

# PROCEDURAL REGULATION FOR THE .LT TOP-LEVEL DOMAIN

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## SECTION I GENERAL PROVISIONS

1. This Regulation defines the principles, requirements and conditions of procedural performance in the .lt domain. The appendix “Registrars” is considered to be a part of the Regulation.

2. The principles, requirements and conditions of the procedures must be followed by new and existing second level domain holders (present Registrants or gaining Registrants) in the .lt domain, Registrars, providing the domain-related services as well as persons seeking accreditation, as far as this is related to the special procedures applicable to them.

3. The terms and abbreviations used in this Regulation, including the appendix “Registrars”, are defined as follows:

3.1. **Registry** – Kaunas University of Technology (legal entity code 111950581) Internet Service Centre, which manages the .lt domain. The Registry’s website is [www.domreg.lt](http://www.domreg.lt).

3.2. **Registry services** – the services provided to domain holders including domain name check and registration, domain records inclusion to the WHOIS database and listing it for a specific number of terms, records on keeping the domain in the DNS servers from the domain registration until the domain deletion. Registry terms of services comply with the principles, requirements and conditions determined in this Regulation.

3.3. **Accreditation agreement** – a termless agreement between the Registry and the Registrar regarding the latter’s right to perform the permitted procedures in the .lt domain. The accreditation agreement is concluded in writing during the accreditation procedure as determined in the appendix “Registrars” of the Regulation.

3.4. **Blocked label** – words or phrases inappropriate to be used publicly in domain names. The blocked label list is created, changed or supplemented by the Registry. This list is not disclosed or distributed by other means due to the nature of the labels.

3.5. **DAS** – domains administration system, installed by Registry and linked to the Registry’s website, used for the purpose to receive applications, carry out procedures, process and store data.

3.6. **DNS servers** – servers, directing incoming requests regarding domains and ensuring their availability in the domain name system in this way. If this Regulation does not specify the DNS server dependence, this term means the DNS servers are operated by the Registry.

3.7. **Domain** – any created and existing second level domain in the .lt domain. The created domain is called a domain with a registered name once the procedures for that domain's name check and registration are completed successfully.

3.8. **Domain name** – the label that identifies the domain. The domain name is composed by the Registrant who is subsequently responsible for it.

3.9. **EPP** – a protocol, designed to ensure safe interaction between DAS and software used by the Registrars to provide the procedural and related technical services.

3.10. **IDN** – domain name adapted to the multilingual media, concluded and used in accordance with the special provisions of the internet self-regulatory documents.

3.11. **Application** – a technically correct command, regarding the performance of a permitted procedure, presented to DAS. Applications are submitted by connecting to DAS via EPP interface (by using specific EPP commands) or via WEB interface (by filling in the required electronic form in the Registry's website).

3.12. **Service agreement** – an agreement between the Registrant and Registrar regarding the performance of the procedural and related technical services when creating and managing the domain (-s).

3.13. **Registrar** – a person accredited by the Registry, providing Registrants with procedural and related technical services. The appointed Registrar is defined as the one specified in records regarding a specific domain in WHOIS database.

3.14. **Procedural services** – the performance of permitted procedures when submitting the applications to DAS. The procedures are considered as permitted if the Registrar, by the order from the Registrant, may perform (domain creation, renewal, data change and domain deletion procedures) or complete (transfer and domain trade procedures) the procedures in accordance with this Regulation.

3.15. **Reserved label** – words, phrases or other labels, whose use in domain names is restricted by a normative act or by the Registry's decision with a purpose to maintain DNS integrity. The reserved labels list is made, changed or supplemented by the Registry. This list is publicly disclosed on the Registry website. By the request of a person the labels are not reserved.

3.16. **Technical services** – services related to procedural services: the Registrant's, with whom a service contract has been concluded, account creation and data submission in DAS, the processing of orders for the performing of procedures, briefing and consulting regarding questions on the performance of procedures, warning about the need to perform procedures, creating records in Registrar DNS servers about the served domains.

