

| Copyright laws by country

Countries, areas, and entities	Copyright terms based on authors' deaths	Copyright terms based on publication and creation dates	Until year end?
 Afghanistan	Life + 50 years ^[1]	50 years from publication (anonymous or pseudonymous work) ^[1] 50 years from publication (published after authors' deaths) ^[1] 50 years from publication (audiovisual works) ^[1] 50 years from publication (photographic, painting works) ^[1] 50 years from creation (phonogram) ^[1] 70 years from publication (anonymous or pseudonymous work) ^[3]	Yes (Afghan calendar) ^[1]
 Albania	Life + 70 years ^[2]	70 years from publication; 70 years from creation if unpublished (photographic or audiovisual work of joint authorship) ^[4] 25 years from production (works of applied art) ^[5] 50 years from publication; 50 years from creation if unpublished (collective work, anonymous or pseudonymous work, audiovisual work, posthumous work) ^[8]	Yes ^[6]
 Algeria	Life + 50 years (except posthumous work) ^[7]	50 years from creation (photographs or the work of applied art) ^[9] 70 years from publication; 70 years from creation if unpublished (collective work with unknown authorship) ^[13]	Yes ^[10]
 Andorra	Life + 70 years ^{[11][12]}	70 years from publication (anonymous or pseudonymous work) ^[14]	Yes ^[15]
 Angola	Life + 50 years ^[16]		Yes ^[16]

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	Life + 25 years (photographic works or applied arts) ^[16]		
 Anguilla	Life + 50 years ^[17]	50 years from the death of the author, of the last surviving author for works with more than one author. ^[17] 50 years from publication; 50 years from creation if unpublished (anonymous or pseudonymous work, computer generated work, sound recording or film) ^[20]	
 Antigua and Barbuda	Life + 50 years ^{[18][19]}	50 years from creation (broadcast); 50 years after programme included in a cable programme service ^[21] 25 years from publication (typographical arrangement of a published edition) ^[22] 50 years from publication (anonymous intellectual works belonging to institutions, corporations or legal persons) ^[25] Phonograms: 70 years from first publication. ^{[26][27][28][29]}	Yes ^[23]
 Argentina	Life + 70 years ^[24]	Photographies: 20 years from first publication. ^[30] Cinematographic works: 50 years after death of the last survivor among the producer, the director, the screenplay writer or the composer (for musical comedies). ^[31]	Yes ^[32]
 Armenia	Life + 70 years ^[33]	70 years from publication (anonymous or pseudonymous works) ^[34]	Yes ^[34]
 Aruba	Life + 50 years ^{[35](wikisource)}		
 Australia (including external territories)	Life + 70 years ^[36] [Life + 50 years (death before 1955)] ^[37]	70 years from publication (sound recordings, cinematograph films) ^[38] 50 years after making (television broadcasts and sound broadcasts) ^[39]	Yes ^[41]

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 Austria	Life + 70 years ^{[42][43]}	25 years from publication (published editions of works) ^[40] [50 years from publication (photographs, no longer applicable since 1 January 2005)] ^[37] 70 years from publication; 70 years from creation if unpublished (anonymous or pseudonymous work) ^[44]	Yes ^[45]
 Azerbaijan	Life + 50 years (except posthumous work published at first time during 30 years) ^[46]	50 years from publication (anonymous or pseudonymous work; posthumous work published at first time during 30 years) ^[47]	Yes ^[48]
 Bahamas	Berne (The Berne Convention states that all works except photographic and cinematographic shall be copyrighted for at least 50 years after the author's death, but parties are free to provide longer terms)		
 Bahrain	Life + 50 calendar years (except posthumous work) ^[49]	50 calendar years from publication (cinematographic films, applied arts works and photographs; anonymous or pseudonymous works; corporate works; posthumous works) ^[50]	
 Bangladesh	Life + 50 years	40 years from publication or 50 years from completion, whichever is earlier (computer software) ^[51]	
 Barbados	Life + 50 years ^{[52][53]}	50 years from publication (anonymous or pseudonymous works) ^[54] 50 years from making (computer-generated work) ^[55] 50 years from publication; 50 years from creation if unpublished (sound recordings and films) ^[56]	Yes ^[58]

