



Valid Formats and Data Values for .CA domains

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This document catalogs the business rules that [CIRA](#), the .CA registry, applies to the contact information associated with .CA domain names. The rules are enforced and can affect the success of domain name registrations and transfers.

1. Registrant Categories

Similar to many country code TLDs, the Canadian registry requires that domain name registrants have legal standing to register .CA domain names. These requirements, known as Canadian Presence Requirements (CPR), are most satisfied in the form of Canadian citizenship or incorporation of a business in Canada, and there are a number of other categories listed in this document.

The Canadian registry separates the types of Canadian presence) into two categories, individual and non-individual. Their requirements for what Registrant contact information to submit depend on what legal type the Registrant declares.

1.1. Individual Registrants

The following legal types are classified as individuals:

- Canadian citizen
- Permanent resident of Canada
- Aboriginal peoples (individuals or groups) indigenous to Canada
- Legal representative of a Canadian citizen or permanent resident

1.2. Non-Individual Registrants

The following legal types are classified as non-individuals:

- Corporation (Canada or Canadian province or territory)
- Government or government entity in Canada
- Canadian educational institution
- Canadian unincorporated association
- Canadian hospital
- Partnership registered in Canada
- Trade-mark registered in Canada by non-Canadian owner
- Canadian trade union
- Canadian political party
- Canadian library, archive, or museum
- Trust established in Canada
- Indian Band recognized by the Indian Act of Canada
- Official marks registered in Canada
- Her Majesty the Queen

For detailed information on each of these contact types, see [Understanding legal types for Registrants](#)

1.1. How to Use Contact Names and Organization Names

Based on our testing, we recommend the following practices for registering as individual and non-individual legal types:

Input parameters	Individual Registrant	Non-Individual Registrant
Registrant first name and last name	First name and last name are required. Submit the name of a person	First name and last name are required. Submit the name of a person
Registrant organization name	Organization name is optional. Avoid the terms listed in Disallowed terms in contact information for Individuals section	Organization name is required. Must include at least one of the terms listed in Required terms in contact information for Non-Individuals section

2. Understanding Legal Types for Registrants

A '**Legal type**' is a category that the Registrant must fall into in order to meet the [Canadian Presence Requirements](#). The Canadian Presence Requirements are set out in the General Registration Rules and the [Registrant Agreement between CIRA and registrants](#)

2.1. Corporation (Canada or Canadian province or territory)

A corporation under the laws of Canada or any province or territory of Canada, Charities, Cooperative, Council

2.1.1. Registrant name format requirements

The Registrant name must be the full legal name of the corporation and must be followed by the jurisdiction of incorporation (i.e. Canada, Ontario, NWT...), unless it is obvious from the corporation's name: Canadian Internet Registration Authority (Canada).

For Charities - the NFP should be included in the organization name - if it is a not-for-profit organization you are also required to submit the registration number (i.e. 123456789 RR0001)

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Corporation'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
The Foundation of Rosa (NFP)	Smiths
La fondation de Edward (OSBL)	Smiths Consulting
123745 Canada Inc.	Smiths Kennel
Smith Corp. of Ontario	Leatra SP
Smith Ltée. Canada	Smiths Corp.

2.2. Canadian citizen

A Canadian citizen of the age of majority under the laws of the province or territory in Canada in which he or she resides or last resided.

2.2.1. Registrant name format requirements

The Registrant's name must be the full legal name of the Canadian Citizen who will hold the domain name registration as the name would appear on a passport, driver's license or other identification document issued by a government.

The name may be followed by a space and "o/a xxxx" where "o/a" stands for "Operating As" and "xxxx" can be any alpha-numeric string designated by the applicant and subject to applicable rules and length restrictions (e.g. "John Doe o/a Doe Consulting Group"). The name may also be followed by a space and a degree granted to the Registrant by a recognized degree granting institution or a recognized professional designation which the

Registrant has the right to use (i.e., PhD, MD, and DDS.)

Full legal names of individuals may only consist of alphabetic characters and the special characters: single quote mark ('), hyphen (-), period (.).

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Canadian citizen'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
John Smith	John
Fred-Albert Doon PhD	J. Doe
Bernard St-James o/a St-James Services	None
Kathy Lynn Perse	Personal
	(blank)
	Domain Administrator
	St-James Services

2.3. Permanent resident of Canada

A permanent resident as defined in the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (Canada) S.C. 2001, c.27, as amended from time to time, who is “ordinarily resident” (as defined below) in Canada and of the age of majority under the laws of the province or territory in Canada in which he or she resides or last resided. “Ordinarily resident in Canada” means an individual who resides in Canada for more than 183 days in the twelve month period immediately preceding the date of the applicable request for registration of the .ca domain name or sub-domain name and in each twelve month period thereafter for the duration of the domain name registration.

