

Registration Policies and Rules of .ae

Article No. 1

Introduction:

This document describes the domain name Registration Policies and Rules for the country code .ae, which is the two-letter top-level code for United Arab Emirates. The Effective Date of the Registration Agreement of .ae shall be the date of UAEnic acceptance of the Registrant application form of .ae. Applicant and /or Registrant shall be deemed to have accepted and agreed to abide by Terms & Conditions and Registration Agreement of .ae immediately upon signing the Registration Application Form of .ae .

Article No. 2

Definitions.

- 1.1 **Administrative Contact:** means the person or organisation responsible for a Domain Name and to whom all enquiries related to the Domain Name may be sent.
- 1.2 **Applicant/Registrant:** means the person or entity which has submitted an application form for registration of sub domain name under .ae or in whose name the domain name has been registered. .
- 1.3 **Billing Contac:** means the person or organisation responsible for making any payments due under the Registration Agreement to the Registry.
- 1.4 **CcTLD:** means A country code top level domain in the top level of the global domain names system, assigned according to the two-letter codes in the ISO 3166-1
- 1.5 **Domain Name:** means the domain name assigned by the Registry to the Registrant.
- 1.6 **Domain Name Registration Application Form of .ae :**means the Form published by the Registry for the purpose of soliciting information from persons or entities seeking to register an Internet domain name, which can be found on the World Wide Web at:
http://nic.ae/english/pdf/registration/appl_form_eng.pdf
- 1.7 **Dispute Rules of .ae :** means Rules for Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy for .ae ,which can be found at http://nic.ae/english/pdf/dispute_resolution/dispute_resolution_rules.pdf
- 1.8 **Schedule of Fee(s) for the Registration of Domain Names in .ae,** which can be found at:
<http://nic.ae/english/registration/fees.jsp>
- 1.9 **Registration Policies and Rules of .ae:** means .ae Registry's Registration Policies and Rules published on the World Wide Web at:
http://nic.ae/english/pdf/Registration_Policies_and_Rules.pdf
- 1.10 **Dispute Policy:** means the Dispute Resolution Policy for Domain Names registered with the Registry, and published on the World Wide Web at:
http://nic.ae/english/pdf/dispute_resolution/dispute_resolution_policy.pdf
- 1.11 **Governing Law:** means the laws of United Arab Emirates.

- 1.12 Whois services under .ae:** means search facility and shall be used by the choice of Registrant /Users for multiple purposes.
- 1.12 Privacy Policy of .ae:** is to be read and used in connection with the Registration Policies of .ae and as a part of the registration Agreement of .ae , published on the World Wide Web at: http://nic.ae/english/pdf/registration/privacy_policy_ae.jpg
- 1.13 Registry:** means the United Arab Emirates Network Information Center (UAEnic), which is the administrator for the country code top level domain .ae. [Provides particulars of registry, including its legal status and address] or any authorized registry delegated by UAEnic.
- 1.14 Registration:** means all information supplied by the Registrant and contained within the Registry data record.
- 1.15 Registration Fee:** shall mean the fees specified in the schedule published on the World Wide Web www.nic.ae or as specified by the Registrant's agent (where applicable) to be paid in connection with an application to register a domain name.
- 1.16 Registry:** means the person or entity responsible for administering a Registry.
- 1.17 Renewal Fee:** means the fee specified in the schedule annexed hereto or as specified by the Registrant's agent (where applicable) to be paid in connection with the renewal of a domain name registration.
- 1.18 Registration Agreement;** which can be found at <http://nic.ae/english/registration/agreement.jsp> and means the:
- I. Domain Name Registration Application Form of .ae;
 - II. Terms and Conditions for the Registration of an Internet Domain Name under .ae ;
 - III. Registration Policies and Rules of .ae;
 - IV. Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy for .ae;
 - V. Rules for Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy for .ae;
 - VI. Schedule of Fees for the Registration of Domain Names in .ae.
 - VII. Privacy Policy of .ae
- 1.19 Terms and Conditions of .ae:** means the Registry's terms and conditions governing the registration and use of a domain name registered with the Registry and published on the World Wide Web at http://nic.ae/english/pdf/registration/terms_conditions_eng.pdf
- 1.20 Transfer Agreement of .ae :** means a model of agreement for transfer domain name under .ae to a third party ,as prepared by Registry ,which can be found at: http://nic.ae/english/pdf/Transfer_Agr_Eng.pdf
- 1.21 Transferee:** means a person or body to whom the Domain Name is assigned.
- 1.22 UAEnic: United Arab Emirates Network Information Center** "UAEnic" is part of Etisalat; Emirates Telecommunications Corp. - Etisalat. It was launched in 2001 as the Registry of .ae to tackle the Registration for the sub-level domain names and as ccTLD Manager of .ae .
- 1.23 ICANN:** refers to the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers.

- 1.24 **Local Internet Community:** means the Internet industry and users (e.g. the Government, Educational Community, Private sector, Internet societies, Individual users, etc).
- 1.25 **ISO 3166-1 :** means the standard codes for the representation of names of countries or territories.

