

Key acts and ordinances entering into force around the second half of 2022



Table of contents

Introduction	6
Information on Swedish legislation	6
Prime Minister's Office	7
Contacts	7
Ministry of Employment	8
Contacts	8
Labour law reforms	8
New basic transition and skills support.....	8
New rules to promote clear and predictable working conditions.....	9
Government grants for violence prevention	9
Temporary government grants for quality-enhancement measures at shelters.....	9
Labour market entry agreements – a brand new model for central government to stimulate jobs for the long-term unemployed and new arrivals	9
Ministry of Finance	10
Contacts	10
Change to the reduced taxable benefit for green cars	10
Increased environmental governance in the bonus-malus system	10
Further reduction of employers' social security contributions for employees aged 19–23 throughout the summer of 2022.....	11
VAT on certain repairs reduced further	11
Raised threshold for VAT exemption	11
Tax relief for unemployment insurance fund contributions	11
More predictable building processes using certified construction planning companies.....	11
Planning and building initiatives in view of the invasion of Ukraine.....	12
Exemptions from planning and building regulations for municipal arrival accommodation for certain aliens	12
Exemptions from planning and building regulations for simple accommodation centres for certain aliens.....	12
Sustainability targets for the Sixth AP Fund's investment activities	12
Expanded right to repayments and transfers of fund and deposit insurance	12
More rapid appeals of public procurements	13
Possibility to use automated decision-making.....	13
Ministry of Defence	14
Contacts	14

Improved legal conditions for receiving military support from other states	14
Increased number of actors that can receive information security support from the National Defence Radio Establishment.....	14
Ministry of Infrastructure	15
Contacts	15
New standards for electrical grid operations	16
Ministry of Justice	18
Contacts	18
Improved quality in forensic medical certificates.....	18
Enhanced consumer protection and modernised consumer law.....	18
A specific offence for honour-based oppression.....	18
New regulations on securing electronic evidence, etc.....	19
Stricter and improved regulations on labour migration	19
Possibility to issue access bans for public baths and libraries	19
Modernised criminal law protection against violations of the privacy of the home and unlawful intrusion.....	19
Stricter penalties for knife crime	20
Stricter penalties for offences against the peace of the grave.....	20
A stronger legal process to break the culture of silence.....	20
Measures to ensure more even allocation of accommodation for certain people in need	20
New regulations on those who pose a qualified threat to Sweden's security	21
Permit requirements eased for silencers	21
More efficient evidence-gathering within the EU.....	21
More efficient service of documents within the EU	22
Joint ownership associations can themselves alter the respective shares of communal property	22
Enhanced right to damages for crime victims.....	22
Tougher approach to rape and other sexual violence	22
New information about a defendant's age to become grounds for a new trial	22
Registration of pay-as-you-go SIM cards – improved access to information for law enforcement authorities	23
Stricter regulations on expulsion on account of criminal offences	23
Improved conditions for European cooperation on border management ...	23
Individuals entitled to constitutional damages for violations of their fundamental rights and freedoms under the Instrument of Government	24
Equitable rules on parenthood in international situations	24
Enhanced protection of children involved in international family cases.....	24
More effective tools in debt enforcement matters.....	24
More efficient and appropriate corporate restructuring proceedings	24
Lost property on public transport.....	25

A new public authority structure for civil contingency planning and civil defence	25
Ministry of Culture	26
Contacts	26
Government grants to organisations whose activities target people in particularly vulnerable social situations	26
Ministry of the Environment.....	27
Contacts	27
Support for remediation of contaminated sites.....	27
Temporary changes to the permit requirements for waste water treatment operations	27
Environmental sanction charges for violations of pesticide bans	27
Ministry of Enterprise and Innovation.....	28
Contacts	28
Support for filling stations in sparsely served rural areas.....	28
More effective protection against plant pests.....	28
Validity of exploration permits extended by one year.....	28
Ban on extraction of coal, oil and natural gas and stricter rules on extraction from alum shale.....	28
Offences against animals – stricter penalties and a more effective system of sanctions.....	29
Support to companies and central government agencies in view of Brexit	29
Ministry of Health and Social Affairs	30
Contacts	30
Patients to choose their health centre via listing.....	30
Agreement on social security between Sweden and Japan	30
Dedicated care contact persons in home care services	30
Clearer conditions for organ donation	31
‘Little Sweetheart’s law’ – legal amendments to protect children’s best interests when care under the Care of Young Persons Act is discontinued	31
A procured premium pension system fund marketplace and a new government agency.....	31
Guarantee pension raised	31
Increased housing supplement for pensioners	32
Raised minimum amount for setting fees under the Social Services Act	32
Temporary extra child allowance for families within the housing supplement due to cost-of-living increases.....	32
Ministry of Education and Research	33

Contacts	33
Increased possibilities to close schools with serious failings.....	33
Measures to ensure more children attend preschool.....	33
More time for learning via extra study time and expanded catch-up school	33
New publicly financed career transition assistance support to strengthen the position of employees in the labour market.....	33
A cohesive education programme to strengthen integration of new arrivals	34
Independent schools can give pupils not long resident in the country priority over other applicants.....	34
Improved quality in teacher training programmes.....	34
Overall assessment introduced into grading.....	35
Clearer regulations for resource schools and supplementary amounts for special support	35
Measures to improve schools' action for safe and conducive study environments.....	35
Responsibility for conducting the Swedish Scholastic Aptitude Test transferred permanently to the Swedish Council for Higher Education	35
More people can be offered Swedish tuition in liberal adult education from day one	35
Ministry for Foreign Affairs	36
Contacts	36
More uniform and efficient market surveillance of goods and products	36
Increased controls of dual-use products	36
Government authorised to issue regulations concerning withdrawal of certain residence permits	37
Government authorised to issue regulations concerning exemption from customs duties.....	37

Introduction

This compilation contains a selection of the acts and ordinances – both new and amended – that enter into force in the first half of 2022 or some time thereafter.

