

Key acts and ordinances entering into force around the second half of 2021



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Introduction

This compilation contains a selection of the acts and ordinances – both new and amended – that enter into force in the first half of 2021 or some time thereafter. Acts and ordinances introduced due to the COVID-19 pandemic are listed under a separate heading under each ministry.

Acts and ordinances set out the ground rules that govern our society. To enact a new law, the Government submits a legislative proposal (a government bill) to the Riksdag. After the government bill has been considered by one of the parliamentary committees, it is put to the Riksdag for approval. Once the law has been adopted, it is formally promulgated by the Government, meaning it is published and made known. The Government can adopt a new ordinance on its own, without submitting it to the Riksdag.

Acts and ordinances are published in the Swedish Code of Statutes (SFS). As of April 2018, the SFS is published electronically at www.svenskforfatningssamling.se. Each act and ordinance has a unique SFS number.

More information about government bills, acts and ordinances is available (in Swedish) at www.lagrummet.se. The ‘Lagrummet’ portal is the public administration’s common website for legal information and contains links to legal information from the Government, the Riksdag, the courts and central government agencies.

The legislative process is described in the section ‘How Sweden is governed’ on www.government.se.

This compilation can be downloaded from www.government.se. At the time of publication, some acts had not yet been assigned an SFS number. This applies to numbers ending with ‘000’ (e.g. 2020:000).

Information on Swedish legislation

Lagrummet: www.lagrummet.se

The Government and Government Offices website: www.government.se

The Government Offices Office legal databases:

<http://rkrattsbaser.gov.se>

The Swedish Riksdag website: www.riksdagen.se

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Ministry of Employment

The Ministry of Employment is responsible for issues and matters concerning the labour market, labour law and the work environment. The Ministry is also responsible for the work of advancing gender equality and human rights at national level. Moreover, the Ministry is responsible for efforts to increase integration, combat segregation, racism and discrimination, and strengthen the rights of children and LGBTIQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer) people.

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Preventing intimate partner violence

Amendments: Socialtjänstlagen (2001:453), offentlighets- och sekretesslagen (2009:400), patientsäkerhetslagen (2010:659), hälso- och sjukvårdslagen (2017:30), and socialtjänstförförordningen (2001:937)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:163 Förebyggande av våld i nära relationer

SFS: 2021:645-649

Entry into force: 1 August 2021

Government agencies authorised to cooperate with the European Labour Authority (ELA)

New ordinance: Förordning med kompletterande bestämmelser till EU:s förordning om inrättande av Europiska arbetsmyndigheten

Amendment: Förordningen (2007:913) med instruktion för Arbetsmiljöverket

SFS: 2021:566

Basis for decision: Ministry Publications Series 2021:4 Kompletterande åtgärder till EU:s förordning om inrättande av Europeiska arbetsmyndigheten (ELA)

Entry into force: 1 August 2021

Non-profit organisations receive government grants to promote meeting places for young LGBTIQ people

New ordinance: Förordning (2021:227) om statsbidrag för insatser som främjar mötesplatser för unga hbtqi-personer

SFS: 2021:227

Entry into force: 1 May 2021

Acts and ordinances in response to the COVID-19 pandemic

Non-profit organisations receive government grants in response to the COVID-19 pandemic

New ordinance: Förordning (2021:133) om statsbidrag till vissa ideella organisationer med anledning av utbrottet av covid-19

SFS: 2021:133

Entry into force: 1 April 2021

Applies until: 31 December 2021

Temporary possibility for entrepreneurs to undertake marketing measures while retaining unemployment benefit

Amendment: Förordningen (1997:835) om arbetslösheftsförsäkring

SFS: 2021:315

Entry into force: 1 June 2021

Applies until: 31 December 2021

Ministry of Finance

The Ministry of Finance is responsible for issues concerning central government finances, including coordination of the central government budget, forecasts and analyses, tax issues, and management and administration of central government activities. The Ministry is also responsible for matters concerning financial markets, housing and community planning, and consumer legislation.

