

.gr

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

Successful domain registration via [RCP](#) or [XML API](#) or [REST API](#) requires:

- two or more nameservers or a nameserver group
- if domain owner is company - entity type must be stated in the handle's company name (i.e.: 'BV', 'Ltd.', 'GmbH', etc.)

NB:

- **Within 3 hours after the registration request** domain is activated and can be used, but will stay in "suspended" status (visible in WHOIS) for 6 days, while the registry performs additional registration checks.
- The domains stays in Requested status in the control panel for 4 to 8 weeks after registration while the registry performs additional checks. If something contradicting registry's rules is found, domain registration is cancelled.

Transfer

Successful domain transfer via [RCP](#) or [XML API](#) or [REST API](#) requires:

- authorisation code
- two or more nameservers or a nameserver group

Additional notes on a .gr transfer

- The owner contact **must match** the current owner, otherwise an error will be returned.

[Data management policy violation / The name of the new domain registrant is

different to the current registrant name.]

If the owner has to change during a transfer, first perform the transfer-in (with the matching current owner), then initiate a trade.

The whois does not show the registrant data anymore, so ask the current hosting provider to supply you with the correct details.

Authorization code required	yes
Method of confirmation	authcode
Registration period after transfer	unchanged
Average transfer time	Max 1 day
Advanced and simple transfers available	Contact our Sales department to check if easy transfer of 100 or more .gr domains is available.

Update

Owner change (trade)

- Trade - via [RCP](#) or [XML API](#) or [REST API](#)
- Trade application examined within 4 to 8 weeks by the registry. Trade is accepted or rejected as a result

Other update

- Domain updates - via RCP or [XML API](#) or [REST API](#). Processed real-time

Deletion / Restore

Delete

- **Delete** - via RCP or [XML API](#) or [REST API](#) . Processed realtime

Restore / reactivate

- **Restore** - Restore is not supported for this extension.

Detailed extension information

Registry	• Registry: Domain names .GR • Registry whois: • Registry web based whois: https://grweb.ics.forth.gr/public/whois • Registry zonefile updates: Every 3 hours
Technical information	• Available second level domains: .com.gr, .net.gr, .org.gr, .edu.gr • DNSSEC support: yes • Minimum length: 3 characters • Maximum length: 63 characters • Allowed characters: a-z 0-9 - • IDN characters: yes • Registration period: 2,4,6,8,10 years • Renewal date offset: 3 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> <i>Note that the dates as shown in your Openprovider account are always leading, even if they do not match the renewal date offset mentioned here.</i> • Soft quarantine period: 15 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? no • Local activity required? no • Correct nameserver configuration required? no • Registrant name must include the company type if the registrant is a company. For example: 'BV', 'Ltd.', 'GmbH'.
Policies	• Terms and conditions
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

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