Upcoming Changes to UDRP Rules

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Agenda

• High Level Overview of UDRP
• Modified UDRP Rules Timeline
• Overview of changes to UDRP Rules
• Detailed review of specific changes affecting registrars
• Q&A (Please submit questions through the Q&A Pod)
What is the UDRP?
Overview of UDRP

• Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy

• ICANN Consensus Policy – all registrars required to follow

• Involves disputes arising from abusive domain name registration

• 5 ICANN-approved providers

• https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/providers-6d-2012-02-25-en
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UDRP Rule Update Timeline
Timeline


• Effective for all registrars 31 July 2015

• Registrars are free to adopt prior to 31 July 2015
Overview of Changes to UDRP Rules
Overview

• Definitions: added definitions of “lock” and “pendency”

• Rule 4: added steps to notification of UDRP complaint

• Rule 5: optional response extension time

• Rule 16: communication of decision to parties

• Rule 17: settlement process has added steps
Specific changes affecting ICANN-accredited Registrars
Changes Affecting Registrars

• Definition of Lock

• Definition of Pendency

• Rule 4(a) – provider must submit verification request to registrar, includes request to lock

• Rule 4(b) – registrar must “lock” domain name and provide requested info within 2 business days of receiving request

• Rule 4(b) – updates to the respondent’s data must be made before lock is applied (e.g., P/P data)
Changes Affecting Registrars

- Rule 4(e): If complaint is dismissed or withdrawn, registrar must release “lock” within 1 business day of receiving notice from Provider.

- Rule 16(a): Registrar shall communicate the date of decision implementation within 3 business days of receiving decision from Provider.

- Rule 17(a)(ii): Provider informs registrar of suspension and expected duration.

- Rule 17(a)(iv): Provider will communicate outcome to registrar.

- Rule 17(a)(v): Registrar shall remove lock within 2 business days after receiving notice.
Thank You