



## Your guide among industrial designs

We want you to make money on your creativity. With more than 60 years of experience in search, monitoring and advisory services, we offer you consultancy services and powerful business tools that will help you step ahead of the competition.

# PRV InterPat – your guide among industrial

PRV InterPat, as part of the Swedish Patent and Registration Office (PRV), has been providing search and advisory services to industry for more than 60 years. We carry out fast, cost-efficient and high quality searches and monitoring services within the field of patents, trademarks and industrial designs.

## How can PRV InterPat help you?

PRV InterPat offers a wide range of design information searches. A selection is listed below. More detailed information, including a complete list of our services, is available on our website

### *Novelty searches*

If you are planning to file an application to register a design, you should be aware that PRV does not examine ex officio design applications to find out if your design differs from previously registered and filed designs or not. With the help of our novelty search, you will obtain a quick answer as to whether someone already has an identical or similar design before registering your own design. The search also includes Community Designs, and in this way you get a good indication before filing a Community Design.

### *Freedom to operate searches, FTO*

Before you launch a new product on the market, it is important to assess whether you are likely to infringe somebody else's existing rights or not. A freedom-to-operate search gives a good indication of the risk of infringement.

### *Monitoring services*

Successful companies keep a close eye on the competition. PRV InterPat offers a full range of watch and monitoring services enabling you to keep your competitors under close watch and, more importantly, to monitor your own designs, since the quantity of protected rights is increasing. This is of the utmost importance with regards to Community Designs. As you most probably know, EUIPO does not examine design applications against earlier rights, with the consequence that similar or identical designs can be registered. The holders themselves must ensure that no similar designs are infringing their rights. We have powerful search tools to assist you.

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## Search reports

Due to our experience and knowledge concerning designs and information searches we have the ability to analyze the contents of the search and compile the result informatively.

## Our strength

Our strength is our access to the design examiners and experts of PRV. A contact with “your” examiner can be of value when launching your request.

## Electronic Services

We offer a number of electronic services that enable you to gain a valuable overview of the current situation for your design.

### *Databases*

You can purchase data directly from us. Through weekly updates you always have the latest information. The databases contain detailed data and images for both design applications and registrations. Official letters (letters of correspondence) are not yet included. As our customer you have the support services. You can present data information directly from your own website, best suited to your customers.

### *PRV InterPat Secure, PIS*

You can request a search using our secure online service, PRV InterPat Secure (PIS). This service can be found on our website.

## Prices

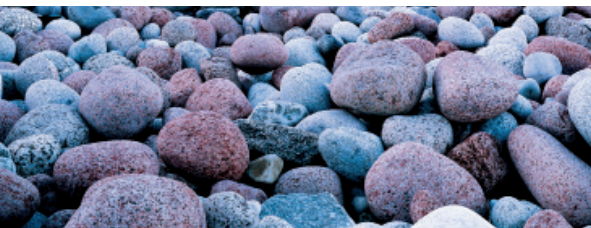
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## Delivery

Delivery is by agreement with you. You can read more about our secure delivery methods on our website. We guarantee delivery within 7 working days for all trademark searches. Express delivery within 24 hours is available at an additional cost.

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