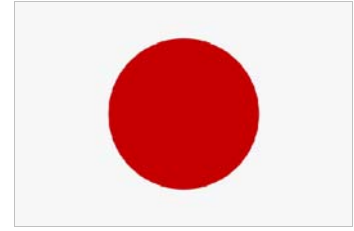


JAPAN (JP)

I. LEGISLATIVE PROFILE

1. National Legislation



a. Industrial Property

Capital: Tokyo
Population: 127,100,000

Patents:

- Patent Law No. 121, April 1959, as last amended by Law No. 102, October 2005.

Trade Marks:

- Trade Mark Law No. 127, April 1959, as last amended by Law No. 75, June 2005.

Industrial Designs:

- Design Law No. 125, April 1959, as last amended by Law No. 75, June 2005.

b. Copyright and Related Rights

Copyright:

- Copyright Law No. 48, May 1970, as amended by Law No. 56, May 2000, and last amended by Law No. 92, June 2004.

Related Rights:

As above, under Copyright.

c. Other Country-Specific Legislation or Activities

Utility Models:

- Utility Model Law No. 123, April 1959, as last amended by Law No. 75, June 2005.

Unfair Competition:

- Unfair Competition Prevention Law No. 47, May 1993, as last amended by Law No. 87, July 2005.

Layout Designs (Topographics) of Integrated Circuits:

- Law concerning the Circuit Layout of a Semiconductor Integrated Circuit No. 43, May 1985, as last amended by Law No. 87, July 2005.

Plant Variety Protection:

- Seeds and Seedlings Law No. 83, May 1998, and last amended by Law No. 59, June 2005.

d. Sources for Information on National Laws

There is no comprehensive source of information on national laws in English to date.

2. Membership of International Bodies

a. Membership of WIPO treaties:

- WIPO Convention, since April 1975.
- Paris Convention (Industrial Property), since July 1899.
- Berne Convention (Literary and Artistic Works), since July 1899.
- PCT (Patents), since October 1978.
- Madrid Agreement (False or Deceptive Indications of Source on Goods), since July 1953.
- Madrid Protocol (International Registration of Marks), since March 2000.
- Nice Agreement (International Classification of Goods and Services), since February 1990.
- Rome Convention (Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organizations), since October 1989.
- Strasbourg Agreement (International Patent Classification), since August 1977.
- Geneva Convention (Unauthorized Duplication of Phonograms), since October 1978.
- Budapest Treaty (Deposit of Micro-organisms), since August 1980.
- TLT (Trademarks), since April 1997.
- WCT (WIPO Copyright Treaty), since March 2002.
- WPPT (WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty), since October 2002.

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

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

- Member of APEC since November 1989.
- Member of UCC since January 1956.
- Member of UPOV since September 1982.

II. ADMINISTRATION

1. Industrial Property

Supervisory Ministry:

Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry
(METI)
1-3-1, Kasumigaseki
Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo 100-8901
Title of Head: Minister of Economy, Trade and
Industry

Tel.: (81.3) 35.01.15.11
Internet website:
www.meti.go.jp/english/index.html

Industrial Property Office:

Japan Patent Office (JPO)
3-4-3 Kasumigaseki
Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo 100-8915
Title of Head: Commissioner

Tel.: (81.3) 35.81.18.98
Fax: (81.3) 35.81.07.62
E-mail: PA0842@jpo.go.jp
Internet website: www.jpo.go.jp

2. Copyright and Related Rights

Supervisory Ministry:

Agency for Cultural Affairs (Bunka-Cho)
2-5-1, Marunouchi
Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo 100-8959
Title of Head: Commissioner

Tel.: (81.3) 52.53.41.11
Internet website: www.bunka.go.jp

Copyright Office:

International Affairs Division
Japan Copyright Office (JCO)
Agency for Cultural Affairs
As above, under Supervisory Ministry for
Copyright and Related Rights.
Title of Head: Director

Tel.: (81.3) 67.34.31.10
Fax: (81.3) 67.34.38.13

Collective Management Societies:

Japanese Society for Rights of Authors,
Composers and Publishers (JASRAC)
3-6-12, Uehara
Shibuya-ku
Tokyo 151-8540
Title of Head: Chairman

