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Style	Description	Example
 Danger	A danger notice indicates a situation that will cause major system changes, faults, physical injuries, and other adverse results.	 Danger: Resetting will result in the loss of user configuration data.
 Warning	A warning notice indicates a situation that may cause major system changes, faults, physical injuries, and other adverse results.	 Warning: Restarting will cause business interruption. About 10 minutes are required to restart an instance.
 Notice	A caution notice indicates warning information, supplementary instructions, and other content that the user must understand.	 Notice: If the weight is set to 0, the server no longer receives new requests.
 Note	A note indicates supplemental instructions, best practices, tips, and other content.	 Note: You can use Ctrl + A to select all files.
>	Closing angle brackets are used to indicate a multi-level menu cascade.	Click Settings> Network> Set network type .
Bold	Bold formatting is used for buttons, menus, page names, and other UI elements.	Click OK .
Courier font	Courier font is used for commands	Run the <code>cd /d C:/window</code> command to enter the Windows system folder.
<i>Italic</i>	Italic formatting is used for parameters and variables.	<code>bae log list --instanceid</code> <i>Instance_ID</i>
[] or [a b]	This format is used for an optional value, where only one item can be selected.	<code>ipconfig [-all -t]</code>
{ } or {a b}	This format is used for a required value, where only one item can be selected.	<code>switch {active stand}</code>

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1. What is an ICP filing?

According to the *Measures for the Administration of Internet Information Services* and the *Measures for the Archival Administration of Non-operational Internet Information Services*, the People's Republic of China mandates an Internet Content Provider (ICP) filing system for non-commercial Internet information services and an ICP licensing system for commercial Internet information services. Websites that have not obtained an official ICP filing or license are prohibited from providing Internet information services. Therefore, all websites that provide services to Mainland China must first obtain an ICP filing. You can apply for an ICP filing, modify ICP filing information, cancel an ICP filing, and claim an ICP filing in the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system.

What happens if you do not have an ICP filing

The preceding measures specify that you must obtain an ICP filing for websites whose domain names are resolved to instances located in Mainland China. Otherwise, these websites are not allowed to provide services.

- You must obtain an ICP filing and directly resolve the domain name to an Alibaba Cloud instance deployed in Mainland China. The Alibaba Cloud monitoring system will suspend your website if the preceding requirements are not met, and ask you to obtain an ICP filing.
- If you have obtained an ICP filing through another service provider and you want to resolve your website domain name to Alibaba Cloud instances deployed in Mainland China, you must submit your ICP filing information to Alibaba Cloud. The Alibaba Cloud monitoring system will suspend your website if the preceding requirements are not met, and ask you to submit the ICP filing information to Alibaba Cloud.

Overview of the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system

The following figure shows how to build a website that can provide services properly. To build a website, you must specify the instance and access information, website information, and entity information. To apply for an ICP filing, you must submit the preceding information to the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT) so that it can verify the authenticity and security of the services provided by your website.

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You can access the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system from a PC or the Alibaba Cloud app. The Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system allows you to apply for an ICP filing, modify ICP filing information, cancel an ICP filing, and claim an ICP filing.

- Apply for an ICP filing

If you need to apply for an ICP filing for a website, you can purchase an Alibaba Cloud instance deployed in Mainland China and log on to the [Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing System](#) from a PC or the Alibaba Cloud app. Then, you can apply for an ICP filing in the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system.

For more information about the procedure and ICP filing types, see [ICP备案流程概述](#). For more information about how to apply for an ICP filing from a PC, see the [ICP filing procedure \(PC\)](#) topic in the ICP filing documentation. For more information about how to apply for an ICP filing in the Alibaba Cloud app, see the [ICP filing procedure \(app\)](#) topic in the ICP filing documentation.

- Modify ICP filing information and cancel an ICP filing


- Modify ICP filing information

Modify ICP filing information: After you have obtained an ICP filing, if you need to modify the ICP filing information such as the entity or website information, you can submit a modification request from the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system on a PC or in the Alibaba Cloud app.