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Introduction of new regulations to prevent a type of tax planning

Amendments: Lagen (1986:468) om avräkning av utländsk skatt, and inkomstskattelagen (1999:1229)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:111

SFS: 2020:000 (Riksdag adopts government bill on 2 June)

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

R&D deduction reinforced

Amendment: Socialavgiftslagen (2000:980)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:110

SFS: 2021:407

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

More secure coordination numbers and improved conditions for correct data in the population register

Amendments: Folkbokföringslagen (1991:481), lagen (1998:527) om det statliga personadressregistret, lagen (2001:182) om behandling av personuppgifter i Skatteverkets folkbokföringsverksamhet, folkbokföringsförordningen (1991:749), and förordningen (1998:1234) om det statliga personadressregistret, studiestödsdataförordningen (2009:321)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:160 Säkrare samordningsnummer och bättre förutsättningar för korrekta uppgifter i folkbokföringen

SFS: 2021:375–380

Entry into force: 18 June 2021

Adjusted calculation of company car taxation

Amendment: Inkomstskattelagen (1999:1229)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:156

SFS: 2020:000 (Riksdag adopts government bill on 2 June)

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Amended value added tax regulations for business-to-consumer eCommerce

Amendments: Mervärdesskattelagen (1994:200), lagen (1994:1551) om frihet från skatt vid import, m.m., skatteförfarandelagen (2011:1244), lagen (2011:1245) om särskilda ordningar för mervärdesskatt för telekommunikationstjänster, radio- och tv-sändningar och elektroniska tjänster, and tullagen (2016:253).

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2019/20:122

SFS: 2020:1161, SFS 2020:1162, SFS 2020:1163, 2020:1170, 2020:1171

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Tax abolished for more producers of their own electricity

Amendment: Lagen (1994:1776) om skatt på energi

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:113

SFS: Riksdag decision on 19 May

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Private right of initiative strengthened for swifter detailed development planning

Amendment: Plan- och bygglagen (2010:900).

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:131 Privat initiativrätt – planintressentens medverkan vid detaljplanläggning

SFS: 2021:752]

Entry into force: 1 August 2021

Amendments to facilitate write-downs for financial companies in crisis

Amendment: Lagen (2015:1016) om resolution

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:155 Ändringar i regelverket om hantering av finansiella företag i kris

SFS: 2021:000

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Specified government agencies to connect to the National Government Service Centre's order and invoice administration services

Amendment: Förordningen (2015:665) om statliga myndigheters användning av Statens servicecenters tjänster

Basis for decision: Memorandum 'Anslutning till Statens servicecenters tjänster för elektronisk beställnings- och fakturahantering' (Fi2019/02671/SFÖ)

SFS: 2021:228

Entry into force: 16 May 2021

Greater possibilities for Swedish Customs to decide to block postal deliveries to a given address

Amendments: Tulllagen (2016:253), lagen (1996:701) om Tullverkets befogenheter vid Sveriges gräns mot ett annat land inom Europeiska unionen, offentlighets - och sekretesslagen (2009:400), and postlagen (2010:1045).

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:49.

SFS: 2021:44, 2021:45, 2021:46, 2021:47.

Entry into force: 1 March 2021

Introduction of new EU regulations on customs controls of cash

Amendment: Tulllagen (2016:253)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:184

SFS: 2021:753

Entry into force: 1 August 2021

Greater possibilities for Swedish Customs to intervene against offences

Amendments: Lagen (2000:1225) om straff för smuggling, lagen (1998:714) om ersättning vid frihetsberövanden och andra tvångsåtgärder, and lagen

(2008:322) om Tullverkets och Kustbevakningens befogenheter att ingripa mot rattfylleribrott

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:192

SFS: 2021:761

Entry into force: 1 August 2021

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Extension of the exemption from taxation and fees for benefits of free parking and gifts to employees

New act: Lag (2021:300) om tillfällig skatte- och avgiftsfrihet för förmån av fri parkering och gåva till anställda

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:166

SFS: 2021:300

Entry into force: 1 May 2021 (applies retroactively from 1 January 2021)

Decisions on State aid in the event of short-time work to be public

Amendments: Offentlighets- och sekretesslagen (2009:640), and offentlighets- och sekretessförordningen (2009:641)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:168

SFS: 2021:672-675

Entry into force: 1 August 2021 Decisions on aid relating to applications received prior to 22 October 2020 will only be covered by the exemption from secrecy as of 21 October 2021.

Employers' social security contributions for young people reduced further for June–August 2021

Amendment: Lagen (2021:55) om särskild beräkning av arbetsgivaravgifter och allmän löneavgift

för personer som vid årets ingång fyllt 18 men inte 23 år

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:202

SFS: 2021:000 (the Riksdag is preliminarily due to decide on 16 June)

Entry into force: 19 June 2021

Temporary reduction of employers' social security contributions for up to two employees

New act: Lag om särskild beräkning av vissa avgifter för arbetsgivare

Amendment: Skatteförfarandelagen (2011:1244)

Basis for decision: Government Bill 2020/21:118

SFS: 2021:423-424

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Ministry of Defence

The Ministry of Defence is responsible for national defence, total defence, international defence and security cooperation, foreign intelligence activities, international operations, and international law of armed conflict.

