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In order to acquire protection for an invention either a patent application or an application for registration of a utility model should be filed with the Estonian Patent Office and the prescribed state fees should be paid. The right to apply for a patent or registration of a utility model is vested in the author of an invention and an inheritor or a legal successor of the author. If an invention is created in the performance of contractual obligations or duties of employment, the right to apply for patent or registration of a utility model is vested in the author or other person pursuant to the contract or employment contract.

An application has to include the following basic documents:

- a request for the grant of a patent or for the registration of a utility model,
- a description of the invention,
- patent or utility model claims,
- an abstract of the subject matter of the invention both in Estonian and English,
- upon request drawings.

The formal and substantive requirements for documents subject to submission to the Estonian Patent Office and procedure for filing such documents are provided in the legal acts “The Formal and Substantive Requirements for the Documents Contained in the Utility Model Application and the Procedure for Filing Utility Model Applications” and “The Formal and Substantive Requirements for the Documents Contained in the Patent Application and the Procedure for Filing Patent Applications.

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