

RDS WG – Drafting Team 2: Domain Name Management and Individual Internet User

Purpose Name: Domain Name Management

WG Agreement 48:

Domain Name Management is a legitimate purpose for collecting some registration data, based on the definition: Information collected to create a domain name registration, enabling management of the domain name registration, and ensuring that the domain registration records are under the control of the authorized party and that no unauthorized changes or transfers are made in the record.

WG Agreement 49:

The following information is to be collected for the purpose of Domain Name Management:

- Domain Name
- Registrant Name
- Registrant Organization
- Registrant Email
- Registrar Name
- Creation Date
- Updated Date
- Expiration Date
- Nameservers
- Domain Status
- Administrative Contact

From <https://community.icann.org/download/attachments/79432604/KeyConceptsDeliberation-WorkingDraft-13Feb2018.pdf>
Note that WG Agreements 48 and 49 were inserted above, as they supersede DT2's original definition of this purpose.

ICANN 61 Questions and Answers

1. Who associated with the domain name registration needs to be identified and/or contacted for each purpose?

The entity identified in this use case is the individual (either private or associated by an organization) who has made the decision to purchase the domain name in order to provide access to Internet services that are or will be made available using the domain name.

This individual has the ultimate say in not only how the domain name is used but is responsible for the domain name management functions including resolving (or knowing how to resolve) operational issues, handling issues related to legal actions, care and update of WHOIS contact details (including ICANN contractual issue), and the ultimate sale and transfer of the domain name.

The entity or entities that need to be identified and respond vary depending on the registration. A simple/personal domain name registration may involve a single entity that is

responsible for all aspects of the domain. Large corporate domain name registration may involve numerous entities each responsible for a specific area.

Specifically

- Selection and creation of the Domain Name – Registrant
- Creation of registrant ID – Registrar
- Configuration of DNS Data (Nameserver IP): Registrant or Organizational DNS Administrator.
- Monitoring and maintenance of WHOIS Status data – Registry and Registrar
- Monitoring to ensure Nameserver and registration data is correct/authoritative – Registrar, Registry, “Tech Contact”, “Admin Contact”.

2. What is the objective achieved by identifying and/or contacting each of those entities?

The purchase [?] and use of a domain name comes with various responsibilities, mostly related to the ensuring the domain name properly resolves and the services associated with the name (and IP) are operational and are being used for intended purposes.

The main objective to identify and to contact this individual is to ensure the ability to address the management related items listed in “Tasks” above, [including who is adding/removing data].

3. What might be expected of that entity with regard to the domain name?

Expectations include the ability to respond and act authoritatively [and responsively] with issues related to registration, issue resolution, domain name transfer, and issues related to legal actions. This entity should also have the ability to determine [after the fact] why changes to domain name data were allowed.

Purpose Name: Individual Internet User

Definition: Collecting the required information of the registrant or relevant contact in the record to allow the internet user to contact or determine reputation of the domain name registration.

From <https://community.icann.org/download/attachments/74580010/RDS%20WG%20DT2%20Draft%20edits%201113.pdf>

Note that a link to DT2's previously-published output for this purpose was inserted above.

ICANN 61 Questions and Answers

1. Who associated with the domain name registration needs to be identified and/or contacted for each purpose?

The entity identified in this use case is the individual (either private or associated with an organization) who has made the decision to purchase the domain name and has ultimate responsibility for the in order to provide access to Internet services that are or will be made available using the domain name.

2. What is the objective achieved by identifying and/or contacting each of those entities?

The objective for Internet end users is to easily identify the domain name Owner in order to determine if its safe to complete a commercial transaction using a service associated with the domain name.

In the case of technical issue resolution the objective is to ensure the ability to contact registrant in case of operational issues related to domain name resolution and services associated with the domain name (e.g. ability to identify ISP/Hosting provider).

3. What might be expected of that entity with regard to the domain name?

Expectations include the ability to properly identify the domain name owner and solve/address operational issues including problems related to abuse and the ability be informed of possible consequences.,.