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Our submissions on the Licensing Rules Review: Draft Report follow:

Recommendation 2

2.4.4(2)(f) has served the community well and should remain unchanged. It is, and has been for a very long period of time, a proper use of a domain name for a Registrant to use direct matches or synonyms of any of the activities listed under 2.4.4(2)(f).

Domain monetisation should be dealt with separately, if required to be prohibited, rather than removing these entitlements for all good-faith Registrants.

Recommendations 2 & 9

It should be a permitted use of a domain name if a Registrant who previously satisfied the registration criteria to retain and continue to use a domain name they previously used.

It may be that the Registrant wishes to continue to publish the material it previously published or related material even though the Registrant has now retired.

Furthermore, a change of the email addresses of the Registrant is onerous and extensive and may be overlooked with numerous parties.

Who can say who has and uses or may use the Registrant's email address associated with the domain name to attempt to communicate with the Registrant?

Likewise who is able to update all publically available third party published papers or other publications to reflect a new email address?

The Registrant may also want to continue to use the domain name and associated website as a record of their professional experience when seeking sessional teaching, expert evidence or other consultancy work after retirement.

Recommendations 6 & 8

No auDA initiated eligibility audit should occur one month before renewal. Auditing within a month of renewal and the resultant suspension of the domain name may interfere with timely renewal of the domain name licence and prevent third party access to the published website associated with the domain name while the audit is being conducted.

There should also be a requirement for there to be adequate communication to Registrants regarding any audit or compliance check being conducted by auDA prior to a domain name being placed "On Hold", for the period it is subject to audit.

Regards,

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