

BOLIVIA (BO)

I. LEGISLATIVE PROFILE



1. National Legislation

a. Industrial Property

Capital: La Paz
Population: 8,516,000

Patents:

- Decisión No. 344, Régimen Común sobre Propiedad Intelectual – Comisión de la Comunidad Andina, octubre 1993, en vigor desde septiembre 1996. Decision No. 344, Common Provisions on Intellectual Property – of the Commission of the Cartagena Agreement October 1993, in force since September 1996.
- Law of Industrial Privileges, December 1916.

Trade Marks:

- Law regulating the Registration of Trademarks, January 1918.
As above, under Patents, Decision No. 344.

Industrial Designs:

As above, under Patents.

b. Copyright and Related Rights

Copyright:

- Law No. 1322 on Copyright, April 1992.
- Decision No. 351 of the Cartagena Agreement, October 1993, which establishes a common regime on copyright and related rights for the Member Countries of the Andean Group.
- Regulation of the Copyright Law and Decision No. 351 of the Cartagena Agreement, which establishes a common regime on copyright and related rights for the Member Countries of the Andean Group, March 1995.

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.

Plant Variety Protection:

- Decisión No. 345, Régimen Común de Protección a los derechos de los Obtentores de Variedades Vegetales – Comisión de la Comunidad Andina, octubre 1993.

Decision No. 345, Common Regime for the Protection of Plant Breeders' Rights – Commission of the Andean Community, October 1993.

- d. Sources for Information on National Laws
Information not available.

2. Membership of International Bodies

a. Membership of WIPO treaties:

- WIPO Convention, since July 1993.
- Paris Convention (Industrial Property), since November 1993.
- Berne Convention (Literary and Artistic Works), since November 1993.
- Rome Convention (Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organisations), since November 1993.
- Nairobi Treaty (Olympic Symbol), since August 1985.

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

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

- Member of Andean Community since January 1993, effective September 1996.
- Member of UCC since December 1989.
- Member of UPOV since May 1999.

II. ADMINISTRATION

1. Industrial Property

Supervisory Ministry:

<i>Ministerio de Producción y Microempresa</i>	Tel.:	(591.2)	37.20.42/43
Ministry of Productivity and Small-sized Enterprises			/50/55/56
Avenida Eliodoro Camacho 1488 esquina Bueno Casilla de Correo No. 4460 La Paz	Fax:	(591.2)	37.20.47
<i>Title of Head:</i> Minister for Productivity and Small-sized Enterprises			

Industrial Property Office:

<i>Servicio Nacional de Propiedad Intelectual (SENAPI)</i>	Tel. :	(591.2)	237.20.47
National Industrial Property Service	Fax:	(591.2)	37.20.47
As above, under Supervisory Ministry.			37.09.36
<i>Title of Head:</i> Executive Director General			
E-mail : mailto:senapi@senapi.gov.bo			
Internet website : http://www.senapi.gov.bo			

2. Copyright and Related Rights

Supervisory Ministry:

As above, under Supervisory Ministry for
Industrial Property

Copyright Office:

As above, under Industrial Property Office

Collective Management Societies:

<i>Sociedad Boliviana de Autores y Compositores de Música (SOBODAYCOM)</i>	Tel.:	(591.2)	31.47.52
Bolivian Society of Authors and Music Composers	Fax:	(591.2)	31.47.60
Gaveta Postal 5107			
La Paz			
<i>Title of Head:</i> President			

III. AUTHORITIES ENFORCING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Industrial Property Tribunal

Contact point:
Subsecretario de Industria

Tel.:	(591.2)	37.20.43/36.74.54
		36.74.53 ext. 102
		(Under-Secretary's Office for Industry)
		36.74.53 ext. 135
		(Industrial Property Office)
Fax:	(591.2)	37.20.46
		(Industrial Property Office)
		37.09.36
		(Under-Secretary's Office for Industry)

Servicio Nacional de Propiedad Intelectual
As above, under Supervisory Ministry for
Industrial Property.
Title of Head: Director

Copyright Tribunal

Contact point:
Subsecretario de Patrimonio Cultural
Secretaria Nacional de Cultura
Asesor Legal de Secretaría Nacional de Cultura
Ayacucho esq. Potosí "Palacio Chico"
P.O. Box 7846, La Paz

Tel.:	(591.2)	37.81.28
		37.32.98
		37.36.32
Fax:	(591.2)	36.17.98

Other

Contact point:
As above, under Industrial Property Office.

IV. EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TEACHING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

None.

V. INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY STATISTICS

Applications filed and/or registered for 1998:

		Patents	Trade Marks	Industrial Designs
Applications by:	Residents	741	5,119	
	non-residents	4,378	(residents and non-residents)	
Grants to:	residents			
	non-residents			