3.17. **Term** – a validity term of one year to the rights to the domain, during which Registry services are performed. Starting with the first one, the terms are counted from the domain creation day.

3.18. **Registrant** – natural person or legal entity, by whose request the domain is created, or by whom the right to a particular registered domain is gained, in the case of domain trade, cession or succession. The Registrant is the domain holder from the domain creation or acquisition of rights to a registered name domain until the domain deletion.

3.19. **WHOIS database** – systematized, methodically organized collection of data about the domains and persons responsible for them, which can be used individually by electronic means. The WHOIS database belongs to the Registry and is related to DAS.

4. The meanings and content of separate procedures are disclosed in Section IV of this Regulation, for special procedures – in the appendix "Registrars" of this Regulation.

5. The .lt domain management model is "Registry – Registrar – Registrant". The Registry may be an appointed Registrar, when chosen by the Registrant, or the Registrar and Registrant together, following the creation of their own domain (-s). A Registrar may simultaneously be a Registrant, while creating an own domain (-s).

6. Procedures according to the competence assigned by this Regulation are performed by the Registry, Registrars and accreditation applicants. No other persons can perform any procedures.

Registrants have no rights to independently submit applications to DAS, but they independently initiate transfer and domain trade procedures in DAS.

## SECTION II PRINCIPLES OF PROCEDURAL PERFORMANCE

7. Procedures are performed in accordance with these principles:

7.1. The general:

7.1.1. The principle of **non-discrimination**. All applications are subject to the same rules, regardless of the Registrant's domain number, nationality, legal form, place of residence or registration and other individual characteristics.

7.1.2. The principle of **fairness**. The Registry has no personal interest regarding the domain name attribution to one or another person; therefore it is not a party to address the issues regarding the rights or legal interests in the labels used by Registrants in the domain names.

7.1.3. The principle of **data accuracy**. Registrants must guarantee that their data and information about the domain specified in DAS is constantly correct.

7.1.4. The principle of **recompense**. For every permitted procedure performed, except for those without cost, fee payment to the Registry must be guaranteed. The fee is paid to the Registry by the Registrars, included into the cost of services performed to the Registrants.

7.2. Related to the domain creation:

7.2.1. The principle of **domain name uniqueness**. Several domains with the same name cannot exist simultaneously in the .lt domain; from creation to deletion, the domain can only have one name.

7.2.2. **"first come, first served"** principle. The date and time, when the domain is created, is the only reference point for deciding on priority to use the domain name specified in the application, if it complies with the requirements determined by this Regulation.

## SECTION III REQUIREMENTS FOR THE DOMAIN NAME

8. The domain name can be any unblocked label, complying with these requirements:

8.1. Technical:

8.1.1. It is not used as a name of any other domain created in the .lt domain (including the protected "quarantine" period according to paragraph 88 of this Regulation).

8.1.2. Consists of at least two standard Latin alphabet letters from "a" to "z" (IDN can have other letters), numbers from "0" to "9" as well as the dash (-es).

8.1.3. Consists at most of sixty-three symbols.

8.1.4. Does not have dashes at the beginning and (or) at the end, as well as at the third and fourth positions, unless it is IDN with a special prefix.

8.2. Publicity:

8.2.1. Is composed in such a way that, according to the contextual meaning, it is not flawed from the disclosure approach, is not harmful to the .lt domain prestige and the business reputation of the Registry.

9. Special IDN requirements:

9.1. When creating IDN, these Lithuanian alphabet letters can additionally be used:

Symbol	Code (Unicode standard)	Symbol	Code (Unicode standard)
"ą"	U+0105	"š"	U+0161
"č"	U+010D	"ų"	U+0173
"ė"	U+0119	"ū"	U+016B
"ė"	U+0117	"ž"	U+017E
"į"	U+012F		

9.2. The third and fourth positions of the IDN are dashes (when formulating according to the internet self-regulatory institution provisions with the special prefix "xn--").

9.3. An IDN with the special prefix and domain name with the letters of the Lithuanian alphabet must correspond interchangeably, when converted using IDN compliant software.

