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Post Contracting Process Changes

15 January 2015 Webinar

Agenda

- Post Contracting Steps
- Recent Trends
- Process Changes
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Registry Onboarding

- Set up your account with ICANN

Pre-Delegation Testing (PDT)

- Demonstrate technical capability

Transition to Delegation

- ICANN's final check out of the gTLD

Delegation

- gTLD added to the root zone

Recent Trends



FY15 Trend: Slowed progress toward delegation

Process Step	Expected Duration	FY15 Average Duration	Ave. Age of Incomplete / not started
Onboarding	30 Days	115 Days	98 Days
PDT	56 Days	64 Days	58 Days
Delegation after Token Issued	14 days	30 Days	50 Days
RA to Delegation	70 Days	139 Days	N/A

Why is this a problem?

- **Confusion and Uncertainty**
 - Registry uncertainty of the steps and timeframes
 - Registries Missing Contractual Requirement: delegation required within 12 months of executing the RA [Section 4.3 (b)]
- **ICANN Resource Allocation and Utilization**
 - Capacity planning to meet contracted party needs
 - Elongation of round increases program cost
 - Opportunity cost to maintain the program
- **Delegation is a beginning, not the end!**
 - Planning your launch & on-going operations
 - Controlled Interruption (no activation of names for 90 days)
 - Compliance with Rights Protection Mechanisms

Process Changes



Creating Interim Milestones

- Adding specific and actionable milestones between executing the Registry Agreement and Delegation
 - Registry Onboarding
 - PDT
 - Delegation after token issued
- Ensures
 - Steady, predictable progress
 - Pipeline management
 - Mutual Success

Registry Onboarding

- Welcome Kit
- Welcome Call  New
- Registry completes in GDD Portal within 60 days
 - Contact Information
 - Public Contact Information
 - ONBIR Information
- Runs concurrently with PDT

Pre-Delegation Testing (PDT)

- Invitation issued from Application Portal upon contract execution
- Schedule per response preference
 - If no response in first 2 weeks, ICANN will assign appointment in date and priority order
 - Appointment can be changed upon request
- PDT Deadlines
 - Appointment scheduled within 1st 90 days after RA
 - Completed within 1st 120 days after RA



New



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Transition to Delegation

- Final review initiated upon completion of prerequisites (Registry Onboarding + PDT)
- Delegation Point of Contact requested via Application Portal (Tuesdays)
- If no Delegation POC returned within 14 days, Registry Technical Contact assigned
- Delegation Tokens must be used within 30 days of issuance
 - Tokens issued in Application Portal

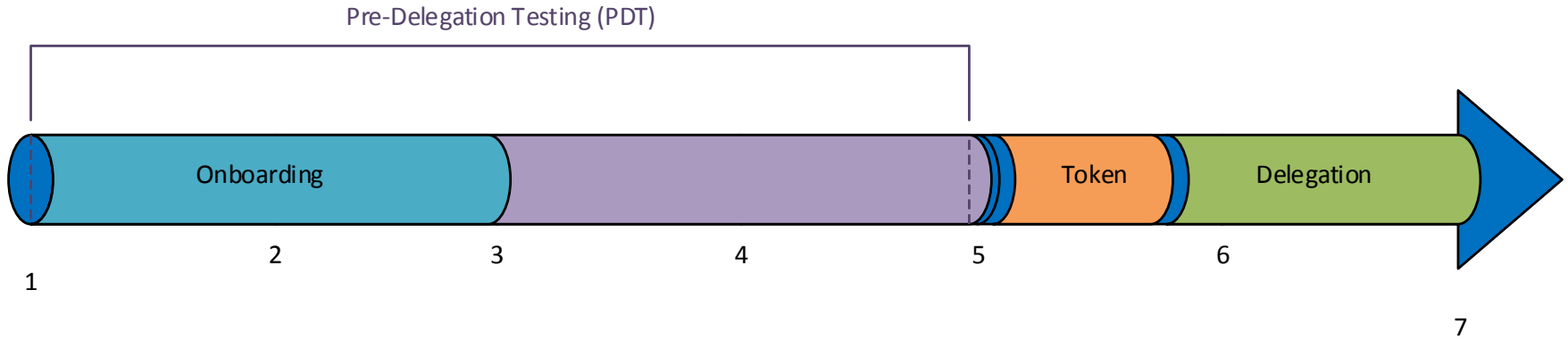
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Processing Calendar

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Contracting		Registry Agreements Sent		Registry Agreements Executed	
Registry Onboarding	Welcome Kits				Welcome Kits
	←	Onboarding Information Processing			→
PDT		PDT Appointments Confirmed		PDT Results Released	PDT Invites
Transition to Delegation		Delegation POC Requested		Delegation Tokens Issued	

Updated RA to Delegation Timelines



Process	Onboarding	PDT	Token Issued	Delegation
Starting Point	RA Execution	RA Execution	PDT + Onboarding Completion	Token Issued
Completion Deadline	60 Days	120 Days	15 Days	30 Days
Time since RA Execution	60 Days	120 Days	135 Days	165 Days

Implementation plan

- PDT appointment assignments beginning next week
 - Appointments scheduled for 23 February 2015 or later
 - Will assign based on delegation deadline (aging) & priority number
 - Reserving capacity for “fast movers”
- Registry Technical Contacts assigned as Delegation POC effective immediately for requests over 14 days old
- Adding visibility to delegation deadline in both application and GDD portal

Q & A