## Contractual Compliance

Registry Outreach for Delegated TLDs

27 March 2014



### Agenda

- Compliance General Overview
- Compliance Scope
- Registry Requirements
- Registry Compliance Data
- Q&A session



### Vision - Mission - Approach

#### **ICANN's Vision**

One World. One Internet.



Contractual Compliance's Vision

To be a
"trusted"
Contractual
Compliance
service provider

#### **ICANN's Mission**

To ensure the stable and secure operation of the Internet's unique identifier systems.



Contractual Compliance's

Mission

To preserve the security, stability and resiliency of the Domain Name System and to promote consumer trust

#### **ICANN's Approach**

Open and Transparent Equitable Treatment



Contractual Compliance's Approach

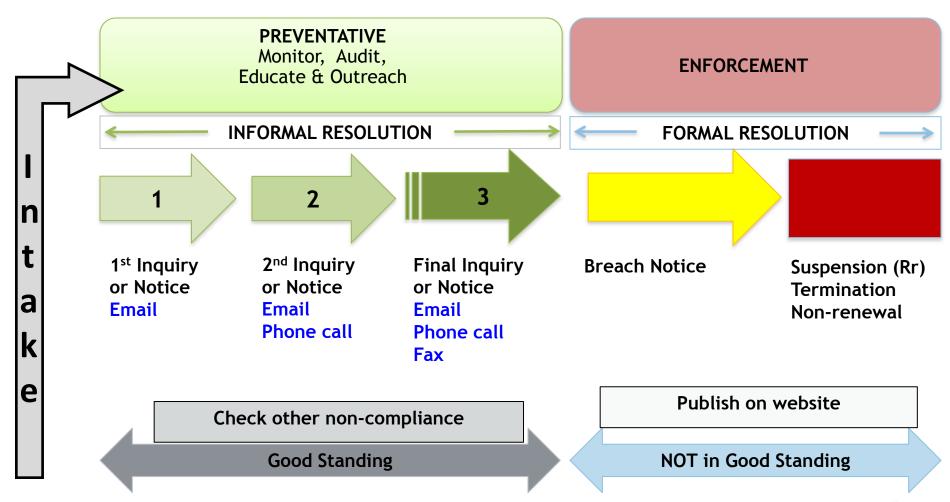
Prevention through collaboration

Transparency through communication

Enforcement

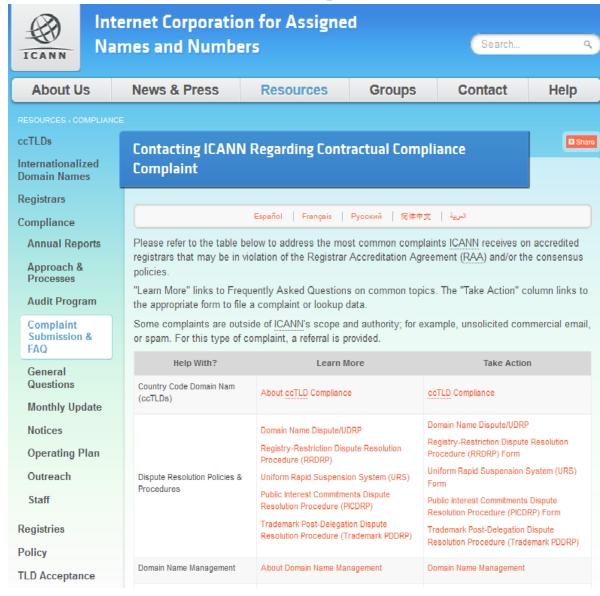


# General Compliance Approach with Fact-based Decisions



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### Complaint Navigation, FAQs & Forms



Link to
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### Complaint Management Guidelines

Registry receives an inquiry or a notice...now what?

