

## .nz domain names with macron to be publicly available

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As part of the internationalisation of domain names, the New Zealand Domain Name Commission will accept registrations of .nz domain names which include macrons from 26 July 2010, coinciding with Maori language week 2010 (26 July - 01 August). Macrons, commonly seen in the Maori language, are the small accents usually placed above English vowels to indicate that the vowel is 'long'. Registrations will be publicy available on a first-come, first-served basis.

There will however be a "Sunrise period" which opens on 6 April 2010 and ends on 6 July 2010, during which only registrants of current .nz domain names may apply for variations of their domain names with macrons. Once the Sunrise period has ended, domain name registrations with macrons will be publicly available.

For more advice on domain names with macrons, other internationalised domain names or the domain name registration process, contact <u>us</u>.