- Remove Alibaba Cloud from the service provider list or cancel an ICP filing


After you have obtained an ICP filing, you can log on to the [Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing System](#) from a PC or the Alibaba Cloud app to remove Alibaba Cloud from the service provider list or cancel an ICP filing. The procedure in the Alibaba Cloud app is the same as that on the PC.

- **Remove Alibaba Cloud from the service provider list:** By removing Alibaba Cloud from the service provider list in the ICP filing information, you dissociate the ICP filing information from Alibaba Cloud. We recommend that you add a new service provider to the ICP filing information before removing Alibaba Cloud from the service provider list.

 **Note** If you remove the current service provider before adding a new one, the ICP filing of your website may become invalid. Therefore, you must add a new service provider at your earliest convenience.

- **Cancel an ICP filing:** If you no longer need to use the website that has obtained an ICP filing in the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system, you must cancel the ICP filing by deleting the website or entity information.

- Other services

 **Note** You can only import or claim ICP filing information on a PC. These operations are not supported in the Alibaba Cloud app.

Import or claim ICP filing information: Determine whether the filing information needs to be imported or claimed to the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system. For more information, see the [Determine whether to import or claim the ICP filing information](#) topic in the ICP filing documentation.

Considerations

When you apply for an ICP filing in the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system, note the following limits, requirements, and regulations:

- Limits

Pay attention to the limits when you apply for an ICP filing in the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system. For example, you can only apply for an ICP filing for a domain name instead of an IP address. For more information, see [Limits](#).

- Requirements for domain names and instances

Before you apply for an ICP filing, you must verify that your website domain name and the instance that hosts your website meet the ICP filing requirements. For more information about the requirements, see [Prepare and check the domain name](#) and [Prepare and check the instance and access information](#).

- Regulations

The MIIT has regulations on the content and format of ICP filing information, modification of filing information, and change of the service provider. These regulations vary among provinces, autonomous regions, and municipalities. Before you apply for an ICP filing, we recommend that you read and understand the ICP filing regulations of MIIT in your region, and prepare the ICP filing materials as required. For more information, see [ICP filing regulations of MIIT in different regions](#) in the ICP filing documentation.

2.Scenarios

2.1. Requirements for applying for an ICP filing for a common website

If a website is hosted on instances located in Mainland China, you need to apply for an ICP filing for your website domain name at the service provider. This topic describes the requirements for applying for an ICP filing for a common website.

Requirements for applying for an ICP filing for a common website

The following figure shows how to build a website that can provide services properly. To build a website, you must specify the instance and access information, website information, and entity information.



Scenarios:

- Websites hosted on instances located in Mainland China require ICP filing application, whereas websites hosted on instances located outside Mainland China do not.
- The Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT) reviews the following information of a website:

- Instance and access information

The MIIT checks whether the website services, instance location, and access method in your ICP filing information meet the requirements. We recommend that you verify your ICP filing information and make sure that it meets the requirements before submitting an ICP filing application. For more information, see [Prepare and check the instance and access information](#).

- Website information


The MIIT checks whether the name and content of the website meet compliance requirements and whether the website administrator actually exists. In some industries, a pre-approval document issued by the relevant department must be provided to prove that the website has been constructed and approved by the superior department. We recommend that you check whether the pre-approval process is required for your website and complete the process as required before submitting an ICP filing application. For more information, see [前置审批](#).

- Entity information

The MIIT checks whether the organization of your website exists and meets relevant requirements. Different types of entities require different materials for identity verification. We recommend that you prepare all the required materials before submitting an ICP filing application. For more information, see [Required materials](#).

For websites that are accessible only through IP addresses

If a website is hosted on an instance located in Mainland China and is accessible only through an IP address instead of a domain name, an ICP filing is required for the website. Currently, you cannot apply for an ICP filing for a website that is accessible only through an IP address in the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system.