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Introduction of a new act with provisions to supplement the EU Cybersecurity Act

New act: Lag (2021:553) med kompletterande bestämmelser till EU:s cybersäkerhetsakt

New ordinance: Förordning (2021:555) med kompletterande bestämmelser till EU:s cybersäkerhetsakt

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:186 Kompletterande bestämmelser till EU:s cybersäkerhetsakt

SFS: 2021:553, 2021:555

Entry into force: 28 June 2021

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Special scope for investment introduced to increase electrical grid capacity
New act: Lagen (2021:311) om särskilt investeringsutrymme för elnätsverksamhet
Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:94 Särskilt investeringsutrymme för elnätsverksamhet – investeringar i ökad nätkapacitet
SFS: 2021:311
Entry into force: 1 June 2021

Minimum age for flying drones lowered
Amendment: Luftfartsförordningen (2010:770)
Basis for decision: Memorandum drafted at the Ministry of Infrastructure in late 2020
SFS: 2021:361
Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Environmental landing and take-off charges introduced
Amendments: Lagen (2011:866) om flygplatsavgifter, and förordningen (2011:867) om flygplatsavgifter
Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:154 Miljöstyrande start- och landningsavgifter
SFS: 2021:558, 2021:666
Entry into force: 1 July 2021 (lagen), 1 augusti 2021 (förordningen)

Licences introduced for jet skis

New act and ordinance: Lag (2021:626) om förarbevis för vattenskoter, förordning (2021:628) om förarbevis för vattenskoter

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:190 Förlängd giltighetstid för vattenskoter

SFS: 2021:626-628

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Reduction obligation for jet fuel introduced

Amendments: Lagen (2017:1201) om reduktion av växthusgasutsläpp genom inblandning av biodrivmedel i bensin och dieselbränslen, and förordningen (2018:195) om reduktion av växthusgasutsläpp genom inblandning av biodrivmedel i bensin och dieselbränslen

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:135 Reduktionsplikt för flygfotogen

SFS: 2021:412-413

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Introduction of sustainability criteria for solid and gaseous biofuels

Amendments: Lagen (2010:598) om hållbarhetskriterier för biodrivmedel och flytande biobränslen, lagen (1994:1776) om skatt på energi, lagen (2011:1200) om elcertifikat, and förordningen (2011:1088) om hållbarhetskriterier för biodrivmedel och flytande biobränslen

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:185 Hållbarhetskriterier – genomförande av det omarbetade förnybartdirektivet

SFS: 2021:668-671

Entry into force: 1 July 2021 for lagen om hållbarhetskriterier för biodrivmedel och flytande biobränslen; 1 January 2022 for lagen om elcertifikat and lagen om skatt på energi

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Extended validity for certificates of professional competence

Amendments: Lagen (2007:1157) om yrkesförarkompetens, and förordningen (2007:1470) om yrkesförarkompetens

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:195 Förlängd giltighetstid för yrkeskompetensbevis

SFS: 2021:594–2021:599

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Temporarily adjusted shipping aid extended

Amendment: Förordning (2021:567) om fortsatt giltighet för förordningen (2020:730) om tillfälligt anpassat sjöfartsstöd

SFS: 2021:567

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Applies until: 1 October 2021

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The Ministry of Justice is responsible for the judicial system, migration and asylum issues, crisis preparedness, the Swedish Constitution and civil law.

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Orders barring access to shops and enhanced criminal law protection against appropriative offences

New act: Lag om tillträdesförbud till butik

New ordinance: Förordning om tillträdesförbud till butik

Amendments: Brottbalken, and other statutes

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:52 Tillträdesförbud till butik och förstärkt straffrättsligt skydd mot tillgreppsbrottslighet

SFS: 2021:34–39

Entry into force: 1 March 2021

Increased order and security in non-custodial care

New act: Lag om säkerhetskontroll på frivårdskontor

Amendment: Lag om ordningsvakter

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:54 Ökad ordning och säkerhet i frivården

SFS: 2021:77–78

Entry into force: 1 March 2021

Introduction of a specific penalty provision for encouraging suicide

Amendment: Brotsbalken

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:74 En särskild straffbestämmelse för uppmaning till självmord

SFS: 2021:225

Entry into force: 1 May 2021

Conditional release can be postponed in more cases

Amendment: Brotsbalken

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:18 En tydligare koppling mellan villkorlig frigivning och deltagande i återfallsförebyggande åtgärder

SFS: 2021:74

Entry into force: 1 May 2021

Enhanced possibilities to control and support those sentenced to probation

Amendments: Brotsbalken, and other statutes

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:85 Utökade kontroll- och stödmöjligheter avseende skyddstillsynsdömda

