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# Registrations direct at the second level - PRR options expire 1pm, 30 March 2015

Registrants and registrars are reminded that the preferential eligibility period is fast drawing to a close, with eligible registrants only having until *1pm*, *30*March 2015 to act on any special registration or reservation rights.

DNCL and NZRS have been working closely with registrars to communicate the significance of 30 March, and all affected registrants should now have heard from their provider about their PRR (Preferential Registration or Reservation) options.

Registrars - there's still plenty of opportunity to keep notifying your affected registrants about 30 March. Affected registrants - there's time yet to acquaint yourself with your options. You can do this by talking to your .nz provider or visiting anyname.nz.

#### Remember, preferential eligibility for most

Most registrants have preferential eligibility, meaning they are able to register or reserve the shorter .nz version of their domain name before anyone else. Registrants can check if they've got preferential eligibility at anyname.nz, which also explains how to <u>register</u> or <u>reserve</u>.

#### Preferential eligibility expires at 1pm, 30 March 2015

Registrants with preferential eligibility need to decide if they want to register or reserve the shorter version of their name by *1pm*, *30 March 2015*. If they don't, then the shorter version of their name will become available for anybody to register.

Even if this happens, though, their existing domain name will still be theirs as long as it remains registered to them.

#### No timeframe to lodge conflict preferences

It's important to remember that, for registrants with a 'conflicted' name direct at the second level, there's no date or timeframe for lodging a conflict preference.

Despite there being no timeframe, DNCL encourages all registrants with a conflicted name to lodge their preference as soon as they can at anyname.nz.





A conflicted name is one that has been registered in at least two different second levels. Registrants whose name is conflicted are able to go to anyname.nz with their UDAI and lodge a preference for who might get the new, shorter .nz version of the name.

Registrants and registrars are also reminded that where a conflict has already been resolved, registration of the resolved name needs to happen by 1pm, 30 March 2015 or within two months (whichever is later).

More details about the conflicted name process can be found in the <u>How To Guide</u> at anyname.nz.

#### By the numbers - registrations direct at the second level

Already, over 42,000 names direct at the second level have been registered. As at 31 December 2014, there have been 7,804 reservations and 9,579 conflict preferences lodged. 844 conflicted names have been resolved.

Statistics showing numbers of registered, reserved and resolved names direct at the second level for each calendar month are available at the following links:

http://dnc.org.nz/content/2014-12 stats.html

http://dnc.org.nz/story/monthly-nz-statistics-reserved-and-resolved-names-second-level?m=346

The majority of registrants with PRR rights are yet to exercise those rights, and only have until *1pm*, *30 March 2015* to do so. It's important that they decide soon whether to register or reserve the shorter .nz version of their name.

#### Statistics

In December 2014, the number of active .nz domain names increased from 592,682 to 598,200, a net increase of 5,518. Figures as of 31 December 2014:

	30 Nov 14	31 Dec 14	Creates	Renews	Net Change
.nz	39,718	42,839	3,224	1,199	3,121
.ac.nz	2,166	2,165	15	350	-1
.co.nz	478,000	480,374	4,913	63,271	2,374
.cri.nz	12	12	0	3	0





.geek.nz	1,187	1,181	1	228	-6
.gen.nz	1,297	1,293	3	284	-4
.govt.nz	1,035	1,033	3	1,021	-2
.health.nz	195	196	1	187	1
.iwi.nz	84	84	1	15	0
.kiwi.nz	7,166	7,040	42	542	-126
.maori.nz	1,059	1,061	10	113	2
.mil.nz	33	33	0	7	0
.net.nz	28,700	28,807	187	4,200	107
.org.nz	28,541	28,588	237	3,392	47
.parliament.nz	10	10	0	10	0
.school.nz	3,479	3,484	14	975	5
TOTAL	592,682	598,200	8,651	75,797	5,518

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 <a href="http://dnc.org.nz/statistics">http://dnc.org.nz/statistics</a>

## Availability

Availability %	SLA	Oct 14	Nov 14	Dec 14
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	SLA	Oct 14	Nov 14	Dec 14
seconds)	Target	00014	110 / 14	Dec 14
Domain Details Query	≤0.5	0.03	0.03	0.03
Domain Update	≤0.8	0.29	0.27	0.27
Domain Create	≤0.8	0.22	0.35	0.40
Get Message	≤0.5	0.11	0.11	0.15
Whois	≤0.5	0.09	0.11	0.10





Whois queries at back end				
including Registrar (volume	N/A	9,379	8,522	5,402
000's)				
Whois Server Queries (volume	N/A	1,855	2,207	1,522
000's)	IN/ A	1,000	2,207	1,022
UDAI Valid Query	≤0.5	0.10	0.10	0.10

#### Server DNS % Availability

	Oct 14	Nov 14	Dec 14
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 December 2014

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

## Scheduled Outages during December 2014

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 http://nzrs.net.nz/notices/updates

## 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 <a href="mailto:support@nzrs.net.nz">support@nzrs.net.nz</a> or on 04 931 6970. For all other matters, contact Debbie Monahan at info@dnc.org.nz.

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