

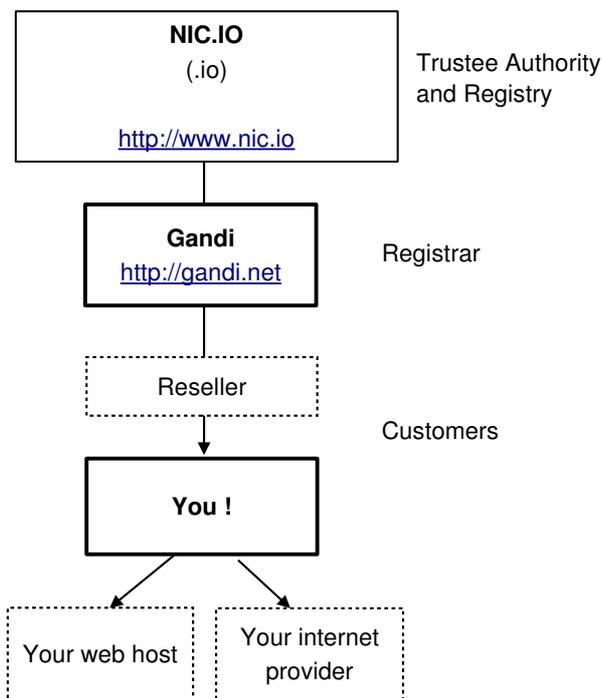
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In addition to Gandi's [General Terms and Conditions](#) for domain name registration, the registration and use of a .IO domain name implies the acceptance of and compliance to the present special conditions contained herein.

All Your legal information and contracts can be viewed at any time via Our [website](#). Capitalized terms have the definition attributed to them in Our [General Terms and Conditions](#) of Domain Name Registration. Specifically, "You" refers to the owner of the domain name, and "We" designates Gandi. Your current contracts are freely available for viewing when You log into Your account at: <http://www.gandi.net/admin/contracts/>.

Section .IO.1. Trustee authority and Registry

.IO is the official country code Top-Level-Domain (ccTLD) of British Indian Ocean Territory. The following diagram presents the various parties involved and the Trustee Authority for the .IO TLD:



You can view the information and special rules of each party involved by clicking on the respective links.

Section .IO.2. Registration terms and conditions

When You apply to register a .IO domain name, You acknowledge that You have fully understood, and that You certify to have full knowledge of and that You agree to abide by all the rules and specific conditions of .IO domain names, as defined by NIC.IO, and which may be viewed at the following pages:

- Domain Rules: <https://www.nic.io/rules.html>
- Terms and Conditions: <https://www.nic.io/terms.html>
- Data Privacy Policy: <https://www.nic.io/dataprivacy.html>

These contracts are binding between You and the .IO Registry. The special conditions contained herein do not replace these rules, but rather form part of them. You acknowledge to have fully understood and accepted these rules on Our Website.

Section .IO.3. Special requirements

.IO special requirements are available at: <http://www.gandi.net/domain/io/info>

.IO domain names are open to anyone.

To register a .IO domain name, You must agree to the following conditions:

- the registration term is 1 year,
- to avoid any deactivation of the domain name, the renewal must be paid and funds cleared **before the Expiration date** (at the earliest 60 days before the expiration date),
- provide and maintain accurate, reliable and up-to-date personal contact information, failing this the .IO Registry can delete Your domain name,
- specify nameservers (DNS) that are correctly configured for the domain name that You intend to register,
- some words are reserved or prohibited, in particular ISO 3166 country codes and country names (<https://www.nic.io/rules.html> 3.2),
- names containing two characters followed by two hyphens are not allowed.

Section .IO.4. Pricing

Our prices can be viewed at: <https://www.gandi.net/domain/price/detail/io>

Section .IO.5. Storage of contact information

You accept that the .IO Registry can access Your personal contact information and display it in the public [Whois](#) database.

However, the phone and fax numbers as well as the email address of the owner contact are not published from the Registry Whois public database. The administrative contact can also opt-out of disclosing this information.

Section .IO.6. Dispute resolution policy

The .IO Registry has set forth a specific domain name Alternative Dispute Resolution Policy that You agree fully abide by:

- Dispute Resolution Policy:
<https://www.nic.io/dres.html>
- WIPO documentation:
<http://www.wipo.int/amc/en/domains/cctld/io/index.html>

Section .IO.7. Transfer (change of Registrar)

The process is started on Our Interface. Before requesting the transfer of the domain, please be sure that:

- You have the domain's authorization code (supplied by Your current Registrar),
- Your domain name does not expire soon (We recommend that You start the transfer request at least 1 month prior to its Expiration).

The transfer's completion requires Your confirmation (by e-mail).

Upon successfully transferring a domain, the registration period is extended by one year.

Section .IO.8. Ownership change

The owner change can be done through a fax-based process (Gandi form and proofs of identity).

The owner change of a .IO domain name does not change the domain's Expiration date.

Section .IO.9. Deletion process

Upon the Expiration of the domain, We suspend (Hold) the domain name for 89 days, during which time all associated technical services are deactivated. Late renewal at normal price is possible during this period.

If the domain is neither renewed within these deadlines, the Registry will delete the domain name, which will become available for registration on a "first come first served" basis.

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