

SAMOA (WS)

I. LEGISLATIVE PROFILE

1. National Legislation

a. Industrial Property

Patents:

- Patents Act of 1972.

Trade Marks:

- Trade Marks Act of 1972.

Industrial Designs:

- Industrial Designs Act of 1972.

b. Copyright and Related Rights

Copyright:

- Copyright Act of 1998.

Related Rights:

Information not available.

c. Other Country-Specific Legislation or Activities

Information not available.

d. Sources for Information on National Laws

Information not available.

2. Membership of International Bodies

a. Membership of WIPO Treaties:

- WIPO Convention, since October 1997.
- Berne Convention (Literary and Artistic Works), since July 2006.

b. WTO: Observer.

c. Membership of other bodies/treaties:

None.



Capital: Apia
Population: 171,000

II. ADMINISTRATION

1. Industrial Property

Supervisory Ministry:

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade
 P.O. Box L 1859
 Apia
Title of Head: Minister for Justice Department

Industrial Property Office:

Registry of Intellectual Property
 As above, under Supervisory Ministry.
Title of Head: Registrar of Intellectual Property

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2. Copyright and Related Rights

Supervisory Ministry:

As above, under Supervisory Ministry for
 Industrial Property.

Copyright Office:

As above, under Supervisory Ministry.
Title of Head: Secretary for Justice

Collective Management Societies:

Information not available.

III. AUTHORITIES ENFORCING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Industrial Property Tribunal

Information not available.

Copyright Tribunal

Information not available.

Other

Information not available.

IV. EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS TEACHING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Information not available.

V. INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY STATISTICS

Applications filed and/or registered for 2000:

	Patents	Trade Marks	Industrial Designs
Applications by:			
residents		16	0
non-residents	15	357	0

Grants to:	residents		12	0
	non-residents	15	177	0