9.4. The requirements determined in paragraph 8 of this Regulation apply both to IDN with the special prefix and domain names with the letters of the Lithuanian alphabet.

## **SECTION IV CONDITIONS OF PROCEDURAL PERFORMANCE**

### **CLAUSE IV.I DOMAIN CREATION**

10. Domain creation – procedure, following which an order is presented to the Registry regarding the processing of Registry services for one (first) term.

11. Basis of procedure – the Registrant’s will, expressed in actions (the submission of the order to the appointed Registrar).

12. The procedure is performed by submitting a domain creation application to DAS in the name of the Registrant.

13. The procedure is carried out by the Registrar according to the Registrant’s instructions.

14. Cancellation of the submitted domain creation application is not possible.

15. The Procedure is completed when the WHOIS database shows records on the created domain with the marked state **“Checking domain name”**.

16. From the moment of domain creation:

16.1. It is considered that the domain is created upon the will of the Registrant specified in the application.

16.2. The Registrant is responsible for the domain name.

16.3. An appointed Registrar’s obligation to pay a fee to the Registry for the first term arises.

16.4. The domain name cannot be changed or moved to another top-level domain.

16.5. Until domain name registration, domain records are not available in DNS servers.

17. If the requested domain name has a reserved label according to normative acts, then the procedure involves prior (before submitting the domain creation application) submission the permission for the Registrant to use that label to the Registry or confirmation, that according to the normative act such permission is not necessary for the Registrant.

### **CLAUSE IV.II DOMAIN NAME CHECK**

18. Domain name check – a procedure, designed to ensure that the domain name complies with the requirements. The check procedure is carried out by the Registry.

19. Basis of procedure – the fact of submitting a domain creation application to DAS.

20. Domain name compliance with the requirements is checked:

20.1. Automatically, during the submission of the domain creation application (in real time). The submission of the domain creation application is terminated and further procedures are not performed, if:

20.1.1. The domain name does not comply with the technical requirements, including the special IDN requirements.

20.1.2. The domain name has a blocked label.

20.1.3. The domain name has a reserved label upon the Registry’s decision.

20.1.4. The domain name has a label reserved by normative acts, if the Registry does not receive the documents specified in paragraph 17 of this Regulation until the submission of a domain creation application.

20.2. Manually, within 3 workdays since the domain creation, by evaluating the domain name according to the contextual meaning for flaws from the disclosure approach. If the domain name is acceptable from this point of view, the Registry performs its registration procedure, if not acceptable – Registry performs the domain deletion procedure, includes the domain name to the blocked labels list and sends a notification about it to the e-mail address specified in the application.

21. The Procedure is completed when the domain status indicated in the WHOIS database changes to **“Registered”** or the records on the deleted domain in the WHOIS database are eliminated.

22. If the Registry, upon a motivated request from the domain holder or the appointed Registrar, determines that the label in the domain name, due to the imperfectness of the automatic filter was wrongly considered blocked, that label is removed from the blocked labels list, but the availability of the domain creation with that name is pending release for a random time within a 24 hrs period.

23. The procedure does not involve:

23.1. Determination of the purpose for the domain creation.

23.2. A legitimacy verification of the domain name and the domain holder’s interest to it. The domain holder is personally responsible for verifying that they did not violate the exclusive rights of other persons to the legal entity name, registered trademark, etc., when composing domain name.

### **CLAUSE IV.III DOMAIN NAME REGISTRATION**

24. Domain name registration – a procedure, following which the order for Registry services for one (first) term is considered as accepted for execution.

25. Procedure basis (only entirety):

25.1. The domain creation procedure is completed.

25.2. The fact of the domain name’s compliance with the requirements determined during the domain name check procedure.

25.3. The Registry’s actions approving the order’s acceptance for execution, expressed by changing domain status in the WHOIS database to **“Registered”** and creating records about the domain in the DNS servers (if indicated in the application). The Registry does not inform the domain holder in any other way about domain name registration.

26. From the moment of domain name registration, the domain holder, following the principles, requirements and conditions of this Regulation, at his / her discretion determines the domain structure, decides on the contents, methods of use, etc. The Registry does not consider domain inactivity as evidence for the illegitimacy of domain holder interests in the domain name.