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 Belarus	Life + 50 years ^[59]	50 years from creation (broadcast); 50 years after programme included in a cable programme service ^[57] 25 years from publication (typographical arrangement of a published edition) ^[22] 50 years from publication or if unpublished 50 years from creation (anonymous or pseudonymous works) ^[60]	Yes ^[64]
 Belgium	Life + 70 years ^[65]	50 years from fixation (performance) ^[61] 50 years from publication or if unpublished 50 years from fixation (phonogram) ^[62] 50 years from the first broadcast or cable transmission ^[63]	Yes
 Belize	Life + 50 years ^[66]	50 years from publication (anonymous or pseudonymous work) ^[66] 50 years from publication (sound recording or film) ^[66] 50 years from publication (computer-generated work) ^[66]	Yes
 Benin	Life + 50 years	50 years from publication or if not shown 50 years from creation (cinematographic works) ^[70]	Yes ^[73]
 Bermuda	Life + 50 years ^[67]	50 years from publication or if not shown 50 years from creation (cinematographic works) ^[70]	Yes ^[73]
Berne Convention signatories	Signatories may grant longer terms. ^[69]	50 years from publication (anonymous or pseudonymous works) ^[71] 25 years from creation (photographic works) ^[72] Signatories may grant longer terms. ^[69]	Yes ^[73]
 Bhutan	Life + 50 years ^[74]	Signatories may grant longer terms. ^[69]	Yes ^[73]
 Bolivia	Life + 50 years ^[75]	Signatories may grant longer terms. ^[69]	Yes ^[73]
 Bosnia and Herzegovina	Life + 70 years ^[76]	Signatories may grant longer terms. ^[69]	Yes ^[73]

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 Botswana	Berne, TRIPS, WCT ^[77]		
 Brazil	Life + 70 years ^[78]		
 British Indian Ocean Territory	unknown		
 British Virgin Islands	unknown		
 Brunei	Life + 50 years ^[79]		
 Bulgaria	Life + 70 years (EU) ^[80]		
 Burkina Faso	Life + 70 years ^[81]		
 Burundi	Life + 50 years ^[82]	50 years from publication (phonograms) ^[82]	
 Cambodia	Life + 50 years ^[83]		
 Cameroon	Life + 50 years ^[84]		
 Canada	Life + 50 years ^{[85][86]}	For anonymous works, 50 years from publication or 75 years from creation, whichever is shorter. ^[85]	Yes ^[85]
 Cape Verde	Life + 50 years ^[4]		
 Cayman Islands	unknown		
 Central African Republic	Berne, TRIPS		
 Chad	Berne, TRIPS		
 Chile	Life + 70 years ^[87]		
 China, People's Republic of (Mainland only)	Life + 50 years (citizens' works) ^[88]	50 years from publication or if unpublished 50 years from creation (works of legal entities, cinematographic works, films or photographic works) ^[89]	Yes ^[6]
 Colombia	Life + 80 years ^[90]	80 years from publication (cinematographic works) ^[34]	Yes ^[91]
 Comoros	Berne		
 Congo, Democratic Republic of the	Berne, TRIPS		
 Congo, Republic of the	Life + 50 years ^[92]		
 Costa Rica	Life + 70 years ^[93]		

