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Jurisdiction - General Information

Canada has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since September 1, 1923. It has also been a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since January 2, 1990. In addition, it is a party to the Budapest Treaty on the International Recognition of the Deposit of Microorganisms for the Purposes of Patent Procedure and the Patent Law Treaty (PLT).

More legal information about intellectual property-related laws and regulations of Canada can be found on [WIPO Lex](#).

Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

Canada has an [Online Register](#) and an [Online Gazette](#).

Features and search functionalities

The online patent register has an **English** and **French interface**.

Through the patent register you can retrieve information on PCT **National Phase Entry**, **Fee Payment**, **Legal Status**, and access the **Dossier/File Wrapper Information** and the **Full Publications**.

The patent register can also be searched by **PCT Application/Publication Number**, by **Applicant/Inventor Name**, and by **Priority Data**.

The online gazette is published weekly in English and French. It can be searched by number and downloaded in PDF or in accessible (web page) formats. The current coverage is from 1999 to present.

Additional Information

Particularities of patent protection in Canada

The Certificate of Supplementary Protection Regulations (CSP Regulations) is an instrument of **Patent Term Extension** for pharmaceutical products and are part of the Government of Canada's effort to implement the Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement (CETA). Their finalized version was published in the Canada Gazette, Part II, on September 7 and came into force on September 21, 2017.

A transitional period of one year has been provided, ending on September 21, 2018, in case the marketing approval for a new drug has already been filed abroad, according to particular requirements.

Search tips

Legal Status is reported e.g., "Dead Application" for application 2326723. The Help section includes an inventory of the different terms under "Administrative Status" and their definitions.

Information about **Fee Payment** and, in case of a PCT application, **PCT National Phase Entry**, is also included in the bibliographic record.

To access the **Dossier/File Wrapper Information**, consult the section "Documents" in the bibliographic file.