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). The SFS is published electronically on www.svenskforfattningssamling.se. Each act and ordinance has a unique SFS number.

More information about government bills, acts and ordinances is available (in Swedish) on 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

Prime Minister's Office

The Prime Minister's Office is responsible for leading and coordinating the work of the Government Offices. It is also responsible for coordinating Swedish EU policy.

Contacts

Press contacts for Prime Minister Magdalena Andersson:

Press Secretary Darina Agha

Tel: +46 73 592 85 48

Press Secretary Johan Ekström:

Tel: +46 73 086 32 01

Press contact for Minister for EU Affairs Hans Dahlgren:

Press Secretary Victoria Frisk Garcia

Tel: +46 73 047 23 12

There are no acts entering into force around the second half of 2022 in the areas of responsibility of the Prime Minister's Office.

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 combat racism and discrimination, and strengthen the rights of LGBTIQ (lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, intersex and queer) people.

Contacts

Press contact for Minister for Employment and Gender Equality Eva Nordmark:

Press Secretary Yasmin Hussein

Tel: +46 73 076 73 27

Press contact for Minister for Housing and Deputy Minister for Employment Johan Danielsson:

Press Secretary Tora Heckscher

Tel: +46 73 093 50 83

Labour law reforms

Amendments: Lag (1982:80) om anställningsskydd, lag (2012:854) om uthyrning av arbetstagare, and other acts.

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:176 *Flexibilitet, omställningsförmåga och trygghet på arbetsmarknaden*

SFS: 2022:835–2022:848

Entry into force: 30 June 2022 (applies as of 1 October 2022)

New basic transition and skills support

New act: Lag (2022:000) om grundläggande omställnings- och kompetensstöd

New ordinances: Förordning (2022:000) om grundläggande omställnings- och kompetensstöd, and förordning (2022:000) om ikraftträdande av lagen om grundläggande omställnings- och kompetensstöd

Amendments: Förordning (2007:824) med instruktion för Kammarkollegiet, and förordning (2001:588) om behandling av uppgifter i Skatteverkets beskattningsverksamhet

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:176 *Flexibilitet, omställningsförmåga och trygghet på arbetsmarknaden*

SFS: 2022:850–2022:854

Entry into force: 30 September and 1 October 2022

New rules to promote clear and predictable working conditions

Amendments: Lag (1982:80) om anställningsskydd, and other acts

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:151 *Genomförande av arbetsvillkorsdirektivet*

SFS: 2022:448

Entry into force: 29 June 2022

Government grants for violence prevention

New ordinance: Förordning om statsbidrag för visst våldsförebyggande arbete

SFS: 2022:722

Entry into force: 1 September 2022

Temporary government grants for quality-enhancement measures at shelters

New ordinance: Förordning (2022:291) om tillfälligt statsbidrag till ideella organisationer för kvalitetshöjande åtgärder på skyddade boenden

SFS: 2022:291

Entry into force: 1 June 2022

Labour market entry agreements – a brand new model for central government to stimulate jobs for the long-term unemployed and new arrivals

New ordinance: Förordning om statlig ersättning för arbete i etableringsjobb

SFS: 2022:807

Entry into force: 1 September 2022

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, municipalities and regions, public procurement, housing and community planning, and consumer legislation.

Contacts

Press contacts for Minister for Finance Mikael Damberg:

Press Secretary Mirjam Kontio

Tel: +46 73 074 05 57

Press Secretary Per Strängberg

Tel: +46 73 093 90 56

Press contact for Minister for Financial Markets Max Elger:

Press Secretary Simon Sätherberg

Tel: +46 73 086 23 07

Press contact for Minister for Public Administration Ida Karkiainen:

Press Secretary Jonas Lannering

Tel: +46 73 057 23 36

Change to the reduced taxable benefit for green cars

Amendments: Lag om ändring i inkomstskattelagen (1999:1229)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:173 *Ändrad nedsättning av förmånsvärdet för miljöanpassade bilar*

SFS: 2022:479

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Increased environmental governance in the bonus-malus system

Amendments: Lag om ändring i vägtrafikskattelagen (2006:227)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:91 *Skärpt miljöstyrning i bonus-malus-systemet*

SFS: 2022:349

Entry into force: 1 June 2022

Further reduction of employers' social security contributions for employees aged 19–23 throughout the summer of 2022

Amendments: Lag om ändring i 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 2021/22:97 *Förstärkt nedsättning av arbetsgivaravgifter för 19–23 åringar under sommaren 2022*

SFS: 2022:240

Entry into force: 1 June 2022

VAT on certain repairs reduced further

Amendments: Lag om ändring i mervärdesskattelagen (1994:200)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:96 *Ytterligare sänkt mervärdesskatt på vissa reparationer*

SFS: 2022:413

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Raised threshold for VAT exemption

Amendments: Lag om ändring i mervärdesskattelagen (1994:200)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:110 *Höjd omsättningsgräns för befrielse från mervärdesskatt*

