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Jurisdiction - General Information

Zimbabwe has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since April 18, 1980. It has also been a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since June 11, 1997.

Zimbabwe is a member of the African Regional Intellectual Property Organization ([ARIPO](#)).

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

Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

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

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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](#).

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Additional Information

Particularities of patent protection in Zimbabwe

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