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

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

SWITZERLAND: FEDERAL LAW ON PATENTS FOR INVENTIONS

Notifying Member	SWITZERLAND
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Details of the notified legal text

Title	Federal law on patents for inventions
Subject matter	Patents (including the protection of plant varieties)
Nature of notification	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Main dedicated intellectual property law or regulation <input type="checkbox"/> Other law or regulation
Link to legal text*	https://ip-documents.info/2022/IP/CHE/22_0965_00_f.pdf
Notification status	<input type="checkbox"/> First notification <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment or revision to notified legal text <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Replacement or consolidation of notified legal text(s)
Previous notification(s) referred to	IP/N/1/CHE/35, IP/N/1/CHE/P/23
Brief description of the notified legal text Existence of patent rights, national and European patents, international patent applications, acquisition and scope of rights, patents register, civil and criminal proceedings, opposition procedure for preliminary examinations, administrative appeal procedure, etc. Most recent amendments: Article 13.1, first sentence, and 1bis: - Implementation of Council of Europe conventions Nos. 94 and 100 on international administrative cooperation - Reservation introduced: "unless international law or the competent foreign body permits the authority to serve documents directly in the state concerned" - Entitlement of the <i>Institut Fédéral de la Propriété Intellectuelle</i> , IPI (Federal Institute of Intellectual Property) to declare to the competent foreign body that direct service is permitted in Switzerland in intellectual property matters provided Switzerland is granted reciprocal rights	
Language(s) of notified legal text	French
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Notification details

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