.nz NEWSLETTER

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Options proposal for withholding individual registrant contact information in the WHOIS

DNCL has launched a fourth public consultation as part of its review of the .nz WHOIS.

The consultation proposes that all contact address and telephone information for individual registrants is withheld from publication in the WHOIS. This position has been arrived at following consideration of previous submissions received in the review so far, including meetings with some of the submitters.

Two options are proposed:

Option 1 – to only display individual registrants' name and email address

Option 2 – to only display individual registrants' name, email address and geography e.g. city/region/country, or just country.

Once any information is withheld, a process to obtain that withheld information is required and so the consultation also asks for feedback on what process for release of information should be implemented.

A consultation paper and background document has been put together at https://dnc.org.nz/nz-whois-review-fourth-consultation

To make a submission, read the consultation paper and send your feedback to policies@dnc.org.nz or P.O. Box 11-881, Wellington, 6142.

The deadline for making a submission is 11.00am, Tuesday 8 November 2016.

Reminder: 30 March 2017 deadline for reserved names

A reminder that reserved .nz names need to be registered by 30 March 2017 before they become available for anyone to register.

A 'reserved' name is a domain name direct at the second level that eligible

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registrants had consciously reserved for their own future registration. The ability to reserve names was a key part of the policy change allowing names directly at.nz.

More information can be found at https://dnc.org.nz/the-commission/news/1116

Statistics

In August 2016, the number of active .nz domain names increased from 665,004 to 667,854, a net increase of 2,850. Figures as of 31 August 2016:

	31 Jul 16	31 Aug 16	Creates	Renews	Net Change
.nz	111,042	112,793	2,395	9,843	1,751
.ac.nz	2,282	2,272	27	370	-10
.co.nz	484,979	486,132	7,608	65,395	1,153
.cri.nz	7	7	0	1	0
.geek.nz	1,035	1,017	2	261	-18
.gen.nz	1,167	1,162	1	308	-5
.govt.nz	1,041	1,042	2	1	1
.health.nz	232	236	4	219	4
.iwi.nz	102	104	1	18	2
.kiwi.nz	5,224	5,225	39	966	1
.maori.nz	931	927	7	127	-4
.mil.nz	30	30	0	8	0
.net.nz	25,431	25,403	238	4,242	-28
.org.nz	27,955	27,948	263	4,022	-7
.parliament.nz	11	11	0	1	0
.school.nz	3,535	3,545	18	867	10
TOTAL	**665,004**	**667,854**	**10,605**	**86,649**	**2,850**

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	Jun 16	Jul 16	Aug 16
SRS	99.9	100	100	100

Whois	99.9	99.98	100	99.97
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	Jun 16	Jul 16	Aug 16
Domain Details Query	≤0.5	0.03	0.03	0.03
Domain Update	≤0.8	0.31	0.35	0.33
Domain Create	≤0.8	0.41	0.42	0.40
Get Message	≤0.5	0.15	0.15	0.14
Whois	≤0.5	0.14	0.13	0.13
Whois queries at back end including Registrar (volume 000's)	N/A	11,441	11,368	11,679
Whois Server Queries (volume 000's)	N/A	2,655	2,557	2,606
UDAI Valid Query	≤0.5	0.16	0.14	0.12

Server DNS% Availability

	May 16	Jul 16	Aug 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

Unscheduled Outages during August 2016

Outage Type	Total Duration

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

Scheduled Outages during August 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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