

# Reserved Name Policy

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## 1. Introduction

This document describes China Internet Network Information Center (“CNNIC”) Reserved Names Policy as it applies to its generic top-level domain names. This policy may be changed and updated from occasionally based on evolving needs and requirements from ICANN as well as the laws and regulations of the People’s Republic of China.

According to its Registry Agreement with ICANN (including paragraph 2.6 and Specification 5, CNNIC (“Registry”) has the discretionary right to reserve domain names at any time. In addition, the Registry may at any time establish or modify policies concerning Registry’s ability to reserve (i.e. withhold from registration or allocate, assign, designate, otherwise earmark to Registry or third parties) or block additional character strings within the .网络 (xn—io0a7i) at its discretion and within the framework of applicable ICANN requirements.

The Registry may release or register reserved domain names in accordance with applicable ICANN requirements and handling procedures developed by the Registry.

## 2. Names Reserved in Accordance with Registry Obligations

Under the terms of its Registry Agreement with ICANN, CNNIC is required to comply with restrictions on registration of the character strings set out in ICANN’s Registry Agreement, Specification 5 – Schedule of Reserved Names. These names will be reserved and not available for registration in any of our TLDs.

Names that are allocated and activated in accordance with Specification 5 will show the relevant registration information when queried in WHOIS.

## 3. Registry Reserved Names

CNNIC has designated certain labels as “Registry Reserved Names” in accordance with relevant laws of the People’s Republic of China. These may differ for each TLD.

These reserved domain names will not be available at launch, but may be made available at a later date via a mechanism to be determined by the Registry.

Any WHOIS queries on un-registered reserved domains will return results indicating that they are reserved in accordance with certain reasons.

#### 4. Petition for Release of a Registry Reserved Name

The person or entity which exactly match the ownership requirement of corresponding Registry Reserved Name may petition CNNIC to have the name released from the list in order to apply for the domain name after the Sunrise phase. During Sunrise phase, no petition for release of a registry reserved name will be accepted.

Names that have been reserved in accordance with the ICANN Schedule of Reserved Names may not be released.

A petition will only be considered if it requests release of a Registry Reserved Name by or on behalf of an eligible applicant. The petition should be sent via an ICANN accredited registrar and comply with corresponding conditions as defined in the CNNIC Registration Policy. The determination of whether any Registry Reserved Names will be released and available for Sunrise will be at the sole discretion of CNNIC.