Dear Registrar,

Per ICANN org's 27 February 2019 legal notification, all registries and registrars were required to implement a Registration Data Access Protocol (RDAP) service as of 26 April 2019.

A new validation feature is now available to registrars when adding an RDAP Base URL in the Naming Services Portal (NSp). When an RDAP Base URL is submitted by the registrar it will go through two validations:

1. First validation: the RDAP Base URL format is checked (this functionality was already in place).
2. New! The second validation point includes a set of tests (designed by IANA) performed to ensure the supplied server is operational and conformant in providing the RDAP service.

If the RDAP Base URL successfully passes the validations it will be added to the associated Registrar ID in the IANA database. If either of the validations are unsuccessful the submitting registrar will be presented with an error message and requested to resubmit the RDAP Base URL to NSp once the issue has been remedied. More information about the testing methodology can be found here.

If you have not already done so, please submit your RDAP base URL into the NSp no later than **30 July 2021** or this matter will be referred to ICANN Contractual Compliance for further action. More information on RDAP, including specific information for RDAP implementers, can be found here.

If you have any questions, please email ICANN Global Support at globalsupport@icann.org.

Regards,

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