



11 February 2026

TRANSMITTED VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL AND COURIER

RE: NOTICE OF BREACH OF REGISTRAR ACCREDITATION AGREEMENT

[REDACTED]
INSTANTNAMES LLC (IANA#1256)
[REDACTED]

Emails: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]:

Please be advised that as of 11 February 2026, INSTANTNAMES, LLC ("INSTANTNAMES" or "Registrar") is in breach of its 2013 Registrar Accreditation Agreement with the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers ("ICANN") dated 11 July 2021 ("RAA"). This breach results from:

1. INSTANTNAMES's failure to pay due accreditation fees, in violation of Section 3.9 of the RAA.

Please refer to the attachment for details regarding this Notice of Breach.

ICANN requests that INSTANTNAMES cure the breach by 4 March 2026, 21 days from the date of this letter, by taking the following actions:

1. Pay all current and past due accreditation fees, as required by Section 3.9 of the RAA.
2. Provide the remediation measures, including implementation dates, that INSTANTNAMES will take to ensure that contractual obligations related to Section 3.9 of the RAA will be timely met, as well as responses to ICANN's requests related to contractual obligations.



If INSTANTNAMES fails to timely cure the violations explained in this Notice of Breach and provide the information requested by 4 March 2026, ICANN may commence the RAA termination process.

If you have questions or require assistance, please contact Jonathan Denison ([REDACTED]).

Sincerely,

[SIGNATURE REDACTED]

Jamie Hedlund

Senior Vice President, Global Government Engagement and Contractual Compliance

Cc: John O. Jeffrey, General Counsel and Secretary

ATTACHMENT

Failure to pay accreditation fees

Section 3.9 of the RAA requires registrars to timely pay accreditation fees to ICANN, consisting of yearly and variable fees. INSTANTNAMES owes ICANN current and past due accreditation fees, in breach of Section 3.9 of the RAA.

CHRONOLOGY

In the compliance case detailed in the chronology below, ICANN notified INSTANTNAMES of the violations, including the relevant ICANN policies, agreements and processes.

Each communication requested the evidence, information and actions needed from INSTANTNAMES to become compliant. Each subsequent communication to the compliance notifications constituted an additional attempt by ICANN to obtain evidence of compliance from INSTANTNAMES. The telephone call details below describe further attempts from ICANN to communicate the details of the cases, and to make an ICANN Contractual Compliance staff member available to address any questions in order to assist INSTANTNAMES in becoming compliant. All efforts were unsuccessful.

Chronology (Case #01364427):

Date of Notice	Deadline for Response	Details
19-Sep-2024	26-Sep-2024	ICANN sent 1st compliance notice via email to [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], and [REDACTED]. No response received from the registrars.
11-Oct-2024	18-Oct-2024	ICANN sent 2nd compliance notice via email to [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], and [REDACTED]. No response received from the registrars.
28-Oct-2024	N/A	ICANN called Primary/Compliance/Legal Contact for all registrars at [REDACTED] and left a voicemail with compliance case details.
22-Nov-2024	29-Nov-2024	ICANN sent 3rd compliance notice via email to [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], [REDACTED], and [REDACTED]. No response received from the registrars.

Date of Notice	Deadline for Response	Details
2-Dec-2024	N/A	ICANN called Primary/Compliance/Legal Contact for all registrars at [REDACTED]. No answer and no ability to leave a voicemail.
11-Feb-2026	N/A	ICANN conducted compliance check to identify other areas of noncompliance.
11-Feb-2026	N/A	To date, the Registrar has not taken the necessary action to become compliant with their RAA obligations.