SFS: 2022:404

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Tax relief for unemployment insurance fund contributions

Amendments: Lag om ändring i inkomstskattelagen (1999:1229), and lag om ändring i skatteförfarandelagen (2011:1244)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:126 *Skattereduktion för avgift till arbetslöshetskassa*

SFS: 2022:445, 2022:446

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

More predictable building processes using certified construction planning companies

Amendments: Plan- och bygglagen (2010:900), and plan- och byggförordningen (2011:338)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:212 *Certifierade byggprojekteringsföretag – en mer förutsägbar byggprocess*

SFS: 2022:000 and 2022:000

Entry into force: 1 August 2022

Planning and building initiatives in view of the invasion of Ukraine

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

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:211 *Insatser på plan- och byggområdet med anledning av invasionen av Ukraina*

SFS: 2022:296

Entry into force: 2 May 2022

Exemptions from planning and building regulations for municipal arrival accommodation for certain aliens

New ordinance: Förordning om undantag från plan- och byggregler för kommunala ankomstboenden för vissa utlänningar

SFS: 2022:297

Entry into force: 2 May 2022

Exemptions from planning and building regulations for simple accommodation centres for certain aliens

New ordinance: Förordning om undantag från plan- och byggregler för enkla förläggningar för vissa utlänningar

SFS: 2022:298

Entry into force: 2 May 2022

Sustainability targets for the Sixth AP Fund's investment activities

Amendments: Lagen (2000:193) om Sjätte Ap-fonden, and lagen (2000:192) om allmänna pensionsfonder (AP-fonder)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:146 *Ett nytt mål för Sjätte AP-fondens placeringsverksamhet*

SFS: 2022:787, 2022:786

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Expanded right to repayments and transfers of fund and deposit insurance

Amendments: Försäkringsavtalslagen (2005:104), försäkringsrörelselagen (2010:2043), årsredovisningslagen (1995:1554), and lagen (1995:1560) om årsredovisning i försäkringsföretag

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:74 *En utvidgad rätt till återköp och flytt av fond- och depåförsäkringar*

SFS: 2022:643, 2022:644, 2022:645 and 2022:646

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

More rapid appeals of public procurements

Amendments: Lagen (2016:1145) om offentlig upphandling, lagen (2016:1146) om upphandling inom försörjningssektorerna, lagen (2011:1029) om upphandling på försvars- och säkerhetsområdet, and lagen (2016:1147) om upphandling av koncessioner

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:120 *En effektivare överprövning av offentliga upphandlingar*

SFS: 2022:778, 2022:779, 2022:781 and 2022:780

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Possibility to use automated decision-making

New act: Lag om proportionella val i kommuner och regioner

Amendments: Kommunallagen (2017:725), and a number of consequential amendments

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:125 *Val och beslut i kommuner och regioner*

SFS: 2022:630–638

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

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.

Contacts

Press contacts for Minister for Defence Peter Hultqvist:

Press Secretary Toni Eriksson

Tel: +46 73 072 83 16

Press Secretary Ulrika Langels

Tel: +46 72 210 13 89

Improved legal conditions for receiving military support from other states

Amendments: Lagen (2020:782) om operativt militärt stöd mellan Sverige och Finland, skyddslagen (2010:305), luftfartslagen (2010:500), and certain amendments to ordinances

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2020/21:246 *Förbättrade rättsliga förutsättningar för att kunna ta emot militärt stöd från andra stater*

SFS: 2022:430

Entry into force: 19 May 2022

Increased number of actors that can receive information security support from the National Defence Radio Establishment

Amendments: Förordningen (2007:937) med instruktion för Försvarets radioanstalt

Basis for decision: Request by the National Defence Radio Establishment (Fö2021/00758)

SFS: 2022:776

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Ministry of Infrastructure

The Ministry of Infrastructure is responsible for matters relating to transport and infrastructure, digital policy and IT, postal issues and energy.

Contacts

Press contact for Minister for Infrastructure Tomas Eneroth:

Press Secretary Jennie Zetterström

Tel: +46 73 053 92 70

Press contact for Minister for Energy and Digital Development Khashayar Farmanbar:

Press Secretary Amalia Pedersen

Tel: +46 73 043 78 85

Stricter environmental requirements for procurements of cars and certain services in the road transport area

Amendments: Lagen (2011:846) om miljökrav vid upphandling av bilar och vissa kollektivtrafiktjänster, and lagen (2010:1065) om kollektivtrafik

New ordinance: Förordning om miljökrav vid upphandling av bilar och vissa tjänster inom vägtransportområdet

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:187 *Genomförande av ändringar i direktivet om miljökrav vid upphandling av bilar och vissa kollektivtrafiktjänster*, and the memorandum of the same name drafted at the Ministry of Infrastructure in late 2021.

