

ANNEX .KYOTO - SPECIAL CONDITIONS FOR THE .KYOTO TLD

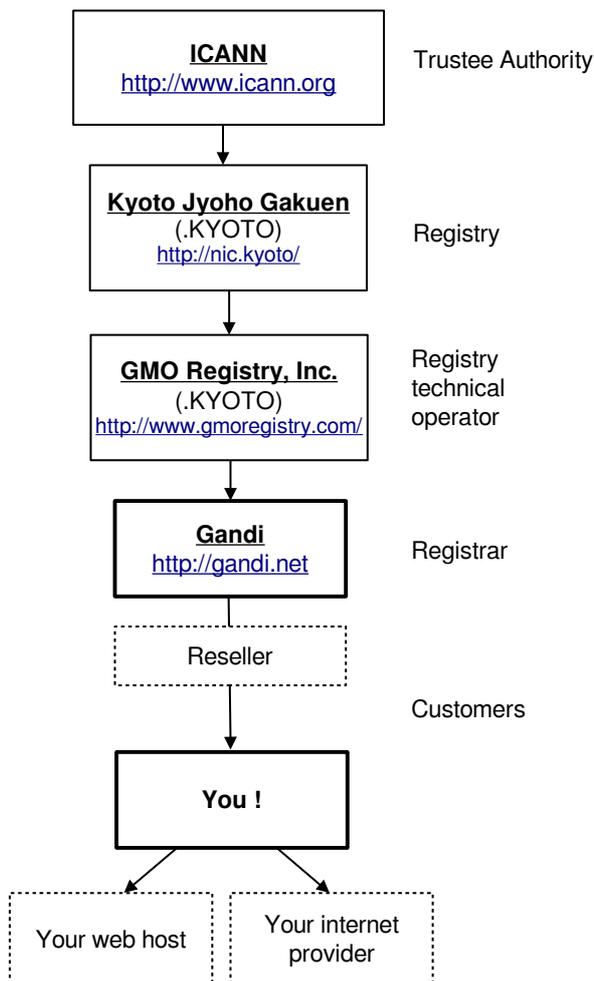
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In addition to Gandi's [General Terms and Conditions](#) for domain name registration, the registration and use of a .KYOTO domain name implies the acceptance of and compliance to the present special conditions contained herein.

All Your legal information and contracts can be viewed at any time via Our [website](#). Capitalized terms have the definition attributed to them in Our [General Terms and Conditions](#) of Domain Name Registration. Specifically, "You" refers to the owner of the domain name, and "We" designates Gandi. Your current contracts are freely available for viewing when You log into Your account at: <http://www.gandi.net/admin/contracts/>.

Section .KYOTO.1. Trustee authority and Registry

.KYOTO is a generic Top-Level-Domain (gTLD) dedicated to the promotion of all activities in the city of Kyoto (Japan). The following diagram presents the various parties involved for the .KYOTO TLD:



You can view the information and special rules of each party involved by clicking on the respective links.

Section .KYOTO.2. Registration terms and conditions

When You apply to register a .KYOTO domain name, You acknowledge that You have fully understood, and that You certify to have full knowledge of and that You agree to abide by all the rules and specific conditions of .KYOTO domain names, as defined by ICANN and Kyoto Jyoho Gakuen, and which may be viewed at the following pages:

- KYOTO Domain Name Registration Policy: http://nic.kyoto/pdf/dotkyoto_domain_name_registration_policies.pdf

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- Acceptable Use Policy: http://nic.kyoto/pdf/dotkyoto_acceptable_use_policy.pdf
- ICANN consensus policies: <http://www.icann.org/en/general/consensus-policies.htm>

These contracts bind You to the .KYOTO Registry. The special conditions contained herein do not replace these rules, but rather form part of them. You acknowledge to have fully understood and to have accepted these rules on Our Website.

The contract between ICANN and the .KYOTO Registry is available at the following address:

<http://www.icann.org/en/about/agreements/registries/kyoto>

Section .KYOTO.3. Launch rules

The .KYOTO domain name launch will occur in 4 phases: Sunrise I, Sunrise II, Landrush and general opening.

The Sunrise I phase runs from October 1st to November 30th, 2015 and the Sunrise II phase from December 2nd to December 25th, 2015. The Landrush phase will run from January 4th to February 3rd, 2016. General opening is scheduled for February 10th, 2016. These dates are not definitive and are subject to change by the Registry.

Preregistrations during Sunrise, Landrush and general opening phases are available at Gandi: domain names can be ordered at that time, but will not yet be registered or reserved.