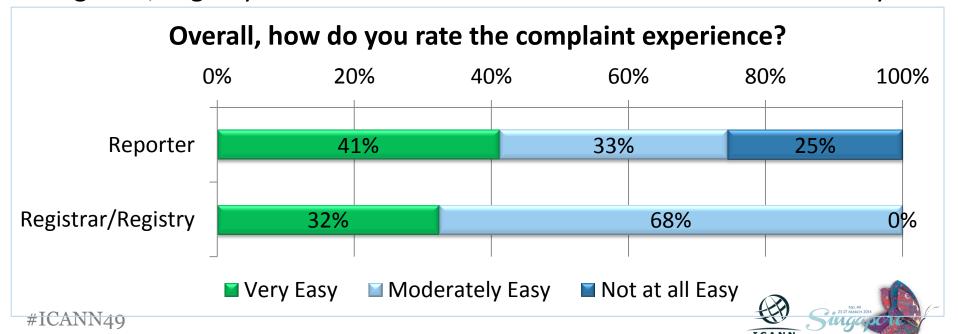
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- Do NOT edit subject line
- Attachments should not be greater than 4MB
- Attachment file formats .pdf,.doc(x), .txt



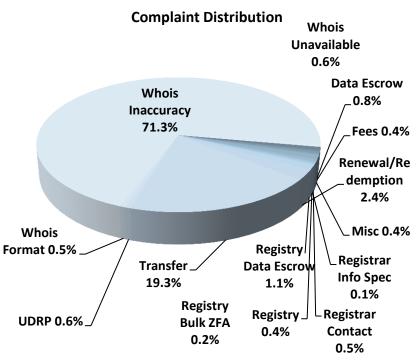
#### Pulse Survey Results – Closed Complaints Nov 2013 – Feb 2014

- Pulse Survey asks five customer satisfaction questions
- Pulse Survey URL link included in all Closure notification emails to Complaint Reporters & Registrar/Registry

- Reporter
  - Response rate: 1.8%
  - 74.5% answered favorably
- Registrar
  - Response rate: 0.8%
  - 100% answered favorably



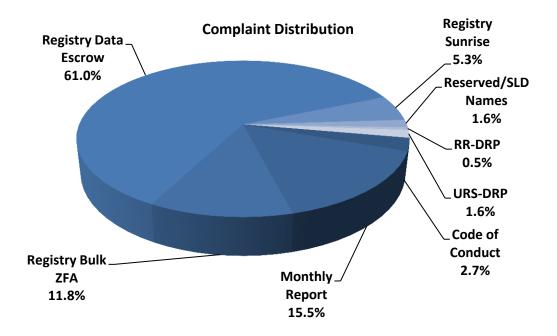
#### Compliance Scorecard - Nov 2013 - Feb 2014



Registrar/Registry TAT	# days
Avg TAT 1st Notice	12.6
Avg TAT 2nd Notice	8.3
Avg TAT 3rd Notice	8.8
CC Staff TAT	
Avg TAT Open-1st Notice	1.8
Avg TAT 2nd WIP	2.4
Avg TAT 3rd WIP	5.8
Avg TAT Received-Closed	9.7

	No. Consideration	
	New Complaints	Sub-total
REGISTRAR	10009	
REGISTRY	226	
Total New Complaints Received		10,235
Total Prior Months Carryover		3,655
Total Complaints Received		13,890
	<b>Complaints Closed</b>	
Volume Closed Before 1st Notice	4,090	
Volume Closed Before 2nd Notice	3,747	
Volume Closed Before 3rd Notice	663	
Volume Closed Before Enforcement WIP	75	
Volume Closed After Enforcement	26	
Total Closed		8,601
	<b>Complaints Open</b>	
	(Carryover)	
Volume Open Before 1st Notice Sent	2,230	
Volume Open in 1st Notice Sent	2,534	
Volume Open in 2nd Notice Sent	406	
Volume Open in 3rd Notice Sent	103	
Volume Open After Enforcement All	16	
Total Remaining Open (Carryover)		5,289
Carryover- at end of period	1,686	1,686
	Enforcements	
Volume Breach	12	
Volume Termination	4	

#### Registry Complaints Data Nov 2013 – Feb 2014



	(in
Registry TAT	days)
Avg TAT 1st Notice	5.1
Avg TAT 2nd Notice	5.0
Avg TAT 3rd Notice	n/a

Enforcements	
Volume Breach	0
Volume	0
Termination	

REGISTRY Complaints	Quantity
Code of Conduct	5
Monthly Report	29
Registry Bulk ZFA	22
Registry Data Escrow	114
Registry – Other	39
Registry Sunrise	10
Reserved/SLD Names	3
RR-DRP	1
URS-DRP	3
Total Complaints Processed	226
Total Complaints Closed	71