SFS: 2022:313–315

Entry into force: 1 June 2022

Additional tools to tackle offences by jet-skiers

Amendments: Lagen (2021:626) om förarbevis för vattenskoter, and förordningen (2021:628) om förarbevis för vattenskoter

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:143 *Ombändertagande och återkallelse av förarbevis för vattenskoter*

SFS: 2022:288 and 2022:299

Entry into force: 15 May 2022

Clearer regulations for public authorities and enterprises that make data available for re-use

New act: Lag (2022:818) om den offentliga sektorns tillgängliggörande av data

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:225 *Den offentliga sektorns tillgängliggörande av data*

SFS: 2022:818

Entry into force: 1 August 2022

New standards for electrical grid operations

Amendments: Ellagen (1997:857), and other acts and ordinances

New ordinance: Förordning (2022:585) om elnätsverksamhet

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:153 *Genomförande av elmarknadsdirektivet när det gäller nätverksamhet*

SFS: 2022:585–592 and 596–601

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Stricter regulations on posting of drivers and sanctions against rogue enterprises

Amendments: Lagen (1999:678) om utstationering av arbetstagare

New ordinance: Förordning (2022:469) om utstationering av förare inom vägtransportområdet

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:166 *Genomförande av mobilitetspaketet*

SFS: 2022:462 and 2022:469

Entry into force: 15 June 2022

A contact point for electric power line permit applications and shorter time periods for decisions

Amendments: Förordningen (2021:808) om nätkoncession, and förordningen (2021:757) om tidsfrister och kontaktpunkt för vissa ärenden som gäller tillförsel av förnybar energi

Basis for decision: Riksdag announcement (Committee Report 2020/21:NU27 point 4, Riksdag Communication 2020/21:394)

SFS: 2022:662–663

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

District cooling and heating customers and flat-owners to be able to control and reduce their energy consumption

New acts: Fjärrkylelag (2022:332), and lag (2022:333) om energimätning i byggnader

New ordinances: Fjärrkyleförordning (2022:335), and förordning

(2022:336) om energimätning i byggnader

Amendments: Fjärrvärmelagen (2008:263), and fjärrvärmeförordningen (2008:526)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:124 *Genomförande av ändringar i energieffektiviseringsdirektivet om värme, kyla och tappvarmvatten för hushållsbruk*

SFS: 2022:332–337

Entry into force: 1 June 2022

New act to ensure safer and more efficient electronic communications

New acts: Lag (2022:482) om elektronisk kommunikation, and lag (2022:483) om införande av lagen (2022:482) om elektronisk kommunikation

New ordinance: Förordning (2022:511) om elektronisk kommunikation

Amendments: Rättegångsbalken, and other acts and ordinances

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:136 *Genomförande av direktivet om inrättande av en europeisk kodex för elektronisk kommunikation*

SFS: 2022:482–523

Entry into force: 3 June 2022

Railways legislation modernised

New acts: Järnvägsmarknadslag (2022:365), järnvägstekniklag (2022:366), järnvägssäkerhetslag (2022:367), and lag (2022:368) om nationella järnvägssystem

New ordinances: Järnvägsmarknadsförordning (2022:416), järnvägsteknikförordning (2022:417), järnvägssäkerhetsförordning (2022:418), and förordning (2022:419) om nationella järnvägssystem

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:83 *Fjärde järnvägspaketet*

SFS: 2022:365–2022:368 and 2022:416–2022:419

Entry into force: 1 June 2022

Ministry of Justice

The Ministry of Justice is responsible for the judicial system, migration and integration issues, civil contingency planning, the Swedish Constitution and civil law.

Contacts

Press contacts for Minister for Justice and Home Affairs Morgan Johansson:

Press Secretary and Press Coordinator Sofie Rudh

Tel: +46 72 545 74 21

Press Secretary Angelica Vallgren

Tel: +46 73 087 60 54

Press contacts for Minister for Integration and Migration, with responsibility for sport, Anders Ygeman:

Press Secretary Ömer Oguz

Tel: +46 73 048 09 59

Press Secretary Ebba Kock

Tel: +46 76 116 75 99

Improved quality in forensic medical certificates

Amendments: Förordning (2005:1063) om rättsintyg i anledning av brott

Basis for decision: Memorandum *Ökad kvalitet i rättsintygen*

SFS: 2022:55

Entry into force: 1 March 2022

Enhanced consumer protection and modernised consumer law

New act: Konsumentköplag

Amendments: Lagen (1964:528) om tillämplig lag beträffande internationella köp av lösa saker, köplagen (1990:931), produktansvarslagen (1992:18), marknadsföringslagen (2008:486), and kommissionslagen (2009:865)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:85 *En ny konsumentköplag*

SFS: 2022:260–265

Entry into force: 1 May 2022

A specific offence for honour-based oppression

Amendments: Brottsbalken

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:138 *Ett särskilt brott för hedersförtryck*

SFS: 2022:310

Entry into force: 1 June 2022

New regulations on securing electronic evidence, etc.

Amendments: Rättegångsbalken, and other acts and ordinances

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:119 *Modernare regler för användningen av tvångsmedel*

SFS: 2022:316–331

Entry into force: 1 June 2022

Stricter and improved regulations on labour migration

Amendments: Utlänningslagen (2005:716), socialförsäkringsbalken, lagen (1991:572) om särskild utlänningskontroll, utlänningsförordningen (2006:97), förordningen (2001:588) om behandling av uppgifter i Skatteverkets beskattningsverksamhet, and förordningen (1997:691) om avgifter vid utlandsmyndigheterna

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:134 *Skärpta och förbättrade regler om arbetskraftsinvandring*

SFS: 2022:303–308

Entry into force: 1 June 2022

Possibility to issue access bans for public baths and libraries

Amendments: Lagen (2021:34) om tillträdesförbud till butik, lagen (1998:620) om belastningsregister, offentlighets och sekretesslagen (2009:400), and lagen (2015:485) om erkännande och uppföljning av beslut om övervakningsåtgärder inom Europeiska unionen

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:108 *Tillträdesförbud till badanläggningar och bibliotek*

SFS: 2022:406–409

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Modernised criminal law protection against violations of the privacy of the home and unlawful intrusion

