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Neither the usDRP or the usNDP were changed. The only changes are to the implementing Rules for each Policy. The changes relate to the transition from paper to electronic file handling and add an affirmative duty to Registrars to reply to the dispute providers request for a lock on domain names that are the subject of a pending a complaint.

Schedule of Changes

Rule	Nature of the Change
usDRP Rule 1 usNDRP Rule 1	Adds the definition of “Written Notice” as a new defined term.
usDRP Rule 2 usNDRP Rule 2	Removes reference to communication via mail; defines service as a mail, email, and fax notice; the complaint is emailed, but annexes may be provided via portal.
usDRP Rule 3 usNDRP Rule 3	Removes the requirement that Complainants send a hard copy.
usDRP Rule 3	Removes the requirement that Complainants notify the Respondent of the Complaint. (usDRP Rule 4 requires the provider to notify the Respondent.) Removes the requirement that the Complainant provide a copy of the usDRP policy each time they file (it is available online).
usDRP Rule 4	Places an affirmative duty on the Registrar to lock the domain name and provide the needed contact information for service. This will allow Neustar to police its Registrars for bad actors.