SFS: 2021:249–252

Entry into force: 1 May 2021

Regulations on safe countries of origin

Amendments: Utlänningsslagen (2005:716), and utlänningsförordningen (2006:97)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:71 Uppenbart ogrundade ansökningar och fastställande av säkra ursprungsländer

SFS: 2021:223–224

Entry into force: 1 May 2021

Stronger protection for payment instruments introduced

Amendment: Brotsbalken

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:73 En ny straffbestämmelse som skyddar betalningsverktyg

SFS: 2021:322

Entry into force: 31 May 2021

Improved cross-border access to radio and television programmes within the EEA

Amendment: Lagen (1960:729) om upphovsrätt till litterära och konstnärliga verk, and lagen (2017:322) om medling i vissa

upphovsrättstvister

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:153 Gränsöverskridande tillgång till radio- och tv-program

SFS: 2021:357–358

Entry into force: 7 June 2021

Subjecting a child to witnessing certain criminal acts made punishable

Amendments: Brotsbalken, and other statutes

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:170 Barn som bevitnar brott

SFS: 2021:397–399

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

More appropriate composition rules for land and environment courts

Amendments: Lagen (1929:405) med vissa föreskrifter angående tillämpningen här i riket av svensk-norska vattenrättskonventionen av den 11 maj 1929, lagen (1998:812) med särskilda bestämmelser om vattenverksamhet, and lagen (2010:921) om mark- och miljödomstolar

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:104 Mer ändamålsenliga sammansättningsregler för mark- och miljödomstolarna

SFS: 2021:457–459

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Broader possibilities to investigate the sinking of the passenger vessel Estonia

Amendment: Lagen (1995:732) om skydd för gravfriden vid vraket efter passagerarfartyget Estonia

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:165 Utvidgade möjligheter att utreda förlisningen av passagerarfartyget Estonia

SFS: 2021:557

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Increased legal certainty and reduced isolation through new remand regulations

Amendments: Rättegångsbalken, lagen (1963:193) om samarbete med Danmark, Finland, Island och Norge angående verkställighet av straff m.m., lagen (1964:167) med särskilda bestämmelser om unga lagöverträdare, lagen (1972:260) om internationellt samarbete rörande verkställighet av brottmålsdom, and häkteslagen (2010:611)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2019/20:129 Effektivare hantering av häktningar och minskad isolering, Committee Report 2020/21:JuU43 of the

same name, Riksdag Communication 2020/21:244.

SFS: 2021:285–289

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Additional tools for government agencies to exercise controls of foreign nationals in Sweden

Amendments: Utlänningslagen (2005:716), utlänningsdatalagen (2016:27), utlänningsförordningen (2006:97), and utlänningsdataförordningen (2016:30)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:159 Vissa identitetsfrågor inom utlänningsrätten

SFS: 2021:390–393

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Child rights perspective enhanced in custody disputes

Amendments: Föräldrabalken, äktenskapsbalken, rättegångsbalken, and offentlighets- och sekretesslagen (2009:400)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:150 Ett stärkt barnrättsperspektiv i vårdnadstvister

SFS: 2021:528–529, 2021:532–533

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Recognition of polygamous marriages entered into abroad prohibited

Amendments: Äktenskapsbalken, lagen (1904:26 s. 1) om vissa internationella rättsförhållanden rörande äktenskap och förmynderskap, and lagen (1985:367) om internationella faderskapsfrågor

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:149 Förbud mot erkännande av utländska månggiften

SFS: 2021:464–466

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

More efficient bankruptcy administration

Amendments: Konkurslagen (1987:672), lagen (1996:764) om företagsrekonstruktion, and other acts and ordinances

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:148 En effektivare konkurshantering

SFS: 2021:538–545

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Enhanced supervision of the estate agency sector

New act: Fastighetsmäklarlag

New ordinance: Fastighetsmäklarförordning

Amendments: Lagen (2017:630) om åtgärder mot penningtvätt och finansiering av terrorism, and several amendments to ordinances

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:119 En ny fastighetsmäklarlag – förstärkt tillsyn över fastighetsmäklarbranschen

SFS: 2021:516–523

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Enhanced protection for geographical indications and clearer regulations concerning bad faith registration of trademarks and company names

Amendments: Varumärkeslag (2010:1877), lagen (2018:1653) om företagsnamn, and lag (2018:1654) om skydd för beteckningar på jordbruksprodukter och livsmedel

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:125 Stärkt skydd för geografiska beteckningar och tydligare regler vid registrering av varumärken och företagsnamn i ond tro

SFS: 2021:561–563

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Supplementary provisions on cooperation in criminal matters introduced to the agreement between the EU and the United Kingdom

New act: Lag om kompletterande bestämmelser om straffrättsligt samarbete mellan Europeiska unionen och Förenade kungariket

