

NICARAGUA - NI

Jurisdiction - General Information

Nicaragua has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since July 3, 1996. It has also been a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT) since March 6, 2003. 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.

Nicaragua is also part of the regional IP information platform [LATIPAT](#) 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 Nicaragua can be found on [WIPO Lex](#).

Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

Nicaragua 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 ("LA GACETA - Diario Oficial") includes data about patent granted, however, it is not exclusively dedicated to industrial property, it is the official state publication including also the government acts. It is published monthly in Spanish. The coverage is from 1981 to present.

[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 Nicaragua

An instrument of **Patent Term Extension** is available in the case of an unreasonable delay in the granting procedure, as well as in the case of a delay in the authorization for marketing pharmaceutical products.

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