
**Council for Trade-Related Aspects
of Intellectual Property Rights**

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NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS UNDER
ARTICLE 63.2 OF THE AGREEMENT

Iceland

The following communication dated 4 October 1996, has been received from the Permanent Mission of Iceland.

With reference to the procedures reflected in document IP/C/2, Iceland hereby notifies its laws and regulations under Article 63.2 of the TRIPS Agreement. Copies of the relevant laws and regulations as listed in the annexes are enclosed.

Annex I sets out the main intellectual property laws and regulations, while Annex II contains the listing of "other laws and regulations". Iceland regrets to inform that Annex II as presently notified does not contain a listing of other laws and regulations pertaining to copyright and related rights. These will be submitted shortly in a separate notification, thus completing Iceland's notification requirements under Article 63.2.

* Includes some Icelandic

ANNEX I

MAIN LAWS AND REGULATIONS

- Patents Act, No. 17/1991, as amended by Act No. 67/1993¹
- Act No. 36/1996², amending the Patents Act, No. 17/1991, as subsequently amended, the Trade Marks Act, No. 47/1968, as subsequently amended, and the Design Protection Act, No. 48/1993
- Act No. 91/1996², amending the Patents Act, No. 17/1991, as subsequently amended, the Trade Marks Act, No. 47/1968, as subsequently amended, and the Design Protection Act, No. 48/1993
- Regulation, No. 574/1991, concerning patent applications, etc.³
- Advertisement, No. 575/1991, of instructions concerning patent applications³
- Regulation, No. 661/1995³, amending Regulation concerning patent applications, etc., No. 574/1991, and Advertisement of instructions concerning patent applications, No. 575/1991
- Regulation, No. 286/1996³, amending the Regulation concerning patent applications, etc., No. 574/1991, as subsequently amended, and amending the Advertisement of instructions concerning patent applications, No. 575/1991, as subsequently amended
- The Trade Marks Act, No. 47/1968, as amended by Act No. 31/1984 and Act No. 67/1993⁴ (*Currently under revision*)
- Regulation, No. 1/1969, concerning applications and registrations of trademarks, etc.⁵ (*Currently under revision*)
- The Collective Marks Act, No. 89/1935⁵ (*Currently under revision*)
- Design Protection Act, No. 48/1993⁶

¹The text of this law can be found in document IP/N/1/ISL/P/1.

²The texts of these laws can be found in document IP/N/1/ISL/I/1.

³The texts of these laws and regulations can be found in document IP/N/1/ISL/P/2.

⁴The text of this law can be found in document IP/N/1/ISL/T/1.

⁵These laws have been submitted in Icelandic only pending their translation. Once their texts are available in a WTO language, they will be distributed as documents IP/N/1/ISL/T/2 and 3.

⁶The text of this law can be found in document IP/N/1/ISL/D/1.

- Regulation on registration of a design, No. 178/1994⁷
- Regulation, No. 285/1996⁷, amending the Regulation on registration of a design, No. 178/1994
- Act No. 78/1993, concerning the protection of topographies of integrated circuits on semi-conductors⁸
- Act No. 19/1995⁸, amending Act No. 78/1993, concerning the protection of topographies of integrated circuits on semi-conductor products
- Regulation, No. 188/1991, concerning the Patent Office⁹
- Advertisement, No. 187/1991, concerning the establishment of a Patent Office to handle the implementation of Acts concerning intellectual property rights in industry (patents, trademarks, etc.)⁹
- The Copyright Act, No. 73/1972, as amended in 1984, 1991 and 1992¹⁰

⁷The texts of these regulations can be found in document IP/N/1/ISL/D/2.

⁸The texts of these laws can be found in document IP/N/1/ISL/L/1.

⁹The texts of these laws and regulations can be found in document IP/N/1/ISL/I/2.

¹⁰The text of this law can be found in document IP/N/1/ISL/C/1.

