## THE UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA TANZANIA COMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY AUTHORITY ISO 9001:2008 CERTIFIED



### **PUBLIC NOTICE**

# COMPLIANCE TO REGISTER AND USE DOT TZ (.tz) DOMAIN NAMES IN UNITED REPUBLIC OF TANZANIA

#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION:

The Electronic addresses used for electronic communications include addresses under dot-tz country code Top Level Domain (.tz ccTLD). The Tanzania Communications Regulatory Authority (TCRA) has the obligation of overseeing the management and administration of .tz country code Top Level Domain (ccTLD) resource in the country.

**Section 79** of the Electronic and Postal Communications Act (EPOCA) confers upon TCRA the role of regulating all electronic communication numbering and electronic addresses and ensuring efficient use by, among others; performing an oversight role on the Management of the .tz country code Top Level Domain.

**Regulation 10** sub-regulations (1) and (3) of the Electronic and Postal Communications (Electronic Communication Numbering and Addressing) Regulations GN. No.428 published on 9th December, 2011 provide that:

(i) Any Public or business entity in Tanzania shall register and use dot tz domains (the Tanzania's ccTLD);

(ii) Dot tz Electronic Communications (by e-mails and/or websites) shall be used for all official correspondences unless where proved technically not possible.

#### 2.0 THE TANZANIA NETWORK INFORMATION CENTRE (tzNIC):

The Tanzania Network Information Centre (tzNIC) is registered in accordance with Regulation 10(3-5) of the Electronic and Postal Communications (Electronic Communication Numbering and Addressing) Regulations, 2011 and serves as a national registry of dot-tz ccTLD on behalf of TCRA.

The functions of tzNIC are derivative of the mandate of TCRA as conferred under the Electronic and Postal Communications Act, Cap. 306 and the Electronic and Postal Communications (Electronic Communication Numbering and Addressing) Regulations, GN. No.428 published on 9th December, 2011.

The Tanzania Network Information Centre (tzNIC) shall at all times publish the statistics of .tz domains and also provide means of ascertaining the dot tz domain registration and status.

#### 3.0 THE NOTICE:

**NOTICE** is hereby given to the public and all business entities registered in Tanzania, to register and use .tz domain names in order to comply with the above Regulatory requirements.

Failure to register and use .tz domain is an offence and may attract a fine and/or imprisonment as stipulated under Electronic and Postal Communications Act, Cap. 306.

#### **4.0 REGISTRATION INFORMATION:**

For .tz domain registration services visit <u>www.karibu.tz</u> and for more information regarding the registration of .tz domain names and other related issues kindly visit www.tznic.or.tz or contact tzNIC at:-

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