

IETF Trust

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IETF Trust Purpose

Manage IP Assets to enable use & protect ownership

Hold IP Assets for IETF, IANA, ICANN, Internet Community

- Domain ownership
 - IETF.ORG, IESG.ORG, IRTF.ORG, IAB.ORG, IANA.ORG,...
- Copyrights
 - IETF+IAB+IRTC+Independent Stream RFCs, Wiki's, Logos, Photos, Videos..
- RFC5378 Granted Rights
 - o Contributions to the IETF: Internet Drafts, discussions, etc.
- Trademarks
 - IETF, IANA Marks, additional IETF marks (logo's etc.)
- Software
 - o IETF Tools, IETF YANG Catalog



IETF TRUST

Legal Provisions Relating to IETF Documents

Effective Date: March 25, 2015

Background

The IETF Trust was formed on December 15, 2005, for, among other things, the purpose of acquiring, holding, maintaining and licensing certain existing and future intellectual property used in connection with the Internet standards process and its administration, for the advancement of science and technology associated with the Internet and related technology. Accordingly, pursuant to RFC 5378, Contributors grant the IETF Trust certain licenses with respect to their IETF Contributions. In RFC 5377, the IETF Community has provided the IETF Trust with guidance regarding licenses that the IETF Trust should grant to others with respect to such IETF Contributions and IETF Documents. These Legal Provisions describe the rights and licenses that the IETF Trust grants to others with respect to such IETF Contributions and IETF Documents; as well as certain restrictions, limitations and notices relating to IETF Documents. These Legal Provisions also apply to other document streams that have requested that the IETF Trust act as licensing administrator, as described in Section 8 below. Capitalized terms used in these Legal Provisions that are not otherwise defined have the meanings set forth in RFC 5378.

Updates since IETF 117

- 0 new licenses requests
- 0 new direct licenses issued

IETF Trust Restructuring Update

Community Consultation on Proposed IETF Trust Restructuring	May–July 2022 Completed	Draft ByLaws Community Webinar Discussion, Review, & Feedback
IETF Trust (est. 2005)	Approved (July 2022)	The IETF Trust (aka) IETF Intellectual Property Management Corporation
Virginia Trust	DE Corp Created	Delaware Corporation
501c3 not-for-profit	IRS Approved	501c3 not-for-profit
Update necessary RFCs BCPs	In Progress	Updated RFCs BCPs
IPR for IETF Contributions	In Progress	IPR for IETF Contributions
RFC Copyrights	In Progress	RFC Copyrights
Trademarks: IETF, IANA, etc.	In Progress	Trademarks: IETF, IANA, etc.
SW licenses: code donations, YANG Catalog	In Progress	SW licenses: code donations, YANG Catalog
Other IPR & Duties	In Progress	Other IPR & Duties

Trust Office Hours

Thursday 2:30-3:00pm

Room: Liben 2 (see IETF118 Schedule)

IETF Intellectual Property Management Corporation Bylaws Update

Proposal:

Add a new restriction to the bylaws that would require a 60 day notice period before IETF Trustees could approve changes to the bylaws.

Proposed draft amendment:

https://trustee.ietf.org/about/announcements/proposed-ipmc-bylaw-amendments/

Following the spirit of the proposal, the adoption vote will not take place until January 2024

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