27. In case of domain name registration, the first term starts the following day (from zero hours zero minutes) after the day of the domain creation and ends on the corresponding day of the month of the next calendar year, and if such a calendar day does not exist or is a legal holiday – the following day after that (workday).

### **CLAUSE IV.IV RENEWAL**

28. Renewal – procedure, after performing which the term continues uninterrupted.

29. This procedure can be performed during the period from domain name registration until the domain deletion. The Registry does not provide warnings to the domain holder about the expiration of the current term.

30. Renewal is calculated in indivisible terms. The largest number of cumulative (not yet started) renewals is five terms.

31. Basis of procedure – domain holder’s will, expressed in actions (the submission of the order to the appointed Registrar).

32. The Procedure is completed by submitting renewal application to DAS. From the submission of a renewal application, there is an obligation for the appointed Registrar to pay a fee to the Registry in accordance with the number of renewals.

33. The Procedure is performed by the appointed Registrar. Auto-renewal for one term can be set in the options regarding a specific domain.

34. The procedure is finished, when the specified expiration date in the WHOIS database is changed.

35. In the case of renewal, the terms are calculated by adding all the terms since the day of the domain creation.

**CLAUSE IV.V**  
**SUSPENSION**  
*(by Registry's will)*

36. Suspension – a procedure, by which the domain delegation is temporarily restricted, and transfer and domain trade procedures are not permitted.

37. The procedure may be completed at any time during the period from domain name registration until the domain deletion.

38. Basis of procedure (any separately):

38.1. The Registry's will, expressed in actions, if the domain holder does not secure the accuracy of its data. Suspension is terminated after completion of the data change procedure.

38.2. By direct request of an interested party related to the domain holder, made to the Registry regarding the suspension, if the circumstances provided in the request are confirmed by attached documents:

38.2.1. If the domain was created by or rights to the registered name domain were acquired by:

38.2.1.1. A person, who cannot be the domain holder. Suspension is terminated once proof that the domain holder is an existing natural person or legal entity is provided.

38.2.1.2. A natural person of limited ability under 14 years old, who was not represented by parents or guardians when concluding the transaction. Suspension is terminated after submitting the transaction approval of parents or guardians.

38.2.1.3. A natural person of limited ability between the ages of 14 and 18 without the agreement of parents or guardians. Suspension is terminated after submitting the agreement of parents or guardians.

38.2.1.4. An incapacitated natural person. Suspension is terminated after submitting approval from a guardian to operate the domain.

38.2.2. If, after the domain creation or acquisition of rights to the registered name domain:

38.2.2.1. The domain holder (natural person) is recognized as incapable or of limited capability. Suspension is terminated after submitting approval from a guardian to operate the domain (in the case of incapability) or approval from a guardian that the domain holder may continue to operate the domain (in the case of limited capability).

38.2.2.2. The domain holder – natural person has died or is declared dead. Suspension is terminated once the succession procedure is completed.

38.2.2.3. The domain holder – legal entity is liquidated following reorganization. Suspension is terminated once the successor completes the succession procedure.

38.2.2.4. The domain holder – legal entity is liquidated without succession. In this case, termination of suspension following de-registration of the legal entity is not possible, – the Registry performs the domain deletion procedure immediately after a verification of the circumstances indicated in the request.

38.3. After the Registry independently identifies the defects in the domain creation, the acquisition of rights to a registered name domain or domain dependence, identified in this Regulation's subparagraphs 38.2.1.1–38.2.1.4 and 38.2.2.1–38.2.2.4., the question of suspension termination is analyzed in the same way as it is determined under the specific subparagraphs.

38.4. The Registry is presented with official information that permission for the domain holder to use a label reserved by normative acts in the domain name is no longer in effect. Suspension is terminated following the submission of a valid permit.

