

GUATEMALA (GT)

I. LEGISLATIVE PROFILE

1. National Legislation



Capital: Guatemala City
Population: 11,689,000

a. Industrial Property

Patents:

- *Ley de Propiedad Industrial, Decreto No. 57-2000*, Industrial Property Law, Decree No. 57-2000, issued in August 2000, entered into force in November 2000, replaces Decree Law No. 153-85 of January 1986, and Decree Law No. 26/73 of July 1968.

Trade Marks:

As above under Patents.

Industrial Designs:

As above, under Patents.

b. Copyright and Related Rights

Copyright:

- *Ley de Derecho de Autor y Derechos Conexos, Decreto Ley No. 33-98*. Law on Copyright and Related Rights, Decree No. 33-98, in force in June 1998, as amended by Decree No. 56-2000 from November 2000.

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.

Protection of Undisclosed Information:

As above, under Patents.

Specific Regional Agreements:

- Convención General Interamericana de Protección Marcaria y Comerical, Washington, 1929.
- Convención de Patentes de Invención, Diseños y Modelos Industriales, Buenos Aires, 1910.
- Convención Interamericana sobre Derecho e Autor en Obras Literarias, Científicas y Artísticas, Decree No. 844, Washington, 1946.

d. Sources for Information on National Laws

<i>Organo Legislativo a través del Congreso de la República de Guatemala</i>	Tel.:	(502)	232.12.60 230.27.73 230.41.76
Comisión de Economía			
9a avenida 9-44, Zona 1			
Guatemala City			
<i>Title of Head: President</i>			

2. Membership of International Bodies**a. Membership of WIPO treaties:**

- WIPO Convention, since April 1983.
- Paris Convention (Industrial Property), since August 1998.
- PCT (Patents), since October 2006.
- Berne Convention (Literary and Artistic Works), since July 1997.
- Rome Convention (Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organizations), since January 1977.
- Geneva Convention (Unauthorized Duplication of Phonograms), since February 1977.
- Budapest Treaty (Deposit of Micro-organisms), since October 2006.
- Nairobi Treaty (Protection of Olympic Symbol), since February 1983.
- WCT (WIPO Copyright Treaty), since February 2003.
- WPPT (WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty), since January 2003.

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

c. Membership of other bodies/treaties: UCC.

- Member of UCC since July 1964.

II. ADMINISTRATION**1. Industrial Property****Supervisory Ministry:**

<i>Ministerio de Economía</i>	Tel.:	(502)	238.33.30/9
Ministry of Economic Affairs	Fax:	(502)	238.24.13
8a, Avenida 10-43, Zona 1	E-mail:	repiweb@rpi.gob.gt	
Guatemala City 56			
<i>Title of Head: Minister of Economic Affairs</i>			

Industrial Property Office:

<i>Registro de la Propiedad Intelectual</i>	Tel.:	(502)	233.201.11-14
Registry of Intellectual Property	Fax:	(502)	233.201.16
7a, Avenida 7-16, Zona 4 (Primer Nivel)	E-mail:	repiweb@rpi.gob.gt	
Guatemala City	Internet website :	http://www.rpi.gob.gt	
<i>Title of Head: Director</i>			

2. Copyright and Related Rights

Supervisory Ministry:

Ministerio de Economía
As above under Supervisory Ministry for
Industrial Property
Title of Head: Minister of Economic Affairs

Copyright Office:

Registro de la Propiedad Intelectual
Área del Derecho de Autor y Derechos Conexos
As above, under Industrial Property Office.

Collective Management Societies:

<i>Asociación Guatemalteca de Autores y</i>	Tel.:	(502)	238.49.21
<i>Compositores (AGAYC)</i>	Fax:(502)		251.30.57
14 Calle 11-42, Zona 1	E-mail:	agayc@inteln.net.gt	
Guatemala City			
<i>Title of Head:</i> Director			

III. AUTHORITIES ENFORCING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Industrial Property Tribunal

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

Registro de la Propiedad Industrial del
Ministerio de Economía
As above, under Industrial Property Office.
Contact Official:
Lic. Javier Enrique Guzmán Ulloa

Copyright Tribunal

Information not available.

Other

<i>Ministerio Público</i>	Tel.:	(502)	230.09.01
<i>Fiscalía de Delitos Contra la Propiedad</i>	Fax:	(502)	221.45.26
<i>Intelectual</i>			
7a, Avenida 11-20 Zona 1			
Ciudad, Guatemala City			

IV. EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TEACHING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Information not available.

V. INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY STATISTICS

Applications filed and/or registered for 2001 and 2005:

		Patents (direct filings)	Trade Marks	Industrial Designs
		<u>2005</u>		
Applications by:	residents	10	3,048	9
	non-residents	290	5,040	23
Grants to:	residents		2,238	4
	non-residents		4,020	5