

## Romania (RO) Coverage

### Patent Office Details

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### Kinds of Protection

|                               |   |
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| Patents of Invention          | Granted for a term of 20 years from submission date; patents of addition are limited to the patent term of the original invention but it is not less than 10 years  |
| Utility Models                | Protection for a term of 6 years; possible to extend to 8 years and a further, final extension to 10 years is also possible (under legislation implemented in 2007) |
| Industrial Designs and Models | Can be registered   |

### Convention & Treaty Membership

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| Patent Cooperation Treaty | 23.07.1979  |
| Signatory of:             | Paris Convention (Stockholm wording)<br>Budapest Treaty<br>World Intellectual Property Organization |

### Filing for Patents

Inventions that are new and have industrial application are patentable. New inventions of plants, hybrids and new animal breeds are patentable if they are distinct.

Applications may be made, in Romanian, by the inventor or his legal successor. The applicant must request a substantive examination on the filing date of the application or within 30 months of the filing date. A decision by the Office of Patents and Trademarks to grant a patent is published within 30 days. The specification and claims of the patent are published within three months.

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Unexamined patent applications (A) will be laid open to public inspection within 18 months from the date of filing or the priority date. The complete specification of the patented inventions (B or B1) will be published within three months from the publication of the decision to grant. The complete specification of the issued patent (C or C1) will be published within three months from the issuance of the patent. (Normal procedure: A = first publication; B = second publication; C = third publication. Where the patent application is not published: B1 = first publication; C1 = second publication).

Any opposition will be considered within three months.

## DWPI Coverage

| Kind |   | DWPI Start Dates  |
|------|---|-------------------|
| A    | Examined granted patent (1974 Law)  | 25 March 1975     |
| A0   | OPI (before 18 months from application/priority; before 6 months from nat.phase)  | 30 November 2009  |
| A1   | Unexamined application publ. after 18 months with search report                   | 30 November 2009  |
| A2   | Unexamined patent application publ. after 18 months without search report         | 30 November 2009  |
| A3   | Search report published subsequent to A2  | 30 September 2010 |
| A4   | Application published before 3 months of date info in application is declassified | 30 November 2009  |
| A8   | Modified first page of patent application   | 30 June 2010      |
| A9   | Modified complete specification   | N/A               |
| B    | Granted patent according to 1991 Law  | 30 June 1993      |
| B1   | Granted patent according to 1991 Law  | 25 September 1992 |
| B2   | Modified granted patent after revocation  | 28 February 2012  |
| B8   | Modified first page of granted patent   | 30 July 2010      |
| B9   | Modified complete specification   | 30 June 2010      |

| DWPI Data elements                     | Notes                               |
|--|-------------------------------------|
| ✓ Bibliographic data                   |                                     |
| ✓ English value-add title and abstract |                                     |
| ✓ Manual Codes                         | Chemical (CPI) and Electrical (EPI) |

## Numeration

*Kind Codes – A, A0, A1, A2, A3, A4, A8, A9, B, B1, B2, B8, B9*

| Publication Numbers |                    |           |          |
|---------------------|--------------------|-----------|----------|
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| Application Numbers*                          |                    |               |               |
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YYYY                      4 digits representing the year of application

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NNNNNNN              7 digit serial number

*\*Full coverage of application numbers commenced from DWPI update 199216*