

DNCL locks .nz domain name following Court order

In mid-August, DNCL took action to lock a .nz name following a High Court order.

DNCL worked with the legal representatives of the government agency concerned during this process, offering advice regarding the .nz policy framework and domain name space.

As soon as the Court order was received, the name was swiftly locked. DNCL also followed its own processes regarding incorrect Registrant contact details listed against the name.

As per .nz policies, DNCL will lock a .nz domain name either on receipt of a Court order or as the result of a Registrant failing to comply with .nz policies (in line with DNCL processes).

Since 2002, there have only been a handful of times .nz names have been locked due to a Court order. This is the first for a number of years.

Consultation on .nz policy framework review closes

DNCL's policy framework review consultation closed at the beginning of August. A total of six submissions were received.

The consultation proposed a simplification of the .nz policy framework; notably that 13 of the current .nz policies be replaced by three policies.

Submissions received were largely supportive of the proposed changes and can be found at: <http://dnc.org.nz/nz-policy-framework-review-consultation>

DNCL expects to shortly issue a formal notification, advising when the policy changes will go live.

New premises for InternetNZ Group

After nearly six years in Wellington's Grand Arcade Tower, the InternetNZ Group is moving into new premises.

From Monday, 31 August, the physical address for the three InternetNZ Group entities - DNCL, NZRS and InternetNZ - will be:

Level 11 , 80 Boulcott Street. Wellington

Post Office Box and telephone numbers for DNCL, NZRS and InternetNZ remain unchanged.

New SRS release coming

Within the next few months NZRS will deploy a new major release of the SRS (SRS Release 7.0), which includes significant internal changes to its application, libraries, underlying operating system and deployment architecture.

This is a significant SRS release with a number of underlying changes. NZRS highly recommends that registrars test their systems against the SRS RPS environment, and as such has now made the RPS environment available to registrars for early testing of Release 7.0.

Further details for Release 7.0 can be found at:

https://docs.nzrs.net.nz/notifications/files/2015/20150818_release7

Details of future SRS releases and planned scheduled outages can be found at <https://docs.nzrs.net.nz/notifications>

Registrar Portal

The old registrar section of NZRS' website (nzrs.net.nz/registrars) will be decommissioned on 30 September 2015.

The information and functionality of the old registrar section of the NZRS website has been replaced with the new [Registrar Portal](#). The portal contains all the previous information and much more.

Registrars needing a login to the new portal are asked to contact Registry support at support@nzrs.net.nz. If the new Registrar Portal has any information missing that you need please let NZRS know.

Statistics

In July 2015, the number of active .nz domain names increased from 645,379 to 648,923, a net increase of 3,544. Figures as of 31 July 2015:

	30 Jun 15	31 Jul 15	Creates	Renews	Net Change
.nz	94,823	97,940	3278	3338	3,117
.ac.nz	2,213	2,217	29	350	4
.co.nz	478,313	478,997	7268	67374	684
.cri.nz	7	7	0	1	0
.geek.nz	1,130	1,127	5	249	-3
.gen.nz	1,267	1,262	4	305	-5
.govt.nz	1,027	1,025	1	1023	-2
.health.nz	214	215	1	193	1
.iwi.nz	88	92	4	15	4
.kiwi.nz	6,337	6,309	49	507	-28
.maori.nz	998	984	5	105	-14
.mil.nz	33	31	0	9	-2
.net.nz	27,118	26,884	224	4002	-234
.org.nz	28,276	28,295	288	4049	19
.parliament.nz	10	10	0	10	0
.school.nz	3,525	3,528	15	942	3
TOTAL	645,379	648,923	11,171	82,472	3,544

Note: the previous figures do not include names in the 'pending release' status. They incorporate all active domain names in the .nz register. For more statistics, see <http://dnc.org.nz/statistics>

Availability

Availability %	SLA	May 15	Jun 15	Jul 15
SRS	99.9	100	99.87	100
Whois	99.9	100	99.87	100
DNS	100	100	100	100

SRS Response times

Performance figures on the production environment for the previous three months:

Avg Response time (in seconds)	SLA Target	May 15	Jun 15	Jul 15
Domain Details Query	≤0.5	0.03	0.03	0.02
Domain Update	≤0.8	0.34	0.28	0.33
Domain Create	≤0.8	0.37	0.33	0.34
Get Message	≤0.5	0.12	0.09	0.10
Whois	≤0.5	0.10	0.11	0.11
Whois queries at back end including Registrar (volume 000's)	N/A	9,344	8,609	8,962
Whois Server Queries (volume 000's)	N/A	1,898	1,967	1,928
UDAI Valid Query	≤0.5	0.11	0.12	0.11

Server DNS % Availability

	May 15	Jun 15	Jul 15
NS1	100	100	100
NS2	100	100	100
NS3	100	100	100
NS4	100	100	100
NS5	100	100	100
NS6	100	100	100
NS7	100	100	100

Unscheduled Outages during July 2015

Outage Type	Total Duration
SRS Unscheduled	No unscheduled outages
WHOIS Unscheduled	No unscheduled outages
DNS Unscheduled	No unscheduled outages

Scheduled Outages during July 2015

Outage Type	Total Duration
SRS Scheduled	No scheduled outages
SRS Emergency Scheduled	No scheduled outages
WHOIS Scheduled	No scheduled outages

Any Comments?

If you have any questions or concerns about the SRS, please don't hesitate to contact us. For registry or technical matters, contact Dave Baker at support@nzrs.net.nz or on 04 931 6970. For all other matters, contact Debbie Monahan at info@dnc.org.nz.

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