2.3.1. Registrant name format requirements

The Registrant’s name must be the full legal name of the Permanent Resident who will hold the domain name registration as the name would appear on a driver’s license or other identification document issued by a government.

The full legal name may be followed by a space and “o/a xxxx” where “o/a” stands for “Operating As” and “xxxx” can be any alpha-numeric string designated by the applicant and subject to applicable rules and length restrictions (e.g. “John Doe o/a Doe Consulting Group”). The name may also be followed by a space and a degree granted to the Registrant by a recognized degree granting institution or a recognized professional designation which the Registrant has the right to use (i.e., PhD, MD, and DDS.)

Full legal names of individuals may only consist of alphabetic characters and the special characters: single quote mark ('), hyphen (-), period (.).

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Permanent resident of Canada'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
John Smith	John
Fred-Albert Doon PhD	J. Doe

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
Bernard St-James o/a St-James Services	F.A.D.
Kathy Lynn Perse	Cool Gal
	St-James Services

2.4. Government or government entity in Canada

Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada, a province or a territory; an agent of Her Majesty the Queen in right of Canada, of a province or of a territory; a federal, provincial or territorial Crown corporation, government agency or government entity; or a regional, municipal or local area government.

2.4.1. Registrant name format requirements

The Registrant's name must be the complete official name of the entity that will hold the domain name registration, without any abbreviations. (A common abbreviation may follow the official name in parentheses). If the Registrant is not a government, the Registrant's name must be followed by the name of the jurisdiction (i.e. Canada, province, territory, municipality, etc) to which the Registrant is related.

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Government or government entity in Canada'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
Government of Alberta	Toronto Sales Are Us Inc.
Export Development Corporation (EDC) (Canada)	John Doe
Deposit Insurance Corporation of Ontario (DCIO)	DCIOPEI
City of Toronto	

2.5. Canadian educational institution

1. A university or college which is located in Canada and which is authorized or recognized as a university or college under an Act of the legislature of a province or territory of Canada; or
2. A college, post-secondary school, vocational school, secondary school, pre-school or other school or educational institution which is located in Canada and which is recognized by the educational authorities of a province or territory of Canada or licensed under or maintained by an Act of Parliament of Canada or of the legislature of a province or territory of Canada.

2.5.1. Registrant name format requirements

The Registrant's name must be the complete official name of the institution that will hold the domain name registration, without any abbreviations. A common abbreviation may follow the official name in parentheses. The Registrant name must be followed by the jurisdiction (e.g. name of province, municipality) in which the institution is accredited if not obvious from the Registrant's name.

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Canadian educational institution'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
L' école de la ville (Ottawa)	Sandhill Secondary School
University of British Columbia (UBC)	Sales Are Us Inc.
St-John's Middle School of Ottawa	UBC Student Association
Advanced Languages Institute of Ontario (ALI) (Ontario)	Professional Association of Teaching Professionals of UdeM

2.6. Canadian unincorporated association

This legal type is principally intended for religious congregations, social and sports clubs and community groups, council (not registered) or society (not registered) which are based and operating in Canada.

An unincorporated organization, association or club:

- at least 80% of whose members: (A) are ordinarily resident in Canada (if such members are individuals); or (B) meet the requirements of any one of the following Registrant Types: Corporation (Canada or Canadian province or territory), Canadian citizen, Permanent Resident of Canada, Partnership Registered in Canada, Trust established in Canada, Legal Representative of a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident; and
- at least 80% of whose directors, officers, employees, managers, administrators or other representatives are ordinarily resident in Canada

2.6.1. Registrant name format requirements

The Registrant's name must be the complete name of the association that will hold the domain name registration, without any abbreviations. (A common abbreviation may follow the complete name in parentheses).

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Canadian unincorporated association'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
St-Alban's Reformed Church of Victoria	ACDEN
Sun Youth Montréal	St-Patrick's
Citizens for the Protection of the Red River	Dartmouth Soccer Club Limited
Toronto Junior Soccer Association	John Doe

2.7. Canadian hospital

A hospital which is located in Canada and which is licensed, authorized or approved to operate as a hospital under an Act of the legislature of a province or territory of Canada.

