.nz NEWSLETTER

Submissions on .nz policy framework review close on 3 August 2015

There are a matter of days left to submit on DNCL's .nz policy framework review. Those interested have until 11 am, Monday 3 August 2015 to make their views known.

Submissions can be made via email to policies@dnc.org.nz, via post to P.O. Box 11-881, Wellington 6142, or via fax to +64 4 495 2115.

The framework review proposes that the existing set of policies regulating the .nz domain name space be simplified – with 13 of the current 14 policies replaced by three policies.

Also, as part of the review, DNCL has been asked by InternetNZ to consider making allowance in the policy for use of .nz data by NZRS or other entities to offer new services.

More information about the .nz policy framework review, details of the changes proposed and the draft proposed policies can be found online at:
http://dnc.org.nz/nz-policy-framework-review-consultation

Registrant contact details – reminder for registrars

Registrars are reminded that the contact details listed on the WHOIS for their .nz registrants need to be accurate and complete.

If a registrar becomes aware that the contact details for a .nz customer are incorrect they should follow up with their customer to have these updated.

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.nz domain names can only be registered to an identifiable individual over 18 or to a properly constituted organisation. Registrants also need to be contactable at the details on the record, with valid name, address and email. Contact details don't need to be for a home address, with a P.O Box, for example, being acceptable.

It's important that .nz registrants keep their registrar advised of any changes to their contact details.

Statistics

In June 2015, the number of active .nz domain names increased from 644,102 to 645,379, a net increase of 1,277. Figures as of 30 June 2015:

	31 May 15	30 Jun 15	Creates	Renews	Net Change
.nz	92,013	94,823	3,407	2,986	2,810
.ac.nz	2,206	2,213	28	326	7
.co.nz	479,215	478,313	6,995	66,241	-902
.cri.nz	7	7	0	1	0
.geek.nz	1,155	1,130	8	243	-25
.gen.nz	1,271	1,267	7	293	-4
.govt.nz	1,030	1,027	2	1,025	-3
.health.nz	212	214	2	193	2
.iwi.nz	88	88	0	12	0
.kiwi.nz	6,473	6,337	56	371	-136
.maori.nz	1,007	998	6	135	-9
.mil.nz	33	33	0	10	0
.net.nz	27,459	27,118	226	3,896	-341
.org.nz	28,405	28,276	245	3,886	-129
.parliament.nz	10	10	0	10	0
.school.nz	3,518	3,525	22	980	7
TOTAL	644,102	645,379	11,004	80,608	1,277

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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	Apr 15	May 15	Jun 15
SRS	99.9	100	100	99.87*
Whois	99.9	100	100	99.87*
DNS	100	100	100	100

* an unscheduled outage on the morning of 1 June 2015 resulted in the SLA for SRS and Whois not being met. The outage was caused by a total loss of power at NZRS' primary datacentre site. The operator of the datacentre has since put a number of measures in place to prevent a reoccurrence.

SRS Response times

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

Avg Response time (in seconds)	SLA Target	Apr 15	May 15	Jun 15
Domain Details Query	≤0.5	0.03	0.03	0.03
Domain Update	≤0.8	0.29	0.34	0.28
Domain Create	≤0.8	0.34	0.37	0.33
Get Message	≤0.5	0.11	0.12	0.09
Whois	≤0.5	0.11	0.10	0.11
Whois queries at back end including Registrar (volume 000's)	N/A	6,538	9,344	8,609
Whois Server Queries (volume 000's)	N/A	1,675	1,898	1,967
UDAI Valid Query	≤0.5	0.11	0.11	0.12

Server DNS % Availability

	Apr 15	May 15	Jun 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 June 2015

Outage Type	Total Duration
SRS Unscheduled	58 minutes
WHOIS Unscheduled	58 minutes
DNS Unscheduled	No unscheduled outages

Scheduled Outages during June 2015

Outage Type	Total Duration
SRS Scheduled	4 hours
SRS Emergency Scheduled	No scheduled outages
WHOIS Scheduled	4 hours

Planned Scheduled Outages

Details of future SRS releases and planned scheduled outages can be found on our website https://docs.nzrs.net.nz/notifications

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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