 **Note** Do not launch your website online before an ICP filing is obtained, no matter whether your website is accessible through an IP address or a domain name. If you launch your website online before an ICP filing is obtained, your ICP filing application may be rejected by the MIIT or your website may be shut down as stipulated by the MIIT. Therefore, we recommend that you wait until an ICP filing is obtained.

If your website is accessible only through an IP address, you must log on to the ICP filing system of the local communications administration office to apply for an ICP filing. To view the procedure, choose **ICP Filing Process > IP Address Filing Process** in the **ICP Filing Management System of the MIIT**.

For websites that provide BBS services

In the *Decision of the State Council on the Fifth Batch of Items Subject to Administrative Examination and Approval and to Be Canceled or Delegated to Lower Levels*, Article 7 **Notice of Canceling Special Approval (Filing) for Internet Electronic Bulletin Services** regulates that provincial communications administrations shall stop issuing the *BBS pre-approval document* required for operating a website that provides bulletin board system (BBS) services. Therefore, you cannot apply for an ICP filing for a website that provides BBS services.

For websites that use the HTTP or HTTPS protocol

Websites that use the HTTP or HTTPS protocol also require ICP filings. Do not launch your website online before an ICP filing is obtained. For more information about the application procedure, see [ICP备案流程概述](#).

2.2. Apply for an ICP filing as an enterprise registered outside mainland China

If an enterprise registered outside Mainland China intends to build a website in mainland China and host the website on an instance located in Mainland China, the enterprise needs to apply for an Internet Content Provider (ICP) filing for the website based on requirements of the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT). This topic describes the ICP filing precautions and requirements for enterprises registered outside mainland China.

Precautions

You can apply for an ICP filing in the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system on a PC or in the Alibaba Cloud app. Before you apply for an ICP filing, note the following information:

- The **Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing System** and the Alibaba Cloud app support only the Chinese language. Make sure that you can read, write, and understand Chinese when you apply for an ICP filing.
- You can use your Alibaba Cloud account that is registered on the Alibaba Cloud international site (alibabacloud.com) to log on to the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system and apply for an ICP filing. However, you must use the Alibaba Cloud app to upload documents. After you download and install the Alibaba Cloud app, use it to scan the QR code on the page for uploading documents. You do not need to log on to the Alibaba Cloud app to perform this action. We recommend that you register an Alibaba Cloud account on the Alibaba Cloud China site (aliyun.com) to apply for an ICP filing and manage ICP information.
- If the entity leader of the ICP filing is not a resident from mainland China, the website

administrator must perform facial recognition for identity verification. Under special circumstances, the system will prompt the entity leader and the website administrator to perform facial recognition for identity verification respectively.

Note In specific cases, the system will prompt the legal representative to perform facial recognition. If this is the case, complete the steps as prompted.

- You must use an Alibaba Cloud account that is registered on the Alibaba Cloud China site (aliyun.com) to log on to the app. You cannot use an Alibaba Cloud account that is registered on the Alibaba Cloud international site (alibabacloud.com). We recommend that you register an Alibaba Cloud account on the Alibaba Cloud China site (aliyun.com) to apply for an ICP filing in the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system.
- If an enterprise registered outside mainland China has a branch registered in mainland China, the enterprise can apply for an ICP filing by using the registration certificate of its branch. If an enterprise registered outside mainland China does not have a branch registered in mainland China, it must apply to the Administration for Industry and Commerce for a *Registration Certificate of Resident Representative Office of Foreign Enterprises* and use it as a business license to apply for an ICP filing.

Note If an enterprise registered outside mainland China does not have a branch registered in mainland China but has an office established, the enterprise can apply to the Administration for Industry and Commerce in the name of this office for a *Registration Certificate of Resident Representative Office of Foreign Enterprises* and use it as a business license to apply for an ICP filing. Certain provincial communications administrations allow offices to apply for an ICP filing. However, enterprises cannot apply for ICP licenses in this way.

