About .ma domain names

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Moroccan ccTLDs are administered and managed by ANRT

- **About ANRT**

  - The National Telecommunications Regulatory Agency (ANRT) is the public body responsible for the regulation of the telecommunications sector.
  - ANRT was created in February 1998 under Telecom Law.
  - ANRT is in charge of managing the ccTLDs: .ma and المغرب.
At the end of March 2019: More than 23 millions Internet subscribers, with a penetration rate of 65.58%.

More than 90% by mobile access.
- More than **73,000** Domain Names (at the end of March 2019).
- Completely automated Platform: .ma Domain Name activated in less than **15 minutes**
- About **17,000** new Registrations in 2018.
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<th>.ma HIGHLIGHTS</th>
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<td><strong>Average annual growth of 9% since 2008</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Average renewal rate of .ma domain names of 81%</strong></td>
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<td><strong>The average age of a .ma domain name is 5 years</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Launch of IDN (à, é, î..) since April 1st, 2018</strong></td>
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<td><strong>More than 86% of Registrants are established in Morocco</strong></td>
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<td><strong>54% of .ma domain names are associated with active websites</strong></td>
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<td><strong>45 .ma Registrars</strong></td>
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June 1992: Delegation of .ma ccTLD

August 2006: Re-delegation by ICANN of .ma ccTLD to ANRT

April 2011: Delegation by ICANN of .المغرب to ANRT

March 2015: New Platform Deployment

19 Feb. 2016: DNSSEC: sign of .ma TLD
3R (Registry-Registrar-Registrant)
.ma Main Rules

✔ Automatic Registration (EPP).
✔ Prior validation: Reserved Terms and Descriptive Extensions (.gov.ma, .ac.ma and .press.ma).
✔ Registration Annual Period (from 1 to 5 years).
✔ Auto-renewal process.
✔ Grace Period (30 days).
✔ Registrar & Registry Lock.

www.registre.ma
http://سجل.المغرب
Local presence required (Registrar Agreement).

.ma Registrar conformity to the .ma Rules

- ANRT checks the conformity
- Informs the Registrar if some anomalies are detected
- Follows the implementation of the improvements by the Registrar

Periodical Data Update with Registrars
ANRT - Registrants

- ANRT does not deal directly with .ma Domain Names Registrants

- However, Different rules protect Registrant interests
  - Personal Data Treatment according to the national Rules
  - Registrant can change the registrar at any moment: EPP Code
  - Registrar-Registrant contract

- Registrant Responsibilities
  - Personal and exclusive use of the .ma Domain Name
  - The Registrant must be represented by a local Admin Contact if he is based outside Morocco
  - Update the .ma WHOIS Data
  - Content related to its .ma domain name
ANRT receives complaints concerning .ma domain names

Complaints

- The Registrant of a domain name as it is in the WHOIS service
- The registration of a domain name relating to a term in the list of reserved terms

- The name of the Kingdom of Morocco, its national institutions and national public services, alone or associated with words referring to such institutions or services.
- List available here: www.registre.ma

When the dispute concerns .ma domain name related to protected trademarks, trade names or service trademark in Morocco, the registrant is subject to the Alternative Dispute Resolution Procedure (ADRP), administered by the WIPO.
ANRT receives also different requests regarding .ma domain names:

- Illegal or fraudulent activities
- Reselling, impairing visibility of the rightful owner or taking advantage of its reputation
- The registration of domain names in order to set them aside to take advantage directly or indirectly
- Domain name is related to

  - Is unlawful or contrary to morals and good customs
  - Affects national security, public order or religion
  - Is racist

- Content of a website
 Registrars annual meeting : (every March).
✓ Starting from 2016.
✓ March 2019: Organization of .ma Domain Day with ICANN.

 Trainings in collaboration with ICANN
✓ DNSSEC trainings: three sessions.
✓ Marketing workshop.

 Trainings in collaboration with AFRINIC
✓ IPv6 Trainings: two sessions.
ANRT deploys training, exchange of experience and partnership to promote cooperation with African partners in the telecommunications regulatory field in general and management of Domain Names issues in particular;

- Annually, ANRT receives several African delegations;

- DNSSEC Training in Rabat (September 2018): Participation of 7 African ccTLDs.
Thank You
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