Amendments: Brottsbalken

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:194 *Ett modernare straffrättsligt skydd mot hemfridsbrott och olaga intrång*

SFS: 2022:661

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Stricter penalties for knife crime

Amendments: Lagen (1988:254) om förbud beträffande knivar och andra farliga föremål

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:192 *Skärpta straff för knivbrott*

SFS: 2022:608

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Stricter penalties for offences against the peace of the grave

Amendments: Brottsbalken

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:195 *Skärpt straff för gravfridsbrott*

SFS: 2022:607

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Anti-terrorism legislation brought together in a single act

New act: Terroristbrottslag

Amendments: Brottsbalken, and other statutes

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:133 *En samlad straffrättslig terrorismlagstiftning*

SFS: 2022:666–699

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

A stronger legal process to break the culture of silence

Amendments: Rättegångsbalken, brottsbalken, and offentlighets- och sekretesslagen (2009:400)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:186 *En stärkt rättsprocess och en ökad lagföring*

SFS: 2022:791–793

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Measures to ensure more even allocation of accommodation for certain people in need

Amendments: Lag (1994:137) om mottagande av asylsökande m.fl., and lag (2008:344) om hälso- och sjukvård åt asylsökande m.fl.

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:250 *Åtgärder för en jämnare fördelning av boende för vissa skyddsbehövande*

SFS: 2022:1006 and 2022:1007

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

New regulations on those who pose a qualified threat to Sweden's security

New act: Lag (2022:700) om särskild kontroll av vissa utlänningar

New ordinance: Förordning (2022:701) om särskild kontroll av vissa utlänningar

Amendments: Lagen (2007:980) om tillsyn över viss brottsbekämpande verksamhet, postlagen (2010:1045), lagen (2018:1693) om polisens behandling av personuppgifter inom brottsdatalogens område, lagen (2020:62) om hemlig dataavläsning, förordningen (1977:937) om allmänna förvaltningsdomstolars behörighet m.m., förordningen (1992: 824) om fingeravtryck m.m., förordningen (1999:1134) om belastningsregister, förordningen (1999:1135) om misstankeregister, utlänningsförordningen (2006:97), förordningen (2014:1103) med instruktion för Säkerhetspolisen, and consequential amendments to a number of acts and ordinances

Basis for decision: Swedish Government Official Reports 2020:16 *Ett effektivare regelverk för utlänningsärenden med säkerhetsaspekter* and Govt Bill 2021/22:131 *Nytt regelverk för kvalificerade säkerhetsärenden*

SFS: 2022:700–721

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Permit requirements eased for silencers

Amendments: Vapenlagen (1996:67), and vapenförordningen (1996:70)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:46 *Lättnader i tillståndsplikten för ljuddämpare*

SFS: 2022:132 and 2022:455

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

More efficient evidence-gathering within the EU

Amendments: Lagen (1946:816) om bevisupptagning åt utländsk domstol, lagen (1946:817) om bevisupptagning vid utländsk domstol, and lagen (2003:493) om EG:s förordning om bevisupptagning i mål och ärenden av civil eller kommersiell natur

New ordinance: Förordning med kompletterande bestämmelser till EU:s bevisupptagningsförordning

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:142 *Effektivare bevisupptagning inom EU*

SFS: 2022:622–625

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

More efficient service of documents within the EU

Amendments: Förordningen (2008:808) med kompletterande föreskrifter till EG:s delgivningsförordning

Basis for decision: Ministry Publications Series 2021:21 *Nya regler för delgivning och bevisupptagning inom EU*

SFS: 2022:627

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Joint ownership associations can themselves alter the respective shares of communal property

Amendments: Anläggningslagen (1973:1149), lagen (1973:1150) om förvaltning av samfälligheter, and förordningen (1995:1459) om avgifter vid lantmäteriförrättningar

Basis for decision: Ministry Publications Series 2021:8 *Ändring av andelstal i gemensambetsanläggningar*

SFS: 2022:362–364

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Enhanced right to damages for crime victims

Amendments: Utsökningsbalken, skadeståndslagen (1972:207), brottsskadelagen (2014:322), and certain amendments to ordinances

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:198 *Stärkt rätt till skadestånd för brottsoffer*

SFS: 2022:753–758

Entry into force: 1 July and 10 September 2022

Tougher approach to rape and other sexual violence

Amendments: Brottsbalken, and rättegångsbalken

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:231 *Skärpt syn på våldtäkt och andra sexuella kränkningar*

SFS: 2022:1043

Entry into force: 1 August 2022

New information about a defendant's age to become grounds for a new trial

Amendments: Rättegångsbalken, and lagen (1964:167) med särskilda bestämmelser om unga lagöverträdare

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:233 *Nya uppgifter om den tilltalades ålder i straffprocessen*

SFS: 2022:000

Entry into force: 1 August 2022

Registration of pay-as-you-go SIM cards – improved access to information for law enforcement authorities

Amendments: Lagen (2022:000) om elektronisk kommunikation, and förordningen (2022:000) om elektronisk kommunikation

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:183 *Registrering av kontantkort – förbättrad tillgång till uppgifter för brottsbekämpande myndigheter*

SFS: 2022:000

Entry into force: 1 August 2022

Stricter regulations on expulsion on account of criminal offences

Amendments: Utlänningslagen (2005:716), brottsbalken, and consequential amendments to one act and two ordinances

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:224 *Utvisning på grund av brott – ett skärpt regelverk*

SFS: 2022:000

Entry into force: 1 August 2022

Improved conditions for European cooperation on border management

New act: Lagen (2022:1057) med kompletterande bestämmelser till EU:s gräns- och kustbevakningsförordning

New ordinance: Förordningen (2022:1058) med kompletterande bestämmelser till EU:s gräns- och kustbevakningsförordning

Amendments: Vapenlagen (1996:67), tillträdesförordningen (1992:118), förordningen (1992:1303) om krigsmateriel, förordningen (1995:1301) om handläggning av skadeståndsanspråk mot staten, vapenförordningen (1996:70), utlänningsförordningen (2006:97), and förordningen (2010:1075) om brandfarliga och explosiva varor m.fl.