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 Côte d'Ivoire	Life + 99 years (except posthumous works published within this period) ^[94]	99 years from publication (photographic or audiovisual works or works of applied art; anonymous or pseudonymous works; posthumous works) ^[95]	Yes ^[96]
 Croatia	Life + 70 years ^[97]		
 Cuba	Life + 50 years		
 Curaçao	Life + 50 years ^[98]		
 Cyprus	Life + 50 years (EU, WCT) ^[99]		
 Czech Republic	Life + 70 years ^[100]	70 years from publication (anonymous works) ^[101]	Yes ^[102]
 Denmark	Life + 70 years ^[103]	25 years from publication or if unpublished 25 years from completion (film) ^[105]	
 Djibouti	Life + 25 years (Berne, TRIPS) ^[104]	25 years from completion (a photographic work or a work of applied art) ^[106]	Yes ^[107]
 Dominica	Life + 70 years ^[108]		
 Dominican Republic	Life + 50 years ^[109]		
 Ecuador	Life + 70 years ^[110]		
 Egypt	Life + 50 years ^[111]		
 El Salvador	Life + 50 years ^[112]		
 Equatorial Guinea	Berne		
 Eritrea	the latter of Life + 0 years or 50 years since publication ^[113]		
 Estonia	Life + 70 years (EU) ^[114]	70 years from publication (anonymous or pseudonymous works) ^[115]	Yes ^[116]
 Ethiopia	Life + 50 years ^[117]		
 European Union Members	Life + 70 years ^[118]	70 years from publication or if unpublished 70 years from creation (anonymous works. The terms "shall be calculated from the first day of January	Yes ^[120]

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 Fiji	Life + 50 years ^[121]	of the year following the event which gives rise to them"(art.3). ^[119]	
 Finland	Life + 70 years ^[122]	50 years from publication (sound recordings, television broadcasts and sound broadcasts) ^[123]	Yes ^[125]
	Life + 70 years (except posthumous works published after this term) ^{[126][127]}	50 years from creation (photographic works) ^[124]	
 France	The following additions to copyright term formerly applied to all works, but the French Cour de Cassation has found them to be superseded by later copyright treaties, thus limiting the copyright term to life + 70 years total, at least for non-musical works of authors who did not "die for France". ^[128]	70 years from publication (pseudonymous, anonymous or collective works) ^[132]	Yes ^[134]
	+ 6 years 152 days for musical work published through 1920 ^[129] + 8 years and 120 days for musical work published through 1947 ^[130] + 30 years for all works if the author	25 years from publication (posthumous works published after Art. L123-1 term) ^[133]	

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	died on active service ^[131]		
 Gabon	Berne, TRIPS, WCT		
 Gambia	Life + 50 years ^[135]		
 Georgia	Life + 70 years ^[136]		
		25 years from first publication or first public performance if copyright has expired before such publication or performance, or if the work has never been protected in Germany and the author died more than 70 years before the first publication ^[138]	Yes ^[139]
 Germany	Life + 70 years ^[137]		
 Ghana	Life + 70 years ^[140]		
 Greece	Life + 70 years ^{[141][142]}	70 years from publication (anonymous or pseudonymous works) ^[143]	Yes ^[144]
 Grenada	Berne, TRIPS ^[145]		
		75 years from publication or if unpublished 75 years from creation (computer programs and collective works; anonymous or pseudonymous works; audiovisual works) ^[147]	Yes ^[148]
 Guatemala	Life + 75 years ^[146]		
 Guinea	TRIPS, WCT		
 Guinea-Bissau	Berne, TRIPS		
 Guyana	Life + 50 years ^[149]		
 Haiti	Berne, TRIPS ^[150]		
		70 years from publication or, if unpublished within 50 years, 70 years from creation (works of applied art and photographs) ^[152]	Yes ^[152]
 Honduras	Life + 75 years ^[151]		
	Life + 50 years (literary, dramatic, musical or artistic works with known authorship) ^[154]	50 years from publication or if unpublished 50 years from creation (literary, dramatic, musical or artistic works with unknown authorship) ^[156]	
 Hong Kong ^[153]			Yes ^[160]
	Life + 50 years (films) ^[155]	50 years from publication or if unpublished 50 years from creation (sound recordings) ^[157] 50 years from creation (broadcast); 50 years after programme included in a	

