

Tort

Avoiding infringement of the rights of others, and giving adequate notice to others of your rights that you may want to enforce

Defamation

Derogatory statements you cannot prove true
Linking to others' statements

Negligence

Careless advice causing injury or (sometimes) loss

Copyright

Making derivative work
Publishing others' work (linking)
Asserting your own claim: © Nicholas Bohm 2009

Trademarks

Taking others' reputation
Marking: ®, ™, narrative

Patents

Novel non-obvious inventions
Scope differences US/UK/EU
Cost