

# **ICANN** Tutorial

#### Changes in the expiry process

# **Tutorial Agenda**

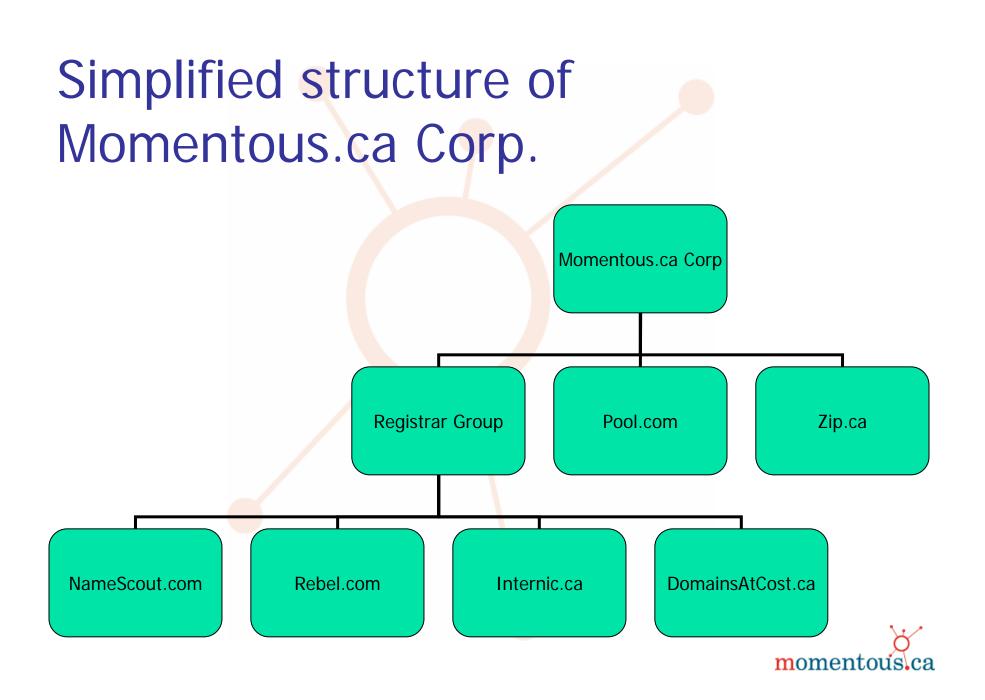
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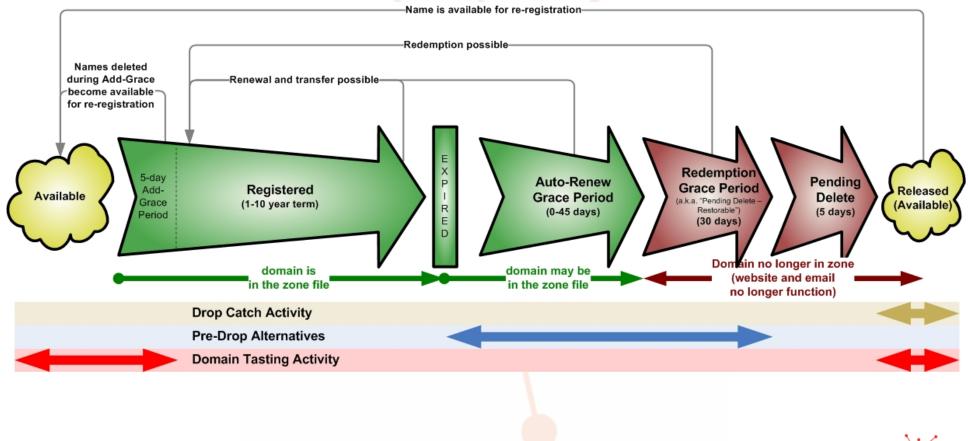
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- Disclaimer/Apology

