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Apple wins a preliminary injunction in Düsseldorf's Regional Court against Samsung, blocking Galaxy Tab 10.1 sales in all EU countries except the Netherlands, the dpa-AFX news service reports.



The injunction involves Apple claiming the Galaxy Tab infringes several of its design-related IP rights (not hardware or software patents)-- describing the Galaxy Tab as an iPad imitation.

Apple already has a separate lawsuit going on in the Netherlands.

Samsung responds by saying it will “take all necessary measures to ensure Samsung’s innovative mobile communications devices are available to customers in Europe and around the world.”

The two companies' patent battle goes on since April 2011, when Apple sued Samsung over claims of Galaxy smartphones and tablets "slavishly" copying the iPhone and iPad.

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