- When an enterprise registered outside mainland China submits an ICP filing application in the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system, the province or city where the application is submitted must be the same as that registered in the registration certificate of the enterprise.
- The MIIT checks whether the website services, instance location, and access method in your ICP filing information meet the requirements. We recommend that you verify your ICP filing information and make sure that it meets the requirements before submitting an ICP filing application. For more information, see [Prepare and check the instance and access information](#).

Requirements

As shown in the following figure, preparing a built website to provide services for external systems involves three aspects: the instance and access information, website information, and entity information.

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Scenarios:

- Websites hosted on instances located in Mainland China require an ICP filing, while websites hosted on instances located outside Mainland China do not.
- The MIIT reviews the following information about a website:

- Instance and access information

The MIIT checks whether the instance location and access method in your ICP filing information meet the requirements. We recommend that you verify your ICP filing information and make sure that it meets the requirements before you submit an ICP filing application. For more information, see [Prepare and check the instance and access information](#).

- Website information

The MIIT checks whether the name and content of the website meet compliance requirements and whether the website administrator actually exists.

- Entity information

The MIIT checks whether the organization of your website actually exists and meets compliance requirements. If an enterprise registered outside mainland China has a branch registered in mainland China, the enterprise can apply for an ICP filing by using the registration certificate of its branch. If an enterprise registered outside mainland China does not have a branch registered in mainland China, it must apply to the Administration for Industry and Commerce for a *Registration Certificate of Resident Representative Office of Foreign Enterprises* and use it as a business license to apply for an ICP filing.

- To use Alibaba Cloud Content Delivery Network (CDN) to accelerate content delivery in Mainland China or global regions, you must apply for an ICP filing for the domain name for CDN. For more information, see [Use Alibaba Cloud CDN](#).
- To use the Alibaba Cloud Elastic Compute Service (ECS) and Server Load Balancer (SLB) instances deployed in mainland China, you must pass the ECS product verification. After an ICP filing is obtained, resolve the domain name to the public IP address of the SLB instance.

2.3. Use Alibaba Cloud OSS


If you store static files of your website in Alibaba Cloud Object Storage Service (OSS), and bind a custom domain name to OSS for the website to access these static files, you must apply for Internet Content Provider (ICP) filing for the web domain name and the custom domain name bound to OSS. This topic describes the ICP filing requirements for using Alibaba Cloud OSS.

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In this scenario:

- Do I need to apply for ICP filing for the domain name?

Domain name	Scenario	Is ICP filing required
Website domain name	This domain name is used by users to access the website. The domain name is resolved to an instance located in Mainland China.	Yes

Domain name	Scenario	Is ICP filing required
Custom domain name bound to OSS	This domain name is used by the website to access the static files stored in OSS.	<p>Yes</p> <div style="border: 1px solid #ccc; background-color: #e6f2ff; padding: 10px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p> Note Since you have applied for ICP filing for the website domain name <i>www.example.com</i>, you do not need to apply for ICP filing for its sub-domain names. We recommend that you use a sub-domain name as the custom domain name bound to OSS, for example, <i>img.example.com</i>.</p> </div>

- **Do I need to add Alibaba Cloud to the ICP filing information as a service provider?**
 - If the origin server is on Alibaba Cloud, you must apply for ICP filing for the website domain name in Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing System. If a sub-domain name of the website domain name is used as the custom domain name bound to OSS, you do not need to separately apply for ICP filing for the sub-domain name or add Alibaba Cloud to the ICP filing information of the sub-domain name.
 - If the origin server is not on Alibaba Cloud, you must apply for ICP filing for the origin server through the service provider. After obtaining the ICP number, you are not required to add Alibaba Cloud to the ICP filing information as a service provider.

2.4. Use Alibaba Cloud CDN


If your website is hosted on an Alibaba Cloud instance located in Mainland China and uses Alibaba Cloud Content Delivery Network (CDN) to accelerate content delivery, you need to configure a domain name for CDN. If the acceleration area of the domain name for CDN is Mainland China or global, you must apply for Internet Content Provider (ICP) filing for your domain name for CDN. This topic describes the ICP filing requirements for using Alibaba Cloud CDN.

