council Directive 93/83 on the co-ordination of certain rules concerning copyright and rights related to copyright applicable to satellite broadcasting and cable retransmissions (" <i>Satellite and Cable Directive</i> ")	Directive 93/83

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Trade marks	
Regulation 2017/1001 on the European Union trade mark (codified version of Reg. 2015/2424, itself amending Council Regulation 207/2009)	Reg. 2017/1001 Com. Implementing Reg. 2018/626 Com. Delegated Reg. 2018/625
Directive 2015/2436 to approximate the laws of the Member States relating to trade marks	Dir. 2015/2436
Patents and know-how	
Directive 2016/943 on the protection of undisclosed know-how and business information (trade secrets) against their unlawful acquisition, use and disclosure SWD(2013)493 is an "Implementation Plan"	Directive 2016/943 SWD(2013)493
Regulation 542/2014 amending Regulation 1215/2012 as regards the rules to be applied with respect to the Unified Patent Court and the Benelux Court of Justice	Reg. 542/2014
Regulation 1257/2012 implementing enhanced cooperation in the area of the creation of unitary patent protection	Reg. 1257/2012
Council Regulation 1260/2012 implementing enhanced cooperation in the area of the creation of unitary patent protection with regard to the applicable translation arrangements	Reg. 1260/2012
Rules relating to Unitary Patent Protection	EPO rules
Opinion 1/09 of the Court (8.3.2011) regarding the envisaged agreement creating a Unified Patent Litigation System	Opinion 1/09
Various decisions of the Select Committee of the EPO's Administrative Council (SCAC)	List of decisions See also the UPC website
UPC Rules of Procedure	Rules of Procedure
Agreement on a Unified Patent Court (2013/C 175/01) (" <i>UPCA</i> ")	UPC Agreement Ratifications
Regulation 726/2004 laying down Community procedures for the authorisation and supervision of medicinal products for human and veterinary use and establishing a European Medicines Agency	Regulation 726/2004
Regulation 953/2003 to avoid trade diversion into the European Union of certain key medicines	Regulation 953/2003
Directive 2001/83 on the Community code relating to medicinal products for human use Directive 2011/62 amending Directive 2001/83 on the Community code relating to medicinal products for human use, as regards the prevention of the entry into the legal supply chain of falsified medicinal products (" <i>Falsified medicines Directive</i> ")	Directive 2001/83 Consolidated version
Regulation 469/2009 concerning the supplementary protection certificate for medicinal products (<i>Medicinal SPC Regulation</i>) and Regulation 1610/96 concerning the creation of a supplementary protection certificate for plant protection products (<i>Plant SPC Regulation</i>)	Reg. 469/2009 (consolidated) Reg. 1610/96
Regulation 1901/2006 on medicinal products for paediatric use	Reg. 1901/2006
Directive 98/44 on the legal protection of biotechnological inventions (In 2016 the Commission published a Notice on certain articles of Directive 98/44.)	Directive 98/44 Commission Notice on certain articles of Directive 98/44
Plant varieties, plant protection products and biodiversity	
Regulation 2100/94 on Community Plant Variety Rights	Regulation 2100/94
Commission Regulation 874/2009 establishing implementing rules for the application of Council Regulation 2100/94 as regards proceedings before the Community Plant Variety Office	Comm. Reg. 874/2009
Commission Regulation 1238/95 establishing implementing rules for the application of Council Regulation 2100/94 as regards the fees payable to the Community Plant Variety Office	Comm. Reg. 1238/95
Commission Regulation 1768/95 implementing rules on the agricultural exemption provided for in Article 14(3) of Council Regulation 2100/94 on Community plant variety rights	Comm. Reg. 1768/95
Council Regulation 15/2008 amending Regulation 2100/94 as regards the entitlement to file an application for a Community plant variety right	Regulation 15/2008

