

.ng

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

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

- two or more nameservers or a nameserver group

Transfer

Authorization code required	yes
Method of confirmation	authcode
Registration period after transfer	restarts
Average transfer time	4-7 days
Advanced and simple transfers available	Contact our Sales department to check if easy transfer of 100 or more .ng domains is available.

Update

Owner change (trade)

- **Trade** - process is manual, via Openprovider support

Other update

- **Domain updates** - via RCP or API
 - Nameserver updates - via RCP and API. Not real-time.
Process is manual, can take up to a few business days, depending on public holidays or weekends.

NB: Error message like `Domain update failed: E0102, Domain could not be updated., Identical task is already being processed` means previous update is not finished yet

Deletion / Restore

Delete

- **Delete** - via RCP or API

Restore / reactivate

- **Restore** - process is manual, via Openprovider support. Restore possibility is determined on case-by-case basis.

Detailed extension information

Registry	• Registry: NiRA • Registry whois: whois.nic.net.ng • Registry web based whois: https://whois.net.ng/ • Registry zonefile updates: 5 - 10 days
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Technical information	• Available second level domains: .com.ng, .net.ng, .org.ng • DNSSEC support: no • Minimum length: 3 characters • Maximum length: 63 characters • Allowed characters: a-z 0-9 - • IDN characters: no • Registration period: 1 year • Renewal date offset: 35 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: n/a 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 • For .net.ng, local presence is required
Policies	• All policies on the registry's website • Premium policy: no premiums supported • General Registration Policy • Domain Name Policy • Complaints Policy
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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