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Jurisdiction - General Information

Guatemala has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since August 18, 1998. It has also been a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since October 14, 2006. 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.

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

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

Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

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

Features and search functionalities

The Online Register has a **Spanish interface**.

At the time of this research, both an old and a new version of the patent register are operative. You can choose the new one by clicking on “Ingresar al Nuevo ECONSULTA / BORPI” (a free registration is required). Then, to access the patent register click on “PATENTES”, to access the gazette click on “BOLETIN ELECTRONICO”.

Through the Online Register you can retrieve information on **Fee Payment** and infer information on the **Legal Status**.

The Online Register can also be searched by **PCT Publication Number**.

[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](#).

Additional Information

Particularities of patent protection in Guatemala

An instrument of **Patent Term Extension** is available. The usual patent protection term of 20 years can be extended in case of a delay in the patent registration process (if the grant takes more than 5 years from the filing date or 3 years from the examination request) or in the delay of regulatory approval of a pharmaceutical product (more than 3 years from the application).

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