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Jurisdiction - General Information

Kenya has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since June 14, 1965. It has also been a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since June 8, 1994. In addition, it is a party to the Patent Law Treaty (PLT).

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

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

Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

Kenya does not have an **Online Register**. It has an [Online Gazette](#).

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

Features and search functionalities

The Online Gazette is published monthly in English. The last 12 numbers are directly available from the homepage of the Kenya Industrial Property Institute, the past numbers from this [link](#). Its coverage is from 2003 to present.

[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](#).

Gazettes of Kenya are also available through the ARIPO website at this [link](#).

Additional Information

Particularities of patent protection in Kenya

A regional application in which Kenya is designated and that has been refused by the Secretariat of ARIPO may on request be treated as a national application, following the required procedure.

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