Section .KYOTO.4. Special requirements

.KYOTO special requirements are available at:

<http://www.gandi.net/domain/kyoto/info>

.KYOTO domain names are open to:

- Kyoto municipalities and local governments;
- Public and private institutions with a valid physical address in Kyoto;
- Organizations, companies, and other businesses with a valid physical address in Kyoto; and
- Natural persons with a valid physical address in Kyoto.

You must remain in compliance with the Registry's eligibility requirements at all times. The Registry will conduct scans of registration data from time to time in order to ensure compliance with the registration requirements. Any failure of a registration to satisfy the Nexus Requirement will result in the name being placed on a hold for an initial period of 30 days. We will be notified of such a hold and be given the opportunity to correct any information. If You do not comply during the hold time frame, the domain name may be subject to deletion.

Any entity or natural person who does not have a valid physical

street address in Kyoto but has a legitimate purpose for registering and using a .KYOTO domain name may apply directly to the Registry at dotkyoto@kcg.edu.

Applications that meet one of the following criteria may be approved for registration via an accredited registrar:

- Applicants who can demonstrate a positive economic contribution to Kyoto through business activities;
- Applications endorsed by the Kyoto prefectural government; or
- Applications endorsed by the Kyoto chamber of commerce, or other economic association with a presence in Kyoto.

Section .KYOTO.5. Sunrise I

5.1 Eligibility rules

Only owners of a trademark registered with the trademark rights protection mechanism “**TMCH**” (Trademark Clearinghouse) established by ICANN are eligible to make a request during the Sunrise period.

As a TMCH trademark agent, Gandi can proceed with the registration of Your trademarks with TMCH (service reserved to Our Corporate customers, please contact Our [Corporate team](#)).

Eligibility conditions concerning the registration of a trademark with TMCH and the applicable rules are available at the following address: <http://www.trademark-clearinghouse.com/downloads>

Once Your trademark has been validated, TMCH generates one or several "labels" strictly identical to Your trademark.

Upon the submission of Your trademark with TMCH, You can choose the Sunrise service, provided that Your trademark has been validated by TMCH. The Sunrise service includes:

- generating a “SMD” (Signed Mark Data) file that proves the validation of Your trademark and allows You to make a registration request during the Sunrise period for one or several domain names strictly identical to the “label(s)” generated, provided that You comply with the eligibility conditions and rules enacted by the Registry,
- sending notifications (NORNs) that inform You of the registration of a domain name identical to Your trademark by a third party during the Sunrise period.

During Your registration request on Our interface, You must upload Your “SMD” file for verification.

5.2 Allocation rules

Sunrise applications are not reviewed on a “first-come first-served” basis, they will be considered as having arrived at the same time:

- if only one qualified application is made for a domain name, the domain name will be registered on behalf of applicant within the days following the end of the Sunrise period,
- if multiple qualified applications are made for the same domain name, the domain name will be subject to closed auction between all applicants for this domain name. The rules applicable to the auction procedure will be available at the following webpage: http://nic.kyoto/pdf/dotkyoto_domain_name_registration_policies.pdf (1.6)

When a domain name is allocated to You in Sunrise I period, third parties who own an identical mark registered within TMCH are notified of Your registration.

5.3 Dispute resolution

Any dispute relative to the validation of Your trademark with TMCH must be submitted in accordance with the dispute resolution procedure established by TMCH:

<http://www.trademark-clearinghouse.com/dispute>

Any dispute arising from the allocation of a domain name during the Sunrise period must be submitted in accordance with the dispute resolution procedure established by the Registry that You agree fully abide by:

http://nic.kyoto/pdf/dotkyoto_sunrise_dispute_resolutionpolicy.pdf

5.4. Refund Conditions

In any case, You will not be entitled to receive any refund if Your application is rejected (eligibility criteria not met, “SMD” file invalid or revoked ...) or if the domain name is not granted to You (domain name granted to an other person during an auction, if a third party has successfully challenged the domain name registration ...).

Section .KYOTO.6. Sunrise II

6.1 Eligibility rules

Sunrise II is a priority registration phase for:

- local government,
- public institutions,
- trademark holders whose marks are not registered or not eligible to be registered in the TMCH, and marks that are registered in the TMCH but generate no valid labels,
- holders of trademarks in non-ASCII scripts,
- regional collective marks,
- and other rights holders.

The requested domain name must be identical to the trademark or other right on which the application is based.

If Your application for registration is based on a trademark or other right in Japanese characters, the domain name must match the transliteration / transcription in to ASCII character according to the Registry's rules :

http://nic.kyoto/pdf/dotkyoto_domain_name_registration_policies.pdf (2.3.1 and 2.3.2)

Registrations during the Sunrise II phase are not available on Our Interface, please contact Our customer service department.