Basis for decision: Ministry Publications Series 2021:10 *EU:s nya gräns- och kustbevakningsförordning – Kompletterande reglering* and Govt Bill 2021/22:227 *Kompletteringar till EU:s nya gräns- och kustbevakningsförordning och förtydliganden i regler om unga lagöverträdare*

SFS: 2022:000

Entry into force: 1 August 2022

Individuals entitled to constitutional damages for violations of their fundamental rights and freedoms under the Instrument of Government

Amendments: Skadeståndslagen (1972:207)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:229 *Grundlagskadestånd – ett rättighetskydd för enskilda*

SFS: 2022:000

Entry into force: 1 August 2022

Equitable rules on parenthood in international situations

Amendments: Lagen (1985:367) om internationella faderskapsfrågor, lagen (1979:1001) om erkännande av nordiska faderskapsavgöranden, lagen (1977:595) om erkännande och verkställighet av nordiska domar på privaträttens område, and certain amendments to ordinances

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:188 *Jämlika regler om föräldraskap i internationella situationer*

SFS: 2022:000

Entry into force: 1 August 2022

Enhanced protection of children involved in international family cases

New act: Lag med kompletterande bestämmelser till Bryssel II-förordningen

New ordinance: Förordning med kompletterande bestämmelser till Bryssel II-förordningen

Amendments: Offentlighets- och sekretesslagen (2009:400), and others

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:189 *Ökad rättssäkerhet och snabbare verkställighet i internationella familjemål*

SFS: 2022:948–963

Entry into force: 1 August 2022

More effective tools in debt enforcement matters

Amendments: Utsökningsbalken, and utsökningsförordningen (1981:981)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:197 *Effektivare verktyg i utsökningsförfarandet*

SFS: 2022:799 and 2022:800

Entry into force: 1 August 2022

More efficient and appropriate corporate restructuring proceedings

New act: Lag om företagsrekonstruktion

New ordinance: Förordning om företagsrekonstruktion

Amendments: Förmånsrättslagen (1970:979), köplagen (1990:931),

aktiebolagslagen (2005:551), and others

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:215 *En ny lag om företagsrekonstruktion*

SFS: 2022:964–1000, and others

Entry into force: 1 August 2022

Lost property on public transport

New act: Lag om kvarglömd eller borttappad egendom vid transport med tåg, spårvagn, tunnelbana, buss eller fartyg

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:218 *Hittegods i kollektivtrafiken*

SFS: 2022:798

Entry into force: 1 August 2022

A new public authority structure for civil contingency planning and civil defence

New ordinances: Förordning om statliga myndigheters beredskap, förordning om civilområdesansvariga länsstyrelser, and others

Basis for decision: Swedish Government Official Reports 2021:25 *Struktur för ökad motståndskraft*

SFS: 2022:524 and 2022:525

Entry into force: 1 October 2022

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.

Contacts

Press contact for Minister for Culture Jeanette Gustafsdotter:

Press Secretary Amalia Lind

Tel: +46 73 087 87 43

Government grants to organisations whose activities target people in particularly vulnerable social situations

New ordinance: Förordning (2022:145) om statsbidrag med anledning av covid-19 till vissa organisationer som bedriver verksamhet som riktar sig till människor i socialt särskilt utsatta situationer

SFS: 2022:145

Entry into force: 22 March 2022

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.

Contacts

Press contact for Minister for Climate and the Environment Annika Strandhäll:

Press Secretary Tove Kullenberg

Tel: +46 73 842 50 59

Support for remediation of contaminated sites

New ordinance: Förordning om statligt stöd till åtgärder för efterbehandling av föroreningsskador

Amendments: Förordningen (2004:100) om avhjälpande av föroreningsskador och statligt stöd för sådant avhjälpande

SFS: 2022:98 and 2022:99

Entry into force: 8 March 2022

Temporary changes to the permit requirements for waste water treatment operations

Amendments: Miljöprövningsförordningen (2013:251), and others

SFS: 2022:111–114

Entry into force: 15 March 2022

Environmental sanction charges for violations of pesticide bans

Amendments: Förordningen (2014:425) om bekämpningsmedel, and förordningen (2012:259) om miljöstraffavgifter

SFS: 2022:289 and 2022:290

Entry into force: 1 June and 1 October 2022

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.

