


Registry Overview

Authentic Web maintains new TLD registry overviews available to clients. Below is a sample registry overview for the .BANK TLD. .BANK is one of the most restricted Top Level Domains that is not a Brand Registry. This overview is provided for information purposes and subject to change based on updated Registry Operator actions.

TLD (String)	.BANK 
Registry Applicant	fTLD Registry Services, LLC www.ftld.com fTLD was founded by the American Bankers Association (ABA), the Financial Services Roundtable and members of the banking and insurance industries. Founding members and endorsers can be found here.
Description	<p>.BANK is a TLD for the global banking community with a goal of becoming the trusted source for information about the banking industry.</p> <p>.BANK is run by fTLD and was founded by the Financial Services Roundtable and the American Bankers Association (ABA) along with several founding members from the banking community, including the Canadian Bankers Association (CBA). fTLD also runs .INSURANCE.</p> <p>.BANK is unique from most new TLDs due to its stringent registration restrictions limited to the banking community. fTLD seeks to enhanced security standards for .BANK created by the financial services industry, content use requirements and rigid enforcement for .BANK domain holders will contribute to security, stability and increased consumer trust for registrants.</p>
Registry Policies	<p>Registration Restrictions Only verified members of the banking community are permitted to own a .BANK. Qualifications include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Chartered state, regional and provincial banks, supervised by a government regulatory authority. 2. Savings associations that are chartered and supervised by a government regulatory authority. 3. National banks that are chartered and supervised by a government regulatory authority. 4. Associations whose members are primarily comprised of entities identified above in 1, 2 or 3. 5. Groups of associations whose members are primarily comprised of associations identified above. 6. Service providers that are principally owned by or predominantly supporting regulated entities identified above in 1, 2 or 3 (if approved by the FRS Board); and 7. Government regulators of chartered and supervised banks or savings associations or organizations whose members are primarily comprised of such government regulators (if approved by the FRS Board). <p>Enhanced Security .BANK states they will include security and other protocols to help protect against fraud. A strict vetting process for .BANK domains intends to reduce the frequency of phishing attacks. .BANK's security protocols include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mandatory Verification of Charter/Licensure for Regulated Entities 2. Mandatory Re-verification of Registration Data 3. Domain Name System Security Extensions (DNSSEC) 4. Email Authentication 5. Multi-Factor Authentication

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Strong Encryption 7. Prohibition of Proxy/Privacy Registration Services 8. Domains must be hosted on .BANK Nameservers <p>Additional information can be found here: fTLD Registry Services Security Requirements Document</p>
Type	<p>Community The .BANK TLD received endorsements from the banking industry to qualify as a community TLD.</p>
Category	Generic - Financial
Registry Contacts	<p>Contact Page: fTLD Contact Registry Website: www.nic.bank,</p>
Status	Status: Delegated, Available. As of June 24, 2015
Launch Phases	<p>Qualified Launch Program: May 14 – May 17, 2015 For founding members (denoted with asterisk) of fTLD that have registered their trademarks in ICANN's Trademark Clearinghouse (TMCH) to register domains.</p> <p>Sunrise Period: May 18 - June 17, 2015 For eligible members of the global banking community that have submitted their trademarks in ICANN's Trademark Clearinghouse to register domains.</p> <p>Founders Period: June 18 – June 23, 2015 For founding members of fTLD to register domains.</p> <p>General Availability: June 24, 2015 – Ongoing For eligible members of the global banking community to register domains.</p>

This information is provided as of December 2015 and subject to change based on Registry Operator business practices.

For further assistance, to obtain any updates to the .BANK Registry Overview, or to obtain intelligence on the registration adoption and use, please contact your Authentic Web Account Manager.