

ZAMBIA - ZM

Jurisdiction - General Information

Zambia has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since April 6, 1965. It has also been a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since November 15, 2001. In addition, it is a party to the Patent Law Treaty (PLT).

Zambia is a member of the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization (ARIPO).

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

Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

Zambia has neither an **Online Register** nor an **Online Gazette**.

For further enquiries, please contact the relevant authority as indicated in the [WIPO Directory](#).

Features and search functionalities

[ARIPO](#) provides an online information platform for searching ARIPO and member states' national patents (which are currently being loaded) with an interface in English. For more information about ARIPO, consult the [detailed jurisdiction file](#).

Additional Information

Particularities of patent protection in Zambia

The term of a patent is 16 years from the date of filing, which may be extended on the ground of inadequate remuneration for one further period of up to five years, and in exceptional circumstances for up to ten years.

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