

MALTA – MT

Jurisdiction - General Information

Malta has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since October 20, 1967. It has also been a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since March 1, 2007, but it can be designated only through a European Patent.

Malta is a member of the European Patent Organization (EPO).

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

Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

Malta has an [Online Register](#) and an [Online Gazette](#). For further enquiries, please contact the relevant authority as indicated in the WIPO Directory at this [link](#).

Features and search functionalities

The online gazette is published three or four times a year in Maltese and English and can also be viewed on this [link](#). Its coverage is from 2015 to present.

There are also two lists of patents published in PDF format including basic **Legal Status** information: the [Pharmaceutical Patents Directory](#) and the [General Patents Directory, which are nevertheless no longer maintained](#).

European patents designating Malta can also be searched in the European Patent Register accessible at this [link](#).

Additional Information

Particularities of patent protection in Malta

Protection through **Supplementary Protection Certificates (SPCs)** is available.

Search tips

An example of **Legal Status** included in the lists of patents is "ABANDONED" for MT patent no. 999. It should be noted that since the lists are not maintained, that this information may not be up to date.