



# Legacy Domain Names Policy





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#### **Legacy Domain Name Policy**

#### **Purpose**

The Qatar Domains Registry shall, at the commencement of the operation of the Qatar Domains Registry's Domain Name Registry System, assume responsibility for Legacy Domain Names. This policy defines how such Legacy Domain Names shall be treated.

#### 1. Transitional Provisions for Legacy Domain Names

- 1.1. The Qatar Domains Registry may decide at any time prior to the commencement of the Domain Name Registry System associate Legacy Domain Names with the Sponsorship of any Accredited Registrar.
- 1.2. The Qatar Domains Registry shall only make such a decision and shall only cause Legacy Domain Names be placed in the Sponsorship of any Accredited Registrar:
  - 1.2.1. at the request of the holder of a Legacy Domain Name; or
  - 1.2.2. at its own discretion; or
  - 1.2.3. where the party previously responsible for administering the Legacy Domain Name is not in a position to become an Accredited Registrar at the date of commencement of the Qatar Domains Registry's Domain Name Registry System.

#### 2. Legacy Domain Names

- 2.1. All Legacy Domains which are Third-Level Domain Names will be listed with a status of "Legacy" in the Domain Name Registry System at the time of the commencement of the Qatar Domain Registry's Domain Name Registry System.
- 2.2. No changes to the information stored in the Qatar Domains Registry's Domain Name Registry System relating to Legacy Third-Level Domain Names will be allowed until such time as the information as to Eligibility of the Registrant and the correct Registrant Contact information in respect of that Domain Name have been updated. The Qatar Domains Registry shall review these updates as they are submitted.
- 2.3. Second-Level Legacy Domain Names are exempted from the Eligibility update requirement referred to immediately above; however the Registrant Contact information MUST be updated prior to any Renewal of the Domain Name.

#### 3. Expiry of Legacy Domain Names

3.1. Legacy Domain Names, with greater than three years until expiry at the time of the commencement of the Qatar Domains Registry's Domain Name Registry System, will have their expiry date set to three years from that date;



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- 3.2. Domain Name Licences where the expiry date for the Domain Name or the term of the Registration is not set prior to the commencement of the Qatar Domains Registry's Domain Name Registry System, or the provided expiry date has elapsed, will have their expiry date set to one year from the date of the commencement of the Qatar Domains Registry's Domain Name Registry System; and
- 3.3. All other Legacy Domain Names will become due for Renewal one hundred and twenty (120) Calender Days after the commencement of the New Registry Operations, or the on the existing expiry date, whichever is greater.
- 3.4. All Renewals of Legacy Domain Names will be required to meet the requirements of Qatar Domains Registry Policy in respect of that Domain Name, in which case the relevant Domain Name will be the subject of a Domain Name Licence, as issued by the Qatar Domains Registry.
- 3.5. Registrants who believe that they have a legitimate reason to be exempted from having the expiry date of their Legacy Domain(s) altered in accordance with the principles set out above, or a legitimate reason for not having to meet requirements of the Qatar Domains Registry Policy on renewal, should contact the Qatar Domains Registry.

#### 4. Policy Definition and Review

This Policy document has been prepared and published in order to represent the Qatar Domains Registry's Policy with regard to the administrative and technical management of the Qatar Domains Registry and the Qatar Domains Registry's Domain Name Registry System.

The Qatar Domains Registry may, at its sole discretion, review and/or amend this Policy at any time.