

TAIWAN NETWORK INFORMATION CENTER
Domain Name Registration Policies and Regulations

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[Translation]¹

PART ONE: Un-registrable Domain Names and Technical Restrictions to Registrable Domain Names in All Types of Domain Names

1. Domain Names are registrable if the following rules for the respective types of Domain Name are complied:
 - I. For the specific Domain Names in the English characters:
 - (1) All Domain Names shall be an arbitrary character string consisting of the 26 English letters (A-Z and a-z, case insensitive), numbers (0-9) and dash (-), provided that all domain names shall start and end with an English letter or a number.
 - (2) The dash (-) shall not exist at the first position or the last position. Neither shall it exist in consequence at the 3rd and 4th positions.
 - (3) All Domain Names shall have 2 to 63 characters.
 - II. For Domain Names in the Chinese characters:
 - (1) All Domain Names shall comprise at least 2 consecutive Chinese characters defined by the Big5 System. The English letters (A-Z and a-z, case insensitive), numbers (0-9) and dash (-) may be used but no Domain Name shall begin or end with a dash.
 - (2) The Domain Names between levels are connected with a (.).

- (3) The total length of a domain name shall not exceed 63 bytes, after being converted by the punycode.
 - (4) The combination of the traditional Chinese characters and the simplified Chinese characters in a domain name is not acceptable.
- III. For generic Domain Names in the English characters:
- (1) All Domain Names shall be an arbitrary character string consisting of the 26 English letters (A-Z and a-z, case insensitive), numbers (0-9) and dash (-), provided that all domain names shall start and end with an English letter or a number.
 - (2) The dash (-) shall not exist at the first position or the last position. Neither shall it exist in consequence at the 3rd and 4th positions.
 - (3) All Domain Names shall have 3 to 63 characters.
2. Un-registrable Domain Names
- (1) For specific Domain Names in the English characters: Not available.
 - (2) For specific Domain Names in the Chinese characters: See: http://www.twnic.net.tw/DN/res_word/t1.html
 - (3) For generic Domain Names in the Chinese characters: See: <http://www.twnic.net.tw/DN/resword/index.html>
 - (4) For generic Domain Names in the English characters: See:
 - (5) <http://mydn.twnic.net.tw/ch/dn02/INDEX1.htm>

PART TWO: Types and Requirements for Registration of Domain Names with TWNIC

Domain Names registrable with TWNIC are classified into the following types: the specific Domain Names in the English characters, the specific Domain Names in the Chinese characters, the generic Domain Names in the Chinese characters, the generic Domain Names in the English characters and the generic top level Domain Names in the Chinese characters. The requirements for the respective types are as follows:

1. The specific Domain Names in the English characters:
 - I. “edu.tw” – Applicants must be a legally registered education or research institute. These Domain Names shall be registered with the Ministry of Education.
 - II. “gov.tw” – Applicants must be a government agency established by law. These Domain Names shall be registered with the Research, Development and Evaluation Commission.
 - III. “mil.tw” – Applicants must be a national defense or military institute

established by law. These Domain Names shall be registered with the Ministry of National Defense.

- IV. "com.tw" – The applicant must be a corporation registered under the Company Law or a business registered under the Commercial Entity Registration Law, or a foreign corporation registered under competent national or state laws.
 - V. "net.tw" – The applicant must have obtained a license for the Class 1 telecommunication enterprises, a license for network installation services or a license for the Class 2 telecommunication enterprises.
 - VI. "org.tw" – A foundation or a non-profit organization registered under the laws of the Republic of China; A foreign non-profit organization registered under its national, state or federal laws, with particular needs in registering a domain name under org.tw approved by the Domain Name Committee of TWNIC .
 - VII. "idv.tw" – The applicant may be any individual person, provided his/her identity has been verified via emails.
 - VIII. "game.tw" – No particular restriction is applied, provided that the applicant's identity has been verified via emails.
 - IX. "club.tw" – No particular restriction is applied, provided that the applicant's identity has been verified via emails.
2. The specific Domain Names in the Chinese characters:
The applicant must first obtain the registration of a corresponding specific Domain Name in the English characters with the TWNIC. When an applicant registers a specific Domain Name in the English characters with the TWNIC, a corresponding specific Domain Name in the Chinese characters will automatically registered under the same applicant. The corresponding relations between the specific Domain Names in the English characters with their corresponding specific Domain Names in the Chinese characters are as follows:
- I. "com.tw" Domain Names correspond to "商業.tw" domain names.
 - II. "org.tw" Domain Names correspond to "組織.tw" domain names.
 - III. "net.tw" Domain Names correspond to "網路.tw" domain names.
3. The generic Domain Names in the Chinese characters
All duly registered corporations, business entities, juristic persons and natural persons are eligible for this type of Domain Names.
4. The generic Domain Names in the English characters
Any duly registered corporate, business entity, juristic person or natural person is eligible for this type of Domain Names.
5. The generic top level Domain Names in the Chinese characters.

