### **Domains**

# Does .com.au and .au registration have special eligibility requirements?

In accordance with Australian Domain Name Policy, there are special requirements to be eligible to register .au .com.au .net.au and .org.au domain names.

### Who can register .au domain names?

Companies or organizations that are registered to do business in Australia can register .com.au, .net.au, and .org.au domain names on a first-come, first-served basis.

Registrants will be required to provide a valid Australian government-provided ID number or supporting documentation, and the domains must either be an exact match, abbreviation or acronym of the registrant's name or closely and substantially connected to the registrant.

## A .com.au and .net.au registrant must be one of the following with a valid published ABN/ACN or AU Trademark:

- An Australian registered company.
- Trading under a registered business name in any Australian State or Territory.
- An Australian partnership or sole trader.
- A foreign company licensed to trade in Australia.
- An owner of an Australian Registered Trade Mark.
- An applicant for an Australian Registered Trade Mark.
- An association incorporated in any Australian State or Territory.

### A .org.au registrant must be one of the following with a valid published ABN/ACN:

- An association incorporated in any Australian State or Territory.
- A sporting or special interest club operating in Australia.
- A charity operating in Australia, as defined in the registrant's constitution or other documents of incorporation.
- A non-profit organization operating in Australia, as defined in the registrant's constitution or other documents of incorporation.

During the registration process you will be asked to provide evidence that you satisfy the eligibility requirements to register an Australian domain name (such as an Australian Business Number ABN/ACN or AU Trademark) . Your registration will be pending for upto 48 hours while these details are verified by the Australian Registry.

#### What if I don't have an ABN/ACN?

In order to register a .com.au, .net.au or .org.au domain, you are required to have a valid ABN/ACN. If you do not have one, you will not be able to register a domain.

You can apply for an ABN on the ABR Website

If you don't fall into any of these categories, there are other .au extension options that you may be eligible to register aside from a .com.au domain, such as .id.au. To be eligible to acquire an .id.au name, you just need to be an Australian citizen or an Australian resident; but note these web addresses cannot be used for commercial activities.

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