New ordinance: Förordning om kompletterande bestämmelser om straffrättsligt samarbete mellan Europeiska unionen och Förenade kungariket

Amendments: Consequential amendments to a number of acts and one ordinance

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:197 Kompletterande bestämmelser till vissa delar av avtalet mellan Europeiska unionen och Förenade kungariket

SFS: 2021:709 och 2021:713

Entry into force: 15 July 2021

Amended regulations in the Aliens Act

Amendments: Utlänningslagen (2005:716), socialförsäkringsbalken, studiestödslagen (1999:1395), lagen (2001:82) om svenska medborgarskap, lagen (1994:137) om mottagande av asylsökande m.fl. och utlänningsförordningen (2006:97), and consequential amendments to a number of acts and ordinances

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:191 Ändrade regler i utlänningslagen

SFS: 2021:000

Entry into force: 20 July 2021

Tighter controls of explosives

Amendments: Lagen (2010:1011) om brandfarliga och explosiva varor, förordningen (2010:1075) om brandfarliga och explosiva varor, förordningen (1999:1135) om misstankeregister, and förordningen (1999:1134) om belastningsregister

Basis for decision: Ministry Publications Series 2020:17 Skärpt kontroll över explosiva varor and Govt Bill 2020/21:158 Skärpt kontroll över explosiva varor

SFS: 2021:657-660

Entry into force: 1 August 2021

Better conditions for indebted families with children in attachment of salary orders

Amendments: Utsökningsbalken, and konkurslagen (1987:672)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:161 Löneutmätning och digitala ansökningar i utsökningsförfarandet

SFS: 2021:000

Entry into force: 1 August 2021 and 1 June 2022

Strengthened security for certain identity and residence documents

Amendments: Passlagen (1978:302), utlänningsslagen (2005:716), förordningen (2005:661) om nationellt identiteteskort, utlänningssförordningen (2006:97), and förordningen (2014:1102) med instruktion för Polismyndigheten

Basis for decision: Ministry Publications Series 2020:22, Ökad säkerhet för vissa identitets- och uppehållshandlingar – anpassning av svensk rätt till en ny Eu-förordning, and Govt Bill 2020/21:120, Ökad säkerhet för vissa identitets- och uppehållshandlingar – anpassning av svensk rätt till en ny EU-förordning

SFS: 2021:414–416 and 2021:435–436

Entry into force: 2 August 2021

Ministry of Culture

The Ministry of Culture is responsible for cultural issues, media issues, democracy, the indigenous Sami people and the national minorities, civil society, sport, faith communities and youth policy.

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Reintroduction of relaxed criteria for financial support for news media

Amendment: Mediestödsförordningen (2018:2053)

SFS: 2021:276

Entry into force: 14 April 2021

Acts and ordinances in response to the COVID-19 pandemic

New financial support period for cancelled and postponed cultural events

Amendment: Förordning (2020:246) om statligt stöd för kulturevenemang som har ställts in eller skjutits upp med anledning av spridningen av sjukdomen covid-19

SFS: 2021:123

Entry into force: 4 March 2021

State aid to organisations whose activities target people in particularly vulnerable social situations

New ordinance: Förordning (2021:134) om statsbidrag med anledning av covid-19 till vissa organisationer som bedriver verksamhet som riktar sig till människor i socialt särskilt utsatta situationer

SFS: 2021:134

Entry into force: 15 March 2021

Ministry of the Environment

The Ministry of the Environment is responsible for matters related to reduced climate emissions, a non-toxic everyday environment and strengthening biodiversity on land and in water. The Ministry is also responsible for matters related to ecocycles and waste, radiation safety, protection and management of valuable natural habitats, outdoor activities and international environmental cooperation.

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Expanded support for measures that reduce emissions

Amendment: Förordningen (2017:1319) om statligt stöd till åtgärder för att minska industrins processrelaterade utsläpp av växthusgaser och för negativa utsläpp

SFS: 2021:32

Entry into force: 23 February 2021

Tighter emissions limits and higher bonus amounts for climate bonus cars

Amendment: Förordningen (2017:1334) om klimatbonusbilar

SFS: 2021:200

Entry into force: 1 April 2021

Expanded possibilities to grant exemptions from EU chemicals legislation

Amendment: Förordningen (2008:245) om kemiska produkter och biotekniska organismer

SFS: 2021:156

Entry into force: 30 March 2021

Tighter restrictions on use of pesticides

Amendment: Förordningen (2014:425) om bekämpningsmedel

SFS: 2021:229

Entry into force: 1 October 2021

Swedish Environmental Protection Agency given clear grounds for rejecting applications for free allocations of emission allowances

Amendment: Förordningen (2020:1180) om vissa utsläpp av växthusgaser

SFS: 2021:247

Entry into force: 15 May 2021

Amended notification requirement and supervision for commercial offerings to the public of procedures subject to sanitary requirements

Amendment: Förordningen (1998:899) om miljöfarlig verksamhet och hälsoskydd

SFS: 2021:368

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Ministry of Enterprise and Innovation

The Ministry of Enterprise and Innovation is responsible for issues concerning state-owned companies, the business sector, rural areas and land- and water-based industries, animals and food, and regional development.

