

## DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (DO)



### I. LEGISLATIVE PROFILE

#### 1. National Legislation

##### a. Industrial Property

**Capital:** Santo Domingo  
**Population:** 8,505,000

##### Patents:

- Law No. 20-00 on Industrial Property, April 2000.
- Regulations No. 408-00 of August 2000, on the implementation of Law No. 20-00, subject to review by order of the Executive in Decree No. 363-01, set up by the Inter-Institutional Commission.
- Decree No. 303-01 on policy against violations of Intellectual Property Laws, March 2001.

##### Trade Marks:

As above, under Patents.

##### Industrial Designs:

As above, under Patents.

##### b. Copyright and Related Rights

##### Copyright:

- Law No. 65-00 on Copyright, August 2000.
- Decree No. 40-00 of 2000.
- Regulation No. 362-01 of March 2001, regulating the implementation of Law No. 65-00 on Copyright.

##### Related Rights:

As above, under Copyright.

##### c. Other Country-Specific Legislation or Activities

##### Utility Models:

As above, under Patents.

##### Appellations of Origin / Geographical Indications / Indications of Source:

As above, under Patents.

##### Unfair Competition:

As above, under Patents.

##### Layout Designs (Topographics) of Integrated Circuits:

- Preliminary draft Law on Layout-Designs of Integrated Circuits, currently before the

Executive for review.

Plant Variety Protection:

- Preliminary draft Law on the Protection of New Plant Varieties, currently before the Executive for review.

**d. Sources for Information on National Laws**

<i>Gaceta Oficial Editada por la Consultaria</i>	Tel.:	(1.809)	695.80.37
<i>Jurídica del Poder Ejecutivo</i>	Fax:	(1.809)	682.24.15
Avenida México			
Palacio Nacional			

## 2. Membership of International Bodies

**a. Membership of WIPO treaties:**

- WIPO Convention, since June 2000.
- Paris Convention (Industrial Property), since July 1890.
- Berne Convention (Literary and Artistic Works), since December 1997.
- PCT (Patents), since May 2007.
- Madrid Agreement (False or Deceptive Indications of Source of Goods), since April 1951.
- Rome Convention (Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organizations), since January 1987.
- Budapest Treaty (Deposit of Micro-organisms), since July 2007.
- WCT (WIPO Copyright Treaty), since January 2006.
- WPPT (WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty), since January 2006.

**b. WTO: Member and Signatory to TRIPS Agreement, since March 1995.**

**c. Membership of other bodies/treaties: UCC, UPOV**

- Member of UCC since February 1983.
- Member of UPOV since June 2007.

## II. ADMINISTRATION

### 1. Industrial Property

Supervisory Ministry:

<i>Secretaría de Estado de Industria y Comercio</i>	Tel.:	(1.809)	685.51.71
State Secretariat for Industry and Commerce			688.96.85
Edificio de Oficinas Gubernamentales	Fax:	(1.809)	686.19.73
“Juan Pablo Duarte”, 7° piso			
Av. México, esquina Leopoldo Navarro			
Santo Domingo			
<i>Title of Head:</i> Secretary of State for Industry and Commerce			



Industrial Property Office:

<i>Oficina Nacional de la Propiedad Industrial (ONAPI)</i>	Tel.:	(1.809)	567.74.74
National Office of Industrial Property			732.51.52
Avenida Los Próceres 11	Fax:	(1.809)	732.77.58
Jardines del Norte	E-mail:	<a href="mailto:onapi@seic.gov.do">onapi@seic.gov.do</a>	
Santo Domingo	Internet website:	www.seic.gov.do/onapi/	
<i>Title of Head:</i> Director General			

**2. Copyright and Related Rights**Supervisory Ministry:

Information not available.

Copyright Office:

<i>Oficina Nacional de Derecho de Autor (ONDA)</i>	Tel.:	(1.809)	274.60.06
National Copyright Office (ONDA)	Fax:	(1.809)	274.60.04
Calle Modesto Díaz No. 2	E-mail:	<a href="mailto:ondaadm@verizon.net.do">ondaadm@verizon.net.do</a>	
Zona Universitaria			
Santo Domingo			
<i>Title of Head:</i> National Director			

Collective Management Societies:

<i>Sociedad General de Autores, Compositores</i>	Tel.:	(1.809)	687.79.07
<i>Editores de Música Dominicanos (SGACEDOM)</i>	Fax:	(1.809)	221.41.67
Calle Santiago Rodríguez No. 2			
Zona Colonial			
Santo Domingo			
<i>Title of Head:</i> President			

**III. AUTHORITIES ENFORCING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**Industrial Property Tribunal

*Contact point:*  
As above, under Supervisory Ministry for Industrial Property.

Copyright Tribunal

*Contact point:*  
As above, under Supervisory Ministry for Industrial Property.

Other

*Contact point:*  
As above, under Supervisory Ministry for Industrial Property.

**IV. EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TEACHING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

Information not available.

**V. INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY STATISTICS**

Applications filed and/or registered for 2002:

		Patents	Trade Marks	Industrial Designs
Applications by:	residents			
	non-residents			
Grants to:	residents			
	non-residents			

Information not available.