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Regulation on compliance measures for users from the Nagoya Protocol on Access to Genetic Resources and the Fair and Equitable Sharing of Benefits Arising from their Utilisation in the Union	Regulation 511/2014
Regulation 1107/2009 concerning the placing of plant protection products on the market and repealing Directives 79/117 and 91/414	Regulation 1107/2009
Industrial designs	
Directive (EU) 2024/2823 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2024 on the legal protection of designs (recast) Regulation (EU) 2024/2822 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2024 amending Council Regulation (EC) No 6/2002 on Community designs and repealing Commission Regulation (EC) No 2246/2002.	Directive 2024/2823 Regulation 2024/2822
Directive 98/71 on the legal protection of designs	Directive 98/71
Regulation 6/2002 on Community designs – amended by Regulation 1891/2006 amending Regulations 6/2002 and 40/94 to give effect to the accession of the European Community to the Geneva act of the Hague Agreement concerning the international registration of industrial designs. See also its Implementing (Commission) Regulation 2245/2002, which has been amended by Commission Regulation 876/2007	Regulation 6/2002 Regulation 1891/2006 Consolidated version Comm. Reg. 2245/2002 Comm. Reg. 876/2007
Layout designs of integrated circuits	
Council Directive 87/54 on the Legal Protection of Topographies of Semiconductor Products	Council Directive 87/54
Council Decision 94/824 on the extension of the legal protection of topographies of semiconductor products to persons from a Member of the World Trade Organization	Council Decision 94/824
Council Decision 96/644 on the extension of the legal protection of topographies of semiconductor products to persons from the Isle of Man	Council Decision 96/644
Geographical indications (GIs)	
Regulation 2023/2411 on the protection of geographical indications for craft and industrial products and amending Regulations (EU) 2017/1001 and (EU) 2019/1753 (<i>Non-Agricultural GI protection</i>)	Regulation 2411/2023
Regulation 1151/2012 on quality schemes for agricultural products and foodstuffs	Reg. 1151/2012
Directive 2009/54/EC on the exploitation and marketing of natural mineral waters	Directive 54/2009
Enforcement	
Commission declaration on the facilitation and monitoring of memoranda of understanding seeking to dissuade commercial scale intellectual property infringing activities in the internal market	C(2016)3724
Regulation 608/2013 concerning customs enforcement of intellectual property rights and repealing Regulation 1383/2003 (" <i>Customs Regulation</i> ") See also Implementing (Commission) Regulation 1891/2004, which has been amended by Commission Regulation 1172/2007 Commission notice on the customs enforcement of IPRs concerning goods brought into the customs territory of the Union without being released for free circulation including goods in transit (2016/C 244/03)	Regulation 608/2013 Comm. Reg. 1891/2004 Comm. Reg. 1172/2007
Regulation 386/2012 on entrusting the Office for Harmonization in the Internal Market with tasks related to the enforcement of intellectual property rights, including the assembling of public and private-sector representatives as a European Observatory on Infringements of Intellectual Property Rights	Regulation 386/2012
Directive 2004/48 on the enforcement of intellectual property rights (" <i>IPRED</i> ")	Directive 2004/48
Statement by the Commission concerning Article 2 of Directive 2004/48	Commission statement on Article 2
International treaties	
Beijing Treaty on Audiovisual Performances	TRT/BEIJING/001

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Berne Convention for the Protection of Literary and Artistic Works (as amended on September 28, 1979)	TRT/BERNE/001
Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure	TRT/BUDAPEST/001
Brussels Convention Relating to the Distribution of Programme-Carrying Signals Transmitted by Satellite	TRT/BRUSSELS/001
Common Regulations Under the 1999 Act and the 1960 Act of the Hague Agreement (as in force on April 1, 2023)	TRT/HAGUE/033
Locarno Agreement Establishing an International Classification for Industrial Designs (as amended on September 28, 1979)	TRT/LOCARNO/001
Madrid Agreement for the Repression of False or Deceptive Indications of Source on Goods	TRT/MADRID-IP/001
Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks (as amended on September 28, 1979)	TRT/MADRID-GP/001
Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement Concerning the International Registration of Marks (as amended on November 12, 2007)	TRT/MADRIDP-GP/001
Marrakesh Treaty to Facilitate Access to Published Works for Persons Who Are Blind, Visually Impaired, or Otherwise Print Disabled	TRT/MARRAKESH/001
Nairobi Treaty on the Protection of the Olympic Symbol	TRT/NAIROBI/001
Nice Agreement Concerning the International Classification of Goods and Services for the Purposes of the Registration of Marks (as amended on September 28, 1979)	TRT/NICE/001
Paris Convention	TRT/PARIS/001
Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) (as modified on October 3, 2001)	TRT/PCT/001
Patent Law Treaty	TRT/PLT/001
Convention for the Protection of Producers of Phonograms Against Unauthorized Duplication of Their Phonograms	TRT/PHONOGRAMS/001
International Convention for the Protection of Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organizations	TRT/ROME/001
Singapore Treaty on the Law of Trademarks	TRT/SINGAPORE/001
Strasbourg Agreement Concerning the International Patent Classification (as amended on September 28, 1979)	TRT/STRASBOURG/001
1978 Act of the UPOV Convention	295
1991 Act of the UPOV Convention	221
Trademark Law Treaty (TLT)	TRT/TLT/001
Vienna Agreement Establishing an International Classification of the Figurative Elements of Marks (as amended on October 1, 1985)	TRT/VIENNA/001
Washington Treaty on Intellectual Property in Respect of Integrated Circuits	TRT/WASHINGTON/001
WIPO Copyright Treaty (WCT)	TRT/WCT/001
WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty	TRT/WPPT/001
Data	
Regulation 2018/1807 on a framework for the free flow of non-personal data in the European Union	Reg. 2018/1807
Commission Recommendation 2018/334 on measures to effectively tackle illegal content online	C(2018)1177
Commission Notice – Guidelines on recommended standard licences, datasets and charging for the re-use of documents	2014/C 240/01
Directive 2019/1024 on open data and the re-use of public sector information	Dir. 2019/1024
Commission Decision on the reuse of Commission documents	2011/833/EU