6.2 Allocation rules

Sunrise applications are not reviewed on a “first-come first-served” basis, they will be considered as having arrived at the same time:

- if only one qualified application is made for a domain name, the domain name will be registered on behalf of applicant within the days following the end of the Sunrise period,
- if multiple qualified applications are made for the same domain name, the domain name will be subject to closed auction between all applicants for this domain name. The rules applicable to the auction procedure will be available at the following webpage: http://nic.kyoto/pdf/dotkyoto_domain_name_registration_policies.pdf (2.6)

6.3. Refund Conditions

In any case, You will not be entitled to receive any refund if Your application is rejected (eligibility criteria not met ...) or if the domain name is not granted to You (domain name granted to an other person during an auction, if a third party has successfully challenged the domain name registration ...).

Section .KYOTO.7. Landrush

7.1 Eligibility rules

Open to anyone eligible to the registration of a .KYOTO.

7.2 Allocation rules

Landrush applications are not reviewed on a “first-come first-served” basis, they will be considered as having arrived at the same time:

- if only one qualified application is made for a domain name, the domain name will be registered on behalf of applicant within the days following the end of the Landrush period,
- if multiple qualified applications are made for the same domain name, the domain name will be subject to closed auction between all applicants for this domain name. The rules applicable to the auction procedure will be available at the following webpage: http://nic.kyoto/pdf/dotkyoto_domain_name_registration_policies.pdf (3.2)

7.3. Refund Conditions

In any case, You will not be entitled to receive any refund if the domain name is not granted to You (domain name granted to an other person during an auction, if a third party has successfully challenged the domain name registration ...).

Section .KYOTO.8. “Trademark Claim Notice” period

In accordance with ICANN rules, during the Sunrise II phase and the Landrush period and 90 days upon general opening, a “Trademark Claim Notice” period will run.

During this period if the domain name for which You requested registration is identical to a trademark that is registered and validated with TMCH (according to the “labels” generated), You will receive a warning notice (“Trademark Claim Notice”) in real time on Our interface informing You that a third party has rights to the domain name You requested.

You must confirm or cancel Your registration request, with full knowledge of the notice and its consequences. It being specified that if You do not confirm the notice, Your request will not be sent to the Registry.

If You confirm Your registration request, third parties who own an identical mark are notified of Your registration.

For requests made in preregistration, beginning one day prior to the opening of the period concerned, Gandi will notify You by email of the “Trademark Claim Notice” and Your registration request will be put in “error” until You confirm or cancel Your registration via Our interface. It being specified that, in accordance with ICANN rules, if You do not confirm the notice, Gandi will not send Your registration request to the Registry upon the opening of the concerned period and cannot, in any case, be held liable for the non-registration of Your domain name and particularly if the domain name is registered by a third party who has validated the “Trademark Claim Notice” upon the opening of the period concerned.

It is Your sole and entire responsibility to confirm, if You want, all the notices received before the opening of the concerned period and the sending of Your request to the Registry.

Section .KYOTO.9. Reserved names and premium domain names

Some words are reserved or prohibited:

<http://www.icann.org/en/about/agreements/registries/kyoto> (specification 5. schedule of reserved names), names containing two characters followed by two hyphens and names beginning or ending by a hyphen are not allowed.

Section .KYOTO.10. Registration term

The registration term is 1 year for requests made during Sunrise I and II and Landrush periods, and from 1 to 10 years for requests made during the general opening. To avoid any deactivation of the domain name, the renewal must be paid and funds cleared **before the Expiration date**.

Section .KYOTO.11. Pricing

Our prices may be viewed at:

<https://www.gandi.net/domain/price/detail/kyoto>

“Premium” domain names are subject to specific prices as indicated on Our interface during Your order.

Section .KYOTO.12. Storage of contact information

In application of ICANN contracts, all personal and technical information associated with the registration of Your domain name is recorded and made available to ICANN and IRON MOUNTAIN (ICANN's designated Registrar Data Escrow agent), in addition to messages pertaining to each registration or modification, during the entire duration of the registration of the domain name, plus the two following years.

You expressly consent to the use, copying, distribution, publication in particular in the [Whois](#) database, modification and any other processing and transferring of Your personal data in accordance with the registration policy established by the Registry, its subcontractors and agents to process Your data, in accordance and compliance with relevant applicable data protection and privacy legislation, and for the sole purposes of allowing Us to render domain name registration services.

Section .KYOTO.13. Dispute resolution policy

The Registry has adopted the ICANN dispute resolution procedures UDRP (Uniform Dispute Resolution Policy) and URS (Uniform Rapid Suspension System) for .KYOTO domains, that You agree fully abide by.

