

Please note: The English translation of the DENIC Domain Guidelines is provided for the convenience of our non-German-speaking customers. Regardless of this, only the original German-language version is legally binding.

## **DENIC Domain Guidelines and Data Protection Information**

### **I.**

(1) DENIC (in full: DENIC eG) administers and operates the registry for Internet domains under the Top Level Domain (TLD) .de. It does this without the intention to make any profit, for the benefit of everyone with an interest in the Internet. In doing so, DENIC complies with the internationally recognised standards for the operation of country code Top Level Domain registries.

**(2) Particulars of DENIC: DENIC eG, Kaiserstraße 75-77, 60329 Frankfurt am Main, Germany; e-mail: info@denic.de; entered into the public register of cooperatives at the local court (Amtsgericht) of Frankfurt am Main under the number 770, value added tax identification number DE 189976656; members of the Executive Board: Helga Krüger, Martin Küchenthal, Andreas Musielak, Dr. Jörg Schweiger.**

### **II.**

Applications for domains may be submitted either through a DENIC member or directly to DENIC (DENICdirect). Such applications are only processed if the requested domain satisfies the provisions laid down in point V and if the information required in accordance with point VI is provided completely and accurately. The domain application represents a binding offer of the (future) Domain Holder to enter into the contract.

### **III.**

(1) DENIC will register the domain if it has not already been registered for someone else ("first come, first served") and provided that it is not in the Redemption Grace Period. It may, however, reject the application if it is obvious that the registration would be illegal.

(2) A domain will enter the Redemption Grace Period as soon as it ceases to be registered for a particular Domain Holder, unless

a) the registration ceases because the Domain Contract was cancelled in accordance with § 1 (1) sentence 3 of the DENIC Domain Terms and Conditions, or

b) at the time the registration ceases, the domain is subject to a Dispute entry in accordance with § 2 (3) of the DENIC Domain Terms and Conditions, or

c) the registration ceases due to a domain transfer in accordance with § 6 (2) of the DENIC Domain Terms and Conditions or any other

reregistration for another Domain Holder or d) DENIC ends the registration by terminating the Domain Contract by declaration in accordance with § 7 (2) li. a), b), c) or d) of the DENIC Domain Terms and Conditions, or following a declaration of termination by the Domain Holder which is deemed to have been made within the meaning of Article 894 of the German Code of Civil Procedure.

(3) During the Redemption Grace Period, DENIC will register the domain for the last Domain Holder if they submit an application for the domain (point II). If this application is not made through the DENIC member who last administered the domain, or – in case the domain was administered directly by DENIC – submitted directly to DENIC (DENICdirect), the domain application must include the provider transfer password which was sent to the last Domain Holder in reply to their request they submitted during the Redemption Grace Period through a DENIC member.

(4) Notwithstanding subsection 3, DENIC will register the domain for a third party designated by the last Domain Holder if the third party submits an application for the domain and at the same time transmits the provider transfer password the last Domain Holder has received pursuant to the second sentence of subsection 3.

(5) The Redemption Grace Period shall last until the 31st day after the registration for the last Domain Holder ceased, until a point in time to be randomly chosen by DENIC on this 31st day. If, during the Redemption Grace Period, a password for a provider transfer has been issued in accordance with the second sentence of subsection 3, the Redemption Grace Period shall extend until the 30th day after such a password has been set for the first time, until a point in time randomly chosen by DENIC on this 30th day. The last Domain Holder may waive the Redemption Grace Period at any time by an explicit written declaration to DENIC; in this case, the Redemption Grace Period will end at a point in time randomly chosen by DENIC, but no later than on the first working day after DENIC has received the declaration of waiver.

### **IV.**

(1) The Domain Contract is effected between the (future) Domain Holder and DENIC upon successful completion of domain registration.