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In this scenario:

- **Do I need to apply for ICP filing for the domain name?**

Domain name	Scenario	Is ICP filing required
Website domain name	This domain name is used by users to access the website. The domain name is resolved to an instance located in Mainland China.	Yes

Domain name	Scenario	Is ICP filing required
Domain name for CDN	This domain name is used by CDN to cache the resources of the origin server to CDN nodes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acceleration in Mainland China or global regions: yes Acceleration in Hong Kong, Macao, Taiwan, and other regions outside mainland China: no <div style="border: 1px solid #add8e6; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p> Note Since you have applied for ICP filing for the website domain name <i>www.example.com</i>, you do not need to apply for ICP filing for its sub-domain names. We recommend that you use a sub-domain name as the domain name for CDN, for example, <i>video.example.com</i> or <i>*.example.com</i>.</p> </div>

- **Do I need to add Alibaba Cloud to the ICP filing information as a service provider?**

When you use Alibaba Cloud CDN to accelerate content delivery in Mainland China or global regions, the domain name must acquire an ICP number from the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT). You are not required to add Alibaba Cloud to the ICP filing information as a service provider.

2.5. Use Alibaba Cloud WAF

If your website is hosted on an Alibaba Cloud instance located in Mainland China and uses Alibaba Cloud Web Application Firewall (WAF) to protect the security of web applications, you must apply for Internet Content Provider (ICP) filing for the website. This topic describes the ICP filing requirements for using Alibaba Cloud WAF.

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In this scenario:

- **Do I need to apply for ICP filing for the domain name?**

The website is hosted on an Alibaba Cloud instance located in Mainland China. Therefore, you must apply for ICP filing for the domain name *www.example.com*. When configuring security protection in Alibaba Cloud WAF, you need to select this domain name that has an ICP number.

- **Do I need to add Alibaba Cloud to the ICP filing information as a service provider?**

You must obtain an ICP number for the domain name from the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT). You are not required to add Alibaba Cloud to the ICP filing information as a service provider.

2.6. Use Alibaba Cloud Anti-DDoS Pro

If your website is hosted on an Alibaba Cloud instance located in Mainland China and uses Alibaba Cloud Anti-DDoS Pro for security protection, you must apply for Internet Content Provider (ICP) filing for the domain name of the website. This topic describes the ICP filing requirements for using Alibaba Cloud Anti-DDoS Pro.



In this scenario:

- **Do I need to apply for ICP filing for the domain name?**

The website is hosted on an Alibaba Cloud instance located in Mainland China. Therefore, you must apply for ICP filing for the domain name *www.example.com*.

- **Do I need to add Alibaba Cloud to the ICP filing information as a service provider?**

You must obtain an ICP number for the domain name from the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT). You are not required to add Alibaba Cloud to the ICP filing information as a service provider.

2.7. FAQ about ICP filing in different scenarios

Websites hosted on instances located in Mainland China require Internet Content Provider (ICP) filing, while websites hosted on instances located outside Mainland China do not. This topic answers the frequently asked questions about ICP filing in different scenarios.

- **Do I need to apply for ICP filing for my domain name?**
- **Is ICP filing free of charge?**
- **Is ICP filing required if I purchase an Alibaba Cloud instance but do not associate it with a domain name?**
- **Do I need to apply for ICP filing for a second-level domain name?**
- **Do I need to purchase an Alibaba Cloud instance before I apply for ICP filing through Alibaba Cloud?**
- **Can the ICP filing entity be an enterprise if the registrant is an individual?**
- **Under what circumstances is the initial ICP filing required?**
- **Under what circumstances do I need to add Alibaba Cloud to the ICP filing information as a service provider?**
- **Under what circumstances do I need to apply for ICP filing for a new website?**
- **Under what circumstances do I need to modify the ICP filing information?**

Do I need to apply for ICP filing for my domain name?

