

.cloud

This article describes the procedures and requirements of .cloud domain names.
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Registration

Successful domain registration requires:

- the domain's contact handles (owner, administrative, etc.)
- two or more nameservers or a nameserver group

Note that, as for ICANN's [contact verification requirements](#), we are obliged to send an e-mail to the domain owner if his e-mail address was not verified before. Failure to respond to this e-mail may lead to suspension of any gTLD domain name with this same e-mail address in the owner contact.

Transfer

You can start the .cloud main transfer through our [API](#) or [RCP](#).
This transfer requires the following information:

- an authorization code that you need to request at your current provider.
- the domain's contact handles (owner, administrative, etc.)
- two or more nameservers or a nameserver group

A transfer for a .cloud takes a maximum of 6 days to complete. The transfer can be rejected by the current provider or the owner of the domain during this period.

The registration period after a successful transfer will [extend with 1 year](#) unless the transfer is ordered within the domain's auto-renew grace period at the previous registrar.

Authorization code required	yes
Method of confirmation	authcode,email
Registration period after transfer	extends

Average transfer time	Max 6 days
Advanced and simple transfers available	Contact our Sales department to check if easy transfer of 100 or more .cloud domains is available.

Update

Owner change (trade)

- requested as a normal domain update via RCP or [API](#)
- processed realtime
- both previous and new registrant will receive an e-mail. This is a notification only, no action is required.
- registrant [e-mail address verification](#) applies

Other update

- requested via RCP or [API](#)
- processed realtime

If as part of the update the domain owner's e-mail address changes, we're obliged to start a [contact verification process](#) if this new e-mail address was not verified before.

Deletion / Restore

Delete

Explicit delete

- Requested via RCP or [API](#)
- processed realtime
- will directly result in quarantine (redemption period) (**no** soft quarantine applies)

Expiration

In case the domain expires (not renewed in time);

- will not be deleted directly at the registry
- will lead to [soft quarantine](#), followed by regular quarantine

Restore / reactivate

- restore / reactivation supported via [RCP](#) or [API](#)
- quarantine periods can be found under
Detailed extension information > Technical information > Quarantine period
- After quarantine, 5 days *PendingDelete* period (restore **not** possible)

Detailed extension information

Registry	• Registry: ARUBA PEC S.p.A. • Registry whois: whois.nic.cloud • Registry web based whois: https://whois.nic.cloud/ • Registry zonefile updates: Realtime
Domain lifecycle	[External embedded content: https://www.openprovider.com/domain-lifecycle/domains.php?ext=cloud]

Technical information	• DNSSEC support: yes • Minimum length: 1 characters • Maximum length: 63 characters • Allowed characters: a-z, 0-9, - • IDN characters: yes • Registration period: 1-10 years • Renewal date offset: 0 days <i>The number of days before the registry's expiration date, that Openprovider requires the domain to be renewed or expired. More info.</i> • Soft quarantine period: 40 days <i>During this period, following after an expiration, the domain can be restored for free. This period does not apply if the domain is deleted explicitly. More info.</i> • Quarantine period: 0 days <i>During this period, an expired or deleted domain name can be reactivated at an additional fee.</i>
Restrictions	• Local presence required? no • Does Openprovider provide local presence services? n/a • Local activity required? no • Correct nameserver configuration required? no
Policies	• All policies on the registry's website • Premium policy: one-time premium fee, renewals at regular price • ShortDot Terms and Conditions for Domain Registration
Registration agreement	<i>The registry requires that a registration agreement is in place between the provider and the domain holder. The text of this registration agreement and any required supplements is the following:</i> • General registration agreement

Due to the regular changes in registry rules and configuration or missing information from registry side, and despite our effort to keep our knowledge base up-to-date, information in the knowledge

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