

New Zealand Domain Name Registry Limited

NZ Registry Services Update

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History of NZRS

- Hine Report defined the .nz model
- May 2002 NZRS Established
- October 2002 SRS live 1 Registrar, 116,000 names
- February 2004 44 registrars, 145,500 names

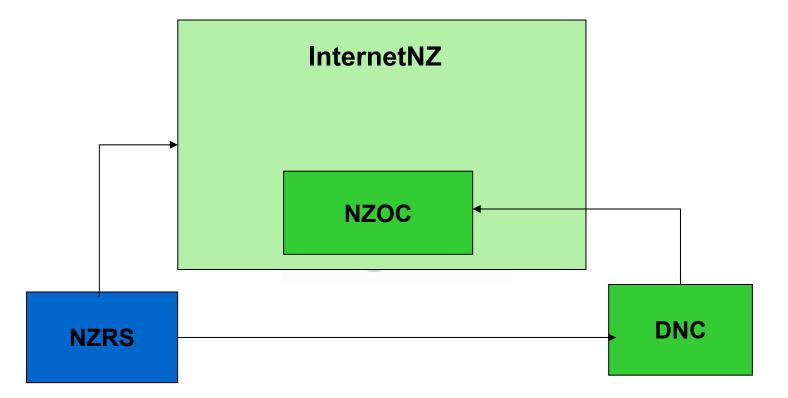
The .nz Domain Name Space

- No legislation covering the .nz domain name space
- Inz domain name space operates as a Shared Registry System (SRS)
- Authorised registrars have access to the register and full responsibility over their domain names
- The SRS is governed by a series of .nz policies and procedures and formal agreements

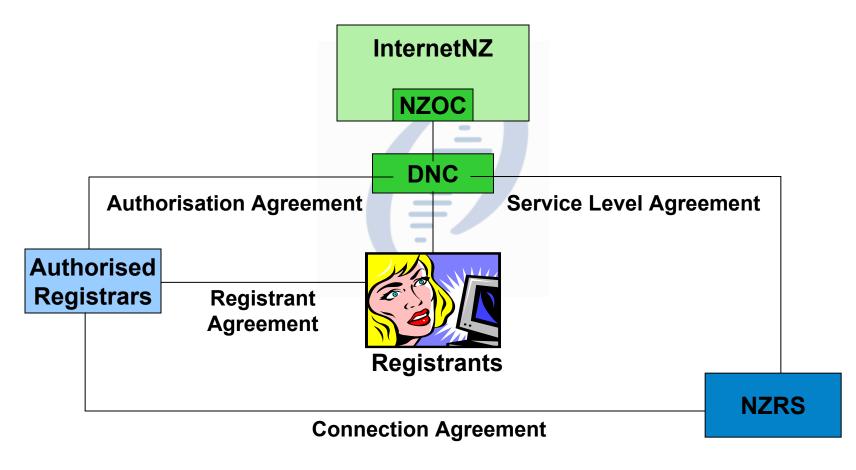
Who looks after .nz

- InternetNZ delegated responsibility for .nz
- .nz Oversight Committee (NZOC) subcommittee of InternetNZ with oversight of .nz operation
- Office of the Domain Name Commissioner (DNC) – an operational office of InternetNZ
- NZRS Subsidiary company of InternetNZ responsible for operating the .nz register

How they fit together.....



The .nz Domain Name Space



Office of the DNC

Responsibilities include:

- Authorising registrars
- Monitoring compliance with .nz policies and procedures
- Developing policies and procedures under the oversight of NZOC

DNC responsibilities contd

- Handling complaints that arise in the operation of the .nz market
- Protecting the rights and relationships of all parties in the .nz market
- Monitoring the performance of NZRS against the Service Level Agreement (SLA)
- Convening a Registrar Advisory Group

Key features of the .nz SRS

- Registrant focused
 - Transfer at any time for no cost (except during registration grace period)
 - Registrars must provide the UDAI to allow transfer
 - Full period of registration must be recorded on the register
 - Operates on an automatic renewal function
 - Restrictions on when a domain name can be cancelled

