

Seasons greetings from DNCL and NZRS

As the Christmas and New Year break nears, DNCL and NZRS want to take this opportunity to wish all readers of the .nz newsletter a safe and happy holiday season.

Thank you to all who have been actively involved in the .nz domain name space in 2016. We value your efforts and look forward to working with you again next year.

Office closing dates

DNCL and NZRS will be closed on the Christmas, Boxing Day and New Years public holidays. A number of staff will be available on the working days between these statutory holidays. DNCL can be reached at info@dnc.org.nz, while NZRS can be reached at support@nzrs.net.nz.

The last business day for .nz Dispute Resolution Service (DRS) dispute processing for 2016 was Tuesday 20 December 2016. The next business day for the DRS will be Monday, 9 January 2017.

New DRS expert appointed

DNCL has appointed a new expert - Kevin Glover - to sit on the .nz Dispute Resolution Service (DRS) panel of experts. A barrister at Shortland Chambers in Auckland, Kevin acts on a wide range of commercial disputes and specialises in intellectual property, technology and media disputes.

Kevin was admitted in 2000, holds a Master of Law from the University of Cambridge and has practised as a barrister sole since 2009. Kevin has acted as counsel on a number of cases involving domain name issues, including the first complaint heard under the DRS.

A list of all DRS experts can be found at dnc.org.nz/drs/experts-mediators

WHOIS review update

Following the fourth public consultation run as part of its WHOIS review, DNCL has published an update setting out decisions that have been made and outlining next steps. The update can be found on the News section of DNCL's website - <https://dnc.org.nz/the-commission/news/1408>.

Statistics

In November 2016, the number of active .nz domain names increased from 666,597 to 668,654, a net increase of 2,057. Figures as of 30 November 2016:

	31 Oct 16	30 Nov 16	Creates	Renews	Net Change
.nz	112,674	113,431	2,053	9,926	757
.ac.nz	2,267	2,263	17	333	-4
.co.nz	485,937	487,296	6,928	56,966	1,359
.cri.nz	7	7	0	1	0
.geek.nz	998	991	7	214	-7
.gen.nz	1,152	1,151	10	274	-1
.govt.nz	1,037	1,037	0	1	0
.health.nz	239	239	0	220	0
.iwi.nz	104	102	0	12	-2
.kiwi.nz	4,918	4,900	41	549	-18
.maori.nz	910	908	7	108	-2
.mil.nz	30	30	0	7	0
.net.nz	25,041	24,966	197	3,763	-75
.org.nz	27,744	27,795	340	3,288	51
.parliament.nz	11	11	0	1	0
.school.nz	3,528	3,527	12	795	-1
TOTAL	666,597	668,654	9,612	76,458	2,057

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

Availability

Availability%	SLA	Sep 16	Oct 16	Nov 16
SRS	99.9	100	100	100
Whois	99.9	99.96	100	99.98
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	Sep 16	Oct 16	Nov 16
Domain Details Query	≤0.5	0.02	0.02	0.02
Domain Update	≤0.8	0.31	0.23	0.26
Domain Create	≤0.8	0.38	0.36	0.31
Get Message	≤0.5	0.13	0.12	0.12
Whois	≤0.5	0.12	0.11	0.11
Whois queries at back end including Registrar (volume 000's)	N/A	10,956	11,266	10,903
Whois Server Queries (volume 000's)	N/A	2,740	2,931	2,931
UDAI Valid Query	≤0.5	0.11	0.10	0.10

Server DNS% Availability

	Sep 16	Oct 16	Nov 16
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
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Unscheduled Outages during November 2016

Outage Type	Total Duration
SRS Unscheduled	No unscheduled outages
WHOIS Unscheduled	8 minutes (microoutages on 3 days due to botnet load)
DNS Unscheduled	No unscheduled outages

Scheduled Outages during November 2016*

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

* Registrars are reminded to check their systems, if required, after any scheduled outage.

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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