

## EL SALVADOR (SV)



### I. LEGISLATIVE PROFILE

#### 1. National Legislation

##### a. Industrial Property

**Capital:** San Salvador  
**Population:** 6,399,000

##### Patents:

- *Ley de Fomento y Protección de la Propiedad Intelectual, Decreto No. 604.* Law on the Promotion and Protection of Intellectual Property, Decree No. 604, July 1993.
- *Reglamento de la Ley de Fomento y Protección de la Propiedad Intelectual.* Executive Decree No. 35, October 1994, containing regulations on the above Decree.

##### Trade Marks:

- *Convenio Centroamericano para la Protección de la Propiedad Industrial (Marcas, Nombres Comerciales, Signos Distintivos).* Central American Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property (Marks, Commercial Names, Distinctive Signs), ratified by Decree No. 85, November 1988.  
As above, under Patents.

##### Industrial Designs:

As above, under Patents and Trade Marks.

##### b. Copyright and Related Rights

##### Copyright:

- Legislative Decree No. 808, February 1994.  
As above, under Patents, Decree No. 604.

##### 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:

- Legislative Decree No. 162, December 1933.  
As above, under Patents, Decree No. 604.

##### Unfair Competition:

As above, under Trade Marks.

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

*Diario Oficial*  
*Archivo Nacional*  
*Libreria de la Asamblea Legislativa*

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

- WIPO Convention, since September 1979.
- Paris Convention (Industrial Property), since February 1994.
- Berne Convention (Literary and Artistic Works), since February 1994.
- PCT (Patents), since August 2006.
- Rome Convention (Performers, Producers of Phonograms and Broadcasting Organisations), since June 1979.
- Geneva Convention (Unauthorized Duplication of Phonograms), since February 1979.
- Budapest Treaty (Deposit of Micro-organisms), since August 2006.
- Nairobi Treaty (Olympic Symbol), since October 1984.
- TLT (Trademarks), since November 2008.
- WCT (WIPO Copyright Treaty), since March 2002.
- WPPT (WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty), since May 2002.

**b. WTO: Member and Signatory to TRIPS Agreement, since May 1995.****c. Membership of other bodies/treaties: UCC.**

- Member of UCC since December 1978.

**II. ADMINISTRATION****1. Industrial Property****Supervisory Ministry:**

Ministry of Economy  
 Address not available.  
*Title of Head:* Minister for Economy

**Industrial Property Office:**

*Ministerio de Justicia*  
*Centro Nacional de Registros*  
 National Center of Registries  
 1a. Calle Poniente y  
 43 Avenida Norte N° 2310  
 P.O. Box 1938  
 San Salvador  
*Title of Head:* Director of Intellectual Property

Tel.: (503) 260.80.00  
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 Internet website: [www.cnr.gob.sv](http://www.cnr.gob.sv)

## 2. Copyright and Related Rights

### Supervisory Ministry:

As above, under Supervisory Ministry for Industrial Property.

### Copyright Office:

As above, under Industrial Property Office.

Tel : (503) 261.88.79

Fax : (503) 260.79.16

E-mail : [cnrinf@es.com.sv](mailto:cnrinf@es.com.sv)

### Collective Management Societies:

Information not available.

## III. AUTHORITIES ENFORCING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

### Industrial Property Tribunal

Ministry of Justice

Tel.: (503) 224.60.11

National Center of Registries

224.62.44

As above, under Industrial Property Office.

Fax: (503) 224.49.56

### Copyright Tribunal

As above, under Industrial Property Tribunal.

### Other

General Attorney's Office (Fiscalier General).  
Specific Attorney for Intellectual Property Rights.

*Registro de Comercio*

Register of Commerce

As above, under Industrial Property Office.

*Title of Head:* Director

## IV. EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TEACHING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Information not available.

**V. INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY STATISTICS**

Applications filed and/or registered for 1997:

		Patents	Trade Marks	Industrial Designs
Applications by:	residents		1,699	9
	non-residents		3,689	10
Grants to:	residents		1,303	4
	non-residents		4,157	1