39. Suspension upon a domain holder's will or by the request of unrelated persons is not possible.

40. The procedure is completed by the Registry by deleting records of the domain from Registry's DNS servers and setting the domain status in the WHOIS database as "**Suspended use**". In addition to the records in the WHOIS database, the domain holder is not informed about the procedure.

41. Suspension does not affect the terms.

## **CLAUSE IV.VI RESTRICTION**

*(not by Registry's will)*

42. Restriction – procedure, following which the rights to the domain are temporarily restricted. During the period of restriction, only those procedures that do not contradict the reason for restriction can be performed manually.

43. The Procedure may be completed in the period from domain name registration until the domain deletion.

44. Basis of procedure (any separately):

44.1. Court (arbitration) has sent a ruling directly to the Registry, according to which a record on the prohibition for the domain holder to cede the rights to a specific registered name domain must be made in the WHOIS database, or, when enforcing the court (arbitration) ruling, the bailiff's ordinance for the Registry to restrict the disposal of a specific registered name domain (arrest). The procedure is performed by the Registry by marking the domain status in the WHOIS database as **"Restricted disposal"**. After completion of the procedure, the domain delegation is not restricted.

44.2. When enforcing a court ruling, the bailiff's ordinance for the Registry to restrict the use, operation and disposal rights related to a specific registered name domain. The procedure is performed by the Registry, by eliminating records of the domain from Registry DNS servers and marking domain status in the WHOIS database as **"Restricted rights"**.

44.3. Other acts of the application of the law, except for those indicated under subparagraphs 44.1 and 44.2 of this Regulation, directly obliging the Registry to perform the restriction procedure. The procedure is performed by the Registry in accordance with application of the law.

45. The Registry performs the procedure immediately after receiving the basis for restriction, within as much time, as is needed to ascertain the level of restriction, distribute the task and execute orders manually. In addition to the records in the WHOIS database, the domain holder is not informed about the performance of the procedure.

46. Restriction is terminated once the Registry receives a document indicating that the basis of the procedure has expired.

47. Restriction does not affect the terms.

## **CLAUSE IV.VII DATA CHANGE**

48. Data change – a procedure, designed to specify the data indicated in DAS.

49. The procedure may be performed during the period from the domain creation until the domain deletion.

50. When performing the procedure, the domain name, domain holder, Registrar or date of expiration cannot be changed.

51. Basis of procedure (any separately):

51.1. The domain holder's will regarding change in data expressed in actions (submission of an order to the appointed Registrar). Instead of the order, the appointed Registrar may enable the domain holder to safely change the data indicated in the account in their own information system and form an application on that basis.

51.2. The appointed Registrar's will regarding change of the technical domain information is expressed in actions (application submission to DAS), ensuring the interest of the domain holder.

52. The procedure is performed by submitting a data change application to DAS, except in the case of a change in the personal name of the domain holder.

53. The procedure is performed by the Registrar. In the case of a change in the personal name of the domain holder, this data is manually changed by the Registry according to the data provided.

54. The procedure is completed when the data of the domain holder and (or) information about the domain is changed in the WHOIS database.

55. The data change does not affect the terms.

## **CLAUSE IV.VIII TRANSFER**

56. Transfer – procedure designed for the domain holder to choose another appointed Registrar instead of the present one.

57. The procedure may be performed during the period from domain name registration until the domain deletion.

58. When completing the procedure, the domain name, domain holder or expiration date cannot be changed.

59. Basis of procedure – the domain holder's and his / her newly chosen Registrar's will, expressed in actions as indicated below.

60. The procedure is performed by:

60.1. The domain holder, personally initiating the change of the Registrar in DAS.

60.2. The domain holder's newly chosen Registrar, within 7 calendar days after initiation of the procedure, providing to DAS transfer application and thus confirming the acceptance to provide procedural and related technical services to the domain holder. The domain holder's newly chosen Registrar may link the application submission with an advance payment for one renewal term.

61. If the domain holder's newly chosen Registrar submits the application on time, the procedure is completed when the records about the appointed Registrar change in the WHOIS database.

62. If the domain holder's newly chosen Registrar does not provide the application on time, the procedure is terminated, and the appointed Registrar is considered unchanged.