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PART THREE: Fee Schedule for Registration, Transfer, Cancellation and Corrections of Domain Names:

1. Registration Fees and Administration Fees for Domain Names:

Types of Domain Name	Illustrations	Maximum Fees
Specific DN in the English characters	com.tw net.tw org.tw game.tw ebiz.tw club.tw	Administration fee, NT800/year
	idv.tw	Administration fee, NT400/year
Generic DN in the Chinese characters	中文.tw	Administration fee, NT800/year
Generic top level DN in the Chinese characters	中文.台灣	Administration fee, NT800/year
Generic DN in the English characters	ascii.tw	Administration fee, NT800/year
Specific DN in the Chinese characters	商業.tw 組織.tw 網路.tw	Temporarily no fee is collected.

2. Fees collectable for corrections of Domain Names:

Types of Domain Name	Illustrations	Maximum Fees
Specific DN in the English characters	com.tw net.tw org.tw game.tw ebiz.tw club.tw	NT 450/correction
	idv.tw	NT 270/correction
Specific DN in the Chinese characters	商業.tw 組織.tw 網路.tw	Temporarily no fee is collected.

3. System-setting fee to activate the domain names automatically given to the registration of a .台灣 top-level domain name in the Chinese characters or a generic .tw domain name in the Chinese characters: A one-time payment of NT 200. This fee is not collected during the promotion of the .台灣 top-level domain names, unless the Fee Collecting Committee of TWNIC otherwise decided and approved by the National Communications Commission(NCC).
4. Fees for transfer and cancellation of a Domain Name:
Temporarily no fee is collected.
5. List of registrars and methods of payments
All registrars have provided a variety of methods for the applicants' payment in the registration fees and the administration fees. Methods include telegram transfer, ATM transfer and online credit card payment, for the applicants' choices.

Registrar	Registrable DNs	Payment methods	Website address
TISNet Technology Inc.	com.tw/org.tw/net.tw/idv.tw /game.tw/ebiz.tw/club.tw 商業.tw/組織.tw/網路.tw Generic DN in Chinese Generic DN in English	1. TT/ATM 2. Online	http://reg.tisnet.net.tw
Asia Pacific Telecom Co., Ltd.	com.tw/org.tw/net.tw/idv.tw /game.tw 商業.tw/組織.tw/網路.tw Generic DN in Chinese Generic DN in English	1. TT/ATM 2. Online	http://rs.apol.com.tw
HiNet Internet Service by Chunghua Telecom	com.tw/org.tw/net.tw/idv.tw 商業.tw/組織.tw/網路.tw Generic DN in Chinese Generic DN in English	1. TT/ATM 2. Online	http://nweb.hinet.net/eng-pay.html , for corporate http://nweb.hinet.net/idv-pay.html , for individual http://nweb.hinet.net/ctw-pay.html , for generic DN in Chinese http://nweb.hinet.net/epay-etw-info.html , for generic DN in English
Net-Chinese Co. Ltd.	com.tw/org.tw/net.tw/idv.tw /game.tw/ebiz.tw/club.tw 商業.tw/組織.tw/網路.tw Generic DN in Chinese	1. TT/ATM 2. Online	http://www.net-chinese.com.tw

	Generic DN in English		
PC Home Online Inc.	com.tw/org.tw/net.tw/idv.tw /game.tw 商業.tw/組織.tw/網路.tw Generic DN in Chinese Generic DN in English	1. TT/ATM 2. Online	http://myname.pchome.com.tw/shopping/price_tw.htm
New Century InfoComm Tech. Co. Ltd.	com.tw/org.tw/net.tw/idv.tw /game.tw 商業.tw/組織.tw/網路.tw Generic DN in Chinese Generic DN in English	1. Online 2. Postage office 3. Convenient store	http://rs.seed.net.tw/pay.html
Taiwan Fixed Network, Inc.	com.tw/org.tw/net.tw/idv.tw /game.tw/ebiz.tw/club.tw 商業.tw/組織.tw/網路.tw Generic DN in Chinese Generic DN in English	Online	http://rs.seed.net.tw/pay.html
Neustar Inc.	com.tw/org.tw/idv.tw/game.tw/ebiz.tw/club.tw Generic DN in Chinese Generic DN in English	Online	http://www.neustar.tw
WEBCC Ltd.	com.tw/org.tw/net.tw/idv.tw /game.tw/ebiz.tw/club.tw Generic DN in Chinese Generic DN in English	Online	http://www.webnic.tw/
IP Mirror Pte. Ltd.	com.tw/org.tw/net.tw/idv.tw /game.tw/ebiz.tw/club.tw Generic DN in Chinese Generic DN in English	Online	http://www.ipmirror.tw
Taiwan Network Information Center (TWNIC)	com.tw/org.tw/net.tw/idv.tw 商業.tw/組織.tw/網路.tw (Renewal only)	1. TT/ATM 2. Online 3. Convenient store	http://rs.twnic.net.tw/english

¹ In case of any discrepancy between this translation and the original Chinese text, the Chinese text shall govern. Terms in this translation expressed in the singular should be construed as also including the plural, and vice versa.