



# Legal/Regulatory

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# Terms and Conditions for Applying for a TLD

**New topic for WT2.** In the second meeting, it was suggested that we explore the Terms and Conditions of Applying for a TLD. This has increasingly become a topic of interest with several applicants involved in legal disputes with ICANN. Before establishing this as an area that we need to explore, we would benefit to address certain questions that will allow us to understand our scope surrounding the issue.

- Is this in the scope of the PDP WG?
- Does this belong in WT2?
- Is this a policy aspect or an implementation of ICANN or hybrid?
- What reference material is there?
  - AGB Module 6
- In the event of tackling this subject, what recommendations could be made from a policy standpoint?
- Are the Terms and Conditions for described in the Applicant Guidebook enforceable?

# Base Agreement (High level discussion)

## Single Base Agreement versus Category Based Agreements.

(“Does a single base agreement make sense for all types of registries?” and “Do we as a group support the notion for having separate agreements for separate categories?”)

- Quick Review: Different TLD Types previously discussed.
  - Google Document showing previously discussed TLD Types  
[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1mA\\_hTUhLhJSsfcmoQwREtUqxykZ5KfJffzJAAhEvNIA/edit#gid=0](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1mA_hTUhLhJSsfcmoQwREtUqxykZ5KfJffzJAAhEvNIA/edit#gid=0)
- Pros and Cons
  - Google Document on the Pros and Cons previously discussed  
<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1k1HrFljwzupuJqr33WmGmBUD45SQ5Cv1-vNP7ZRztPk/edit>

## Additional high level questions

- How can changes to the base agreement be prevented after program launch?
- Should the base agreement be available in different languages?

# Reserved Names

**Instructions from Final Issue Report.** Review the composition of the reserved names list to determine if additions, modifications, or subtractions are needed (e.g., single letter, two letters, special characters, etc.). Evaluate if the implementation matched expectations (e.g., recommendations of the Reserved Names Working Group). Review whether geographic names requirements are appropriate.

## Areas to look at

1. What are the string restrictions on applying for top level domains?
2. What are the current Registry Agreement rules on reserved names?
3. Does the Registry Agreement match what was recommended in policy?
4. What are the geographic names requirements?

- **Tools for group work.** Utilization of Google Docs for beginning to compile an analysis document that will work towards our conclusion on the issue. *Reference:* See the WT1 document that captures opinions and Pros and Cons mentioned in the meeting and mailing list.