63. Transfer does not affect the terms.

## **CLAUSE IV.IX DOMAIN TRADE** *(by domain holder's will)*

64. Domain trade – a procedure, by which the right of the domain holder to the domain is ceded to another person by the domain holder's free will.

65. Rights to the created domain name (as a label) cannot be transferred to another person separately from the rights to the domain.

66. The Procedure may be performed 30 calendar days after the registration of the domain name, until the domain deletion. Registry, after receipt of a motivated request from the domain holder may, for valid reasons, manually advance the admissibility of the procedure.

67. Basis of – the contract between the domain holder and the gaining Registrant (purchase-sale, trade, donation, investment, peace, etc.) whose subject is trade of the rights to a specific domain. Only the fact of entering into a contract is confirmed to the Registry. The contractual parties are responsible for the legitimacy and validity of the basis of the domain trade procedure.

68. The procedure consists of the deletion of a domain belonging to the domain holder without "quarantine" and the creation of the same registered name domain, with registration in the name of the gaining Registrant. The procedure is performed by:

68.1. The domain holder, personally initiating the domain trade in DAS and thus confirming their domain refusal in favour of the gaining Registrant. During initiation it is verified, whether the domain name is not included in the list of labels reserved by normative acts. If the domain name has such a label, the procedure is manually initiated by the Registry, after receiving the request of the domain holder and documents specified in paragraph 17 of this Regulation, issued to the gaining Registrant.

68.2. The gaining Registrant's chosen Registrar, within 7 calendar days after initiation of the procedure, submits to DAS the domain trade completion application in the name of the gaining Registrant.

69. If the gaining Registrant's chosen Registrar submits the application within the specified term, the procedure is completed when the domain creation date changes in the WHOIS database and the gaining Registrant is indicated as the domain holder. From that moment, the domain holder



initiating the domain trade loses the rights to the registered name domain, while the gaining Registrant acquires them.

70. If the gaining Registrant's chosen Registrar within the specified term does not submit the application, the procedure is terminated, while the rights to the registered name domain remain with the domain holder initiating the domain trade.

71. When performing the domain trade, it is automatically verified if the data of the gaining Registrant indicated in the application correspond with the data indicated by the domain holder initiating the domain trade. If the data does not correspond, the consequences specified in paragraph 70 of this Regulation occur.

72. During the performance of the procedure, domain delegation is not restricted.

73. After completing the domain trade:

73.1. The term course is discontinued – provision of Registry services to the domain holder initiating the domain trade is terminated and started for the gaining Registrant.

73.2. The fee paid to the Registry for the term until the domain trade and all current terms is irrevocable, while the payable fee is not recalculated and must be paid following the general procedures; there is the obligation of the gaining Registrant's appointed Registrar to pay the Registry fee for the first term following domain trade.

73.3. The accumulated terms of the domain holder initiating the domain trade are transferred to the gaining Registrant and are calculated from the first term following completion of the domain trade.

#### **CLAUSE IV.X**

##### **CESSION**

*(not by domain holder' will)*

74. Cession – procedure, following which the domain holder's rights to the domain are transferred to another person but not by the free will of the domain holder.

75. The procedure may be performed during the period from domain name registration until the domain deletion.

76. Basis of procedure (any separately):

76.1. The enforceable decision of a court (arbitration), obliging the domain holder to cede the rights to the specific domain to a specified person. The procedure is performed under the rules of domain trade, with the exception – domain trade in DAS is initiated by the Registry instead of the domain holder, when processing of the received basis of procedure is pursued upon the request of the gaining Registrant or the bailiff's ordinance.

76.2. An enforceable court (arbitration) decision to recognize another person's rights to the specific domain. The procedure is performed by the Registry, following receipt of the person's, whose rights are recognized, request with the domain holder data to be indicated in the WHOIS database and a document confirming the basis of procedure. In that case, the completion of the procedure does not affect the terms, while the previous domain holder's accumulated terms are transferred to the person whose rights are recognized. The procedure is performed manually by replacing the domain holder and his / her data in the WHOIS database, by marking the status "**Out of service**" in the Registrar's part and eliminating records about the domain from the DNS servers. Domain delegation may be restored by performing the transfer procedure, which is initiated by the Registry by the request of the gaining Registrant.