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Greater powers for the Swedish Competition Authority

Amendment: Konkurrenslagen

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:51 Konkurrensverkets befogenheter

SFS: 2021:81

Entry into force: 1 March 2021

Amended regulations for supervisory authorities in the food production chain

Amendments: Epizootilagen (1999:657), zoonoslagen (1999:658), livsmedelslagen (2006:804), lagen (2006:805) om foder och animaliska biprodukter, lagen (2006:806) om provtagning på djur, m.m., lagen (2006:807) om kontroll av husdjur, m.m., lagen (2009:1424) om kontroll av skyddade beteckningar på jordbruksprodukter och livsmedel, lagen (2013:363) om kontroll av ekologisk produktion, and djurskyddslagen (2018:1192).

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:43 En anpassning av bestämmelser om kontroll i livsmedelskedjan till EU:s nya kontrollförordning.

SFS: 2021:167–175

Entry into force: 1 April 2021

Acts and ordinances in response to the COVID-19 pandemic

Extended validity for exploration permits

Amendment: Minerallagen (1991:45)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:67 Undersökningstillstånd

SFS: 2021:120

Entry into force: 1 March 2021

Rental support scheme reintroduced for 2021

New ordinance: Förordning om statligt stöd när vissa lokalhyresgäster fått rabatt på hyran under 2021

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:84 Förlängda ersättningar på sjukförsäkringsområdet, stöd till företag och andra åtgärder med anledning av coronaviruset, Govt Bill 2020/21:99 Vårändringsbudget för 2021, and Govt Bill 2020/21:208 Extra ändringsbudget för 2021 – Förlängda ersättningar på sjukförsäkringsområdet, stöd till företag, kultur, idrott och civilsamhälle samt andra åtgärder med anledning av coronaviruset

SFS: 2021:273

Entry into force: 3 May and 2 July 2021

Loans made available for travel operators to cover refunds

New ordinances: Förordning om statligt lån till arrangörer och återförsäljare av paketresor till följd av spridningen av sjukdomen covid-19, and förordning om statligt lån för återbetalning av kostnaderna för vissa avbeställda eller inställda paketresor till följd av spridningen av sjukdomen covid-19

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:77 Extra ändringsbudget för 2021 – Stöd till företag, medel för vaccinering och andra åtgärder med anledning av coronaviruset.

SFS: 2021:57

Entry into force: 10 February 2021

Trading partnerships can receive turnover-based government support

New ordinance: Förordning om omsättningsstöd till handelsbolag för mars 2020–februari 2021

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021:77 Extra ändringsbudget för 2021 – Stöd till företag, medel för vaccinering och andra åtgärder med anledning av coronaviruset, Govt Bill 2020/21:84 Förlängda ersättningar på sjukförsäkringsområdet, stöd till företag och andra åtgärder med anledning av coronaviruset

SFS: 2021:208

Entry into force: 29 March 2021

Turnover-based government support for sole traders extended

New ordinance: Förordning om omsättningsstöd till enskilda näringsidkare för augusti 2020–februari 2021

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021:77 Extra ändringsbudget för 2021 – Stöd till företag, medel för vaccinering och andra åtgärder med anledning av coronaviruset, Govt Bill 2020/21:84 Förlängda ersättningar på sjukförsäkringsområdet, stöd till företag och andra åtgärder med anledning av coronaviruset

SFS: 2021:143

Entry into force: 2 March 2021

Ministry of Health and Social Affairs

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National patient medication list introduced

New act: Lagen (2018:1212) om nationell läkemedelslista

New ordinance: Förordningen (2021:67) om nationell läkemedelslista

Amendments: Lagen (2018:1213) om ändring i lagen (1996:1157) om läkemedelskommittéer, lagen (2018:1214) om ändring i patientdatalagen (2008:355), and lagen (2018:1215) om ändring i lagen (2009:366) om handel med läkemedel, etc.