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		cable programme service ^[158] 25 years from publication (typographical arrangement of published editions) ^[159]	
 Hungary	Life + 70 years ^[161]		
 Iceland	Life + 70 years ^[162]		
 India ^[163]	Life + 60 years (except posthumous works) ^{[164][165]}	60 years from publication (posthumous works, photographs, cinematograph films, sound recordings, works of public undertakings, and works of international organisations) ^[166]	Yes ^[167]
 Indonesia	Life + 50 years ^[168]		
 Iran	Life + 50 years ^[169]	30 years from publication (photographic or cinematographic works) ^[170]	
 Iraq	Life + 50 years ^[171]	5 years from publication (photographic works) ^[172]	
 Ireland	Life + 70 years ^[173]		
 Israel	Life + 70 years ^[174]	50 years from publication (photographs created till May 2007) ^[175] 70 years from publication (anonymous or pseudonymous work) ^[178]	Yes ^[176]
 Italy	Life + 70 years [Life + 50 years] ^[177]	20 years from publication (copyright of State, the provinces, the communes, the academies or public cultural organizations, or to private legal entities of a non-profit making character)	Yes ^[179]
 Jamaica	Life + 50 years ^[180]	70 years from publication or if unpublished 70 years from creation (cinematographic works) ^[182]	
 Japan	Life + 50 years ^[181]	50 years from publication or if unpublished 50 years from creation (works of a legal person or other corporate body) ^[183]	Yes ^[184]

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 Jordan	Life + 50 years ^[185]		
 Kazakhstan	Life + 50 years ^[186]		
 Kenya	Life + 50 years (literary, musical or artistic work other than photographs) ^[187]	50 years from the latest of creation or publication (audio-visual works and photographs) ^[188]	Yes ^[189]
 Kiribati	Life + 50 years ^[135]		
 Korea, Democratic People's Republic of	Life + 50 years (Berne) ^[190]	Works authored by "an institution, enterprise or organization", 50 years from publication ^[190]	
 Korea, Republic of	Life + 70 years ^[191]	70 years from publication or if unpublished 70 years from creation (organizational works) ^[192]	Yes ^[193]
 Kuwait	TRIPS ^[194]		
 Kyrgyzstan	Life + 50 years ^[195]	50 years after making available. Also: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anonymous/pseudonymous work: 50 years from the date the work was made available to the public; Cinematographic work: 50 years from making available, failing that, 50 years from making; Applied art: 25 years from date of creation. 	
 Laos	Life + 50 years. ^[196]	Related: Performances, phonograms, broadcasts: 50 years since the date of performance, fixation, and broadcast, respectively.	
 Latvia	Life + 70 years ^[197] [Life + 50 years] ^[198]	70 years from publication (anonymous or pseudonymous work) ^[199]	Yes ^[192]
 Lebanon	Life + 50 years ^[200]		
 Lesotho	Life + 50 years ^[135]		
 Liberia	Life + 50 years ^[201]		
 Libya	Life + 25 years with 50-year minimum (as of 1968; may have changed since)		

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 Liechtenstein	Life + 70 years [Life + 50 years] ^[202]		
 Lithuania	Life + 70 years [Life + 50 years] ^[203]		
 Luxembourg	Life + 70 years [Life + 50 years] ^[204]		
		50 years from publication (anonymous works) ^[206]	
 Macau ^(b)	Life + 50 years ^[205]	50 years from publication (audiovisual works) ^[207] 25 years from completion (works of applied art and photographic works) ^[208]	Yes ^[209]
 Macedonia	Life + 70 years ^[210]		
 Madagascar	Life + 70 years ^[211]		
 Malawi	Life + 50 years ^[212]		
 Malaysia	Life + 50 years ^[213]		
 Maldives	Life + 50 years from death.		
 Mali	Life + 50 years ^[214]		
 Malta	Life + 70 years ^[215]		
 Marshall Islands	0, no copyright. ^[a]	0, no copyright. ^[a]	
 Mauritania	Berne, TRIPS		
 Mauritius	Life + 50 years ^[219] Life + 100 years (effective 23 July 2003 non-retroactively) ^[220]		
	[Life + 75 years (before the law change on 23 July 2003, applicable for deaths before 23 July 1928)] ^[221] [Life + 50 years (before the law change on 1 January 1994,		
 Mexico			