(2) The Domain Contract, however, is terminated immediately when the Domain

Holder has applied for registration of a domain through a DENIC member and subsequently fails to create within a period of four weeks the necessary technical conditions for connecting the domain, which shall include transmission of the corresponding technical data to DENIC (<https://www.denic.de/en/service/tools/nast/>)

(condition leading to termination).

(3) The Domain Contract is subject to the DENIC Domain Terms and Conditions. latest amended version of these is available any time at <https://www.denic.de/en/domain-terms-and-conditions/>.

#### **V.**

(1) In addition to the TLD ending ".de", a domain may only be comprised of digits (0–9), hyphens, the letters A-Z of the Latin alphabet and the other letters listed in the Annex. It may neither begin nor end with a hyphen, nor may it have a hyphen as both its third and fourth characters. No distinction is made between upper and lower case.

(2) The minimum length of a domain is one character and its maximum length is 63 characters; if the domain includes characters listed in the Annex, the decisive criterion for determining the maximum length is the so-called ACE-encoded form of the domain as defined in RFC 5890.

#### **VI.**

It is the Domain Holder who is DENIC's contractual partner and who thus holds the material rights to the domain. It is permissible for a domain to have several Joint Domain Holders. Unless the Domain Holder or one of the Joint Domain Holders is a natural person, the full name of the incorporated organisation (legal person) must be supplied (including the indication of its legal form). Moreover, the full postal address and the e-mail address of the Domain Holder and, in case of several Joint Domain Holders, the full postal addresses and e-mail addresses of all Domain Holders must be supplied. A post-office box number does not suffice for this purpose.

#### **VII. Data Protection Information**

**(1) For the creation, performance and termination, if applicable, of the Domain Contract DENIC collects and stores the data of the Domain Holder on the basis of Article 6 paragraph 1 sentence 1 lit. b) of the General Data Protection Regulation. For more detailed information on DENIC refer to point I paragraph 2.**

**(2) DENIC stores the data of the Domain Holder until the registration of the domain is terminated or, if the domain subsequently enters the Redemption Grace Period as defined in point III paragraph 2, until this Period expires, but at least until the end of the sixth full calendar year after registration of the domain in the name of the Domain Holder due to statutory retention obligations.**

**(3) DENIC will forward the data of the Domain Holder to third parties who submit evidence to DENIC that they have a legitimate interest in the data or to whom DENIC is legally obliged to pass on the data.**

**(4) Pursuant to Articles 15 to 18 and 20 of the General Data Protection Regulation, the Domain Holder has the right to access, rectification, erasure, restriction of data processing and data portability to the extent defined both herein and in Articles 34 and 35 of the Federal Data Protection Act.**

**(5) The Domain Holder may lodge a claim with the Hessian Data Protection Officer regarding data protection issues.**

**(6) The Data Protection Officer of DENIC can be contacted at the address stated in point I paragraph 2 and under the e-mail address [datenschutzbeauftragter@denic.de](mailto:datenschutzbeauftragter@denic.de).**