76.3. Any administrative act regarding the cession of the rights of the domain belonging to the state (municipal) budget office to another legal entity. The procedure is performed under domain trade rules, while the domain holder and gaining Registrant completes the basis of the procedure.

#### **CLAUSE IV.XI**

##### **SUCCESSION**

*(regarding the events)*

77. Succession – procedure following which the domain holder's rights to the domain are taken by another person, when the domain holder, due to an event, cannot implement their own will.

78. The procedure may be completed during the period from domain name registration until the domain deletion.

79. Basis of procedure are events (any separately):

79.1. The death of the domain holder – natural person or declaration of his / her death.

79.2. The termination of the domain holder – legal entity following reorganization.

80. The Procedure is manually performed by the Registry, after receiving a request from the successor or the assignee of rights together with the data of the domain holder, to be indicated in the WHOIS database, and a document confirming the inheritance or the acquisition of rights.

81. The procedure is completed, when the domain holder and his / her data in the WHOIS database change, by marking a status **“Out of service”** in the Registrar’s part and eliminating the records on the domain from the DNS servers. Domain delegation may be restored by performing the transfer procedure, initiated by the Registry by the request of the successor (gaining Registrant of rights).

82. Completion of the procedure does not affect the terms, while the former domain holder’s accumulated terms are transferred to the successor (gaining Registrant of rights).

83. The domain holder – natural person’s recognition as incapable, of limited capability, untraceable, appointment in the capital Registry’s, domain holder – legal entity liquidation without the right to succession, in the cases of bankruptcy or restructuring, the procedure is not performed.

## **CLAUSE IV.XII DOMAIN DELETION**

84. Domain deletion – procedure designed to eliminate the records of the domain from the WHOIS database.

85. The procedure may be performed, as long as the records of the domain are in the WHOIS database.

86. Basis of procedure (any separately):

86.1. The domain holder's will, expressed in actions (the submission of the order to the appointed Registrar) or inaction:

86.1.1. Submission of a domain deletion application to DAS during the period from domain name registration until the current term’s expiration. In the case of restriction, the domain deletion may be performed on this basis, if it does not contradict the basis of the restriction procedure. The procedure is performed by the appointed Registrar following the domain holder’s indications.

86.1.2. Initiating the domain trade procedure in DAS under the rules of domain trade. In the case of suspension, the domain deletion is not permitted. In the case of restriction, the domain deletion may be performed, if it does not contradict the basis of the restriction procedure. The procedure is performed by completing the domain trade procedure, as determined in paragraph 69 of this Regulation.

86.1.3. The current term’s expiration, without performing timely renewal procedures, in the absence of the auto-renewal option and accumulated terms. In the case of restriction, the domain deletion is not permitted. The Procedure is performed automatically without the application.

86.2. Will expressed by the Registry’s actions:

86.2.1. Deletion of a specific domain, that does not comply with the requirements, as determined under subparagraph 20.2 of this Regulation.

86.2.2. Deletion of a specific domain, while undergoing a suspension procedure, while the domain holder or an interested party, upon whose request the suspension has been performed, within 30 days does not perform the actions necessary to terminate the suspension (if possible) and does not approach the Registry with a request to postpone the domain deletion due to serious reasons. The procedure is manually performed by the Registry.

86.3. An enforceable court (arbitration) decision, according to which the domain holder is obliged to delete a specific domain. The procedure is performed manually, after the Registry receives the domain holder’s request or bailiff’s ordinance, if no other domain deletion method was set by the enforceable court (arbitration) decision.

87. After completing the domain deletion:

87.1. The terms stop.

87.2. The fee paid to the Registry for the past up to domain deletion, present and accumulated terms is irrevocable, while the payable fee is not recalculated and must be paid following the general procedures.