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2017/18:223 Nationell läkemedelslista, Govt Bill 2017/18:233 Utökade möjligheter till utbyte av läkemedel, Govt Bill 2019/20:158 Senarelagt införande av nationell läkemedelslista och bastjänstgöring för läkare

SFS: 2018:1212–1216 and 1241, 2020:305–310, 2021:67–70

Entry into force: 1 May 2021, and 1 May 2023 with regard to requirements for health care actors and their obligation to provide information

Recovery bonus introduced in health care and care of older people

New ordinance: Förordning om statsbidrag för att främja ett hållbart arbetsliv inom vård och omsorg

Basis for decision: Consultation memorandum, Förordning om statsbidrag för att främja ett hållbart arbetsliv, S2021/02252

SFS: 2021:313

Entry into force: 1 June 2021

Increased protection for individuals undergoing aesthetic procedures

New act and ordinance: Lag (2021:363) om estetiska kirurgiska ingrepp och estetiska injektionsbehandlingar, and förordning (2021:367) om estetiska kirurgiska ingrepp och estetiska injektionsbehandlingar

Amendments: Patientskadelagen (1996:799), patientdatalagen (2008:355), patientsäkerhetslagen (2010:659), and förordning (1998:899) om miljöfarlig verksamhet och hälsoskydd

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:57 Lag om estetiska kirurgiska ingrepp och estetiska injektionsbehandlingar

SFS: 2021:363–368

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Amended definition of primary care and regulation in law of its basic remit

Amendment: Hälso- och sjukvårdslagen (2017:30), and patientdatalagen (2008:355)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2019/20:164 Inriktningen för en nära och tillgänglig vård – en primärvårdsreform

SFS: 2020:1042–1043

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Target group for support from the Swedish Inheritance Fund expanded

New act and ordinance: Lag om Allmänna arvsfonden, and förordning om Allmänna arvsfonden

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:139 Ett modernt regelverk för Allmänna arvsfonden

SFS: 2021:401 and 2021:403

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Benchmark pension age for 2027 set at 67

New ordinance: Förordning (2021:394) om riktalder för pension för år 2027

Basis for decision: Chapter 2, Sections 10a–10c of socialförsäkringsbalken, Govt Bill 2018/19:133 En riktalder för höjda pensioner och följsamhet till ett längre liv

SFS: 2021:394

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Basic residential training introduced as introductory part of doctors' specialist training

Amendments: Lagen (2018:1996) om ändring i patientsäkerhetslagen (2010:659), lagen (2020:311) om ändring i patientsäkerhetslagen (2010:659), lagen (2021:000) om ändring i patientsäkerhetslagen (2010:659), etc.

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2017/18:274 Bastjänstgöring för läkare, Govt Bill 2019/20:158 Senarelagt införande av nationell läkemedelslista och bastjänstgöring för läkare, Govt Bill 2020/21:177 Avgift för intyg om godkänd bastjänstgöring

SFS: 2018:1996, 2018:1997, 2020:311, 2020:312, 2020:1098, 2020:1099, 2021:448 and 2021:449

Entry into force: 1 July, apart from SFS 2021:000 (amendment to ordinance), which enters into force on 2 July 2021

Acts and ordinances in response to the COVID-19 pandemic

Number of participants in public gatherings and public events limited

Amendment: Förordningen (2021:8) om särskilda begränsningar för att förhindra spridning av sjukdomen covid-19

Basis for decision: Consultation memorandum, Ändringar i begränsningsförordningen (S2021/01524)

SFS: 2021:356

Entry into force: 1 June 2021

Introduction of an extra allowance for families with children under the housing allowance

Amendment: Socialförsäkringsbalken

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:99 Vårändringsbudget för 2021

SFS: 2021:585 and 2021:586

Entry into force: 1 July 2021 and 1 January 2022

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Possibility to introduce grading from Year 4 of compulsory school, compulsory school for pupils with learning disabilities and Sami school, and from Year 5 in special school

Amendment: Skollagen (2010:800), and skolförordningen (2011:185)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:58 Möjlighet till betyg från årskurs 4 – efter försöksverksamheten

SFS: 2021:191 and 2021:192

Entry into force: 1 April 2021

Introduction of in-service training for preschool teachers providing skills to teach in compulsory school

New ordinance: Förordning om statsbidrag för fortbildning av förskollärare

Amendment: Förordningen (2007:223) om uppdragsutbildning för fortbildning av lärare och förskollärare

SFS: 2021:151 and 2021:152

Entry into force: 1 April 2021

New in-service training initiatives for registered teachers and registered preschool teachers

Amendment: Förordning om ändring i förordningen (2007:223) om uppdragsutbildning för fortbildning av lärare och förskollärare

Basis for decision: Med undervisningsskicklighet i centrum – ett ramverk för lärares och rektorers professionella utveckling (SOU 2018:17).

