

Amendment No. 4 to Registry Agreement

The Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers and Registry Services, LLC agree, effective as of _____ (“Amendment No. 4 Effective Date”), that the modification set forth in this amendment No. 4 (the “Amendment”) is made to the 23 May 2019 .gay Registry Agreement between the parties, as amended (the “Agreement”).

The parties hereby agree to amend Exhibit A of the Agreement by deleting the following sections 3, 4, 5, and 6 in their entirety:

[START OLD TEXT]

“3. Searchable Whois

Notwithstanding anything else in this Agreement, Registry Operator must offer a searchable Whois service compliant with the requirements described in Section 1.10 of Specification 4 of this Agreement. Registry Operator must make available the services only to authenticated users after they logged in by supplying proper credentials (e.g., user name and password). Registry Operator must issue such credentials exclusively to eligible users and institutions that supply sufficient proof of their legitimate interest in this feature (e.g., law enforcement agencies). Registry Operator shall use rate-limiting to prevent abuse of the searchable Whois service.

4. Registry Lock

Registry Operator may offer the Registry Lock service, which is a registry service that allows an authorized representative from the sponsoring Registrar to request the activation or deactivation of any of the following EPP statuses: serverUpdateProhibited, serverDeleteProhibited and/or serverTransferProhibited.”

5. Internationalized Domain Names (IDNs)

Registry Operator may offer registration of IDNs at the second and lower levels provided that Registry Operator complies with the following requirements:

5.1. Registry Operator must offer Registrars support for handling IDN registrations in EPP.

5.2. Registry Operator must handle variant IDNs as follows:

5.2.1. Variant IDNs (as defined in the Registry Operator’s IDN tables and IDN RegistrationRules) will be blocked from registration.

5.3. Registry Operator may offer registration of IDNs in the following languages/scripts (IDN Tables and IDN Registration Rules will be published by the Registry Operator as specified in the ICANN IDN Implementation Guidelines):

5.3.1. Arabic language

- 5.3.2. Chinese language
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- 5.3.4. Greek script
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6. Bulk Transfer After Partial Portfolio Acquisition

Bulk Transfer After Partial Portfolio Acquisition (“BTAPPA”) is a registry service available to consenting registrars in the circumstance where (i) one ICANN-accredited registrar purchases, by means of a stock or asset purchase, merger or similar transaction, a portion but not all, of another ICANN-accredited registrar’s domain name portfolio in the TLD or (ii) a newly accredited registrar (gaining registrar) requests a transfer of all domain names from the losing registrar for which the gaining registrar has served as the reseller. Upon completion of the transfer, the gaining registrar is the new sponsoring registrar. The gaining registrar must certify the BTAPPA would not otherwise qualify under ICANN’s Transfer Policy.

At least fifteen days before completing a BTAPPA, the losing registrar must provide written notice of the bulk change of sponsorship to all domain name registrants for names involved in the BTAPPA. The notice must include an explanation of how the RDDS record will change after the BTAPPA occurs and customer support and technical contact information of the gaining registrar.

The losing registrar’s existing Registration Agreement with customers must permit the transfer of domain names in the event of acquisition by another party. A single BTAPPA request may be submitted for transfers from multiple losing registrars provided they are Affiliated Registrars as defined by the 2013 or subsequent Registrar Accreditation Agreement.

The expiration dates of transferred registrations are not affected and, therefore, there are no ICANN fees. Once the BTAPPA is complete, there is no grace period to reverse the transfer.

Domain names in the following EPP statuses at the time of the BTAPPA execution shall not be transferred:

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Domain names that are within a grace period window are subject to BTAPPA, but Registry

Operator may decline to provide a credit for those names deleted after the BTAPPA and prior to the expiration of the applicable grace period window.

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[END OLD TEXT]

The parties hereby further agree to amend Exhibit A of the Agreement by replacing the deleted sections above with the following new text as new sections 3, 4, and 5:

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[END NEW TEXT]

Each party hereby acknowledges and agrees that this Amendment shall not be construed as a waiver of any provision of the Agreement by any party hereto, nor shall it in any way affect the validity of, or the right of any party hereto, to enforce the provisions of the Agreement. The parties agree that, except as set forth in this Amendment and any prior duly authorized and executed amendments, the current terms and conditions of the Agreement will remain in full force and effect. All capitalized terms not defined will have the meaning given to them in the Agreement. This Amendment may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, and all of such counterparts taken together shall constitute one and the same instrument.

ACCEPTED AND AGREED:

INTERNET CORPORATION FOR ASSIGNED NAMES AND NUMBERS

By: _____
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Senior Vice President, Global Domains and Strategy

REGISTRY SERVICES, LLC

By: _____
Nicolai Bezsonoff
Vice President