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### **Jurisdiction - General Information**

Oman has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since July 14, 1999. It has also been a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since October 26, 2001. 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 and the Patent Law Treaty (PLT).

Oman is a member of the Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf (GCC). Information about GCC patents having effect in Oman can be retrieved at <u>this link</u> (granted) or at this <u>new link</u> (powered by WIPO Publish). For more information about the GCC, consult the <u>detailed jurisdiction file</u>.

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

## **Online Patent Register and Online Gazette**

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

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# Features and search functionalities

Not applicable

## **Additional Information**

#### Particularities of patent protection in Oman

Omani Patent Law has an instrument of **Patent Term Extension** which allows the patent owner to request an adjustment to the patent term if the marketing approval process that is related to the first commercial use of the product in Oman takes longer than 24 months from the date of application of the marketing approval. The maximum extension available under this section of the law is five years. This provision is also applicable to pharmaceutical products.

According to the decision held by the 41st GCC Supreme Council meeting to amend the existing GCC Patent Law, no new filings were accepted by the GCC Patent Office for GCC patent applications after January, 6, 2021. Patents filed before this date and granted are valid in the territory of all the member countries.

While other member countries have resumed then the possibility to use the GCC Patent Office as IP authority, Oman hasn't done it yet, therefore it is not possible for the time being to file a patent application at the GCC Patent Office with effect in Oman.

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