If your domain name is resolved to an instance located in Mainland China and you need to provide web services with this domain name, you must apply for ICP filing. If your domain name is resolved to an instance outside Mainland China such as China (Hong Kong)outside Mainland China, you do not need to apply for ICP filing.

Is ICP filing free of charge?

Yes, it is free of charge to apply for ICP filing. However, you must pay for the Alibaba Cloud instance that you use.

To apply for ICP filing, you must have a domain name and an instance located in Mainland China. In addition, you need to apply for ICP filing through your service provider. To apply for ICP filing through Alibaba Cloud, you must first purchase an Alibaba Cloud instance located in Mainland China. Then, log on to [Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing System](#) or use the Alibaba Cloud app to submit an ICP filing application.

For more information about the supported instance types and requirements, see [Supported instances and maximum websites](#). You can select an instance as needed and purchase it on the corresponding purchase page.

Is ICP filing required if I purchase an Alibaba Cloud instance but do not associate it with a domain name?

No. You need to apply for ICP filing only when the domain name is resolved to an instance located in Mainland China and you need to provide web services with this domain name.

Do I need to apply for ICP filing for a second-level domain name?

If you have applied for ICP filing for the top-level domain name through Alibaba Cloud, ICP filing is not required for second-level domain names.

- If the ICP filing for your top-level domain name is not obtained by using the Alibaba Cloud Filing system, you must add Alibaba Cloud as a service provider in the ICP filing information. You can add multiple service providers to the ICP filing information for a top-level domain name.
- Based on MIIT regulations, your website cannot provide services until the corresponding top-level domain name obtains an ICP filing. After the top-level domain name of your domain name obtains an ICP filing, the second-level domain names and sub-domain names become accessible.

Do I need to purchase an Alibaba Cloud instance before I apply for ICP filing through Alibaba Cloud?

- If your domain name is used for a Taobao shop or an enterprise website, select **Taobao shop and enterprise website** during product verification. You do not need to purchase an Alibaba Cloud instance.
- If your domain name is not used for a Taobao shop or an enterprise website, you must purchase an Alibaba Cloud instance that is qualified for ICP filing. When applying for ICP filing, you must select the instance to complete the product verification. For more information about the requirements for instances, see [Prepare and check the instance and access information](#).

Can the ICP filing entity be an enterprise if the registrant is an individual?

The information about the registrant and the ICP filing entity must be consistent. However, when you apply for ICP filing of the organization type under the following circumstances, the ICP filing entity can be an enterprise even if the registrant is an individual.

- The registrant is the legal representative of the enterprise.
If the ICP filing registrant is the legal representative, the enterprise does not need to provide the certifications. The regulations vary among provinces, autonomous regions, and municipalities. For more information about the regulations of different provinces, autonomous regions, and municipalities, see [ICP filing regulations of MIIT in different regions](#).
- The registrant is one of the shareholders, principals, or senior managers of the enterprise.

If the ICP filing registrant is one of the shareholders, principals, or senior managers, the enterprise must upload the certifications to Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing System. The regulations vary among provinces, autonomous regions, and municipalities. For more information about the regulations of different provinces, autonomous regions, and municipalities, see [ICP filing regulations of MIIT in different regions](#).

Under what circumstances is the initial ICP filing required?

If you have never obtained an ICP number for the entity or domain name of your website, you must complete initial ICP filing in Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing System before providing web services.

Under what circumstances do I need to add Alibaba Cloud to the ICP filing information as a service provider?

You have obtained ICP numbers for the entity and domain name through another service provider and want to change the provider to Alibaba Cloud or add Alibaba Cloud as a new provider.

Under what circumstances do I need to apply for ICP filing for a new website?

- You have obtained an ICP number for the entity through another service provider and want to host a new website of the entity on an Alibaba Cloud instance. (The original ICP filing is not applied through Alibaba Cloud.)
- You have obtained an ICP number for the entity through Alibaba Cloud and want to host a new website of the entity on an Alibaba Cloud instance. (The original ICP filing is applied for through Alibaba Cloud.)