Tel.: (81.3) 34.81.21.21
Fax: (81.3) 34.81.21.50
Internet website: www.jasrac.or.jp

The Japan Writers' Association
(Nihon Bungeika Kyokai)
3-23, Kioi-Cho
Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo 102-8559

Tel.: (81.3) 32.65.96.57
Fax: (81.3) 52.13.56.72

Writers' Guild of Japan (Nihon Kyakuhonka
Renmei)
6-1-20, Roppongi
Minato-ku
Tokyo 106-0032

Tel.: (81.3) 34.01.23.04
Fax: (81.3) 34.01.72.55

Japan Writers' Guild (Nihon Shinario-sakka
Kyokai)
5-4-16, Akasaka
Minato-ku
Tokyo 107-0052

Tel.: (81.3) 35.84.19.01
Fax: (81.3) 35.84.19.02
Internet website:
www.j-writersguild.org

Japan Reprographic Rights Center (JRRC)
3-3-7, Kita Aoyama
Minato-ku
Tokyo 107-0061

Tel.: (81.3) 34.01.23.82
Fax: (81.3) 34.01.23.86
Internet website: www.jrrc.or.jp

Center for Performers' Rights Administration
(CPRA)
Japan Council of Performers' Organization
(GEIDANKYO)
11F Tokyo Opera City Tower
3-20-2 Nishi Shinjuku
Shinjuku-ku
Tokyo 163-1411

Tel.: (81.3) 33.79.35.71
Fax: (81.3) 33.79.35.89
Internet website: www.cpra.jp

Recording Industry Association of Japan (RIAJ)
11F Kita Aoyama Yoshikawa Bldg.
2-12-16, Kita Aoyama, Minato-ku
Tokyo 107-0061
Title of Head: Chairman

Tel.: (81.3) 64.06.05.10
Fax: (81.3) 64.06.05.20
Internet website: www.riaj.or.jp

Society for the Administration of Remuneration
for Audio Home Recording (SARAH)
3-20-2, Nishi-Shinjuku
Shinjuku-ku
Tokyo 163-1411

Tel.: (81.3) 53.53.03.36
Fax: (81.3) 53.53.03.37
Internet website : www.sarah.or.jp

Society for the Administration of Remuneration
for Video Home Recording (SARVH)
5-4-6, Akasaka
Minato-ku
Tokyo 107-0052

Tel.: (81.3) 35.60.31.07
Fax: (81.3) 55.70.25.60
Internet website : www.sarah.or.jp

III. AUTHORITIES ENFORCING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Industrial Property Tribunal

Appeals Division
Appeals Department
Japan Patent Office
As above, under Industrial Property Office.

Tel.: (81.3) 35.81.13.07
Fax: (81.3) 35.81.19.61
E-mail: PA6B00@jpo.go.jp

Tokyo Chiho Saibansho
Tokyo District Court
1-4, Kasumigaseki 1-chome
Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo 100-8920

Tel.: (81.3) 35.81.54.11
Fax: (81.3) 35.81.15.83

Title of Head: President

Tokyo Koto Saibansho
Intellectual Property High Court
1-1-4, Kasumigaseki 1-chome
Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo 100-8933
Title of Head: Judge

Tel.: (81.3) 35.81.17.10
Fax: (81.3) 35.81.54.98
Internet website :
[http:// www.jp.courts.go.jp/](http://www.jp.courts.go.jp/)

Osaka Chiho Saibansho
Osaka District Court
1-10, Nishitenma 2-chome, Kita-ku
Osaka-shi
Osaka 530-8522
Title of Head: President

Tel.: (81.6) 63.63.12.81
Fax: (81.6) 63.63.63.34

Osaka Koto Saibansho
Osaka High Court
1-10, Nishitenma 2-chome, Kita-ku
Osaka-shi
Osaka 530-8521
Title of Head: President

Tel.: (81.6) 63.63.12.81
Fax: (81.6) 63.63.21.20

Saiko Saibansho
Supreme Court
4-2, Hayabusacho
Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo 102-8651
Title of Head: Chief Justice of Japan

Tel.: (81.3) 32.64.81.11
Internet website
<http://www.courts.go.jp/>

There are 48 other District Courts and 7 other High Courts which also deal with cases involving intellectual property.