ANNEX II**OTHER LAWS AND REGULATIONS**

<p style="text-align: center;">TITLE DATE OF ADOPTION ENTRY INTO FORCE</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">BRIEF DESCRIPTION</p>
<p>Lög nr. 91 frá 31. desember 1991 um meðferð einkamála. (Adopted 31 December 1991. Entry into force 1 July 1992.)</p>	<p>The main Act relating to judicial procedures in civil cases.</p>
<p>Lög nr. 19 frá 26. mars 1991 um meðferð opinberra mála. (Adopted 26 March 1991. Entry into force 1 July 1992.)</p>	<p>The main Act relating to judicial procedures in public cases.</p>
<p>Lög nr. 82 frá 31. maí 1976 um norræna vitnaskyldu. (Adopted 31 May 1976.)</p>	<p>An Act concerning the duty of witnesses living in a Nordic country to give testimony before a court of justice in another Nordic country.</p>
<p>Lög nr. 30 frá 23. júní 1932 um heimild fyrir ríkisstjórnina til þess að láta öðlast gildi ákvæðin í samningi milli Íslands, Danmerkur, Finnlands, Noregs og Svíþjóðar, um viðurkenningu dóma og fullnægju þeirra. (Adopted 23 June 1932.)</p>	<p>An Act relating to the recognition and enforcement in Iceland of judgments made in another Nordic country in matters of private law.</p>
<p>Lög nr. 68 frá 10. mars 1995 um Lúganó-samninginn um dómsvald og um fullnustu dóma í einkamálum. (Adopted 10 March 1995.)</p>	<p>An Act adopting the Convention on Jurisdiction and the Enforcement of Judgments in Civil and Commercial Matters, done at Lugano on 16 September 1988, as part of Icelandic law.</p>
<p>Lög nr. 55 frá 30. mars 1987 um tolla. (Adopted 30 March 1987. Entry into force 1 September 1987.)</p>	<p>The main Act relating to customs.</p>
<p>Lög nr. 19 frá 12. febrúar 1940, almenn hegningarlög. (Adopted 12 February 1940. Entry into force 12 August 1940.)</p>	<p>The general Civil Penal Code.</p>

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<p>Lög nr. 90 frá 23. desember 1991 um nauðungarsölu. (Adopted 23 December 1991. Entry into force 1 July 1992.)</p>	<p>The main Act relating to liquidation.</p>
<p>Lög nr. 31 frá 23. apríl 1990 um kyrrsetningu, lögbann o.fl. (Adopted 23 April 1990. Entry into force 1 July 1992.)</p>	<p>An Act relating to attachment of properties, restraining orders etc.</p>
<p>Lög nr. 90 frá 1. júní 1989 um aðför. (Adopted 1 June 1989. Entry into force 1 July 1992.)</p>	<p>The main Act relating to attachment of properties.</p>
<p>Act No. 8, of 25 February 1993: <i>The Icelandic Competition Law</i>. (Adopted 25 February 1993. Entry into force 1 March 1993. Chapter XI entered into force 1 January 1994.)</p>	<p>The main Act relating to Icelandic competition in business.</p>
<p>Act No. 134, of 22 December 1995, on product safety and official market control. (Adopted 22 December 1995.)</p>	<p>The main Act relating to product safety and official market control.</p>
<p>Act No 25, of 27 March 1991, on product liability. (Adopted 27 March 1991. Entry into force 1 January 1992.)</p>	<p>The main Act relating to product liability.</p>
<p>Lög nr. 42 frá 13. nóvember 1903 um verslanaskrár, firmu og prókúruumboð. (Adopted 13 November 1903. Entry into force 1 April 1904.)</p>	<p>The main Act relating to firms, companies, etc.</p>
<p>Lög nr. 75 frá 14. september 1981 um tekjuskatt og eignarskatt. (Adopted 14 September 1981. Entry into force 24 September 1981.)</p>	<p>The main Act relating to income taxes and property taxes.</p>
<p>Lög nr. 61 frá 13. maí 1994 um rannsóknarráð Íslands. (Adopted 13 May 1994. Entry into force 1 July 1994.)</p>	<p>An Act relating to the Icelandic Research Council.</p>

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<p>Lög nr. 68 frá 27. júní 1985, útvarpslög. (Adopted 27 June 1985. Entry into force 1 January 1986.)</p>	<p>An Act relating to Icelandic broadcasting.</p>
<p>Lög nr. 88 frá 29. maí 1989, þjóðminjalög. (Adopted 29 May 1989. Entry into force 1 January 1990.)</p>	<p>The main Act relating to preservation of national remnants.</p>
<p>Reglugerð, nr. 436/1990, um forgangsrétt til tilkynninga um skráningu á vörumerkjum. (Adopted 1 November 1990.)</p>	<p>Regulation concerning priority for notification of the registrations of Trademarks.</p>
<p>Regulation, No. 287/1996, amending the Regulation concerning priority for notification of the registration of trade marks, No. 436/1990.</p>	<p>Regulation amending the Regulation concerning priority for notification of the registration of trademarks, with regard to the requirements of the TRIPS Agreement.</p>
<p>Auglýsing, nr. 228/1990 um skráningu vörumerkja og gæðamerkja í eigu atvinnurekenda í vissum erlendum ríkjum.</p>	<p>Advertisement concerning registration of trademarks and collective marks in certain foreign states.</p>
<p>Auglýsing, nr. 88/1992 um breytingar á vöruskrá vegna vörumerkja. (Adopted 24 February 1992.)</p>	<p>Advertisement concerning change of the international classification of goods and services for the purpose of registration of marks.</p>
<p>Reglugerð, nr. 632/1995 um gjöld fyrir einkaleyfi, vörumerki o.fl.</p>	<p>Regulation concerning fees for patents, trademarks, etc..</p>
<p>Auglýsing, nr. 639/1995 um gjöld vegna alþjóðlegra einkaleyfisumsókna.</p>	<p>Advertisement concerning fees for international patent applications.</p>