You may view general documentation on the UDRP procedure at the following addresses:

- ICANN domain name dispute resolution policies: <http://www.icann.org/udrp>
- explanations: <http://www.icann.org/en/udrp/udrp.htm>
- Policy: <http://www.icann.org/en/dndr/udrp/policy.htm>
- Rules: <http://www.icann.org/dndr/udrp/uniform-rules.htm>
- Dispute Resolution Service Providers: <http://www.icann.org/en/dndr/udrp/approved-providers.htm>

The URS rules are available at the following page:

<http://newgtlds.icann.org/en/applicants/urs>

The Registry has also set up a dispute resolution procedure regarding eligibility conditions to which You agree to submit :

http://nic.kyoto/pdf/dotkyoto_nexus_enforcement_and_dispute_resolution_policy.pdf

Section .KYOTO.14. Transfer (change of Registrar)

The transfer-in process may be initiated on Our Interface. Before requesting the transfer of the domain, please make sure You have the domain's authorization code (supplied by Your current Registrar), and that Your domain name:

- does not have a TransferProhibited status,
- does not expire soon (We recommend that You start the transfer request at least 1 month prior to its Expiration),
- was created at least 60 days prior to the request,
- has not been transferred within the last 60 days.

The transfer's completion requires Your confirmation (by e-mail).

Upon successfully transferring a domain, the registration period is extended by one year.

Section .KYOTO.15. Ownership change

The ownership change process is available on Our Interface and requires the confirmation of both parties by e-mail.

The owner change of a domain name does not change the domain's expiration date.

Section .KYOTO.16. Deletion process

Upon the Expiration of the domain, We suspend (Hold) the domain name for 45 days, during which time all associated technical services are deactivated. Late renewal at normal price is possible during this period.

Then the domain goes into Redemption Period for an additional 30 days, and all associated technical services are deactivated. It can only be restored during this period in accordance with the terms and conditions described on Our website and/or as communicated by Our customer service department.

If the domain is neither renewed nor restored within these deadlines, the Registry shall place the domain on "Pending Delete" status for several days, and then delete the domain name, which will become available for registration on a "first-come first-served" basis.

Section .KYOTO.17. Registrant representations and guarantees

You agree to provide and maintain accurate, reliable and up-to-date personal contact information, failing this the Registry can delete Your domain name.

In any case, You acknowledge and agree that distributing malware, abusively operating botnets, phishing, piracy, trademark or

copyright infringement, fraudulent or deceptive practices, counterfeiting or otherwise engaging in activity contrary to applicable law are expressly prohibited. Failing to comply with this provision, You expose Yourself to the suspension of Your domain name, in addition to the prosecution for the prejudice caused to third parties and to the penalties mentioned under applicable law.

You commit Yourself to indemnify and hold harmless the Registry, its directors, employees, officials and agents from and against any and all claims, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses arising out of or relating to Your domain name choice, registration, renewal, deletion, transfer or use of Your domain name and/or the violation of any applicable terms and conditions governing the registration of a domain name. This indemnification obligation shall survive the termination of the present contract, whatever may be the cause, and is the direct consequence of Our accreditation agreement.

Section .KYOTO.18. Exclusion of liability and actions of the Registry

You expressly acknowledge and accept that the Registry shall be entitled, that it deems necessary, in its sole and entire discretion, but not obligated, to reject, delete, suspend, transfer to a third party or place in "lock" status, "hold" status or similar status Your domain name:

- to protect the integrity and stability of the Registry,
- to comply with applicable laws, regulations, policies, government rules or requirements, request of law enforcement or in accordance with an order or decision by a competent court or administrative authority, or any dispute resolution service provider the Registry and ICANN may retain to oversee the arbitration and mediation of disputes,
- to avoid any liability, civil or criminal, on the part of Registry, as well as its affiliates, subsidiaries, officers, directors, and employees,
- to correct mistakes made by Registry or Registrar in a domain name registration
- for violation of the present contract or the rules established by the Registry or ICANN,
- if the domain name does not contain complete and accurate information as described in the Registry's policies, or is not in compliance with any other provision of these policies,
- following the outcome of a dispute resolution proceeding.

The Registry also reserves the right to place Your domain name in « lock » status, « hold » status or similar status during resolution of a dispute.

You agree to be bound by the terms and conditions of the initial launch phases of .KYOTO, the Sunrise and Landrush periods, and the corresponding dispute resolution processes. You therefore acknowledge that the Registry has no liability of any kind for any loss or liability resulting from the proceedings and processes relating to the Sunrise or the Land Rush periods, including, but not limited to Your ability or inability to obtain a domain name registration during these periods, and the results of any dispute procedures.

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