

ISRAEL (IL)

I. LEGISLATIVE PROFILE

1. National Legislation



Capital: Jerusalem
Population: 6,363,000

a. Industrial Property

Patents:

- The Patents Law No. 5727-1967 as amended.

Trade Marks:

- Trade Marks Ordinance (New Version), No. 5732-1972 as amended.
- Trademarks Regulations of 1940.

Industrial Designs:

- Patents and Designs Ordinance of 1925 (repealed as to patents in 1967).

b. Copyright and Related Rights

Copyright:

- Copyright Act of 1911 as amended.
- Copyright Ordinance of 1924 as amended.

Related Rights:

- Performers and Broadcasters Rights Law No. 5744-1984, as amended.
- Performers and Broadcasters Order (TRIPS) of 2000.

c. Other Country-Specific Legislation or Activities

Appellations of Origin / Geographical Indications / Indications of Source:

- Appellations of Origin Law 5725 of 1965 as amended.
- Appellations of Origin Regulations 5727 of 1967.

Establishment of Commercial Code:

- Commercial Torts Law 5759 of 1999.

Layout Designs (Topographics) of Integrated Circuits:

- Law for the Protection of Integrated Circuits No. 5760-2000.

d. Sources for Information on National Laws

Israel Patents, Designs and Trademarks Office
As below, under Industrial Property Office.

2. Membership of International Bodies

a. Membership of WIPO treaties:

- WIPO Convention, since April 1970.
- Paris Convention (Industrial Property), since March 1950.
- Berne Convention (Literary and Artistic Works), since March 1950.
- PCT (Patents), since June 1996.
- PLT (Patent Law Treaty), Signatory since June 2000.
- Madrid Agreement (False or Deceptive Indications of Source on Goods), March 1950.
- Nice Agreement (International Classification of Goods and Services), since April 1961.
- Lisbon Agreement (Appellations of Origin), since September 1966.
- Strasbourg Agreement (International Patent Classification), since October 1975.
- Geneva Convention (Unauthorized Duplication of Phonograms), since May 1978.
- Budapest Treaty (Deposit of Micro-organisms), since April 1996.

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

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

- Member of UCC since April 1955.
- Member of UPOV since December 1979.

II. ADMINISTRATION

1. Industrial Property

Supervisory Ministry:

Ministry of Justice
29 Salah-a-din Street
Jerusalem

Tel.: (972.2) 670.87.11
Fax: (972.2) 670.04.47

Title of Head: Minister of Justice

Industrial Property Office:

Patents, Designs and Trademarks Office
 4, Hasadna Street
 Talpiot
 Jerusalem 93420
Title of Head: Commissioner of Patents,
 Designs and Trademarks

Tel.: (972.2) 565.16.43/44
 Fax: (972.2) 565.17.00
 (Commissioner's Office)
 Tel.: (972.2) 565.16.66/0
 Fax: (972.2) 565.16.41
 E-mail: meirno@justice.gov.il
 (Commissioner's Office)

Internet website

www.justice.gov.il/Mojheb/rasham/haptentim/default.asp

(The website is currently in Hebrew but an English version will follow shortly).

(Patents Department)

Tel.: (972.2) 565.17.58
 Fax: (972.2) 565.16.77

(Industrial Designs Department)

Tel.: (972.2) 565.16.27
 Fax: (972.2) 565.17.17

(Trademarks Department)

Tel.: (972.2) 565.17.07
 Fax: (972.2) 565.16.16

(PCT Department)

E-mail: akselard@justice.gov.il
ver@hotmail.com

2. Copyright and Related RightsSupervisory Ministry:

As above, under Supervisory Ministry for
 Industrial Property.

Copyright Office:

The Director General
 Ministry of Justice
 As above, under Supervisory Ministry.
Title of Head: Director General

Collective Management Societies:

The Israeli Artistes' Company Performances'
 rights LTD ("Eshkolot")

The International Federation of the
 Phonographic Industry (IFPI)

The Society of Authors Composers and Music
Publishers in Israel (“Acum”)

III. AUTHORITIES ENFORCING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Industrial Property Tribunal

The law courts:

- a. Civil proceedings – all intellectual property claims
- b. Criminal Proceedings – copyrights, trade marks and appellations of origin

Administrative authorities:

- a. Regarding trade marks and copyrights – Ministry of Justice, Economic Division of Crimes, State Advocacy
- b. Ministry of Commerce

Contact point:

As above, under Industrial Property Office.

Copyright Tribunal

As above, under Industrial Property Tribunal.

Other

Contact points:

Contact Point for Trade in General:

Deputy Director
Multilateral Agreements Division
Foreign Trade Administration
Ministry of Industry & Trade
30, Agron Street
Jerusalem 94190

Tel.: (972.2) 622.02.60
Tel./Fax (972.2) 624.30.05

*Contact point for industrial property, copyright
and related rights:*

Ministry of Justice
As above, under Industrial Property Office

Tel.: (972.2) 531.66.43
Fax: (972.2) 531.67.64

IV. EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TEACHING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

All law schools in Israel offer courses, seminars and continuing legal education in the field of intellectual property.

V. INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY STATISTICS

Applications filed and/or registered for 2002 and 2005:

		Patents (direct filings)	Trade Marks	Industrial Designs (2002)
Applications by:	residents	1,080	2,816	1,003
	non-residents		6,159	237
Grants to:	residents		1,496	592
	non-residents		4,220	244

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Applications by residents and non-residents: 90,976 (1,110 residents, 89,866 non-residents)
 Grants to residents and non-residents: Information not available