Key features contd

- Registrant focus (contd)
 - Ø 90 day pending release period
 - Registrars required to register domain name in the name of the party requesting the registration and who will be using it
 - Terms and Conditions for registrants must be approved by the DNC
 - Prohibits notices to registrants that appear as a renewal notice, or specify particular domain names

Key features contd

- Features also for registrars
 - Flexibility of one month to 120 month registrations
 - Billing period defaults to one month after transaction
 - Five day registration and renewal grace periods
 - Not required to accept transfers
 - Sanctions can be imposed on registrars who breach .nz policies and procedures
 - Professional liability insurance taken out to cover the market, incorporates all authorised registrars

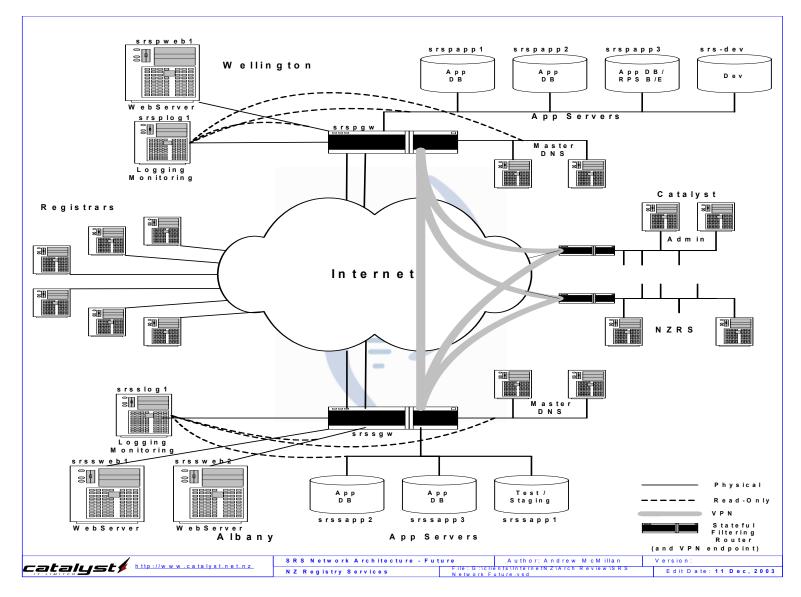
SLA with NZRS

- Includes performance standards
- 99.9% system availability
- Response times for key transactions
- Response times for responding to faults, queries, requests
- Reporting requirements
- Reported against monthly by NZRS to the DNC
- Issues escalated to NZOC by DNC if required

NZOC

Responsibilities include:

- Delegated responsibility by InternetNZ Council to have formal oversight of .nz
- Approve budget of DNC (funded by management fee charged to NZRS)
- Set .nz policy and procedures
- Manage the performance of the DNC
- Overall responsibility for compliance of registrars, enforcing serious sanctions and ensuring SLA with NZRS met



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NZRS Presentation to Apricot

Shared Registry System (SRS) Update

- Ø System Availability 9 of the previous 12 months over 99.9%
- Aunch of 21d .geek.nz
- Ø Growth from 116,000 is 145,500 since October 2002
- 44 Registrars
- Ø Domain Name fee to change to NZ\$1.75 per month
- Publishing of the SRS as Open Source
 http://sourceforge.net/projects/dnrs

NZRS Looking Forward

- Ongoing modifications to the SRS and a commitment to Open Source.
- RFI/RFP for outsourcing services
- Preparing to add IPV6 glue to SRS
- Implementing TSIG
- Investigating DNSSEC

.nz Policies currently under review by DNC

- Dispute Resolution
- 21d Policy Review
- Zone transfer Policy review

Websites

- Ø Domain Name Commissioner
 - @ www.dnc.org.nz
- InternetNZ
 - www.internetnz.net.nz
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- NZ Registry Services
 - Www.nzrs.net.nz
- SRS Open source
 - http://sourceforge.net/projects/dnrs