Under what circumstances do I need to modify the ICP filing information?

If you have obtained an ICP number through Alibaba Cloud and the ICP filing entity or website information changes, you must modify the entity information or website information in Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing System to keep information updated.

3. Basic concepts

This topic describes the terms related to ICP Filing.

Term	Description
ICP filing	The People's Republic of China mandates an Internet Content Provider (ICP) filing system for non-commercial Internet information services and an ICP licensing system for commercial Internet information services. Websites that have not obtained an official ICP filing or license are prohibited from providing Internet information services. Therefore, all websites that provide services to Mainland China must first obtain an ICP filing.
ICP number	After you successfully apply for an ICP filing, the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT) assigns an entity ICP number to the entity that applied for the ICP filing and a website ICP number to the website.
Password of an ICP filing	After an ICP filing is obtained, the MIIT issues an exclusive password to each ICP filing. You need to enter this password when submitting requests to add service providers or cancel the ICP filing application. Make sure that you keep the password confidential.
Service identification number	To apply for a service identification number, you must purchase an Alibaba Cloud instance, a product from Alibaba Cloud Marketplace for website building, or an IoT bandwidth package first. For more information about the requirements, see Purchase and prepare an instance .
Service provider	A service provider provides website hosting services and helps you apply for an ICP filing.
Entity	An entity refers to the individual or organization that applies for an ICP filing.
Initial ICP filing	If you have never obtained an ICP filing for the entity or domain name of your website, you must complete initial ICP filing in the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system before providing web services.
Add Alibaba Cloud to the ICP filing information as a service provider	You have obtained an ICP filing for your website from another service provider and need to host your website on Alibaba Cloud. In this case, you need to add Alibaba Cloud to the ICP filing information as a service provider.
ICP filing application for new websites	<p>New websites are classified into the following categories:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The entity has obtained an ICP filing through another service provider and has purchased an Alibaba Cloud instance and needs to apply for an ICP filing for a new domain name. In this case, the entity needs to obtain a new ICP filing through Alibaba Cloud. The entity has obtained an ICP filing through Alibaba Cloud and needs to host a new website on Alibaba Cloud. In this case, the entity needs to apply for an ICP filing for the new website in the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system.



Term	Description
Modify ICP filing information	You have obtained an ICP filing through Alibaba Cloud and the ICP filing entity or website information changes. In this case, you must modify the entity information or website information in the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system to keep your information updated.
Claim ICP filing information	You have obtained an ICP filing by using the HiChina ICP Filing system before June 1, 2010, and you have not added any other service providers to the ICP filing information or imported the ICP filing information to your Alibaba Cloud account. In this case, you need to claim the ICP filing information.
Remove Alibaba Cloud from the service provider list	Dissociate the ICP filing information of the website from the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system. Alibaba Cloud is no longer your service provider after you remove it from the service provider list. Your domain name cannot be resolved to any Alibaba Cloud instances in Mainland China and becomes inaccessible. However, the ICP filing still exists.
Cancel an ICP filing	If you no longer need to use an entity or a website that has an ICP filing, you need to cancel the ICP filing.

4.Limits

To build a website, you must specify the instance and access information, website information, and entity information. To apply for an Internet Content Provider (ICP) filing, you must submit the preceding information to the Ministry of Industry and Information Technology (MIIT) so that it can verify the authenticity and security of the services provided by your website. This topic describes the limits when you apply for an ICP filing in the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system.

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Category	Item	Description
Instance and access information	Instance location	To obtain an ICP filing for your domain name through the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system, you must first purchase an Alibaba Cloud instance that is deployed in Mainland China.
	Cross-province ICP filing application	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Organizations cannot apply for an ICP filing across provinces. Individuals who need to apply for an ICP filing across provinces must submit a copy of the residence permit of the corresponding province. Some provincial administrations support this method. You can also choose another province to apply for an ICP filing. <p>To view the regulations of a province or city, click the link of the province or city in ICP filing regulations of MIIT in different regions.</p>
	Instance service type	To obtain an ICP filing for your domain name through the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing System, you must first purchase an Alibaba Cloud instance that is deployed in Mainland China. For more information, see the "Supported instance service types and maximum number of supported websites" section in the Prepare and check the instance and access information topic.

