

# [BY] Regulation of the National Segment of Internet Enforced

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In the period from February to July 2010 the President and the Council of Ministers (the government) of the Republic of Belarus adopted a set of acts that put in place a sophisticated system of regulation of the national segment of Internet. All of these entered into force in July 2010.

In particular they have introduced the necessity for all public authorities, State-owned and state-run entities to have official websites with regularly-renewed information about their activities.

They establish a unified system of voluntary State registration of Internet resources in the national segment of Belarus (.by) as stipulated in the statute of the Republic of Belarus "On Information, Informatisation and Protection of Information" (see IRIS 2009-1: 9/12). State registration is obligatory for all websites if they are used for commercial purposes (for example, Internet shops).

"In the interests of the security of citizens and the state" Belarusian Internet-providers are to identify all end-users of their services, keep and store for the period of 1 year records of such users and services provided to them. That rule involves identification of clients of Internet cafes and clubs. The records include files with all IP-addresses and domain names of the resources that were connected with in a particular session. They are to be provided to the law-enforcement agencies, as well as tax authorities and the governmental Committee of State Control. In effect these provisions ban the possibility to access Internet with the help of pre-paid cards and/or without a state-registered password (including free Wi-Fi services).

The providers are not liable for the contents of the information in Internet. On demand of a user of the Internet-services the provider must block access of this particular user to Internet-resources that contain pornography, propaganda of violence and cruelty and other illegal actions. Illegal information will be automatically blocked for the users located in State-run facilities (including schools and colleges) and cultural establishments (e.g., libraries and information centres). In the latter case the decisions on what information is deemed to be illegal are made by the prosecutor's office, Analytical Centre at the President of Belarus, the Committee of State Control or any other national governmental agency.

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*Decree of the President of the Republic of Belarus No. 60 of 1 February 2010 "On measures to improve the use the national segment of Internet"*

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*Decree of the President of the Republic of Belarus No. 129 of 3 March 2010 "On approval of the Procedures for interoperation between telecommunications operators and investigation agencies"*

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*Ordinance of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus No. 644 of 29 April 2010 "On certain issues to improve the use of the national segment of the global computer network Internet"*

**О некоторых вопросах интернет-сайтов государственных органов и организаций и признании утратившим силу постановления Совета Министров Республики Беларусь от 11 февраля 2006 г. № 192**

<http://www.pravo.by/pdf/2010-108/2010-108%28051-071%29.pdf>

*Ordinance of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus No. 645 of 29 April 2010 "On certain issues of the Internet-sites of the state bodies and organizations and on declaring void Ordinance of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus No. 192 of 11 February 2006"*

**О внесении изменений и дополнений в Правила оказания услуг электросвязи (Ordinance of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus No. 646 of 29 April 2010 "On amendments and addenda to the Rules of providing telecommunication services")**

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**О регистрации интернет-магазинов в Торговом реестре Республики Беларусь, механизме контроля за их функционированием и внесении дополнений и изменений в некоторые постановления Совета Министров Республики Беларусь**

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*Ordinance of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus No. 649 of 29 April 2010 "On registration of Internet-shops in the Trade Register of the Republic of Belarus, control mechanisms over their activity and on amendments and addenda to certain ordinances of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus"*

**Об утверждении положения о порядке ограничения доступа пользователей интернет-услуг к информации, запрещенной к распространению в соответствии с законодательными актами**

<http://oac.gov.by/doc/21.html>

*Ordinance of the Analytical Centre at the President of the Republic of Belarus and of the Ministry of Communications and Informatics of the Republic of Belarus No. 4/11 of 29 June 2010 "On approval of the Procedures for restrictions of access of the users of Internet-services to information banned for dissemination in accordance with law"*

**Об утверждении перечня административных процедур, осуществляемых Министерством связи и информатизации и подчиненными ему государственными организациями в отношении юридических лиц и индивидуальных предпринимателей, внесении изменения и дополнений в отдельные постановления Совета Министров Республики Беларусь и признании утратившими силу некоторых постановлений и отдельных положений постановлений Правительства Республики Беларусь**

<http://www.pravo.by/webnpa/text.asp?start=1&RN=C21001001>

*Ordinance of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus No. 1001 of 2 July 2010 "On approval of the list of administrative procedures performed by the Ministry of Communications and Informatics and affiliated state organizations in relation to legal entities and private entrepreneurs, on amendments and addenda to certain ordinances of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus and on declaring void certain ordinances and provisions of ordinances of the Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus"*

