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Jurisdiction - General Information

The Dominican Republic has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since July 11, 1890. It has also been a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since May 28, 2007. 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.

The Dominican Republic is also part of the regional IP information platform <u>LATIPAT</u> and a member of the "SISTEMA DE COOPERACIÓN SOBRE ASPECTOS DE INFORMACIÓN OPERACIONAL Y DE PROPIEDAD INDUSTRIAL" (PROSUR).

More legal information about intellectual property-related laws and regulations of the Dominican Republic can be found on <u>WIPO Lex</u>.

Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

The Dominican Republic has an **Online Register** and an **Online Gazette**.

Features and search functionalities

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

Through the Online Register you can retrieve information on Legal Status.

The Online Register can be searched (tab "Patentes") by **Applicant/Inventor Name**, **Priority Data** and application number.

The Online Gazette is published fortnightly in Spanish. Its current coverage is from 1985 to present.

<u>LATIPAT</u> provides some bibliographic data and information about the **Legal Status** of Latin American patents. For more information about LATIPAT, consult the <u>detailed jurisdiction file</u>.

Additional Information

Particularities of patent protection in the Dominican Republic

A **Patent Term Extension** can be obtained for pharmaceutical products as well as in the case of an unreasonable delay in the granting procedure.

Search tips

An example of data reported as a **Legal Status** is "Caduca" for application P/2014-60. The search by application number must be done with the format without the slash "/" (ie. P2014-60).