

HAITI (HT)

I. LEGISLATIVE PROFILE

1. National Legislation



a. Industrial Property

Capital: Port-au-Prince
Population: 8,114,000

Patents:

- Patents, Designs and Utility Models Act, December 1922, amended by Act of July 1924.

Trade Marks:

- Act of July 1954, amended by Act of July 1956.
- Decree of August 1960, which complements the Act of July 1954.

Industrial Designs:

As above, under Patents.

b. Copyright and Related Rights

Copyright:

- Law of January 1968, Law on Copyright.
- Law of October 1985, amended by Decree of January 1988.

Related Rights:

Information not available.

c. Other Country-Specific Legislation or Activities

Utility Models:

As above, under Patents.

Unfair Competition:

As above, under Trademarks.

d. Sources for Information on National Laws

Information not available.

2. Membership of International Bodies

a. Membership of WIPO treaties:

- WIPO Convention, since November 1983.
- Paris Convention (Industrial Property), since July 1958.
- PLT (Patent Law Treaty), Signatory since June 2000.
- Berne Convention (Literary and Artistic Works), since January 1996.
- Lisbon Agreement (Appellations of Origin), since September 1966.

b. WTO: Member and Signatory to TRIPS Agreement, since January 1996.

c. Membership of other bodies/treaties: UCC.

- Member of UCC since September 1954.

II. ADMINISTRATION

1. Industrial Property

Supervisory Ministry:

<i>Ministère du Commerce et de l'Industrie</i>	Tel.:	(509)	222.82.50
Ministry of Trade and Industry			222.24.99
8, Rue Légitime			222.69.04
Champs-de-Mars			223.16.28
Port-au-Prince	Fax:	(509)	223.84.02
<i>Title of Head: Minister of Trade and Industry</i>			223.59.50
	E-mail:		mci-haiti@yahoo.fr

Industrial Property Office:

<i>Service de la Propriété Intellectuelle</i>	Tel.:	(509)	221.31.03
Intellectual Property Service			
<i>Direction des affaires juridiques</i>			
Legal Affairs Directorate			
Ministry of Trade and Industry			
As above, under Supervisory Ministry.			
<i>Title of Head: Director</i>			

2. Copyright and Related Rights

Supervisory Ministry:

<i>Ministère de la culture et de la communication</i>	Tel.:	(509)	223.23.62
Ministry of Culture and Communication			221.17.21
Ruelle Roy			221.17.16
31, Ave. Christophe			221.17.37
Port-au-Prince			221.70.46
<i>Title of Head: Minister of Culture</i>	Fax:	(509)	221.73.18

Copyright Office:

<i>Bureau Haïtien du Droit d'Auteur (BHDA)</i>	Tel.:	(509)	223.22.62
Copyright Office of Haiti			221.29.13
58 rue Roy	Fax:	(509)	224.57.83
Port-au-Prince	E-mail:		eduardwillems@hotmail.com

Collective Management Societies:

<i>Association Nationale des Auteurs,</i>	Tel.:	(509)	222.93.76
<i>Compositeurs et Interprètes de Musique</i>			223.02.32
<i>(ANACIM)</i>	Fax:	(509)	223.02.36
80 Rue Geffrard			
P.O. Box 1766			
Port-au-Prince			

III. AUTHORITIES ENFORCING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Industrial Property Tribunal

Contact point:

Ministry of Trade and Industry

Directorate of Legal Affairs.

As above, under Supervisory Ministry for
Industrial Property.

Copyright Tribunal

As above, under Industrial Property Tribunal.

Other

Ministère des Affaires Etrangères

Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Cité de l'Exposition

P.O. Box 6110

Port-au-Prince

Title of Head: Minister of Foreign Affairs

Tel.: (509) 298.37.80

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IV. EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TEACHING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Information not available.

V. INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY STATISTICS

Applications filed and/or registered for 1999:

		Patents	Trade Marks	Industrial Designs
Applications by:	residents	1	150	
	non-residents	5	1,306	
Grants to:	residents		82	
	non-residents	7	812	