

Response to Written Questions Submitted by Hon.
Roger Wicker
Written Questions for the Record to
Mr. James Bladel

Question 1. Mr. Bladel, the EU's General Data Protection Regulation was intended to apply only to EU citizens (natural persons). What is GoDaddy doing to preserve open and free access to as much of the WHOIS record as possible by differentiating between those individuals covered by the EU's GDPR and those who are not?

Response. When the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) took effect on 25 May 2018, GoDaddy redacted the published WHOIS data for all impacted customers according to ICANN's Temporary Specification (<https://www.icann.org/resources/pages/gtld-registration-data-specs-en>).

This redaction only applied to those records that we determined, to the best of our knowledge, represented natural persons who were covered by GDPR, or equivalent privacy laws. We did not redact records that clearly represented organizations, or with mailing addresses outside of these regions.

GoDaddy estimates that we have redacted less than 20% of WHOIS records in order to comply with GDPR.