Contacts

Press contact for Minister for Business, Industry and Innovation Karl-Petter Thorwaldsson:

Press Secretary Kajsa Loord

Tel: +46 73 075 97 31

Press contact for Minister for Rural Affairs Anna-Caren Säterberg:

Press Secretary Max Ney

Tel: +46 73 094 25 40

Support for filling stations in sparsely served rural areas

New ordinance: Förordning (2022:206) om statligt stöd till försäljningsställen för drivmedel i vissa landsbygdsområden

SFS: 2022:206

Ikraftträdande: 19 April 2022

More effective protection against plant pests

New act: Växtskyddslag

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:148 *En ny växtskyddslag*

SFS: 2022:725

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Validity of exploration permits extended by one year

Amendments: Lag om ändring i minerallagen (1991:45)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:201 *Ett års förlängd giltighetstid för undersökningstillstånd*

SFS: 2022:411

Ban on extraction of coal, oil and natural gas and stricter rules on extraction from alum shale

Amendments: Lag om ändring i miljöbalken, and lag om ändring i minerallagen (1991:45)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:150 *Förbud mot utvinning av kol, olja och naturgas och skärpta regler för utvinning i alunskiffer*

SFS: 2022:727 and 2022:728

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Offences against animals – stricter penalties and a more effective system of sanctions

Amendments: Brottsbalken, and djurskyddslagen (2018:1192)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:18

SFS: 2022:116 and 2022:117

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Support to companies and central government agencies in view of Brexit

New ordinance: Förordning om stöd till företag och statliga myndigheter med anledning av brexit

SFS: 2022:266

Entry into force: 1 May 2022

Ministry of Health and Social Affairs

The Ministry of Health and Social Affairs is responsible for children's rights, public health and medical care, disabilities, social insurance and social services, including elderly care.

Contacts

Press contacts for Minister for Health and Social Affairs Lena Hallengren:

Press Secretary Sofia Brändström

Tel: +46 73 065 16 12

Press Secretary Elin Aarflot

Tel: +46 73 274 23 53

Press contact for Minister for Social Security Ardalan Shekarabi:

Press Secretary Hanna Kretz

Tel: +46 73 064 96 04

Patients to choose their health centre via listing

Amendments: Hälso- och sjukvårdslagen (2017:30), and patientlagen (2014:821)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:72 *Ökad kontinuitet och effektivitet i vården – en primärvårdsreform*

SFS: 2022:272 and 273

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Agreement on social security between Sweden and Japan

New ordinances: Förordning (2022:300) om ikraftträdande av lagen (2021:989) om avtal om social trygghet mellan Sverige och Japan, and förordning (2022:301) om tillämpning av avtalet om social trygghet mellan Sverige och Japan

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:199 *Avtal om social trygghet mellan Sverige och Japan*

SFS: 2022:300 and 301

Entry into force: 1 June 2022

Dedicated care contact persons in home care services

Amendments: Socialtjänstlagen (2001:453)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:116 *En fast omsorgskontakt i hemtjänsten*

SFS: 2022:388

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Clearer conditions for organ donation

Amendments: Lagen (1995:831) om transplantation m.m., lagen (1987:269) om kriterier för bestämmande av människans död, and offentlighets- och sekretesslagen (2009:400)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:128 *Nya regler för organdonation*

SFS: 2022:581–583

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

‘Little Sweetheart’s law’ – legal amendments to protect children’s best interests when care under the Care of Young Persons Act is discontinued

Amendments: Lagen (1990:52) med särskilda bestämmelser om vård av unga, and socialtjänstlagen (2001:453)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:178 *Barnets bästa när vård enligt LVU upphör – lex lilla hjärtat*

SFS: 2022:664 and 2022:665

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

A procured premium pension system fund marketplace and a new government agency

New acts: Lag (2022:759) om Fondtorgsnämnden, and lag (2022:760) om upphandling av fonder till premiepensionens fondtorg

New ordinance: Förordning (2022:764) med instruktion för Fondtorgsnämnden

Amendments: Socialförsäkringsbalken, offentlighets- och sekretesslagen (2009:400), förordningen (2009:1173) med instruktion för Pensionsmyndigheten, and other ordinances

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:179 *Ett bättre premiepensionssystem*

SFS: 2022:759–772

Entry into force: 20 June 2022

Guarantee pension raised

Amendments: Socialförsäkringsbalken

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:269 *Extra Ändringsbudget – Vårändringsbudget för 2022 och stöd till Ukraina*

SFS: 2022:1031

Entry into force: 15 July 2022, but applies to guarantee pensions as of August 2022.

Increased housing supplement for pensioners

Amendments: Socialförsäkringsbalken

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:269 *Extra Ändringsbudget – Vårändringsbudget för 2022 och stöd till Ukraina*

SFS: 2022:1031

Entry into force: 15 July 2022, but applies as of 1 August 2022. Older provisions continue to apply to housing supplements for periods prior to the end of July 2022.

Raised minimum amount for setting fees under the Social Services Act

Amendments: Socialtjänstlagen (2001:453)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:269 *Extra Ändringsbudget – Vårändringsbudget för 2022 och stöd till Ukraina*

SFS: 2022:1034

Entry into force: 2 August 2022, but applies to periods as of 1 August

Temporary extra child allowance for families within the housing supplement due to cost-of-living increases

Amendments: Socialförsäkringsbalken

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:269 *Extra Ändringsbudget – Vårändringsbudget för 2022 och stöd till Ukraina*

SFS: 2022:1041–1042

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Ministry of Education and Research

The Ministry of Education and Research is responsible for the Government's education, research and youth policy.

Contacts

Press contact for Minister for Education Anna Ekström:

Press Secretary Anja L Sundberg

Tel: +46 76 116 77 45

Press contact for Minister for Schools Lina Axelsson Kihlblom:

Press Secretary Vidar J Lindgren

Tel: +46 73 840 33 12

Increased possibilities to close schools with serious failings

Amendments: Skollagen (2010:800)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:45 *Ökade möjligheter att stänga skolor med allvarliga brister*

SFS: 2022:115

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Measures to ensure more children attend preschool

Amendments: Skollagen (2010:800)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:132 *Fler barn i förskola*

SFS: [...]