## Annex

Character	Decimal position in Unicode V3.2	Hexadecimal position in Unicode V3.2	Englisch name
á	225	00E1	Latin small letter a with acute
à	224	00E0	Latin small letter a with grave
ă	259	0103	Latin small letter a with breve
â	226	00E2	Latin small letter a with circumflex
ã	229	00E5	Latin small letter a with ring above
ä	228	00E4	Latin small letter a with diaeresis
ā	227	00E3	Latin small letter a with tilde
ą	261	0105	Latin small letter a with ogonek
ā	257	0101	Latin small letter a with macron
æ	230	00E6	Latin small letter ae
ć	263	0107	Latin small letter c with acute
ĉ	265	0109	Latin small letter c with circumflex
č	269	010D	Latin small letter c with caron
ċ	267	010B	Latin small letter c with dot above
ç	231	00E7	Latin small letter c with cedilla
ď	271	010F	Latin small letter d with caron
đ	273	0111	Latin small letter d with stroke
é	233	00E9	Latin small letter e with acute
è	232	00E8	Latin small letter e with grave
ě	277	0115	Latin small letter e with breve
ê	234	00EA	Latin small letter e with circumflex
ë	283	011B	Latin small letter e with caron
ë	235	00EB	Latin small letter e with diaeresis
è	279	0117	Latin small letter e with dot above
ę	281	0119	Latin small letter e with ogonek
ē	275	0113	Latin small letter e with macron
ġ	287	011F	Latin small letter g with breve
ĝ	285	011D	Latin small letter g with circumflex
ġ	289	0121	Latin small letter g with dot above
ġ	291	0123	Latin small letter g with cedilla
ĥ	293	0125	Latin small letter h with circumflex
ħ	295	0127	Latin small letter h with stroke
í	237	00ED	Latin small letter i with acute
ì	236	00EC	Latin small letter i with grave
ï	301	012D	Latin small letter i with breve
î	238	00EE	Latin small letter i with circumflex
ï	239	00EF	Latin small letter i with diaeresis
ĩ	297	0129	Latin small letter i with tilde
į	303	012F	Latin small letter i with ogonek
ī	299	012B	Latin small letter i with macron
ı	305	0131	Latin small letter dotless i
ĵ	309	0135	Latin small letter j with circumflex
ķ	311	0137	Latin small letter k with cedilla
ĺ	314	013A	Latin small letter l with acute
ļ	318	013E	Latin small letter l with caron
ļ	316	013C	Latin small letter l with cedilla
ł	322	0142	Latin small letter l with stroke
ń	324	0144	Latin small letter n with acute
ň	328	0148	Latin small letter n with caron
ñ	241	00F1	Latin small letter n with tilde
ŋ	326	0146	Latin small letter n with cedilla
ŋ	331	014B	Latin small letter eng
ó	243	00F3	Latin small letter o with acute
ò	242	00F2	Latin small letter o with grave
ö	335	014F	Latin small letter o with breve

ô	244	00F4	Latin small letter o with circumflex
ö	246	00F6	Latin small letter o with diaeresis
õ	337	0151	Latin small letter o with double acute
ō	245	00F5	Latin small letter o with tilde
ø	248	00F8	Latin small letter o with stroke
ō	333	014D	Latin small letter o with macron
œ	339	0153	Latin small ligature oe
κ	312	0138	Latin small letter kra
ř	341	0155	Latin small letter r with acute
ř	345	0159	Latin small letter r with caron
ꞥ	343	0157	Latin small letter r with cedilla
ś	347	015B	Latin small letter s with acute
š	349	015D	Latin small letter s with circumflex
š	353	0161	Latin small letter s with caron
ş	351	015F	Latin small letter s with cedilla
ß	223	000DF	Latin small letter sharp s
ť	357	0165	Latin small letter t with caron
ț	355	0163	Latin small letter t with cedilla
ţ	359	0167	Latin small letter t with stroke
ú	250	00FA	Latin small letter u with acute
ù	249	00F9	Latin small letter u with grave
ũ	365	016D	Latin small letter u with breve
û	251	00FB	Latin small letter u with circumflex
Û	367	016F	Latin small letter u with ring above
ü	252	00FC	Latin small letter u with diaeresis
ú	369	0171	Latin small letter u with double acute
ū	361	0169	Latin small letter u with tilde
u	371	0173	Latin small letter u with ogonek
ū	363	016B	Latin small letter u with macron
ŵ	373	0175	Latin small letter w with circumflex
ý	253	00FD	Latin small letter y with acute
ÿ	375	0177	Latin small letter y with circumflex
ÿ	255	00FF	Latin small letter y with diaeresis
ź	378	017A	Latin small letter z with acute
ž	382	017E	Latin small letter z with caron
z	380	017C	Latin small letter z with dot above
ð	240	00F0	Latin small letter eth
þ	254	00FE	Latin small letter thorn