# Lessons Learned Since Launch of Newly Delegated gTLDs

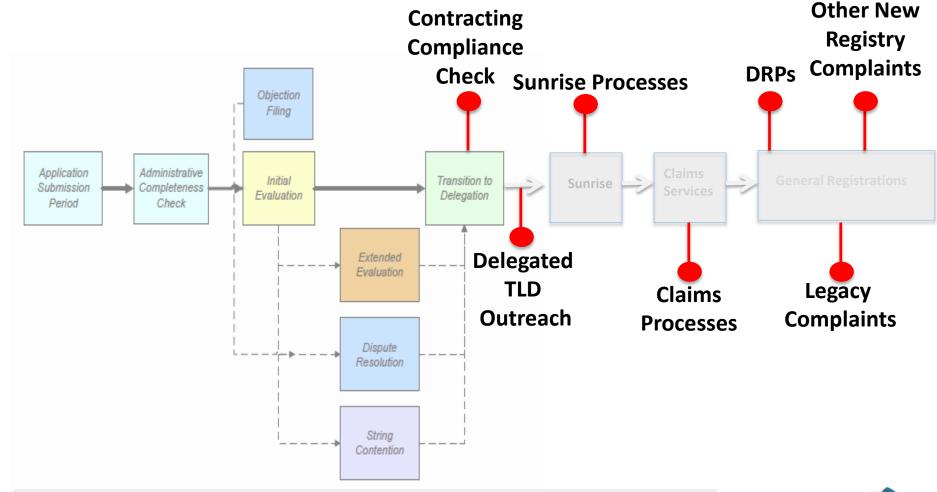
- Generally, registries must comply with their contractual obligations under the Registry Agreement upon delegation.
- Some obligations are triggered upon signing of the Registry Agreement.



### Compliance Scope

- The <u>Registry Agreement</u> and applicable <u>Consensus</u> <u>Policies</u>
- The Dispute Resolution Procedures
  - Public Interest Commitments
  - Community Registration Restrictions
  - Trademark Post-Delegation
  - Uniform Rapid Suspension
- The Sunrise Processes
- The Claims Services Processes
- The Audit is limited to the representations and warranties in Article 1, and the covenants in Article

## New Registry Agreement Efforts Applicant Guidebook Timeline



Link to ICANN.org:

http://www.icann.org/en/resources/compliance/registries



#### **Registry Complaint Types**

- Data Escrow
- Monthly Reports
- SLA
- Reserved Names
- Registry Fees

- Sunrise Processes & Procedures
- Centralized Zone File Access
- Name Collision SLDs Blocked
- Post-delegation Procedures
  - Public Interest Commitments,
  - Registry Restrictions
  - Trademark Post-Delegation
- Rights Protection Mechanism
  - Uniform Rapid Suspension

- Wildcard Prohibition
- Abuse Contact Data
- Registry Operator Code of Conduct
- Trademark Claims Notice
- Continued Operations Instrument
- Failure to Notify ICANN
  - Officer/Board Member Conviction
  - Bankruptcy



# Obligations Upon Signing of Registry Agreement

- Meet Interoperability/Continuity Standards (Specification 6)
- Reserve Special Domain Names (Specification 5)
- Abide by Public Interest Commitments (Specification 11, sections 1& 2)
- Implement Community Registration Policies (Specification 12)
- Abide by Public Interest Commitments (Specification 11, Sections 1& 2)
- Uphold Rights Protection Mechanisms (Specification 7)
- Maintain Continued Operations Instrument (Specification 8)
- Abide by Registry Operator Code of Conduct (Specification 9)



#### Data Escrow Requirements

Specification 2 Part A of the Base Registry Agreement

- > Sunday: full deposits to DEA by 23:59 UTC
- Full deposit consists of the entire set of registry database objects as defined
- Monday-Saturday: differential deposits by 23:59UTC (or a full deposit)
- Differential deposit includes all registry database objects that have been created, deleted, or updated since the previous full or differential deposit
- Send daily notification of deposit to ICANN

Note: DEA notifies ICANN on a daily basis of a missed, valid or invalid deposit



### Monthly Reports Requirements

#### Specification 3 of the Base Registry Agreement

- > Two reports are required
  - 1. Registry Functions Activity
  - 2. Per Registrar Transaction Report
- ➤ The Registry Operator must provide one set per gTLD, using the API described in draft—lozano-icann-registry-interfaces, see Specification 2, Part A, Section 9, reference 5.



