NOTIFICATION OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS  
UNDER ARTICLE 63.2 OF THE TRIPS AGREEMENT

Mauritius: THE COPYRIGHT (AMENDMENT) ACT 2017

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| **Notifying Member** | | **Mauritius** |
| **Details of the notified legal text** | | |
| **Title** | | THE COPYRIGHT (AMENDMENT) ACT 2017 |
| **Subject matter** | | Copyright and related rights |
| **Nature of notification** | | [X] Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation  [  ] Other law or regulation |
| **Link to legal text[[1]](#endnote-1)** | | <https://members.wto.org/crnattachments/2019/IP/MUS/19_5190_00_e.pdf> |
| **Notification status** | | [  ] First notification  [X] Amendment or revision to notified legal text  [  ] Replacement or consolidation of notified legal text(s) |
| **Previous notification(s) referred to** | | [IP/N/1/MUS/C/2, IP/N/1/MUS/4](https://docs.wto.org/dol2fe/Pages/FE_Search/FE_S_S006.aspx?FullTextHash=1&MetaCollection=WTO&SymbolList=%22IP/N/1/MUS/C/2%22+OR+%22IP/N/1/MUS/4%22" \t "_blank) |
| **Brief description of the notified legal text**  The Copyright (Amendment) Act 2017 provides for amendments to certain sections of the main Act, i.e. the Copyright Act 2014 in order to *inter alia*:  a) make provisions regarding phonograms in Section 10;  b) increase the duration of copyright in Section 15;  c) make better provisions in relation to the payment of equitable remuneration in Section 35;  d) replace the words "Rights Management Society" by the words "Mauritius Society of Authors" in Section 43; and  e) repeal and replace Section 48. | | |
| **Language(s) of notified legal text** | | English |
| **Entry into force** | | 8 March 2018 (except for Section 8) |
| **Other date** | | Publication: 23 November 2017 |
| **Notification details** | | |
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| **Agency or authority responsible** | Contact details of Authority responsible for overseeing the Copyright Act are as follows:  • Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Arts and Culture (responsible for policy issues regarding Copyright)  Tel: +230 212 5848  • Mauritius Society of Authors is responsible, *inter alia*, to collectively manage rights of author or other owner to authorize:  - Reproduction of a work;  - Translation of a work;  - Adaptation, arrangement or other transformation of a work including cinematographic adaption;  - Distribution to the public of the original or a fixed copy of a work;  - Public performance of a work;  - Broadcasting of a work;  - Other forms of communication to public of a work and  - Related rights  Tel: +230 467 2219 / +230 454 7931  • Commissioner of Police  - Policing of criminal offences regarding breach of Copyright (Anti-Piracy Unit)  Tel: +230 211 9114  • The responsibility of Intellectual property falls under the Industrial Property Office of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs & International Trade  Tel: (+230) 2085714, 2085768, 2124431, 2108917 | |

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