Category	Item	Description
	Service identification number	<p>The quantity of service identification numbers that can be applied for per supported instance varies based on its service type. For more information, see the "Supported instance service types and maximum number of supported websites" section in the Prepare and check the instance and access information topic.</p> <div style="background-color: #e6f2ff; padding: 10px; border: 1px solid #d9e1f2;"> <p> Note</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If you have already used a service identification number to obtain an ICP filing, you cannot use the service identification number again. You can apply for only one service identification number for each product from Alibaba Cloud Marketplace for website building. • The quantity of service identification numbers that can be applied for per supported instance is fixed. You cannot increase the upper limit by renewing the instance. If all service identification numbers available for an instance are in use, you must purchase a new instance to apply for a new service identification number. </div>
	Website name	Name your website based on the naming rules.
	Pre-approval	<p>If the content of your website involves information about industries that require pre-approvals, you must obtain a pre-approval from the specified authority before you apply for an ICP filing. For more information, see 前置审批.</p> <div style="background-color: #e6f2ff; padding: 10px; border: 1px solid #d9e1f2;"> <p> Note If the authority you consulted replies that you do not need to handle the pre-approval documents, you must provide comments or submit statements as proof materials in the preliminary review phase based on the reviewer's comments. For more information, see 前置审批.</p> </div>
	CDN	<p>If your website hosted on an instance in Mainland China uses Alibaba Cloud Content Delivery Network (CDN) to accelerate content delivery in Mainland China or all over the world, you must apply for an ICP filing to use Alibaba Cloud CDN. For more information, see Use Alibaba Cloud CDN.</p>

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Website information	Domain name	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The top-level domain of the domain name that needs an ICP filing must be approved by the MIIT. • The registrar must be approved by the MIIT. • The domain name must be valid. • You must complete the real-name verification process for the domain name. • For enterprise ICP filing application in some provinces, the name of the entity can be the same as the name of the legal representative. In other scenarios, the registrant information must be consistent with the entity information. For more information about ICP regulations of different provinces, autonomous regions, and municipalities, see ICP filing regulations of MIIT in different regions. • Beginning from April 22, 2019, you can apply for an ICP filing for only one domain name of each website. You cannot change or add domain names for your website when you modify the information about the website involved in the ICP filing information. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ If a website has only one domain name, such domain name must not be changed. Other information such as the contact information and email address can be modified. ◦ If a website has multiple domain names, such domain names can be deleted but must not be changed. Addition of domain names is also prohibited. However, other information such as the contact information and email address can be modified. • Beginning from April 22, 2019, all provinces have limits on the number of websites for which domain names can be filed by each entity when an entity applies for an ICP filing for the first time or for a new website.
	Websites accessible only through IP addresses	<p>You can apply for an ICP filing only for a domain name instead of an IP address in the Alibaba Cloud ICP Filing system.</p> <p>If your website is accessible only through an IP address, you must log on to the ICP filing system of the local communications administration office to apply for an ICP filing. To view the procedure, choose ICP Filing Process > IP Address Filing Process in the Failed to resolve content from t159730.dita#concept_185492/xref_hws_dm0_ijk (available only in Chinese).</p>

Category	Item	Description
	Website content	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The website must not contain any illegal content.• If the content of the website contains information about an industry or an enterprise, you cannot apply for an ICP filing as an individual.
Entity information	Entity	You can use an Alibaba Cloud account to apply for ICP filings for only one entity, either an organization or an individual. However, an entity can apply for ICP filings for multiple websites, except in Hubei and Hunan provinces. For more information, see .