2.7.1. Registrant name format requirements

The Registrant's name must be the complete official name of the hospital that will hold the domain name registration, without any abbreviations. (A common abbreviation may follow the complete name in parentheses.)

The Registrant's name must be followed by the jurisdiction (i.e. name of province) which accredited the hospital if

not obvious from the Registrant's name.

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Canadian hospital'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
Royal Victoria Hospital – Québec	The dog hospital
Sick Children's Hospital of Ontario	Dr. John Doe
Veteran's Hospital Canada, Pointe Claire	John Doe Inc.
Children's Hospital of Eastern Ontario (CHEO)	Manitoba Doctors Against Drugs (MDAD)

2.8. Partnership registered in Canada

A partnership, more than 66 2/3 % of whose partners meet the requirements of one of the following Registrant Types: Corporation (Canada or Canadian province or territory), Canadian citizen, Permanent Resident of Canada, Trust established in Canada or a Legal Representative of a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident, which is registered as a partnership under the laws of any province or territory of Canada.

2.8.1. Registrant name format requirements

The Registrant's name must be the registered name of the partnership that will hold the domain name registration. The Registrant name must be followed by the jurisdiction of registration (i.e., Alberta) and the registration number.

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Partnership registered in Canada'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
John Doe, LLP (Ontario)	Mybusiness Inc.
Xenon Partnership (Ontario)	Fred Smith
Doucett, Entwistle and Theedom LLP (Ontario)	John Doe Partnership
Rosa, Edward, Kelly, Partnership-Ottawa	

2.9. Trade-mark registered in Canada by non-Canadian owner

A Person which does not fall under any other legal type, but which is the owner of a trade-mark which is the subject of a registration under the Trade-marks Act (Canada) R.S.C. 1985, c.T-13 as amended from time to time, but in this case such permission is limited to a request to register a .ca domain name consisting of or including the exact word component of that registered trade-mark.

Note This legal type is only intended for Registrants which do not meet the requirements associated with any other legal type but which have a trade-mark registered in Canada. (Trademarks subject of trade-mark applications and trade-marks registered in other jurisdictions, such as the United States, do not qualify.) The domain name to be registered must include the trademark. (i.e., If the trade-mark is AVEA this type of Registrant can register avea.ca or aveaisus.ca but not xyz.ca)

2.9.1. Registrant name format requirements

The Registrant's name must be the complete legal name of the trade-mark owner (not the trademark agent) holding the domain name registration without any abbreviations. (A common abbreviation may follow the complete name in parentheses.) The applicant must also insert the Canadian registration number of the trade-mark following the Registrant name.

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Trade-mark registered in Canada by non-Canadian owner'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
Arcuros SPA - TMA1762466	Arcuros SPA

2.10. Canadian trade union

A trade union which is recognized by a labour board under the laws of Canada or any province or territory of Canada and which has its head office in Canada.

2.10.1. Registrant name format requirements

The Registrant's name must be the complete official name of the trade union that will hold the domain name registration, without abbreviations. (A common abbreviation may follow the official name in parentheses.) The Registrant name must be followed by the jurisdiction in Canada which recognizes it (if it is not obvious from the Registrant's name.)

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Canadian trade union'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
Confédération des syndicats nationaux (CSN) – Québec	ZZCEUL local 237
Canadian Union of Postal Workers (CUPW)	Jean Smith
	Sales Are Us Inc.

2.11. Canadian political party

A political party registered under a relevant electoral law of Canada or any province or territory of Canada.

2.11.1. Registrant name format requirements

The Registrant's name must be the complete official name of the political party holding the domain name registration, without abbreviations. (A common abbreviation may follow the official name in parentheses.) The Registrant name must also be followed by the jurisdiction in Canada in which it is registered (if it is not obvious from the official name).

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Canadian political party'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
Progressive Conservative Party of Canada (PC)	John Doe
Union Nationale du Québec	Sales Are Us Inc.
Reform Party – Alberta	Liberal Party

2.12. Canadian library, archive or museum

An institution, whether or not incorporated, that:

1. is located in Canada; and
2. is not established or conducted for profit or does not form part of, or is not administered or directly or indirectly controlled by, a body that is established or conducted for profit in which is held and maintained a collection of documents and other materials that is open to the public or to researchers

2.12.1. Registrant name format requirements

The Registrant's name must be the complete legal name of the institution which will hold the domain name registration without abbreviations. (A common abbreviation may follow the complete name in parentheses.)

