Overview relevant terms and terminology
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IANA Naming Function terminology

Notes with respect to terminology in context of IANA Naming Function.
1. The column USED in refers to the ICANN Board and IANA reports relating to the ccTLD mentioned.

Term/Practice	Definition/description	Used in:	Comment
Not assigned		.UM (2007)	Needs to be defined
Retired; Term retired is listed as such in IANA		.AN (2010)	Process concluded in 2015
Retired; not included in IANA Root Zone Database, no record in https://www.iana.org/domains/root/db		.YU (2007) .TP (2002)	.YU Process concluded in 2009, .TP process concluded in 2015
unallocated (ccTLDs)		.UM case report (2007)	
Disposition of Top Level Domain		.AN case report (2010)	
Removal of ccTLDs		.UM case	
Retirement of (cc)TLD			Not defined in FoI nor by DRD WG in its final report
Revocation	The process by which the IANA Operator rescinds responsibility for management of a ccTLD from an incumbent manager.	Section 3.5 of RFC1591	FOI note: Section 3.5 of RFC1591 explicitly contemplates revocation appropriate In cases of

			persistent problems with the proper operation of a domain

Specific terminology in context of the ISO 3166 standard

Notes with respect to the terminology in context of ISO 3166 Standard
1. In the overview a distinction is made between terminology defined in the Standard and the ISO Online Browsing Platform. The terminology defined in standard is included in the table in type font 11. The terminology used in the OnlIne Browsing Platform in type font 9
2. As stated in the overview the PDP WG considers the Standard to be paramount. Terminology from the Online Browsing Platform is only included for informational purposes. It is strongly advised not to use or refer to the informational terms in policy and policy related documents.

Term/Practice	Definition/description	Defined in:	Comment
Assigned (or allocated) code elements	(The result of applying the principle of) visual association between the country names (in English or French, or sometimes in another language) and their corresponding code elements.	Section 5.1 of the Standard	
Unassigned	NOT DEFINED IN THE STANDARD		
	codes that have not been assigned to country names.	ISO Online Browsing Platform	Defined in: https://www.iso.org/glossary-for-iso-3166.html As this is not defined in the Standard it is only included for informational purposes and use in policy rules should be avoided.
Deletions from the list of country names	Deletions from the list of country names shall be made on the basis of information from the United Nations Headquarters, or upon the request of a member of ISO 3166/MA. The ISO 3166/MA shall decide upon deletion, on the basis of the information given ISO3166-3 provides the lsit of country names deleted in this part of ISO 3166 since its first edition in 1974	Section 7.3	
Reservation of Code elements	Some code elements are reserved - For a limited period when their reservation is the result of the	Section 7.5 and 7.5.1	

	deletion or alteration of a country name - For an indeterminate period when the reservation is the result of the application of international law or of exceptional requests		
Reallocation period	Code elements that the ISO3166/MA has altered or deleted should not be reallocated during a period of at least fifty years after the change. The exact period is determined in each case on the basis of the extent to which the former code element was used.	Section 7.5.2	
Transitionally reserved	NOT DEFINED IN THE STANDARD		
	Codes that are reserved during a transitional period while new code elements that may replace them are taken into use. This results from changes in the standard.	ISO 3166 Online Browsing Platform glossary. Defined in: https://www.iso.org/glossary-for-iso-3166.html	This description is not included in the Standard. It is only included in this document for informational purposes and use in policy rules should be avoided.
Period of non-use	Certain code elements existing at the time of the first publication of the ISO 3166 country codes and differing form those in this part (= ISO 3166-1) should not be used for an indeterminate period to represent other country names. These code elements should be included in the list of reserved code elements and should not be reallocated during a period of at least fifty years after the date the countries or organizations concerned have discontinued their use.	ISO Standard 7.5.3	
Exceptionally reserved	Code elements may be reserved, in exceptional cases, for country names which the ISO 3166/MA has decided not to include in this part of ISO3166, but for which an interchange	ISO 3166 Standard section 7.5.4	

	requirement exists. Before such code elements are reserved, advice from the relevant authority must be sought.		
	Codes that have been reserved for a particular use at special request of a national ISO member body, governments or international organizations.	ISO 3166 Online Browsing Platform glossary Defined in: https://www.iso.org/glossary-for-iso-3166.html	This description is not included in the Standard. It is only included in this document for informational purposes and use in policy rules should be avoided. For example, the code UK has been reserved at the request of the United Kingdom so that it cannot be used for any other country.
Reallocation	Before reallocating a former code element or a formerly reserved code element, The ISO3166/MA shall consult, as appropriate, the authority or agency on whose behalf the code element was reserved, and consideration shall be given to difficulties which might arise for the reallocation.	ISO3166 standard section 7.5.5	
Indeterminately reserved	NOT DEFINED IN THE STANDARD		.
	a code that has been indeterminately reserved for use in a certain way. Usually this is justified by their presence in other coding systems.	ISO 3166 Online Browsing Platform glossary. Defined in: https://www.iso.org/glossary-for-iso-3166.html	This description is not included in the Standard. It is only included in this document for informational purposes and use in policies should be avoided. For example, several codes have been reserved by the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) because they have been used in its Standard ST.3
Country name	Name of Country, dependency, or other area of particular interest	ISO 3166- part 1 section 3.4	
Country code	Listing of country names with their representations by code elements	ISO 3166- part 1 section 3.3	
Code element	The result of applying a code to an element of a coded set	ISO 3166- part 1 section 3.2	
Code	Set of data	ISO 3166- part 1 section 3.1	
List of Country names	Part of the Clause 9 list	Defined in ISO 3166- part 1 section 6, 6.1. In clause 6 of part 1 the content of the	

		list is enumerated in Clause 9.	
Formerly used codes	NOT DEFINED IN THE STANDARD		
	Codes that used to be part of the standard but that are no longer in use. See alpha-4 codes.	ISO 3166 Online Browsing Platform	As this is not described in the Standard it is only included for informational purposes and use in policy rules should be avoided.

In addition to the list of Country Codes (as defined above), the Online Browsing Platform displays:
- List of formerly used codes
- List of Indeterminately reserved codes
- List of Transitionally reserved codes
- List of exceptionally reserved codes
- Un-assigned codes