Copyright Tribunal

As above, under Industrial Property Tribunal,
except for the Appeals Division.

Other

Community Safety Bureau
Japan National Police Agency
2-1-2, Kasumigaseki 2-chome
Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo 100-8974
*Title of Head: Chief of Consumer Protection
Office and Senior Superintendent*

Tel.: (81.3) 35.81.01.41
Fax: (81.3) 35.81.59.36
Internet website:
<http://www.npa.go.jp/english/index.htm/>

Customs and Tariff Bureau	Tel.:	(81.3)	35.81.41.11
Ministry of Finance			(Ministry of Finance)
3-1-1, Kasumigaseki		(81.3)	35.81.30.41
Chiyoda-ku	Fax:	(81.3)	52.51.21.25
Tokyo 100-8940	E-mail:	mailcust@mof.go.jp	
	Internet website:	www.customs.go.jp	

Customs and Tariff Bureau	Tel.:	(81.3)	35.81.38.25
Office of International Trade Organizations	Fax:	(81.3)	52.51.21.23
As above, under Customs and Tariff Bureau			

IV. EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TEACHING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Tohoku University	Tel.:	(81.22)	217.58.20
1-1, Katahira 2-chome	Internet website:	www.tohoku.ac.jp/index-j.html	
Aoba-ku			
Sendai-shi,			
Miyagi Prefecture 980-8577			

The University of Tokyo	Tel.:	(81.3)	38.11.33.93
3-1, Hongo 7-chome	Internet website:	www.u-tokyo.ac.jp	
Bunkyo-ku			
Tokyo 113-8654			

The University of Electro-Communications	Tel.:	(81.424)	43.50.19
1-5-1, Chofugaoka	Internet website:	www.uec.ac.jp	
Chofu-shi			
Tokyo 182-8585			

Nagoya University	Tel.:	(81.52)	789.20.44
Furo-cyo	Internet website:	www.nagoya-u.ac.jp	
Chigusa-ku			
Nagoya-shi			
Aichi Prefecture 464-8601			

Dokkyo University	Tel.:	(81.48)	942.62.89
1-1, Gakuenn-cho	Internet website:	www.dokkyo.ac.jp/index.php	
Soka-shi			
Saitama Prefecture 340-0042			

Seiwa University
3-4-5, Higashioota
Kisarazu-shi
Chiba Prefecture 292-8555

Tel.: (81.438) 30.55.55
Internet website:
<http://www.seiwa-univ.ac.jp/home/index.htm>

Seikei University
3-1, Kichijoji-Kitamachi 3-chome
Musashino-shi
Tokyo 180-8633

Tel.: (81.422) 37.35.31
Internet website:
www.seikei.ac.jp/university

Chuo University
742-1, Higashinakano
Hachioji-shi
Tokyo 192-0393

Tel.: (81.426) 74.31.11
Internet website: www.chuo-u.ac.jp

Nihon University
4-8-24, Kudan-minami
Chiyoda-ku
Tokyo 102-8275

Tel.: (81.3) 52.75.81.15
Internet website: www.nihon-u.ac.jp

Waseda University
1-104, Totsukamachi
Shinjuku-ku
Tokyo 169-8050

Tel.: (81.3) 32.03.41.41
Internet website: www.waseda.ac.jp

Doshisha University
Karasuma-Higashi-iru
Imadegawa-dori
Kamigyo-ku
Kyoto 602-8580

Tel.: (81.774) 65.69.00
Internet website: www.doshisha.ac.jp

Note: this is a non-exhaustive list of universities teaching intellectual property in Japan.

V. INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY STATISTICS

Applications filed and/or registered for 2004 and 2005:

		Patents (direct filings)	Trade Marks	Industrial Designs (2004)
Applications by:	residents	359,382	114,015	37,565
	non-residents	22,120	11,792	3,191
Grants to:	residents	109,641	80,995	30,485
	non-residents	6,665	9,493	2,196

PCT-2005

Applications by residents and non-residents: 45,576 (National Phase Entries)
Grants to residents and non-residents: 6,638 (1,447 residents, 5,191 non-residents)

Madrid System-2005International Registrations:

Total applications: 10,243 (non-residents only)
Total registrations: 5,105 (non-residents only)