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Jurisdiction - General Information

Tonga has been a Contracting Party to the Paris Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property since June 14, 2001. It is not a Contracting Party to the Patent Cooperation Treaty (PCT).

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

Online Patent Register and Online Gazette

Tonga 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 Tonga

Patents applications receive a formal examination by the national IP Office and a substantive examination by the Australian IP Office.

Patents are granted for twenty years from the filing date, utility models are granted for seven years from the filing date.

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