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Jurisdiction - General Information

Panama has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since October 19, 1996. It has also been a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since September 7, 2012. 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.

Panama is also part of the regional IP information platform [LATIPAT](#).

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

Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

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

Features and search functionalities

The online patent register offers different search interfaces in **Spanish**.

Through the patent register you can retrieve information on **Legal Status**, **Fee Payment**, and access the **Full Publications**.

The patent register can also be searched by **Applicant Name** and by **Priority Data**.

[LATIPAT](#) provides some bibliographic data and information about the **Legal Status** of Latin American patents. For more information about LATIPAT, consult the [detailed jurisdiction file](#).

The online gazette is published every 4 to 6 weeks in Spanish. The issues of the last 12 months are available for download.

Additional Information

Particularities of patent protection in Panama

A patent term extension can be granted in the case of an unreasonable delay in the granting procedure.

Search tips

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