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In addition to [Gandi's Domain Name Registration Contract](#), the registration and use of a .BLOG domain name implies the acceptance of and compliance to the present special conditions.

All of Gandi's legal and contractual information is permanently accessible from the home page of [Our Website](#). Capitalized terms have the meaning given to them in the Domain Name Registration Agreement, in particular, "You" refers to the owner of the domain name and "We" refers to Gandi.

Section .BLOG.1. Naming Organization

.BLOG is a generic Top-Level-Domain (gTLD) which is aimed to be used as an intuitive online namespace providing customers quality blogging services. The following diagram presents the various parties involved for the .BLOG TLD:

The different parties involved in organising the naming of the .BLOG domain are :

- Trustee Authority :
ICANN : <http://www.icann.org>
- Registry :
Knock Knock WHOIS There(.BLOG) : <https://nic.blog/>
- Registry Technical Operator:
CIRA : <https://www.cira.ca/en/registry/cira-registry-platform>
- Registrar :
Gandi : <http://gandi.net>

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

Section .BLOG.2. Registration policies

When You apply to register a .BLOG 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 .BLOG domain names, as defined by ICANN and Knock Knock WHOIS There which may be viewed at the following pages:

- Registry Policies :
<https://my.blog/privacy-policy/>
- ICANN consensus policies:
<http://www.icann.org/en/general/consensus-policies.htm>

These documents, which You acknowledge having read and accepted via Our Interface, bind You to the .BLOG Registry. These special conditions do not replace these rules, which are incorporated by reference, and are binding upon Us as well as upon You.

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

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

Section .BLOG.3. Special requirements

.BLOG special requirements are available at:

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

.BLOG domain names are open to anyone.

Section .BLOG.4. Reserved Terms

Some words are reserved or prohibited:

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

(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.

You accept that the Registry may reserve, restrict, or block certain domain names from registration. Registry may add or remove domain names from its reserved list at any time. This reserved list of domain names shall generally consists of:

1. Names reserved for Registry operations and other purposes, including without limitation, certain premium names
2. Names that are temporarily unavailable due to other reasons.

The registration of "premium" domain names is not available on Our interface, You would need to contact Our customer service department for this.

Section .BLOG.5. Registration term

The registration term is from 1 to 10 years. To avoid any deactivation of the domain name, the renewal must be paid and funds cleared **before the Expiration date**.

Section .BLOG.6. Pricing

Our prices may be viewed at:

<http://www.gandi.net/domain/price/detail/blog>

"Premium" domain names are subject to specific prices that will be communicated by Our customer service department upon request.

Section .BLOG.7. Personal Data

You consent to the collect, use, copying, distribution, publication, in particular in the Registry public **Whois** database if applicable, modification and other processing of Your personal data by the Registry, its technical provider and their designees and agents for the purposes of providing Registry services as defined in the Registry agreement with ICANN and in accordance with the Registry privacy policy.

Section .BLOG.8. Dispute resolution policy

The Registry has adopted the ICANN dispute resolution procedures UDRP (Uniform Dispute Resolution Policy) and URS (Uniform Rapid Suspension System) for .BLOG domain names, 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:
<https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/dndr-2012-02-25-en>
- UDRP Explanations:
<https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/dndr-2012-02-25-en-udrp>
- UDRP Guidelines:
<https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/help/dndr/udrp-en>
- Rules:
<http://www.icann.org/dndr/udrp/uniform-rules.htm>
- Dispute Resolution Service Providers:
<https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/providers-6d-2012-02-25-en>

The URS rules are available at the following page:

<https://www.icann.org/urs-en>

Section .BLOG.9. Transfer (change of Registrar)

The incoming transfer request is initiated via Our Interface. Before making any request, please ensure that :

- You have provided the authorization code associated with the domain name in question. You can find this code at Your current Registrar, via the owner account or the administrative contact;
- Your domain name does not have a TransferProhibited status;
- Your domain name does not expire soon (We advise You to initiate the request at least 1 month before Expiration);
- Your domain name was initially registered more than 60 days ago;
- Your domain name has not been transferred in the last 60 days.

When the transfer is successfully completed, a year is automatically added to its previous Expiration date.

Section .BLOG.10. 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 Expiration date.

Section .BLOG.11. Deletion process

Upon expiry, We will suspend the domain name for a period of 45 days, during which time any technical services associated with the domain name will be deactivated. Late renewal at standard rates is possible during this period.

The domain name then changes to 'RedemptionPeriod' status, for a period of 30 days, during which the only possible action is the

restoration of the domain name, in accordance with the conditions described on Our website and/or communicated by Our customer service department.

If the domain name is not renewed or restored within this period, the Registry will place the domain name on 'Pending Delete' status for a few days, and will then delete the domain name, which will become available for registration on a 'first come, first served' basis.

Section .BLOG.12. Registrant Obligations

You agree to provide and maintain accurate, reliable and up-to-date personal contact information. If You fail to do so, the Registry may suspend and/or delete Your domain name.

You acknowledge and agree that the distribution of malicious software, the misuse of botnets, phishing, hacking, trademark or copyright infringement, fraudulent or deceptive practices, counterfeiting or any other activity contrary to applicable law are expressly prohibited. Failure to abide by this provision may result in the suspension of Your domain name, in addition to legal action for damages caused to third parties, and the penalties provided for by applicable laws.

Gandi may cancel or suspend registrations if You fail to answer questions regarding compliance with the Registry Rules.

You agree to indemnify, defend and hold harmless the Registry and its subcontractors, as well as their directors, officers, employees, agents and affiliates, from and against any and all claims, damages, liabilities, costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses, arising out of or related to Your domain name registration, for any reason whatsoever. This indemnification obligation shall survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement, however caused.

Section .BLOG.13. Rights of the Registry

You acknowledge and agree that the Registry reserves the right to refuse, cancel or transfer any registration or transaction, or to place any domain name on registry lock, hold (suspend) or similar status, as it deems necessary, in its sole and absolute discretion:

- to comply with specifications adopted by any industry group generally recognized as authoritative with respect to the Internet (e.g., RFCs);
- to correct errors made by the Registry itself, its technical operator or any registrar in connection with the registration of a domain name;
- for non-payment of fees ;
- or to enforce its Acceptable Use Policy.

The Registry also reserves the right to place Your domain name in 'lock', 'hold' or similar status while a dispute is being resolved.

Gandi's exclusions and limitations of liability as stated in Our domain registration contract also apply to the Registry and its technical service provider.

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