

**SAM – INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(California Department of Technology)**

INTERNET DOMAIN NAME REQUIREMENTS

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California Department of Technology approval is required for any state entity, city, county, and government group that requests to use the ca.gov web domain. Web domains occupying the ca.gov domain zone must comply with all of the following requirements. See SIMM [Section 40A](#) for additional information on naming conventions and protocols.

- Domain names must be owned by a California state entity, county, city, or government group.
- Domain names must be organizationally or functionally identifiable and derived from the official name of the organization.
- Domain names must be consistent with federal policy and guidelines including, but not limited to, [41 Code of Federal Regulations, Part 102-173](#) and the Federal Interagency Committee on Government Information's Recommendations for Federal Public Websites.
- All websites in the "ca.gov" DNS Zone must contain a direct link to www.ca.gov and must provide both general information and details on digital services to be used on www.ca.gov.