#### Zone File Access Requirements

Specification 4, Section 2 of the Base Registry Agreement

- Must provide to ICANN, bulk access to the zone files by 00:00:00 UTC
- Must provide zone data to the end users who request it through the Centralized Zone Data Service
- Must provide zone data to approved requesters (e.g. law enforcement agents, IP attorneys, researchers) upon technical delegation of its gTLD



#### Code of Conduct Requirements

Specification 9 of the Base Registry Agreement

- Provide registrars equal access to registry services
- > Follow reserved names rules
  - > Reserve Example, WWW, RDDS, WHOIS at all levels
  - Reserve Two-character labels at the second level
  - Reserve names on the list of Inter-governmental organizations (IGO) at the second level
  - Reserve names on the list of International Olympic Committee, International Red Cross & Red reserve names on the Crescent movements at the second level
  - > Reserve country and territory names at all levels



### Code of Conduct Requirements

#### Specification 9 of the Base Registry Agreement

- Must prevent front-running
- Must prevent unauthorized disclosures of Personal Data by the affiliated registrars
- > If vertically integrated:
  - Separate legal entities and separate accounting books
  - Provide certificate of compliance and the results of the internal review by January 20th



### Other Category

Contains invalid complaints - not within the scope of the gTLD Registry Agreement, Registrar Accreditation Agreement nor ICANN consensus policies



#### Rights Protection Mechanisms

#### Specification 7 of the Base Registry Agreement

- Comply with Trademark Clearinghouse Rights Protection Mechanisms Requirements
- Comply with all dispute resolution procedures
  - > Uniform Rapid Suspension
    - lock of domain name within 24 hours of notice by URS provider
    - perform the actions required upon notification of a URS decision
  - Registry Restriction Procedure and Trademark-Post Delegation Procedure
    - Perform the remedial actions if the Reporter prevails in the dispute

#### Reserved Names Requirements

Article 2.6 & Specification 5 of the Base Registry Agreement

- ➤ May reserve names, not activated in DNS
- Mandatory reserved names are
  - > Example, WWW, RDDS, WHOIS at all levels
  - Two-character labels at the second level
  - Names on the list of Inter-governmental organizations (IGO), at the second level
  - Names on the list of International Olympic Committee, International Red Cross & Red Crescent, at the second level
  - Country and Territory names at all levels

Note: ICANN has the right to request the list of reserved names



#### Name-Collision, SLDs Requirements

Article 2.6, Specifications 6 of the Base Registry Agreement

Implement List of SLDs to Block until Name Collision Occurrence Assessment for the gTLD is approved and implemented



# Registration Restriction Dispute Resolution Procedure Requirements Specification 7 of the 2013 Base Registry Agreement

- Comply with community registration policies per Article
   2.19 and Specification 12
- ICANN conducts a preliminary review of the complaint to ensure that it is complete, has a claim of non-compliance with at least one registration restriction, and that the reporter is in good standing.
- If the report passes the initial review, the complaint is sent to the Registry Operator; if the dispute remains unsettled the Reporter may then file a complaint with a approved Service Provider



# Uniform Rapid Suspension Requirements

Specification 7 of the Base Registry Agreement

- Registry must lock a domain name in dispute under URS within 24 hours of receipt of Notice of Lock from URS Provider
  - ➤ If URS Provider submits complaint to ICANN, 1-2-3 expedited notices (24 hours each) to registry operator
- Registry must perform the steps in section 10.2 of URS procedure upon receipt of an URS Determination in favor of the complainant
  - ICANN enforces upon report by Complainant that prevailed



# Public Interest Commitments Requirements

Specification 11 of the Base Registry Agreement

- Comply with mandatory and voluntary (as applicable) commitments
- ICANN conducts a preliminary review of the complaint to ensure that it is complete, has a claim of non-compliance with at least one commitment, and that the reporter is in good standing
- Registry and Reporter have 30 days to resolve dispute; if unsettled ICANN investigates or defer to Standing Panel
- Standing panel has 15 days to return a Decision to ICANN
- If Reporter prevails ICANN send notice of breach to registry operator and it has 30 days to cure

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