



ETHEREUM NAME SERVICE DAO

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES, INSTRUCTION AND RULES
FOR ANY DECENTRALIZED AUTONOMOUS ORGANIZATIONS

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RFP: DRAFTING OF ENS DAO GOVERNANCE DOCUMENTATION

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Introduction

First and foremost, DAO Governance can be difficult to handle. Most importantly, it does not have to be complex.

DAOs exist to support initiatives in a different manner than traditional corporate companies. A DAO is established to practice transparency through community driven consensus during the decision making process. This benefits all participants and incentivizes members to make sensible decisions for the greater good of the organization.

This manual will cover the necessary standards that Ethereum Name Service believes to be the most efficient and effective actions a DAO should take and the methods used to approach such.



The ENS DAO is a decentralized autonomous organization that manages the Ethereum Name Service (ENS). The *ENS* is a distributed naming system that allows users to register and use human-readable domain names for their Ethereum addresses. The core components of ENS are decentralized and self-running (e.g., no one can take away another person's .ETH name), but there are a few things that require some human discretion.

The ENS DAO is responsible for making decisions about the ENS protocol, such as updates and changes.

The ENS DAO is funded by registration and renewal fees for ENS domain names.

The ENS DAO is governed by ENS token holders. The ENS DAO is open to anyone who wants to participate.

Creation of ENS DAO

[ENS](#) is decentralizing governance and [accepting applications for DAO delegates](#).

ENS has always been an open public utility that belongs to the community. We believe that both ENS and the DAO space have matured enough that now is the time to pass ENS governance over to the community via the creation of a DAO and the \$ENS governance token.

Participant Request Processing

Purpose

This Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) outlines the process for handling requests from participants who wish to gain write access to the ENS Governance Forum (<https://discuss.ens.domains>).

Scope

This applies to all of those who are responsible for managing and granting access to the ENS Governance Forum.

Procedure

1. Receiving Requests:

- Participants submit their requests using the designated form.
- The form includes the following fields:
 - Forum Username on discuss.ens.domains
 - Preferred Name
 - ENS Name (ex: `nick.eth`)
 - Email (ex: `jane@protonmail.com`)
 - Twitter (ex: `ensdomains`)
 - Other communities or DAOs in web3 where the participant is an active member



- Ideas/suggestions for improving ENS

2. Reviewing Requests:

- Review the submitted form for completeness and validity.
- Verify the participant's ENS name and check if they have delegated tokens to that name.
- Check the participant's engagement in other web3 communities or DAOs, if applicable.

3. Granting Access:

- If the participant meets the criteria, grant them write access to the ENS Governance Forum.
- Assign the "Delegate" role to participants with an ENS name and delegated tokens.

4. Notification:

- Notify the participant via email that their request has been approved and provide instructions for accessing the forum with write permissions.
- If the request is denied or requires further information, communicate the reasons and next steps to the participant.

5. Follow-Up:

- If a participant is still waiting for a response after 5 days, remind them to open a support ticket in the ENS discord server (<https://chat.ens.domains>).

6. Record Keeping:



- Maintain a log of all participant requests and their status (approved, pending, denied).
- Document any feedback or suggestions provided by participants for improving ENS.

7. **Support:**

- Direct participants to DM the ENS Twitter account (<https://twitter.com/ensdomains>) for support or further assistance.

Service Provider Application and Selection Process

2.1 **Eligibility and Submission**

2.1 **Defining Service Provider**

- a. Any person(s), organizations, team, project, integration et al,
- b. *Engages in providing a service that entails a degree of professional work, expertise, support, or facilitation in relation to ENS.*

2.2 **Types Provided Services or Work Offered**



1. Developers

Creates products, applications, or software designed to integrate with or utilize ENS, enhancing its functionality or extending its use to new platforms and use cases.

2. Provides Web Services

Delivers web-based services that either currently support ENS or have plans to incorporate ENS support, thereby broadening the service's capabilities and user accessibility.

iii. Contributes Continuously

Demonstrates a sustained commitment to the development, improvement, and growth of ENS through ongoing contributions that may include code, documentation, community support, or other forms of participation.

iv. Establishes Direction or Oversight

: Plays a role in guiding the strategic direction, governance, or oversight of ENS, ensuring that it remains aligned with its mission and responsive to the needs of its users.