

Countries and their grace periods for patent application following public disclosure, use, or sale.

Country/Region	Grace Period
Albania	6 months
Algeria	12 months
Andorra	6 months
Argentina	12 months
Armenia	12 months
Australia	12 months
Austria	6 months
Azerbaijan	12 months
Bahrain	12 months, or longer if made at officially recognized exhibition
Barbados	12 months
Belarus	12 months
Belgium	6 months
Belize	12 months
Bhutan	12 months
Bolivia	12 months
Bosnia & Herzegovina	6 months
Brazil	12 months
Bulgaria	6 months
Canada	12 months
Chile	12 months
China	6 months, but only applies to disclosures made in China
Colombia	12 months
Costa Rica	12 months
Croatia	6 months
Cyprus	No provision
Czech Republic	6 months
Denmark	6 months
Dominica	12 months
Dominican Republic	12 months
Ecuador	12 months

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Egypt	6 months
El Salvador	12 months
Estonia	12 months
Finland	6 months
France	6 months
Georgia	12 months
Germany	6 months
Ghana	12 months
Greece	6 months
Guatemala	12 months
Honduras	12 months
Hungary	6 months
Iceland	6 months
India	12 months
Indonesia	6 months or 12 months (fact specific)
Ireland	6 months
Israel	6 months
Italy	6 months
Japan	12 months (as of June 9, 2018; Used to be 6 months)
Jordan	12 months
Kenya	12 months
Kyrgyz Republic	12 months
Latvia	12 months
Liechtenstein	6 months
Lithuania	6 months
Luxembourg	6 months
Madagascar	6 months
Malaysia	12 months
Malta	12 months
Mauritius	12 months
Mexico	12 months
Moldova (Republic of)	6 months
Mongolia	No provision.
Morocco	12 months

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Mozambique	12 months
Netherlands	6 months
New Zealand	6 months
Nicaragua	12 months
Nigeria	6 months
Norway	6 months
Oman	12 months
Pakistan	12 months
Panama	12 months
Papua New Guinea	12 months
Paraguay	12 months
Peru	12 months
Philippines	12 months
Poland	6 months
Portugal	6 months
Republic of Korea	12 months
Romania	6 months
Russian Federation	6 months
Saint Lucia	No provision.
Saudi Arabia	6 months
Serbia	6 months
Singapore	12 months
Slovak Republic	6 months
Slovenia	6 months
South Africa	No restriction, if disclosed without consent or worked on in South Africa by and through trial or experimentation
Spain	6 months
Sri Lanka	12 months
Sweden	6 months
Switzerland	6 months
Syrian Arab Republic	No provision.
Tajikistan	6 months
Thailand	12 months

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The Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia	6 months
Trinidad and Tobago	12 months
Tunisia	12 months
Turkey	12 months
Uganda	12 months
Ukraine	12 months
United Kingdom	6 months
United States of America	12 months
Uruguay	12 months
Uzbekistan	6 months
Zambia	No restriction, if disclosed without consent or worked on in Zambia by and through trial or experimentation, or by agreement with government
African Intellectual Property Organization (OAPI)	12 months
African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO)	6 months
Eurasian Patent Organization (EAPO)	6 months
European Patent Organization (EPO)	6 months
Patent Office of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf (GCC)	12 months