

## CROATIA (HR)

### I. LEGISLATIVE PROFILE

#### 1. National Legislation



##### a. Industrial Property

**Capital:** Zagreb  
**Population:** 4,381,000

##### Patents:

- Industrial Property Law, Nos. NN 53/91, 19/92 and 61/92, April 1992, in force until December 31, 1999. To be replaced in January 2000 by new Laws, published in the Official Gazette No. 78/99, July 1999, specifically the Patent Law, No. NN 78/99.

##### Trade Marks:

As above, under Patents. From January 2000, specifically the Trademark Law, No. NN 78/99, published July 1999.

##### Industrial Designs:

As above, under Patents. From January 2000, specifically the Industrial Designs Law, No. NN 78/99, published July 1999.

##### b. Copyright and Related Rights

##### Copyright:

- Copyright Law, March 1978 (of the former Yugoslavia), as last amended by the Law on the Amendments of the Copyright Law, No. NN 76/99, July 1999.

##### Related Rights:

As above, under Copyright.

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

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

As above, under Patents. From January 2000, specifically the Law on the Protection of Geographical Indications of Products and Services, No. NN 78/99, published July 1999.

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

As above, under Patents. From January 2000, specifically the Law on the Protection of Layout Designs of Integrated Circuits, No. NN 78/99, published July 1999.

##### Establishment of Commercial Code:

- The Law of Trade, February 1996.
- The Companies Act, in force from January 1995.

Protection of Undisclosed Information:

- The Law on the Protection of Data Secrecy, in force from January 1997.

Plant Variety Protection:

- The Law on the Protection of New Plant Varieties, in force from December 1997.

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

State Intellectual Property Office of the  
Republic of Croatia

As below, under Industrial Property Office.

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

- WIPO Convention, since October 1991.
- Paris Convention (Industrial Property), since October 1991.
- Berne Convention (Literary and Artistic Works), since October 1991.
- PCT (Patents), since July 1998.
- PLT (Patent Law Treaty), since April 2005.
- Madrid Agreement (International Registration of Marks), since October 1991.
- Madrid Protocol (International Registration of Marks), since January 2004.
- Hague Agreement (International Deposit of Industrial Designs), since February 2004.
- Nice Agreement (International Classification of Goods and Services), since October 1991.
- Locarno Agreement (International Classification for Industrial Designs), since October 1991.
- Strasbourg Agreement (International Patent Classification), since November 2000.
- Rome Convention (Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organizations), since April 2000.
- Geneva Convention (Unauthorized Duplication of Phonograms), since April 2000.
- Vienna Agreement (International Classification of the Figurative Elements of Marks), since May 2006.
- Brussels Convention (Distribution of Programme-Carrying Signals Transmitted by Satellite), since October 1991.
- Budapest Treaty (Deposit of Micro-organisms), since February 2000.
- Nairobi treaty (olympic Symbol), since November 2004.
- TLT (Trademarks), since July 2006.
- WCT (WIPO Copyright Treaty), since March 2002.
- WPPT (WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty), since May 2002.

**b. WTO: Member and Signatory to the TRIPS Agreement, since November 2000.****c. Membership of other bodies/treaties: UCC, UPOV.**

- Member of UCC since October 1991.
- Member of UPOV since September 2001.

## II. ADMINISTRATION

### 1. Industrial Property

#### Supervisory Ministry:

Government of the Republic of Croatia  
Trg Sv. Marka 2  
10000 Zagreb  
*Title of Head:* Prime Minister

Tel.: (385.1) 456.92.22  
Fax: (385.1) 630.30.13  
Internet website: <http://www.vlada.hr>

#### Industrial Property Office:

State Intellectual Property Office  
Ulica grada Vukovara 78  
10000 Zagreb  
*Title of Head:* Director General

Tel.: (385.1) 610.61.00  
Fax: (385.1) 611.20.17  
E-mail: [ipo.croatia@patent.htnet.hr](mailto:ipo.croatia@patent.htnet.hr)  
Internet website:  
<http://www.public.carnet.hr/patent/eng/>

### 2. Copyright and Related Rights

#### Supervisory Ministry:

As above, under Industrial Property Office

#### Copyright Office:

As above, under Industrial Property Office.

#### Collective Management Societies:

Croatian Composers' Society  
Rendiceva 28 b-c  
10000 Zagreb  
*Title of Head:* Director

Fax: (385.1) 233.21.77  
E-mail: [hds@hds.hr](mailto:hds@hds.hr) / [zamp@hds.hr](mailto:zamp@hds.hr)  
Internet website: <http://www.hds.hr>

Croatian Performers' Rights Collecting Society  
Rackoga 11  
10000 Zagreb  
*Title of Head:* Director

Fax: (385.1) 455.02.97  
44.39.91  
E-mail: [huzip@huzip.hr](mailto:huzip@huzip.hr)  
Internet website: <http://www.huzip.hr>

## III. AUTHORITIES ENFORCING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

#### Industrial Property Tribunal

High Trade Court  
Berislaviceva 11  
10000 Zagreb  
*Title of Head:* President

Tel.: (385.1) 481.14.00  
Fax: (385.1) 487.23.29

Commercial Court in Zagreb  
 Petrinjska 8  
 10000 Zagreb  
*Title of Head:* President

Tel.: (385.1) 455.35.22  
 Fax: (385.1) 487.23.29

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Commercial Court in Osijek  
 Zagrebacka 2  
 31000 Osijek  
*Title of Head:* President

Fax: (385.31) 20.76.00

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Commercial Court in Rijeka  
 Zadarska 1  
 51000 Rijeka  
*Title of Head:* President

Tel.: (385.51) 21.32.11  
 Fax: (385.51) 21.10.22

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Commerical Court in Split  
 Gunduliceva 29a  
 21000 Rijeka  
*Title of Head:* President

Tel.: (385.21) 35.55.77  
 Fax: (385.21) 46.876

*Contact point for issues relating to intellectual  
 property rights*  
 State Intellectual Property Office  
 As Above, under Industrial Property Office

#### Copyright Tribunal

As above, under Industrial Property Tribunal.

#### Other

*Contact point for issues related to border  
 measures:*

Ministry of Finance  
 Customs Administration  
 Humboldtova 4A  
 10000 Zagreb  
*Title of Head:* Director

Tel.: (385.1) 610.24.61  
 Fax: (385.1) 615.52.80  
 E-mail: [ured-ravnatelj@carina.hr](mailto:ured-ravnatelj@carina.hr)

### **IV. EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TEACHING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY**

University of Zagreb  
 Faculty of Law  
 Trg marsala Tita 14  
 10000 Zagreb

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 Faculty of Law  
 Domovinskog rata 8  
 21000 Split

Tel.: (385,21) 35.55.50  
 Fax: (385.21) 48.851

## V. INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY STATISTICS

Applications filed and/or registered for 2002 and 2005:

		Patents (direct filings)	Trade Marks	Industrial Designs (2002)
Applications by:	residents	355	1,180	159
	non-residents	27	831	65
Grants to:	residents	16	804	87
	non-residents	38	667	34

### PCT-2005

Applications by residents and non-residents: 630 (National Phase Entries)  
 Grants to residents and non-residents: 86 (non-residents only)

### Madrid System-2005

#### International Registrations:

Total applications: 6,731 (non-residents only)  
 Total registrations: 6,526 (non-residents only)