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Canadian library, archive or museum'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
Royal Ontario Museum	John Doe
Musé des Beaux Arts de Montréal	Sales Are Us Inc.
	Biggs Bargain Books

2.13. Trust established in Canada

A trust established and subsisting under the laws of a province or territory of Canada, more than 66-2/3 % of whose trustees meet the requirements of one of the following Registrant Types: Corporation (Canada or Canadian province or territory), Canadian citizen, Permanent Resident of Canada, or a Legal Representative of a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident.

2.13.1. Registrant name format requirements

The Registrant's name must be the complete official name of the trust, without any abbreviations. (A common abbreviation may follow the official name in parentheses.) The Registrant name must also indicate the total percentage of the trustees that meet one or more of the following requirements: Canadian citizen, permanent resident, Canadian corporation, legal representative.

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Trust established in Canada'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
Marie Daigle Trust – (100%)	John Doe

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
Arbeit Trust – (70%)	Sales Are Us Inc.
	Arbeit Trust (10%)

2.14. Aboriginal Peoples (individuals) indigenous to Canada

Any individual belonging to any Inuit, First Nation, Metis or other people indigenous to Canada.

2.14.1. Registrant name format requirements

The Registrant's name must be the full legal name of the Aboriginal Person applying for the Registration as it would appear on a driver's license or other identification document issued by government.

The Registrant may enter its full legal name followed by a space and "o/a xxxx" where "o/a" stands for "Operating As" and "xxxx" can be any alpha-numeric string designated by the applicant and subject to applicable rules and length restrictions (e.g. "John Doe o/a Doe Consulting Group"). The name may also be followed by a space and a degree granted to the Registrant by a recognized degree granting institution or a recognized professional designation which the Registrant has the right to use (i.e., PhD, MD, and DDS.)

Full legal names of individuals may only consist of alphabetic characters and the special characters: single quote mark ('), hyphen (-), period (.).

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Aboriginal Peoples (individuals) indigenous to Canada'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
John Smith	John
Fred-Albert Doon DDS	None
Bernard St-James o/a St-James Services	Personal

2.15. Aboriginal Peoples (groups) indigenous to Canada

Any Inuit, First Nation, Metis or other people indigenous to Canada, and any collectivity of such Aboriginal peoples.

2.15.1. Registrant name format requirements

The Registrant's name must be the complete official name of the indigenous people a collectivity of Aboriginal Persons or, if there is no official name, the name by which the collectivity is commonly known.

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Aboriginal Peoples (groups) indigenous to Canada'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
Carrier Sekani Tribal Council	Acme Sales Inc.
	Helping Spirit Lodge Society
	John Jones

2.16. Indian Band recognized by the Indian Act of Canada

Any Indian band as defined in the Indian Act, R.S.C. 1985, c. I-5, as amended from time to time, and any group of Indian bands.

2.16.1. Registrant name format requirements

The name of Registrant must be the Indian Band Name as registered with the Department of Indian and Northern Affairs, Canada.

Note: To verify the status or existence of an Indian Band, visit: <http://www.aboriginalcanada.gc.ca/> or contact them directly by telephone at 888-399-0111. The website is not authoritative.

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Indian Band recognized by the Indian Act of Canada'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
Lac la Ronge Indian Band	Mohawk Motors
	Sioux Sales Inc.
	Sales Are Us Inc.

2.17. Legal representative of a Canadian citizen or permanent resident

An executor, administrator or other legal representative of a Person listed as a Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident of Canada.

Note: This legal type is only available to a person or entity that has been appointed by legal process to represent an individual who is not competent to represent him or herself. It is not available to anyone who represents a Canadian or foreign corporation in any capacity.

2.17.1. Registrant name format requirements:

The Registrant's name must be the full legal name of the Canadian Citizen or Permanent Resident of Canada who is being represented as it would appear on a passport, driver's license or other government identification document. This must be followed by the full legal name and capacity of at least one of the official representatives.

Full legal names of individuals may only consist of alphabetic characters and the special characters: single quote mark ('), hyphen (-), period (.).

Caution: The representative should be identified as the Administrative Contact for these registrations

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Legal representative of a Canadian citizen or permanent resident'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
John Smith (Jayne Smith, executor)	Sales Are Us Inc.