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	applicable for deaths before 1 January 1944)] ^[222]		
Micronesia	Life + 50 years ^[223]		
 Moldova	Life + 50 years ^[224]		
 Monaco	Life + 50 years ^[225]		
 Mongolia	Life + 50 years ^[226]		
 Montenegro ^[227]	Life + 70 years ^[228]		
 Morocco	Life + 50 years ^[229]		
 Mozambique	Life + 70 years ^[230]		
 Myanmar	TRIPS	50 years from publication (posthumous works) ^[232]	
 Namibia	Life + 50 years (except posthumous works) ^[231]	50 years from publication or if unpublished 50 years from creation (cinematograph films, photographs and computer programs) ^[233] 50 years after publication (sound recordings, ^{[235][237]} cinematograph films ^{[235][238]} (except for newsreels, or if registered under the Cinematograph Films Act 1938), ^{[235][239]} television and sound broadcasts, ^{[235][240]} photographs, ^{[235][241]} engravings, ^{[235][242]} posthumous literary, dramatic and musical works ^{[235][243]} and anonymous literary, dramatic and musical works) ^{[235][244]}	Yes ^[234]
 Nauru	Life + 50 years ^{[235][236]}	25 years after publication (published editions of literary, dramatic or musical works) ^{[235][245]} 50 years after occurrence of event (newsreels) ^{[235][246]} 50 years after death of last author to die (works of joint authorship) ^{[235][247]}	Yes ^{[235][248]}
 Nepal	Life + 50 years	25 years from creation (applied art and photographic work) ^[249]	

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 Netherlands	Life + 70 years ^[250]	70 years from publication (anonymous or pseudonymous work, corporate works with no listed natural author) ^[251]	
 Caribbean Netherlands	Life + 50 years ^[252]		
 New Zealand	Life + 50 years (literary, dramatic, musical, or artistic work) ^[253]	50 years from creation (computer-generated work) ^[254]	Yes ^[255]
 Nicaragua	Life + 70 years ^[256]		
 Niger	Life + 50 years ^[257]		
		70 years from publication (literary, musical or non-photograph artistic works in the case of government or a body corporate)	
 Nigeria	Life + 70 years (literary, musical or artistic works other than photographs) ^[258]	50 years from publication (cinematograph films and photographs) 50 years from publication (sound recordings) 50 years from publication (broadcasts) ^[258]	Yes ^[258]
 Norway	Life + 70 years ^[259]		Yes ^[259]
		90 years from the year following the publication	
 Oman	Life + 70 years ^[260]		Yes
		120 years from the year following the completion ^[261]	
 Pakistan	Life + 50 years ^[262]		Yes ^[262]
 Palau	Life + 50 years ^[263]		
 Panama	Life + 50 years ^[264]		
 Papua New Guinea	Life + 50 years ^[265]		
 Paraguay	Life + 70 years ^[266]		
 Peru	Life + 70 years ^[267]		
 Philippines	Life + 50 years ^[268]	50 years from publication (photographic works), or 50 years from	Yes ^[270]

