Domain Names Registration Policy in .AM and .հայ

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Internet Society NGO (ISOC Armenia) is the Registry of ".am" ccTLD since 1994 and ".հայ" ccTLD since 2015.

Key objectives of the organization are to promote the Internet development in Armenia, to encourage the content creation in Armenian language, to provide an open platform for Internet governance ecosystem.

Internet Society NGO is the Secretariat of the Internet Governance Council (IGC) of Armenia, organizing the annual Armenian Internet Governance Forums and the Armenian School of the Internet Governance.

Internet Society NGO cooperates with the: Ministry of Transport, Communication and Information Technologies of Armenia, ICANN, RIPE NCC, Internet Society.

Internet Society NGO is the founding member of the Armenian IX
Registrars

- Registration of domain names in "am" and "hwy" zones is carried out through the accredited Registrars.
- There are 25 Registrars for "am" and 13 Registrars for "hwy".
- Only legal entities, registered in Armenia can become Registrars for "am" and "hwy" in case they meet the requirements set by the Registry.
• Terms are defined. **New:** Domain name “holder” instead of Domain name “owner”

• Registrations are done through Registrars except the cases when the Registry do it directly

• Registration is open to anyone without quantity limitation

• Precondition for Registrants is signing the contract with the Registrar

• Registrars should acquire from the Registrant a consent to publish the personal data in Whois

• By registration, the Domain name holder obtains the right to use that domain name for the period of its payment done

• Domain name registration cannot be interpreted as the acquisition of property right or any other right over that domain name
Technical restrictions:
• Only permitted symbols can be used in domain names registration.

Policy restrictions:
• Governmental domain names
• Domain names for Registry needs (list is published)
• Domain names not subject to registration (it includes at least vulgar names and phrases formed by them)
• Commune.am and հայաստան.հայ are open for registration only for the local communities of Armenia
Domain name cannot be used for the purpose of:

- distributing pornographic materials,
- distributing materials against the protection of state borders of Armenia, internal stability, national security and (or) against Armenia,
- distributing materials of containing calls to commit a crime,
- distributing spam,
- sale of such products or services the (free) circulation of which is prohibited by the legislation of Armenia (with exception of cases, when the Domain name holder has the allowance to sell such products or provide services),
- distributing materials prohibited by the legislation of Armenia,
- implementing trafficking or supporting its implementation in any way.
THANK YOU!

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