

Contents of an impact assessment

Section 6

An impact assessment shall contain the following:

1. a description of the problem and the desired result;
2. a description of the alternative solutions available to achieve the desired result and the effects if no regulations are introduced;
3. information about who will be affected by the regulations;
4. information about the financial and other impacts of the regulations and a comparison with the impacts of the alternative regulations considered;
5. an assessment of whether the regulations comply with or go beyond the obligations following from Sweden's membership of the European Union, and
6. an assessment of whether particular account needs to be taken with regard to the date of entry into force and of whether there is a need for special information measures.

Section 7

If the regulations may have significant effects on working conditions of enterprises, their competitiveness or other conditions affecting them, the assessment shall contain a description of the following, over and above the provisions of Section 6 and to the extent possible:

1. the number of enterprises affected, the industries in which the enterprises operate and the size of the enterprises;
2. the amount of time the regulations may require of the enterprises and how the regulations will affect the administrative costs of the enterprises;
3. what other costs the proposed regulations will entail for the enterprises and what changes the enterprises may need to make in their operations as a result of the proposed regulations;
4. to what extent the regulations may affect the competitive conditions of the enterprises;
5. how the regulation may affect the enterprises in other respects; and
6. whether particular account needs to be taken of small enterprises in formulating the regulations.

¹Extract from Swedish Code of Statutes (SFS) 2007: 1244.