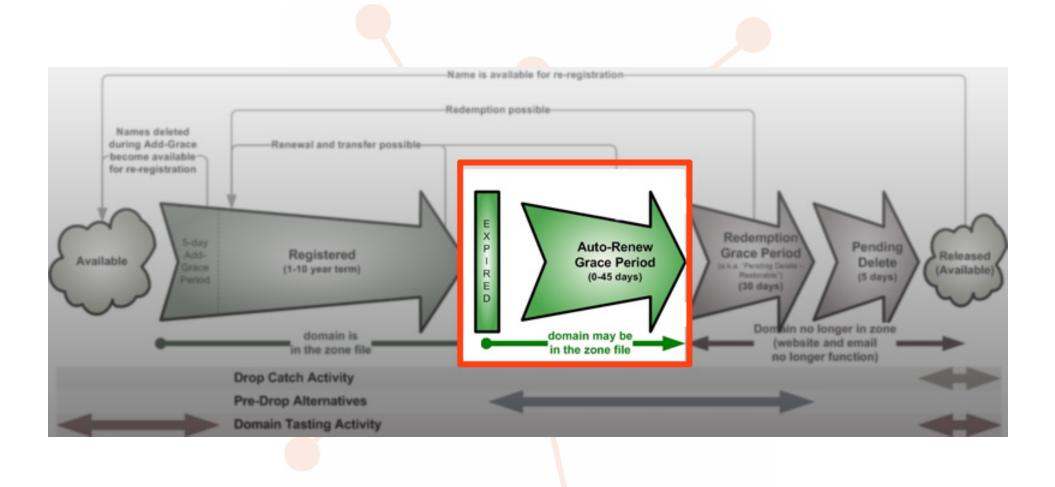




### Domain Lifecycle 5-7 years ago



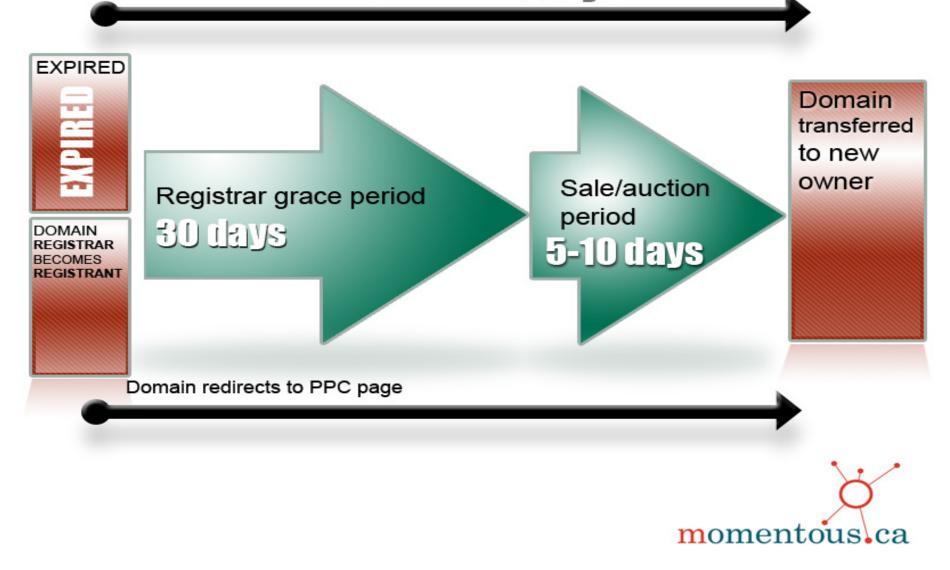






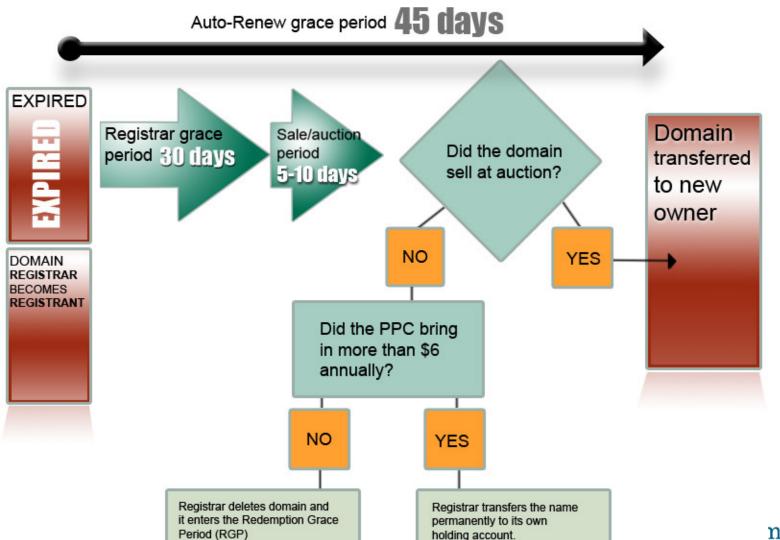


#### Auto-Renew grace period 45 days











### Whois prior to expiry and privacy

#### THANKS TO DOMAIN TOOLS

Cache Date: 2005-02-10 Registrar: NETWORK SOLUTIONS, LLC.

Registrant:

Huntington Clothiers (QONEIJYXMD) 1285 Alum Creek Drive Columbus, OH 43209 US

Domain Name: NECKTIE.COM

Administrative Contact, Technical Contact: Huntington Clothiers (281185520) 1285 Alum Creek Drive Columbus, OH 43209 US 999 999 9999 fax: 999 999 9999

Record expires on 13-Feb-2005. Record created on 12-Feb-1997. Database last updated on 10-Feb-2005 10:48:24 EST.

Domain servers in listed order:

NS5.STORE.YAHOO.COM 216.136.225.199 ST-NS1.YAHOO.COM 216.136.225.202 autonic@STORE.YAHOO.COM



## Whois prior to expiry post privacy

Cache Date: 2006-09-08 Registrar: NETWORK SOLUTIONS, LLC.

