

# What is intellectual property?

## How to identify it.

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What does your company need to protect?

How can you protect it?

Registration



Name or logo  
E.g. a new brand.

### 1. Trade mark

Protects the commercial origin of goods and/or services.



Intellectual property office.



Original product design  
E.g. a new fashion collection.

### 2. Design

Protects the appearance of products.



Intellectual property office.



Creative work  
E.g. a new song.

### 3. Copyright

Protects creative works, including software.



Proof of the date of creation. Most countries have a voluntary registration system.



Invention  
E.g. a new machine.

### 4. Patent and utility model

Protects products or processes that offer a new technical solution.



Intellectual property office.



Confidential information  
E.g. a client database.

### 5. Trade secret

Protects confidential business information.







Non-disclosure agreements (without registration).



















# WHY and HOW to register your intellectual property



Four support resources are listed below the "GET SUPPORT" section, each with an icon and a link:

-  [Free intellectual property support](https://euiipo.europa.eu/ohimportal/en/online-services/ip-support)
-  [SME Fund: public funding of intellectual property](https://euiipo.europa.eu/ohimportal/en/online-services/sme-fund)
-  [Check the availability of your trade mark](https://www.tmdn.org/tmview/#/tmview)
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