.MS Domain Lifecycle

Registrations: 1-5 Years
Renewals: 1-5 Years
Transfers: \$25.00
Grace Period (Days): 1
Refund Period (Days): 7
Refund Percentage: 80%
Redemption Period (Days): 21
Delete Pending Period (Days): 7

Registrations:

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Transfers:

Domain Registrants are free to use the Registrar of their choice.

Domain Names can be Transferred from one Registrar to another automatically by submitting the Domain Name and Authorisation Code;

If no Authorisation code is provided, the 'Losing Registrar' must authorise the Transfer.

The 'Receiving Registrar' is charged the Transfer Fee.

Grace Period:

The Grace Period is the number of days in which a Registrar can get a full Refund in the event of typo's etc.

Refund Period:

The Refund Period is the number of days in which a Registrar can get a partial Refund of Registration Fees; it is kept low to discourage domain tasting.

Refund Percentage:

The Refund Percentage is the percentage of the Registration Fee that will be returned.

Redemption Period:

With the Redemption period enabled, domains will no longer be instantly Deleted when a Registrar issues a Delete request. Domains will be able to be Restored by the Registrar for a number of days equal to the Redemption Period.

To do this the Registrar will need to either use an EPP RGP Restore request (RFC-3915), request the domain be Restored through the user interface, or ask the Registry to Restore.

Delete Pending Period:

At the end of the Redemption Period the domains will enter a Delete Pending Period where administrators will still be able to Restore the domain, but Registrars won't be able to send through EPP Restore requests. After the Redemption Period + Delete Pending Period days, the domain will be Removed and able to be Registered by any Registrar.

Restores:

Registry Administrators have the option of allowing automatic Restores, or manually approving each Restore request. Automatic Restores will allow the Registrar to Restore if they provide documentation for the Restore. If no documentation is provided, the domain will go to a Pending-Restore state until an Administrator approves the Restore.