Registrant: Huntington Clothiers ATTN: NECKTIE.COM c/o Network Solutions P.O. Box 447 Herndon, VA. 20172-0447

Domain Name: NECKTIE.COM

Administrative Contact, Technical Contact: Huntington Clothiers ATTN: NECKTIE.COM c/o Network Solutions P.O. Box 447 Herndon, VA 20172-0447 570-708-8780

Record expires on 13-Feb-2007. Record created on 12-Feb-1997. Database last updated on 8-Sep-2006 17:33:54 EDT.

Domain servers in listed order:

NS5.STORE.YAHOO.COM 216.136.225.199 ST-NS1.YAHOO.COM 216.136.225.202

hh7vs4tm82z@networksolutionsprivateregistration.com



# Whois during expiry

Cache Date: 2007-02-22 Registrar: NETWORK SOLUTIONS, LLC.

Registrant: Pending Renewal or Deletion P.O. Box 430 Herndon, VA. US 20172-0447

Domain Name: NECKTIE.COM

Administrative Contact, Technical Contact: Pending Renewal or Deletion P.O. Box 430 Herndon, VA 20172-0447 US 570-708-8786

pendingrenewalordeletion@networksolutions.com

Record expires on 13-Feb-2007. Record created on 12-Feb-1997. Database last updated on 22-Feb-2007 04:13:51 EST.

Domain servers in listed order:

NS1.PENDINGRENEWALDELETION.COM 205.178.190.51 NS2.PENDINGRENEWALDELETION.COM 205.178.189.51



## Whois today

 Registrant: Dunn, Morgan 10352 Stanford Ave,Q null Garden Grove, CA 92840 US

Domain Name: NECKTIE.COM

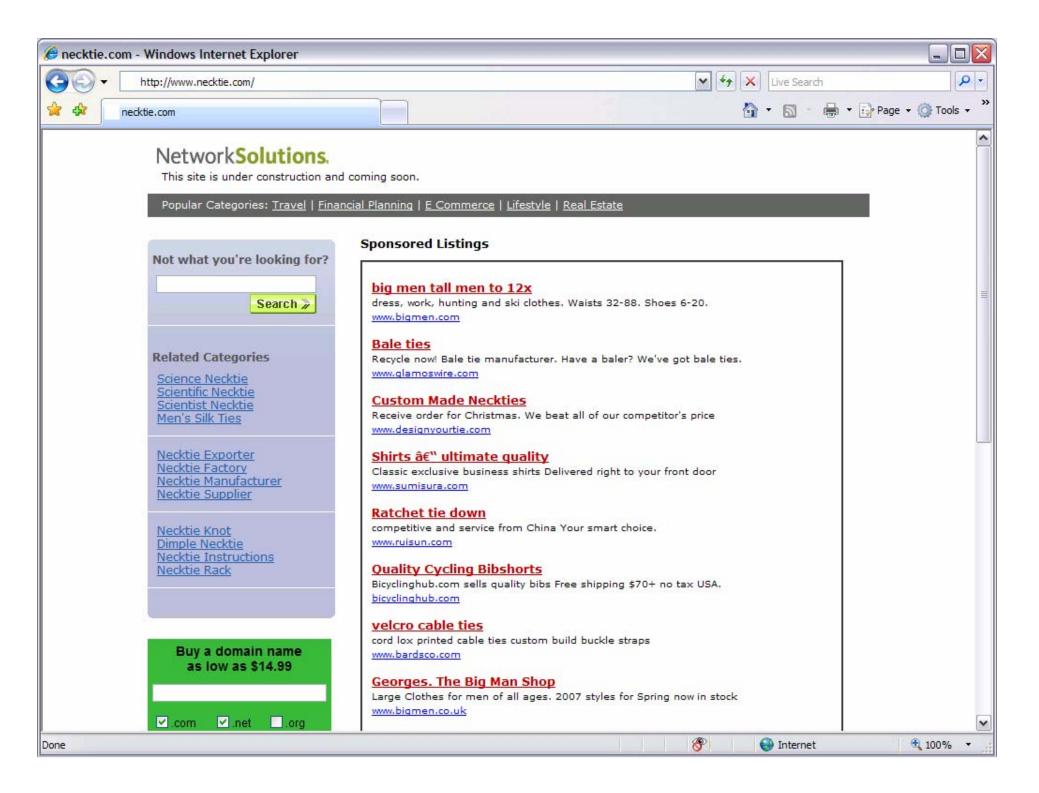
Administrative Contact, Technical Contact: Dunn, Morgan 10352 Stanford Ave,Q null Garden Grove, CA 92840 US +1.7145370334 fax: null

Record expires on 13-Feb-2008. Record created on 12-Feb-1997.

Domain servers in listed order:

NS91.WORLDNIC.COM NS92.WORLDNIC.COM 205.178.190.46 205.178.189.46





# Effect on RGP

- Some confusion between Registrar grace period and Redemption grace period
- Domains of value no longer enter the ICANN Redemption Grace Period
- Domains no longer deleted
- Domain could be transferred to new owner the day it expires.



# Effect on UDRP

- Is the UDRP becoming useless ?
- 2 schools of thought
- Original registration date important
- Now that original date stays the same as domains transfer between Registrants, rather than delete and are re-registered
- Registrar/Registrant transfer is new contract thus new Registration – camera.com
- In either case, significant impact on UDRP



# Effect on Transfers

- Transfers no longer possible after expiry date
- Registrant is now the Registrar
- No permissions possible to initiate the transfer
- Registrant must renew with existing Registrant



#### **Registrar Silos**



#### **Privacy Services**

- Privacy Services become the Registrant
- Make transferring even easier
- Bankruptcy or decision against a privacy service – portfolio of domains service has becomes an asset for creditors
- Much easier to sue/UDRP a privacy service



# **Renewal Practices**

- Typically about 30% of domains do not renew.
- May be incentive now for the Registrar to not renew.
- Over 50% of domains in existence are for sale
- Secondary market is now the primary market



# Registrar Portfolios

- Domain Portfolio worth 8-10 times annual revenue of PPC on portfolio
- Valuation does not include marquee names
- Make very small margins on renewals.
  Very large margins on re-sale and auctions or keeping for their portfolio.
- \$2-\$3 for renewal, \$60-\$500,000 for resale.



- Marchex with a 300,000 name portfolio sold for 164 million.
- Same year, NetSol sold for 100 million and had over 7 million names in its portfolio
- Registrars now worth more for their portfolio than their traditional Registrar business



# What's Next = Massive Changes

- Market will continue to evolve
- More advertisers
- Domains being bought down to the \$4 mark
- Domainer numbers growing
- New Primary market evolves

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