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

More time for learning via extra study time and expanded catch-up school

Amendments: Skollagen (2010:800)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:111 *Mer tid till lärande – extra studietid och utökad lovskola*

SFS: 2022:730

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

New publicly financed career transition assistance support to strengthen the position of employees in the labour market.

New act: Lagen (2022:000) om omställningsstudiestöd

New ordinance: Förordningen (2022:000) om omställningsstudiestöd

Amendments: Lagen om omställningsstudiestöd, socialförsäkringsbalken, lagen (1998:676) om statlig ålderspensionsavgift, inkomstskattelagen (1999:1229), studiestödslagen (1999:1395), lagen (2017:527) om studiestartsstöd, förordningen (1997:835) om arbetslöshetsförsäkring, studiestödsförordningen (2000:655), förordningen (2000:1418) om tillämpningen av vissa skyddsbestämmelser för sjukpenninggrundande inkomst, förordningen (2017:819) om ersättning till deltagare i arbetsmarknadspolitiska insatser, and others

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:176 *Flexibilitet, omställningsförmåga och trygghet på arbetsmarknaden*

SFS: 2022:856-873

Entry into force: 30 June and 2 July 2022

A cohesive education programme to strengthen integration of new arrivals

Amendments: Skollagen (2010:800), and förordningen (2011:1108) om vuxenutbildning

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:51 *En sammanhållen utbildning för nyanlända som har utbildningsplikt*

SFS: 2022:109 and 2022:110

Entry into force: 1 August 2022

Independent schools can give pupils not long resident in the country priority over other applicants

New temporary ordinance: Förordning om särskild kvot i fristående skolor

SFS: 2022:222

Entry into force: 11 April 2022 (the ordinance ceases to apply at the end of June 2023)

Improved quality in teacher training programmes

New ordinance: Förordningen (2021:1335) om utbildning till lärare och förskollärare

Basis for decision: Memorandum *Ökad kvalitet i lärarutbildningen och fler lärare i skolan* (U2021/00301)

SFS: 2021:1335

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Overall assessment introduced into grading

Amendments: Skollagen (2010:800)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:36 *Ämnesbetyg – betygen ska bättre spegla eleverns kunskaper*

SFS: 2022:146

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Clearer regulations for resource schools and supplementary amounts for special support

Amendments: Skollagen (2010:800)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:156 *Resursskolor och tilläggsbelopp för särskilt stöd*

SFS: 2022:724

Entry into force: 2 July 2022

Measures to improve schools' action for safe and conducive study environments

Amendments: Skollagen (2010:800)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:160 *Skolans arbete med trygghet och studiero*

SFS: [...]

Entry into force: 1 August 2022

Responsibility for conducting the Swedish Scholastic Aptitude Test transferred permanently to the Swedish Council for Higher Education

Amendments: Förordning (2020:769) om ändring i högskoleförordningen

Basis for decision: Report of the inquiry on the Swedish Scholastic Aptitude Test *Högskoleprovets organisation och styrning* (Swedish Government Official Reports 2021:72)

SFS: 2022:341

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

More people can be offered Swedish tuition in liberal adult education from day one

Amendments: Förordningen (2015:521) om statsbidrag till särskilda folkbildningsinsatser för asylsökande och vissa nyanlända invandare

SFS: 2022:223

Entry into force: 11 April 2022

Ministry for Foreign Affairs

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs is responsible for Sweden's foreign, development assistance and trade policies.

Contacts

Press contact for Minister for Foreign Affairs Ann Linde:

Press Secretary Andreas Enbuske

Tel: +46 76 130 58 86

Press contact for Minister for Foreign Trade and Nordic Affairs Anna Hallberg:

Press Secretary Tobias Eke Vestergren

Tel: +46 73 042 21 84

Press contact for Minister for International Development Cooperation Matilda Ernkrans:

Press Secretary Nadja Yusuf

Tel: +46 73 085 00 49

More uniform and efficient market surveillance of goods and products

New act: Lag om marknadskontroll av EU-gödselprodukter

Amendments: Alignment with the EU Market Surveillance Regulation through amendments to a number of acts

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:238 *Anpassningar till EU:s marknadskontrollförordning – del 2*

SFS: 2022:000

Entry into force: 25 July 2022

Increased controls of dual-use products

Amendments: Lag (2000:1064) om kontroll av produkter med dubbla användningsområden och av tekniskt bistånd

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:209 *Förstärkt kontroll av produkter med dubbla användningsområden*

SFS: 2022:000

Entry into force: 1 August 2022

Government authorised to issue regulations concerning withdrawal of certain residence permits

Amendments: Utlänningslag (2005:716)

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:121 *Återkallelse av uppehållstillstånd som har meddelats av Regeringskansliet för personer med anknytning till utländska beskickningar, karriärkonsulat eller internationella organ*

SFS: 2022:000

Entry into force: 1 July 2022

Government authorised to issue regulations concerning exemption from customs duties

Amendments: Lag (1994:1547) om tullfrihet m.m.

Basis for decision: Govt Bill 2021/22:222 *Översyn av vissa bestämmelser om tullfrihet*

SFS: 2022:000

Entry into force: 1 November 2022