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
	Arlenza SP
	Shingle LLP

2.18. Official marks registered in Canada

A Person which does not meet the requirements for any other legal type, but which is a Person intended to be protected by Subsection 9(1) of the Trade-marks Act (Canada) at whose request the Registrar of trade-marks has published notice of adoption of any badge, crest, emblem, official mark or other mark pursuant to Subsection 9(1), but in this case such permission is limited to a request to register a .ca domain name consisting of or including the exact word component of such badge, crest, emblem, official mark or other mark in respect of which such Person requested publications.

Note: This legal type is only intended for Registrants which do not meet the requirements associated with any other legal type but which have an Official Mark registered in Canada. The domain name must include the official mark (i.e. if the official mark is WIPO, the Registrant can register wipo.ca but not intellectual-property.ca)

2.18.1. Registrant name format requirements

The Registrant's name must be the complete official name of the entity holding the domain name registration without any abbreviations. (A common abbreviation may follow the complete name in parentheses.) The registration number of the official mark must follow the Registrant Name.

Examples of valid and invalid Registrant names for the legal type 'Official marks registered in Canada'

Valid Registrant name	Invalid Registrant name
The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) - 0970388	John Doe Inc.
	Arcuros SPA

2.19. Her Majesty the Queen

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second and her successors.

2.19.1. Registrant name format requirements:

The Registrant's name must be that of Her Majesty the Queen or, after a succession, the name of her successor.

3. About Valid and Invalid Contact Names

CIRA requires the Registrar to collect accurate information from the Registrant. Contacts without a valid Canadian presence cannot be assigned to the Registrant role. CIRA's registry checks for Canadian presence on a contact in the role of Registrant. Organization can only be used when a contact is an individual, because its intended use is to indicate which organization an actual person works for, and does not indicate the non-individual contact name.

3.1. Required terms in contact information for Non-Individuals

The following is a list that includes, but is not limited to, valid non individual names. When the category is non-individual, the contact must contain at least one of the following whole words in the name:

Valid Non-Individual Names

bank

banque

caisse d'economie

caisse d'epargne coop

caisse de credit

caisse populaire

compagnie

company

cooperation

cooperative

cooprix

corp

corp.

corporation

credit union

federation de societes mutuelles d'assurance

federation of mutual insurance associations

fideicommis

fiducie

inc

inc.

incorporated

incorporee

Valid Non-Individual Names

limited

limited liability company

limited liability partnership

limitee

limitée

llc

llp

ltd

ltd.

lte

lte.

ltee

ltee.

mutual benefit association

s.a.

s.a.r.f.

s.c.c.

s.r.l.

sarl

savings union

société à responsabilité

societe commerciale canadienne

societe d'entraide economique

societe d'epargne

societe de fiducie

societe de secours mutuels

societe mutuelle d'assurance

societe par actions

societe par actions a responsabilite limitee

trust

ulc

ulc.

unlimited liability company

3.2. Disallowed terms in contact information for Individuals

The following is a list that includes but is not limited to, invalid individual names. The category is individual and therefore, the contact name must not contain any of the following whole words.

Invalid Individual Names

academic

academie

academy

access

admin

administration

administrations

administrator

adult

adventure

alb

alberta

alliance

american

animal

animals

animaux

and

arts

assistance

associate

associates

association

authority

autorite

available

band

bc

breakfast

british

business

businesses

Invalid Individual Names

calgary

canada

canadian

canadien

canadienne

capital

capitale

care

carpet

carpets

central

city

classic

club

clubs

college

comission

commerce

communication

communications

compagnie

company

computer

conseiller

conseillers

consultant

consultants

consultation

consulting

coop

co-op

corporation

cottages

council

country

cyber

Invalid Individual Names

cybercafe

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designs

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disabilities

disability

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distribution

district

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domaines

domains

drink

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economique

educational

eglise

electronic

electronics

electronique

electroniques

entreprise

ergonomic

ergonomics

ergonomique

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essentials

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evenements

Invalid Individual Names

event

events

farm

farms

ferme

fermes

film

films

financial

financiere

food

foreign

free

fund

funds

gallerie

gestion

golf

graphic

graphics

graphique

graphiques

group

groupe

halifax

hamlet

health

hebdomadaire

help

hosting

hotel

hotels

immobilier

individu

individus

individual

Invalid Individual Names

individuals

industrie

industries

industry

information

instruments

interest

international

internet

journal

laboratoire

laboratoires

laboratories

laboratory

leasing

liberal

local

location

locations

management

manitoba

mb

mechanic

mechanics

medecine

media

medical

montreal

motel

motels

motoneige

motoneiges

motor

motors

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Invalid Individual Names

networking

new brunswick

newfoundland

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northerns

nova scotia

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ontario

org.

