

Proposed DRS default transfer process

We are proposing that in undefended DRS cases, the complainant should have the right to a transfer of the domain name registration on payment of a fee of £200 (plus VAT).
Please read our consultation paper for full details of this proposed default transfer process and then answer the questions below.

This document contains respondents between 35 and 35 inclusive.

1. What do you think about our proposal for a default transfer process?

- I agree with the proposal
- I don't mind one way or the other
- I disagree with the proposal

2. Please give your reasons for why you feel this way about the proposal

If this change is made to the DRS system then it would be incredibly easy for someone with a moderate amount of knowledge of the UK domain procedures to submit hundreds of DRS complaints on any decent generics in the hope that some wouldn't reply. It would encourage DRSs, thus unnecessarily increasing Nominet's workload and wasting the time in particular of desirable prime generic domain name holders.

With the new proposals the onus will be on Nominet, who will no longer be a "without prejudice third party", they will be the judge even at the very first stage. If the DRS stands no chance of winning Nominet will need to give reasons to the Complainant who can then go away and build a stronger case based upon Nominet's advice.

If a DRS is "allowed" by Nominet as a "reasonable" one, then the judge will automatically feel obliged to make judgment for the Claimant as Nominet wouldn't have allowed the Case through if they didn't think the Claimant could win the DRS.

3. Please give us your contact details

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