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 Poland	Life + 70 years ^[2711]	creation if unpublished within 50 years of creation ^[269]	
 Portugal	Life + 70 years [Life + 50 years] ^[272]		
 Qatar	Life + 50 years ^[273]		
 Romania	Life + 70 years ^[274] Life + 70 years ^[275]		
	Rehabilitation + 70 years (for repressed and rehabilitated)	70 years from publication date for non-amateur cinematographic works published before 1993.	
 Russia	Life + 74 years (for those taking part or working during the war of 1941–1945)	All copyrights prior to October Revolution (7-th November 1917) are believed to be expired...	
	Life + 50 years (death before 1943) ^[276]		
 Rwanda	Berne, TRIPS		
 St. Kitts and Nevis	Life + 50 years ^[135]		
 St. Lucia	Life + 50 years ^[277]	75 years from publication or if unpublished 50 years from creation (sound recording or film) ^[279]	
 St. Vincent and the Grenadines	Life + 75 years (literary, dramatic, musical or artistic work) ^[278]	50 years from creation (computer-generated work) ^[280] 50 years from creation (broadcast); 50 years after programme included in a cable programme service ^[281]	Yes ^[282]
 Samoa	Life + 75 years ^[283]		
 San Marino	Life + 50 years ^[284]		
 São Tomé and Príncipe	unknown		
 Saudi Arabia	Life + 50 years ^[285]		
 Senegal	Life + 70 years ^[286]		

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 Serbia ^[287]	Life + 70 years ^[228]	25 years from publication (photograph, film, or broadcast) ^[289]	Yes ^[279]
 Seychelles	Life + 25 years ^[288]	25 years from creation (sound recording) ^[290] 50 years from publication (photograph, film, or broadcast) ^[292]	Yes ^[279]
 Sierra Leone	Life + 50 years ^[291]	50 years from creation (sound recording) ^[293] 70 years from publication (posthumous work, photograph) ^[297]	Yes ^[301]
 Singapore ^[294]	Life + 70 years (except posthumous work) ^{[295][296]}	70 years from publication (sound recordings and cinematograph films) ^[298] 50 years after making (television broadcasts, sound broadcasts, cable programmes) ^[299] 25 years from publication (published editions of works) ^[300]	Yes ^[301]
 Sint Maarten	Life + 50 years ^[98]	50 years from publication or if unpublished 50 years from creation (cinematography films, photographs, computer programs) ^[233]	Yes ^[234]
 Slovakia	Life + 70 years ^[302]	50 years from publication (sound recordings; broadcasts; programme-carrying signals; and published editions) ^[306]	Yes ^[234]
 Slovenia	Life + 70 years ^[303]	50 years from publication (sound recordings; broadcasts; programme-carrying signals; and published editions) ^[306]	Yes ^[234]
 Solomon Islands	Life + 50 years ^[304]	50 years from publication (sound recordings; broadcasts; programme-carrying signals; and published editions) ^[306]	Yes ^[234]
 Somalia	unknown	50 years from publication (sound recordings; broadcasts; programme-carrying signals; and published editions) ^[306]	Yes ^[234]
 South Africa	Life + 50 years (literary or musical works or artistic works, other than photographs) ^[305]	50 years from publication (sound recordings; broadcasts; programme-carrying signals; and published editions) ^[306]	Yes ^[234]

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 Spain	Life + 70 years [Life + 80 years(1879–1987), Life + 60 years(1987–1994)] ^[307]	70 years from publication or if unpublished 50 years from completion (audiovisual work) ^[309]	Yes ^[308]
 Sri Lanka	Life + 70 years ^[309]	25 years from publication (applied art) ^[309]	Yes ^[309]
 Sudan	Life + 50 years ^[310]	25 years from publication (photographic pictures and cinematographic films and other audiovisual works; works published under unknown pseudonym or anonymously) ^[311]	
 Suriname	Berne, TRIPS		
 Swaziland	Life + 50 years ^[312]		
 Sweden	Life + 70 years ^[313] Life + 70 years effective 1 July 1993 non-retroactively, but Life + 50 years for computer programs ^[314]		Yes ^[313]
 Switzerland	[Life + 50 years (before the law change on 1 July 1993, applicable for deaths through 1942)] ^[315]	50 years after performance (performers' rights) ^[316]	Yes ^[317]
 Syria	Life + 50 years ^[318]	10 years from production (photographic, fine arts or plastic arts) ^[319]	
 Taiwan	Life + 50 years (except posthumous works first published 40 to 50 years after death) ^[320]	50 years from publication (anonymous or pseudonymous work) ^[317] 50 years from publication; 50 years from creation if unpublished (corporate works; photographic works, audiovisual works, sound recordings, and	Yes ^[323]