SFS: 2021:152

Entry into force: 1 April 2021

Possibility to obtain government grants for training of teachers in vocational subjects extended by one year

Amendment: Förordningen (2013:60) om statsbidrag för behörighetsgivande utbildning för lärare i yrkesämnen

SFS: 2021:226

Entry into force: 25 April 2021

Government grants introduced to promote practice-based research in schools by teachers

New ordinance: Förordning om statsbidrag för främjande av forskning och utvecklingsarbete i skolväsendet

Basis for decision: Med undervisningsskicklighet i centrum – ett ramverk för lärares och rektorers professionella utveckling (SOU 2018:17)

SFS: 2021:237

Entry into force: 1 May 2021

Measures to increase teachers' skills

Amendments: Skollagen (2010:800), lagen (2010:801) om införande av skollagen (2010:800), gymnasieförordningen (2010:2039), and förordningen (2011:326) om behörighet och legitimation för lärare och förskollärare

New ordinance: Förordning om försöksverksamhet med anställning under viss utbildning i svenska som andraspråk

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:152 Vissa insatser för ökad lärarkompetens

SFS: 2021:000

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Extension of possibility for doctoral degree holders to study on a teacher training programme to obtain a subject education degree

Amendment: Förordningen (2016:705) om kompletterande pedagogisk utbildning som leder till ämneslärarexamen för personer som har en examen på forskarnivå

SFS: 2021:282

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Applies until: 31 December 2028

New provisions on academic freedom, lifelong learning, internationalisation and collaboration

Amendment: Högskolelagen (1992:1434)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:60 Forskning, frihet, framtid – kunskap och innovation för Sverige

SFS: 2021:317

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Sexuality, consent and relationships education in schools strengthened

Amendments: Förordningar om läroplaner för grundskolan, specialskolan, sameskolan, grundsärskolan, gymnasieskolan, vuxenutbildningen och gymnasiesärskolan (SKOLFS 2010:37, 2010:250, 2010:251, 2010:255, 2011:144, 2012:101 and 2013:148)

SKOLFS: 2021:5–11

Ikraftträdande: 1 July 2021

Those with the greatest need for education prioritised for admission and for preparatory programmes for higher education in municipal adult education

Amendments: Skollagen (2010:800), förordningen om vuxenutbildning (2011:1108), and förordningen (2016:937) om statsbidrag för regional yrkesinriktad vuxenutbildning

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2019/20:105, Komvux för stärkt kompetensförsörjning, and Swedish Government Official Reports 2018:71, En andra och en annan chans – ett komvux i tiden

SFS: 2020:447, 2021:96 and 2021:101

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Focus on knowledge and learning in new course and subject syllabuses

Amendments: Förordning (SKOLFS 2010:37) om läroplan för grundskolan, förskoleklassen och fritidshemmet, förordning (SKOLFS 2011:118) om kursplan i ämnet judiska studier i grundskolan, and förordningen (SKOLFS 2010:261) om ämnesplaner för de gymnasiegemensamma ämnena

SKOLFS: 2020:93–95, 2021:3 and 2021:4

Entry into force: 1 July 2021

Acts and ordinances in response to the COVID-19 pandemic

Income ceiling for student aid also removed for 2021

Amendment: Förordningen (2020:201) om studiestöd vid spridning av viss smitta

SFS: 2021:142 and 2021:000

Entry into force: 1 March 2021 for the first half of 2021, and 1 August 2021 for the second half of 2021

Possibility to issue final grades in municipal adult education extended by four years

Amendments: Förordningen (2011:1108) om vuxenutbildning, högskoleförordningen (1993:100), and förordningen (2009:130) om yrkeshögskolan

SFS: 2021:244–246

Entry into force: 15 May 2021

Fees for grade reviews reduced for some pupils

Amendment: Förordning om ändring i förordningen (1991:1124) om avgifter för prövning inom skolväsendet

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:99 Vårändringsbudget för 2021

SFS: 2021:000

Entry into force: 17 July 2021

Applies until: 31 December 2021

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Delay proceedings introduced for recognition of professional qualifications

Amendment: Lag om ändring i lagen (2016:145) om erkännande av yrkeskvalifikation, och förordning om ändring i förordningen (2016:157) om erkännande av yrkeskvalifikationer.

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:96 Dröjsmålstalan vid erkännande av yrkeskvalifikationer.

SFS: 2021:329 and 2021:330

Entry into force: 1 June 2021

Continued powers to conduct market surveillance of goods and products

Amendments: Alignment with the EU Market Surveillance Regulation through amendments to several acts

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:189 Anpassningar till EU:s marknadskontrollsförordning.

SFS: 2021:000

Entry into force: 16 July 2021