

## Have your say on the .nz policy framework review

DNCL has launched a public consultation on a recently-begun review of the .nz policy framework, and is now inviting comment from all interested parties.

As part of the review it is proposed 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 – including a .nz Principles and Responsibilities policy and a .nz Operations and Procedures policy.

The review seeks to simplify and modernise the policy framework around how .nz operates rather than change it. The general policy principles .nz operates to, and the way the current system operates, will continue largely unchanged.

The one area where there is a proposed change is around the use of .nz data. 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 draft proposed policies can be found online at [dnc.org.nz](http://dnc.org.nz).

### Why the review?

Established back in 2002, the current .nz policy framework has since undergone some incremental changes and significant evolutions. Following the most recent evolution in .nz policy to allow Second Level registrations, it is timely to review the policy framework as a whole to ensure it remains relevant to the current operation of .nz and is flexible enough to endure for another ten years or more.

### How to have your say

Submissions can be made via email to [policies@dnc.org.nz](mailto:policies@dnc.org.nz), via post to P.O. Box 11-881, Wellington 6142, or via fax to +64 4 495 2115. The deadline for submissions is 11am, Monday 3 August 2015.

## DNCL appoints new office manager

DNCL is pleased to announce the appointment of Laura Turnbull as office manager. Laura takes over from Winnie Cummock, who has moved on to pastures new.

Laura brings a wealth of administrative experience to the office manager role, having previously worked in a similar capacity for DNCL, its parent company InternetNZ and most recently in administration support at the Ministry of Justice.

## Statistics

In May 2015, the number of active .nz domain names increased from 640,342 to 644,102, a net increase of 3,760. Figures as of 31 May 2015:

	30 Apr 15	31 May 15	Creates	Renews	Net Change
.nz	87,657	92,013	4,388	2,765	4,356
.ac.nz	2,205	2,206	14	353	1
.co.nz	479,265	479,215	7,107	66,688	-50
.cri.nz	7	7	0	1	0
.geek.nz	1,160	1,155	5	261	-5
.gen.nz	1,282	1,271	3	290	-11
.govt.nz	1,034	1,030	0	1,026	-4
.health.nz	211	212	1	193	1
.iwi.nz	87	88	2	10	1
.kiwi.nz	6,589	6,473	57	553	-116
.maori.nz	1,043	1,007	9	128	-36
.mil.nz	33	33	0	8	0
.net.nz	27,761	27,459	210	3,968	-302
.org.nz	28,486	28,405	248	4,021	-81
.parliament.nz	10	10	0	10	0
.school.nz	3,512	3,518	21	984	6
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>640,342</b>	<b>644,102</b>	<b>12,065</b>	<b>81,259</b>	<b>3,760</b>

*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	Mar 15	Apr 15	May 15
SRS	99.9	100	100	100
Whois	99.9	100	100	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	Mar 15	Apr 15	May 15
Domain Details Query	≤0.5	0.03	0.03	0.03
Domain Update	≤0.8	0.32	0.29	0.34
Domain Create	≤0.8	0.28	0.34	0.37
Get Message	≤0.5	0.12	0.11	0.12
Whois	≤0.5	0.10	0.11	0.10
Whois queries at back end including Registrar (volume 000's)	N/A	9,216	6,538	9,344
Whois Server Queries (volume 000's)	N/A	1,974	1,675	1,898
UDAI Valid Query	≤0.5	0.11	0.11	0.11

## Server DNS % Availability

	Mar 15	Apr 15	May 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 May 2015

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

## Scheduled Outages during May 2015

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

## 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](mailto:support@nzrs.net.nz) or on 04 931 6970. For all other matters, contact Debbie Monahan at [info@dnc.org.nz](mailto:info@dnc.org.nz).

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