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		performances) ^[321] 10 years from publication (posthumous works first published 40 to 50 years after death) ^[322]	
 Tajikistan	Berne		
 Tanzania	Life + 50 years ^[324]		
 Thailand	Life + 50 years ^[325]	50 years from publication or 50 years from creation if not published within 50 years from creation	
 Timor Leste	Life + 50 years ^[168]		
 Togo	Life + 50 years ^[326]		
 Tonga	Life + 50 years ^[327]		
 Trinidad and Tobago	Life + 50 years ^[328]		
 Tunisia	Life + 50 years ^[329]		
 Turkey	Life + 70 years ^[330]		
 Turkmenistan	Life + 50 years ^[331]		
 Tuvalu	Life + 50 years ^[135]		
 Uganda	TRIPS		
	Life + 70 years [Life + 25 years (1963—1994), Life + 50 years (1994—2001)] ^[332]	70 years from publication (anonymous or pseudonymous work) 70 years from publication (published within 30 years from authors' deaths) ^[332]	Yes ^[332]
 Ukraine			
 United Arab Emirates	Life + 50 years ^[333] Life + 70 years If the author is unknown, 70 years	50 years after release; if not released, 70 years after making (sound recordings). ^[336] Recordings which entered the public domain prior to January 1, 2013 are not retroactively covered.	
 United Kingdom	If there are multiple authors, life of last surviving author + 70 years ^[334] For films, life + 70 years for the last to die of: principal director,	50 years from end of calendar year when the broadcast was first made (broadcasts) ^[337]	Yes ^[338]

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	author of screenplay, author of dialogue, or composer of music specifically created for and used in the film. ^[335]	95 years from publication or 120 years from creation whichever is shorter (anonymous works, pseudonymous works, or works made for hire, published since 1978) ^[341]	
 United States ^[339]	Life + 70 years (works published since 1978 or unpublished works) ^[340]	95 years from publication for works published 1964–1977; 28 (if copyright not renewed) or 95 years from publication for works published 1923–1963 (Copyrights prior to 1923 have expired, not including copyrights on sound recordings published prior to Feb 15, 1972, covered only under state laws.) ^[342]	Yes ^[343]
Universal Copyright Convention minimum terms	Life + 25 years (general works) ^[344]	25 years from publication (specific works not based on authors' deaths) ^[345]	
 Uruguay	Life + 50 years ^[347]	10 years (photographic works or to works of applied art) ^[346]	
 Uzbekistan	Life + 50 years ^[348]	25 years after the work is made (works of applied art) ^[349]	
 Vanuatu	Life + 50 years ^[349]	50 years after the latest of: the date the work is made, the date the work is made available to the public or the date of first publication (works published anonymously or under a pseudonym, collective works and audiovisual works) ^[349] 50 years after the death of the last author to die (works of joint authorship) ^[349]	Yes ^[349]

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 Vatican City	Life + 70 years ^[350]	60 years from publication; 60 years from creation if unpublished (an audiovisual work, a broadcast work or a computer program) ^[34]	Yes ^[352]
 Venezuela	Life + 60 years ^[351]	60 years from publication (anonymous or pseudonymous work) ^[178]	
 Vietnam	Berne	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10 years from the date of issue from January 1 of the year of issue for photographs; 	
 Yemen	Life + 30 years	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 25 years from the date of production from January 1 of the production year for motion picture or television film.^[353] 	
 Zambia	Life + 50 years ^[354]	After expiry of copyright, the work "may be announced to be the ownership of the State" (emphasis added). ^[353]	
 Zimbabwe	Life + 50 years ^{[355][356]}	50 years from publication (photographs) ^[357]	
		50 years from creation (Sound recordings) ^[358] 50 years from publication (cinematograph films, broadcasts) ^[359]	