87.3. Records of the domain are eliminated from the DNS servers (domain is not delegated).

87.4. The status “**Quarantine**” is marked in the WHOIS database when applied or any records about the domain are eliminated from the WHOIS database, when “quarantine” is not applied (in the latter case, the allowance of the domain creation in the same name is delayed for a random time within a 24 hrs period).

88. “Quarantine” means, that the records about the domain temporarily kept in the WHOIS database following the domain deletion. During the “quarantine” period the last domain holder has the right to create a domain in the same name. This possibility cannot be granted or transferred to other persons, except for the successors or the assignee of rights.

89. “Quarantine” is applied in the case of the domain deletion specified in the subparagraphs 86.1.1 and 86.1.3 of this Regulation.

90. “Quarantine” begins from the appearance of the status “**Quarantine**” in the WHOIS database and continues for 30 calendar days, and if the expiration day is not a workday – expires the following working day. The Registry may manually shorten the duration of the “quarantine” after receiving the last domain holder’s request in writing, wherein appointed Registrar has confirmed the identity of the applicant.

91. Once the “quarantine” term expires, the records of the domain are eliminated from the WHOIS database, yet the allowance of the domain creation in the same name is delayed for a random time within a 24 hrs period.

92. After eliminating the records of the domain from the WHOIS database, the name of that domain is considered to be deregistered.

## **SECTION V FINAL PROVISIONS**

93. If the Registry declines to complete domain name registration, or any other procedure such as the suspension or domain deletion by their own will, the domain holder has the right within 7 calendar days after the relevant fact to make a claim to the Registry. The Registry, within 7 calendar days after receiving the claim, must provide the domain holder with a motivated answer. If the domain holder disagrees with the Registry’s motives, the dispute is stated.

94. Disputes are settled:

94.1. By an *ad hoc* arbitration, after the disputing parties enter into agreement to transfer the dispute to the arbitration selected by them. In that case, the domain holder and Registry appoint one of their own arbitrators, while they select the third, the chair of settling the dispute.

94.2. According to the domain holder’s claim to the permanent arbitration body, after the disputing parties enter into an arbitration agreement.

94.3. According to the domain holder’s claim to an ordinary court.

95. Disputes between the domain holder and other persons regarding the rights to the registered name domain, its use or contents, shall be settled according to the laws. The parties to the dispute are the domain holder and person thinking that the domain holder has breached their rights (Registry is not a part of the dispute).

96. This Regulation does not include the Registry’s internal procedures and means, related to work organization, information safety, incident investigation, information disclosure in the Registry’s website and other function performance. Also, this Regulation does not define a onetime procedure, with the features regarding enforcement of the application of the law or other reasons.

97. Lower level domain names (third, fourth, etc.), established under the domains are not registered in the WHOIS database. Their creation order is determined by the domain holders themselves, taking into account the principles and requirements of this Regulation. The lower level domains, in the cases of domain trade, cession and succession, follow the domain, and in the case of deletion – are deleted together with the domain where they are established.

98. Persons wishing to create a domain or acquire rights to a registered name domain under the conditions of undisclosed agency (when the nominal domain holder does not correspond with the

actual one), acquire a risk, related to the fact, that the rights to the registered name domain are acquired by an undisclosed agent. In this case, the aforementioned persons cannot approach the Registry or appointed Registrar regarding the provision of services, and do not have the right to realize the rights to the domain independently, without the expressed will of the nominal domain holder, indicated in the WHOIS database.

99. This Regulation was adopted after consulting with the Registrars and summarizing the established practices. The authentic text of the Regulation is disclosed publicly on the Registry's website in .pdf format, and an informational .html format version is also provided with the comments. The Registry's comments are not a part of this Regulation; therefore they may be removed, changed or supplemented at any time, depending on the received inquiries. If separate paragraphs of the Regulation are changed or supplemented, the relevant version of the current wording is published, and if the Regulation is changed essentially – the new wording is published.

100. The principles, requirements and conditions of this Regulation apply to all the procedures performed since September 15th, 2014. As of that date, the previous Procedural regulation for the .lt top-level domain (November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009. ed. 1.2) cease to be valid.

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