CNNIC Privacy Policy

This document describes China Internet Network Information Center ("CNNIC") Privacy Policy, aimed at protecting the privacy of Registrants and the security of registry services. CNNIC will handle Personal Data provided by registrars and Registrants in accordance with this Privacy Policy. This policy may be changed and updated from time to time based on evolving needs and requirements from ICANN as well as the laws of the People's Republic of China.

PLEASE READ THIS PRIVACY POLICY CAREFULLY. BY ACCESSING OR USING REGISTRY SERVICES, YOU EXPRESSLY AGREE TO BE BOUND BY THE TERMS DESCRIBED HEREIN AND ALL TERMS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE. IF YOU DO NOT AGREE TO ALL OF THESE TERMS, DO NOT USE THE SERVICES.

CNNIC reserves the right to modify this Privacy Policy from time to time without notice, and each time you access or use registry services, you will be bound by the effective Privacy Policy.

External Websites

The CNNIC website may contain links to external websites. CNNIC is not responsible for and cannot control the content or privacy practices of other entities. These entities may have their own privacy policies and we do not accept any responsibility or liability for these policies. Please check these policies before you submit any Personal Data to their websites.

Use of the Internet

The transmission of information via the Internet is not completely secure. Further, communicating via the Internet and other electronic means necessarily involves personal information passing through or being handled by third parties such as Internet service providers. Although CNNIC will do its best to protect Personal Data, CNNIC cannot guarantee the security of the information transmitted and any transmission of information is at your own risk.

Information Collected and Whois Service

CNNIC collects certain data from its contracted registrars. Such data includes domain name registration information provided by Registrants to registrars, including, but not limit to: registered domain name, nameserver, Registrant's name, address, phone number, email address, and IP address, which are referred to Whois Data. While CNNIC will comply with all requirements related to the accuracy of Whois Data under its registry agreements with the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers ("ICANN"), CNNIC cannot guarantee that all Personal Data received is accurate or up-to-date and will not, therefore, be responsible for any inaccuracies.

To support the security of the Internet and ensure continuity in service, CNNIC is required to maintain a service that provides Whois Data (the "Whois Service"). The Whois Service is available to any Internet user, and its use does not require prior authorization or permission. Registrant Whois Data is publicly available upon request. In case of a registrar's failure, loss of registrar accreditation, court order, or other emergency event that prompts the temporary or definitive transfer of domain names from one registrar to another registrar, CNNIC may provide ICANN or another third party with Whois Data.

Other Use of and Access to Personal Data

CNNIC shall take reasonable steps to protect Personal Data collected from loss, misuse, unauthorized disclosure, alteration, or destruction. Personal Data is limited to data supplied to CNNIC during the registration process. Personal Data supplied to CNNIC will not be given, sold, rented, or otherwise disclosed to any third parties outside of CNNIC, except when CNNIC has express or implied permission or under special circumstances, such as when CNNIC believes in good faith that disclosure is reasonably necessary to (i) comply with legal processes; (ii) enforce or comply with agreements between CNNIC and ICANN; (iii) enforce or comply with agreements between CNNIC and registrars; (iv) comply with policies adopted from time to time by CNNIC and posted under "Policies" on the CNNIC website; (v) protect the rights, property, or personal safety of CNNIC, its contracted parties, customers, or the public; or(vi) comply to the regulation of People's Republic of China.

CNNIC may share zone file data (such as domain names and name servers) to third parties for lawful purposes. CNNIC may also share Personal Data with vendors, escrow agents, consultants and other service providers ("Service Providers") engaged by or working with CNNIC and who need access to such information to carry out their work for CNNIC. CNNIC is not responsible for the abuse of authorities of Service Providers or other third parties, nor is CNNIC responsible for any additional information provided directly to these Service Providers or other third parties by registrars or Registrants. CNNIC may from time to time

use data submitted by registrars for statistical analysis, provided that any such analysis will not disclose individual non-public Personal Data and such non-public Personal Data only is used for internal purposes.

Protection of Personal Data

CNNIC has endeavored to put into place and maintain reasonable security measures in an effort to protect the security of non-public personal information while it is under CNNIC' control. Please be aware, however, that despite CNNIC' best efforts, no security measures are perfect or impenetrable.

Governing Law

This Privacy Policy and all issues regarding this policy are governed by the laws of the People's Republic of China.

Contacting Us

If you have any questions about this Privacy Policy or CNNIC' practices relating to Registry Services, you can contact us at ngcompliance@cnnic.cn.