

## **.nz NEWSLETTER – September 2006**

### **:: DNC OFFICE ::**

In August the number of active .nz domain names increased from 239,460 to 244,608 a net increase of 5,148.

There were 7,939 creates this month. This is the highest number of new creates since the Shared Registry System has been implemented, with the second highest amount being recorded in March this year.

### **Proposed .iwi.nz moderation policy amendment**

A request to make an amendment to the .iwi.nz moderation policy has been put forward by the moderator, Karaitiana Taiuru. The proposed change will impact on what names are eligible for registration in the .iwi.nz second level domain as it includes a new group of “a non-commercial Iwi group coalition formed by their respective governing groups”. For this reason, public comment is being sought on whether the moderator’s request for change should be approved. The detailed request can be seen below.

If anyone has any comments on this, please email [info@dnc.org.nz](mailto:info@dnc.org.nz).

The Office of the DNC will also be contacting all .iwi.nz registrants directly to seek their views on this proposed change.

#### *Request from .iwi.nz moderator – Karaitiana Taiuru*

I would like to propose an amendment to the .iwi.nz policy. The amendment will recognise the fact that iwi are an evolving community of interest.

It is proposed that Iwi coalition groups should be included in the .iwi policy.

**Proposed amendment:** To be read in conjunction with the [full moderation policy](#).

**Criteria 1.** You must be a:

- (a) Traditional Māori tribe
- (b) Hapu that belongs to a traditional Māori Iwi
- (c) Taura here Iwi group operating with the permission of the main Iwi
- (d) A non-commercial Iwi group coalition formed by their respective governing groups.

#### **Original:**

**Criteria 1.** You must be a traditional Māori tribe, Hapu that belongs to a traditional Māori Iwi or Taura here Iwi group operating with the permission of the main Iwi.”

### **DRS Decisions**

To date there have been four published decisions. The decisions can be viewed at [www.dnc.org.nz/drs-decisions](http://www.dnc.org.nz/drs-decisions)

## Statistics

Figures as at 31 August 2006:

	<i>Active names as at 1 August</i>	<i>Active names as at end 31 August</i>	<i>New registrations August</i>	<i>Renewals August</i>	<i>Net Growth</i>
.ac	1202	1221	31	284	19
.co	204520	208881	6753	49045	4361
.cri	18	18	0	4	0
.geek	872	830	21	246	-42
.gen	1027	1034	21	317	7
.govt	853	859	6	615	6
.iwi	56	54	0	18	-2
.maori	436	452	23	100	16
.mil	21	21	0	11	0
.net	13953	14410	607	3079	457
.org	13963	14272	447	3103	309
.parliament	1	2	1	1	1
.school	2538	2554	29	1095	16
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>239460</b>	<b>244608</b>	<b>7939</b>	<b>57918</b>	<b>5148</b>

Note: these 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>

## :: .nz REGISTRY SERVICES ::

The collation of the Business Requirements of the Technical and Business Systems Review has been done and the draft is currently going through the review process.

### Scheduled Outages

In addition to the monthly SRS release for September on the 24th, there is a scheduled outage to the SRS on Saturday 30th of September from 06:00 and 09:00.

During this outage the primary work being carried out will be the upgrade of the web server, replacement of the secondary DNS server (ns1) and re-arranging several servers in the racks at our secondary SRS site in Wellington.

Please note that during this time ns1.dns.net.nz may not be available. Throughout this period the other six .nz zone servers (ns2 - ns7) will be available.

### SRS Availability

SRS Availability	SLA	June	July	August
%	99.90	99.98	99.98	99.99

## SRS Response Times

Response time performance figures on the production environment for the previous three months were:

Avg Response time (in seconds)	SLA Target (From 1 May 2006)	June	July	August
Domain Details Query	≤1.5	0.06	0.05	0.05
Domain Update	≤0.8	0.46	0.46	0.43
Domain Create	≤0.8	0.47	0.52	0.45
GetMessage performance	≤0.8	0.04	0.05	0.05
Whois	≤0.8	0.18	0.20	0.17
Whois queries at back end including Registrar (volume 000's)	N/A	1,862	1,902	1,969
Whois Server Queries (volume 000's)	N/A	243	212	249
UDAI Valid Query	≤0.8	0.21	0.20	0.20

## DNS Availability

DNS Availability	SLA	June	July	August
%	100	100	100	100

## Whois Availability

Whois Availability	SLA	June	July	August
%	99.90%	99.98	99.89	99.99

## Unscheduled Outages

Outage Type	Total Duration
SRS Unscheduled	333 seconds (5 minutes and 33 seconds)
WHOIS Unscheduled	252 seconds (4 minutes and 12 seconds)

## Scheduled Outages and Updates

SRS Scheduled	8 hours and 35 minutes
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## 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 Nick Griffin at [support@nzrs.net.nz](mailto:support@nzrs.net.nz). For all other matters, contact Debbie Monahan at [info@dnc.org.nz](mailto:info@dnc.org.nz).

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