Article No. 3

Registry

1. The only authorized and delegated authority responsible for the management and the administration of .ae is United Arab Emirates Network Information Center (UAEnic).
2. UAEnic may authorize entities to act as Registry and to perform some or all of UAEnic duties. Relationships between UAEnic and any delegated Registry shall be governed by special agreements.
3. Any application related to the registration of any domain name under .ae shall be made through UAEnic or any delegated registrar of .ae.

Article No. 4

Registrant

1. Any individual over the age of twenty one (21) years and any legally recognized entity, irrespective of whether or not the person or entity is residing or located in United Arab Emirates, is eligible for the registration of domain name (s) under .ae.
2. Any Israeli individual or entity shall not be eligible for the registration of domain name(s) under .ae. The UAEnic shall have the right to remove any domain name which the Israeli Boycott Office Rules and Regulations in the UAE decide that it is similar or identical to an Israeli's, or any Intellectual Property Right belonging to person(s) under an interdict by virtue of a decision to that effect.
3. The legal age of Natural person: Natural person over the age of twenty one (21) years is eligible to apply for registration of sub-domain name under .ae and /or UAEnic services and become the "Registrant" of the .ae as per the Registration Agreement of .ae .
4. Natural persons who are at the age of sixteen (16) and above but under twenty one (21) years must submit a parental or Guardian guarantee together with their Application Form.

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Structure

(a) Upon UAEnic's request, the registrant shall furnish UAEnic with documentary proof that the registrant qualifies to have the domain name registered in the sub-domain category of .ae selected by the registrant

(b) The structure of the .ae domain space is as follows :

- 1) .ae Delegated country name space for United Arab Emirates. Flat class;
- 2) .ac.ae Sub-domain for academic organizations (such as Universities, Colleges or Educational Institutes..);
- 3) .gov.ae Sub-domain for government departments and ministries of the United Arab Emirates;
- 4) .org.ae Sub-domain for non profit organizations;
- 5) .net.ae Sub-domain for network service providers;
- 6) .sch.ae Sub-domain for private and public schools;
- 7) .mil.ae Sub-domain for military authorities;
- 8) .name.ae Sub-domain for individuals;
- 9) .pro.ae Sub-domain for professionals (such as lawyers, doctors...);

All domain names are registered on a first come first served basis.

Article No. 6

Acceptable Characters

1. The domain name can be an arbitrary character string, with minimum length of 2 and a maximum of 63 characters;
2. The domain name shall use English character set and may contain letters (A-Z) and numbers (0-9) and dashes (-);
3. The domain name must neither begin nor end with a dash;
4. The domain name cannot include a space;
5. The domain name is case insensitive.

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Un-registrable Domain Name(s)

UAEnic may reject applications for or cancel the registration of domain name (s) composed of the following elements:

- (1) (a) All abbreviations associated with country code top level domains (ccTLDs) whether consisting of two or three letter names such as the standard code for the representation of names of countries or territories “ISO 3166-1”.
 - (b) All the existing generic top level domains (gTLDs) including but not limited to .com, .org, .net;
 - (c) All the existing sub-domains in .ae (.co.ae, ac.ae, .gov.ae, org.ae, .net.ae, .sch.ae, .mil.ae, .name.ae, and .pro.ae);
 - (d) All abbreviations associated with the names of United Arab Emirates provinces and territories, tribes, surnames and official titles associated with United Arab Emirates unless permission has been obtained in advance;
- (2) Any domain name, which violates public morality or is contrary to public order or is against a religion or a religious character;
 - (3) Any domain name, which is likely to deceive the public;
 - (4) Any domain name, which is or might be prejudicial to the interest or security of the nation.
 - (5) Geographical indications, names of regions of the world, countries, provinces, cities, when they are likely to cause confusion unless permission has been obtained in advance;
 - (6) International Non-proprietary Names for Pharmaceutical Substances (INNs) unless permission has been obtained in advance;
 - (7) Names of Intergovernmental Organizations unless permission has been obtained in advance;
 - (8) Names of well-known persons unless permission has been obtained in advance;
 - (9) Domain Names corresponding to trade marks or service marks of a third party unless permission has been obtained in advance.

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Special Rules

Registrant / Applicant by applying for registration of a domain name as part of Application Form of .ae process or by using the service(s) provided by Etisalat and /or UAEnic under the Registration Agreement of .ae, Registrant acknowledges that he /she agrees to be bound by Terms & Conditions and Registration Agreement of .ae, applicable Etisalat terms and conditions. The Registrant / Applicant shall indemnify and hold harmless Etisalat and /or UAEnic against any liability that he/she may suffer in this respect. However, nothing herein shall be taken or understood as prohibiting Etisalat and/or UAEnic or restricting its right to initiate such criminal or civil proceedings it may deem appropriate against the Registrant for enforcement of the above. Etisalat and UAEnic shall also be entitled to disconnect the service of Registrant with or without notice.

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Dates and Times:

All dates and times relevant to domain-name of .ae shall be computed based on the date and time observed in UAE.

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Modifications. We reserve the right to modify this Policy at any time further to notification on our web site at <http://nic.ae/english/registration/agreement.jsp> Registrant under .ae is advised to check it on a regular basis. In the event that you object to a change in this Policy, your sole remedy is to cancel your domain name registration with us, provided that you will not be entitled to a refund of any fees you paid to us. The revised Policy will apply to you until you cancel your domain name registration.