organisation

organization

ottawa

outlet

outlets

pei

photographie

photography

picture

pictures

product

products

production

productions

program

programs

properties

property

public

publishing

punk

quarterly

quebec

realty

Invalid Individual Names

remote

rental

rentals

restaurant

rights

rues

rural

sa

sask.

saskatoon

school

services

sex

ski

snowmobile

snowmobiles

societe

society

solution

solutions

sport

sports

student

studio

supplies

supply

system

systems

teacher

teachers

teaching

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Note: A Contact that is an individual cannot use invalid contact names for Administrative Contact and Technical Contact information. See also the Canadian Presence Requirements for Registrants at <http://www.cira.ca/assets/Documents/Legal/Registrants/CPR.pdf>

4. Permitted Formats for Input Values

4.1. Domain Names

The following lists valid domain name formats and values:

- Maximum 4 segments separated by period characters
- Maximum segment length 63 characters
- Segment characters must be alphanumeric or "-"
- "-" must not appear at the start or end of a segment
- Last segment must be "ca"

4.2. Email Addresses

The following lists email valid format and values:

- Length is 6 - 320 characters
- Format: [email@domain.tld](#)

4.3. IP Addresses

The Registry supports both IPv4 and IPv6 address types.

An IPv4 address is a 32-bit identifier that consists of a set of four numbers, each in the range of 0 to 255, separated by periods. For example, **64.230.164.58**.

An IPv6 address is a 128-bit identifier. IPv6 notation consists of eight groups of four hexadecimal digits, separated by colons. For example, **2001:db8:0000:0000:0000:0000:5b0f**. CIRA supports entering IPV6 IP addresses in standard shorthand notations such as removing the leading zeros in a group, replacing one or more consecutive groups that consist entirely of zero values with two colons (::). This can only be done once in an address.

4.4. Postal Codes

When the country code is CA, the postal code format is XNX NXN. Where X is a letter and N is a number, the space separating the first three characters from the second three characters, is optional.

When the country code is US, the zip code format is NNNNN or NNNNN-NNNN. Where N is a numeric character, the hyphen character is used to separate the first five characters from the following four characters, if the 'zip plus four' format is used.

4.5. Telephone and Fax Numbers, and telephone extensions

Phone number should consist of numeric characters only. You may add an extension number if applicable.

5. Permitted Values for Province and State Codes

5.1. Canadian province codes

Canadian Province	Code
Alberta	AB
British Columbia	BC
Manitoba	MB
New Brunswick	NB
Newfoundland and Labrador	NL
Northwest Territories	NT
Nova Scotia	NS
Nunavut	NU
Ontario	ON
Prince Edward Island	PE
Quebec	QC
Saskatchewan	SK
Yukon	YK

5.2. US state, territory, or region codes

US state, territory or region	Code
Armed Forces Americas (except Canada)	AA
Armed Forces Africa	AE
Armed Forces Canada	
Armed Forces Europe	
Armed Forces Middle East	
Alaska	AK
Alabama	AL
Armed Forces Pacific	AP
American Samoa	AS
Arizona	AZ
Arkansas	AR
California	CA
Colorado	CO
Connecticut	CT

US state, territory or region	Code
Delaware	DE
District of Columbia	DC
Federated States of Micronesia	FM
Florida	FL
Georgia	GA
Guam	GU
Hawaii	HI
Idaho	ID
Illinois	IL
Indiana	IN
Iowa	IA
Kansas	KS
Kentucky	KY
Louisiana	LA
Maine	ME
Marshall Islands	MH
Maryland	MD
Massachusetts	MA
Michigan	MI
Minnesota	MN
Mississippi	MS
Missouri	MO
Montana	MT
Nebraska	NE
Nevada	NV
New Hampshire	NH
New Jersey	NJ
New Mexico	NM
New York	NY
North Carolina	NC
North Dakota	ND
Northern Mariana Islands	MP
Ohio	OH
Oklahoma	OK
Oregon	OR
Palau	PW

US state, territory or region	Code
Pennsylvania	PA
Puerto Rico	PR
Rhode Island	RI
South Carolina	SC
South Dakota	SD
Tennessee	TN
Texas	TX
Utah	UT
Vermont	VT
Virgin Islands	VI
Virginia	VA
Washington	WA
West Virginia	WV
Wisconsin	WI
Wyoming	WY