



2015 Registrar Conference

Topics

Highlights since the last conference

.nz Policy Framework

WHOIS Consultation

Struck off company process

Update on conflicted names

General information

Since last year's Conference...

PRR period ended, with many registrants taking action on their preferential options

Roles and Responsibilities Policy was strengthened to include extra enforcement measures regarding resellers

Been a busy year for the DRS, with 37 valid complaints received and 15 Expert decisions published. No sub-domain complaints have yet been received

In August took action on a domain name (immigration-govt.nz) due to High Court order

Further two registrars authorised for a total of 89.

.nz Policy Framework

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Under the new policy framework, the 14 .nz policies have been simplified down to the following four .nz policies:

- Policy Development Process Policy
- Principles and Responsibilities Policy
- Operations and Procedures Policy
- Dispute Resolution Service Policy

.nz Policy Framework, cont.

- **Principles and Responsibilities Policy** - this sets out the principles that .nz operates to. It also identifies those involved in the .nz market and their key responsibilities.
- **Operations and Procedures Policy** - this sets out detail around the registration and management of .nz names. It also covers a range of other .nz information, including forms and guidance for the relevant procedures.

The three new policies will come into effect on 9 November 2015.

WHOIS Consultation

First major review of WHOIS policy since 2003

No view of what changes could occur by DNCL and seeking views of the Local Internet Community

Two stage consultation process:

- Stage One focus on 'Why'

- Stage Two will focus on the 'What' and 'How' and will include public meetings

First consultation is closing 6 November (tomorrow).

WHOIS Consultation cont.

Based on the outcome of Stage Two it is possible a third consultation will be held if changes are being proposed by DNCL to .nz policies

The WHOIS technical service (port 43 etc.) is not in scope of the consultation

All submissions are published as they are received. Individuals making submissions may request that their personal details be withheld from publication.

Struck off company process

Registration to struck off company

Registrant must be 18+ years or a properly constituted organisation

Struck off company is no longer a legal entity and all assets have vested in the Crown

Name held by a struck off company is in limbo as unable to be updated as authorisation for Change of Registrant is not possible

DNCL has been in consultation with Treasury on an approach for names held by a struck off company.

Process for struck off company

DNCL has issued a procedure and application process to change registrant details for this situation

This procedure will not suit all circumstances and is more suited for a former closely held company

1. Former director/shareholder applies to DNCL to have the name registered in their own name
2. DNCL will review the application to see if meets the procedural requirements
3. If meets requirements will direct Registrar to change details
4. Applicant will be subject to additional terms and conditions.

If you have any clients that this might apply please direct them to info@dnc.org.nz

Conflicted Names

Update and Projections

Conflicted names summary

A Conflicted Name is where the string is continuously registered in two or more 2LDs before May 2012.

Most conflicted names are with only one other name

Summary to date:

- 4,700 preferences lodged in outstanding conflicts
- 4,651 conflicts have been resolved
- Over 2,500 facilitation offers have been made
- 17,804 conflict sets involving 41,574 exist at 1 November down from 23,418 (54,956) from Go Live.

Methods to resolve a conflict

Methods for a conflict to be resolved:

1. All names in the conflict are released meaning no names are in conflict
2. Only one name in the conflict is left due to the other name(s) being released
3. The conflicted name process is used which allows one of the conflicted names to gain rights over the shorter version of the name.

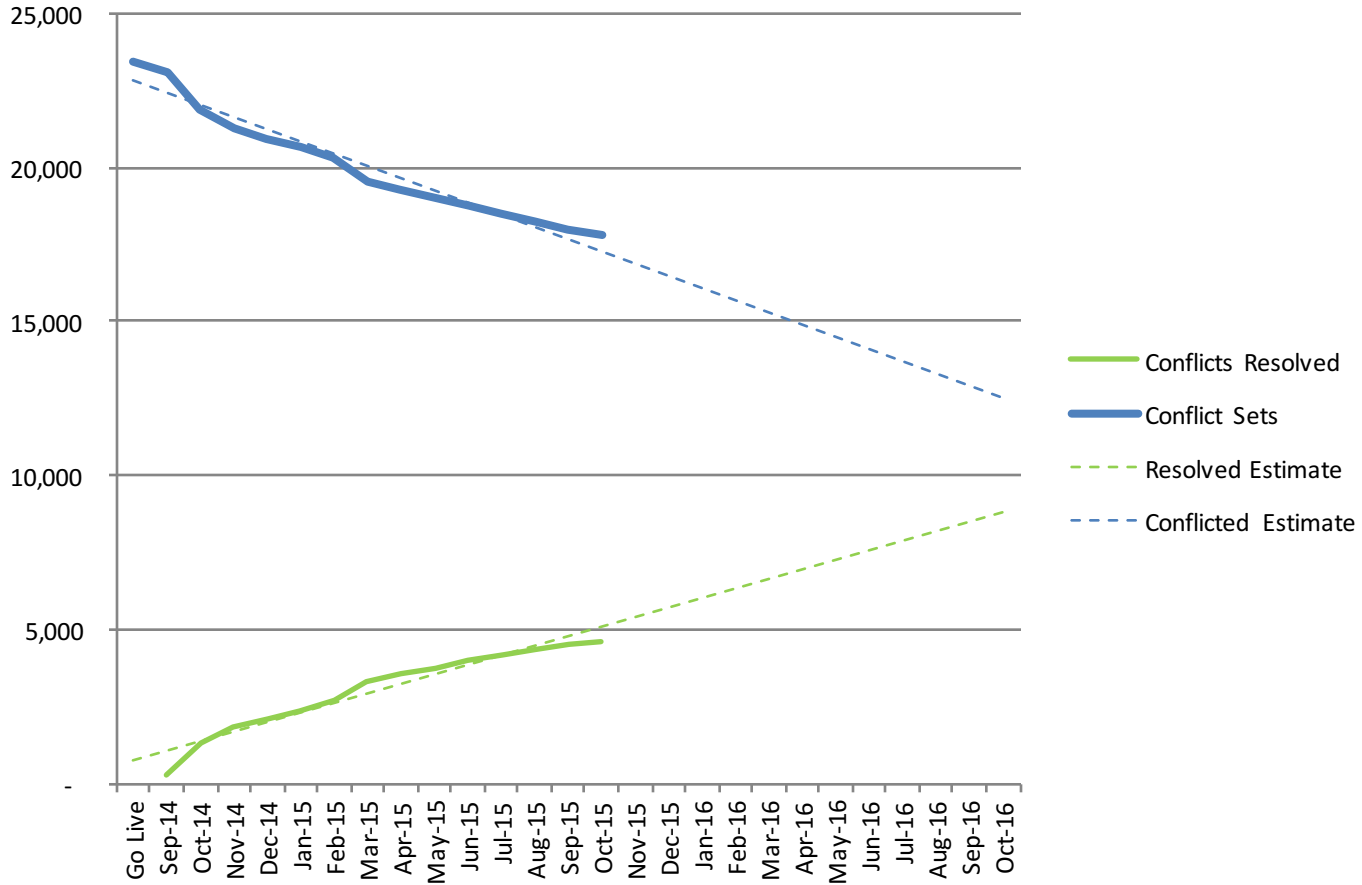
Only methods 2 and 3 will result in resolved status being applied to the name in conflict. Since April 2015 method 2 is the most common status change

Tools for registrars – Registrar portal and DNCL conflict API.

First Projection

Trend projection using data from Go Live

Projection One - Data from Go Live

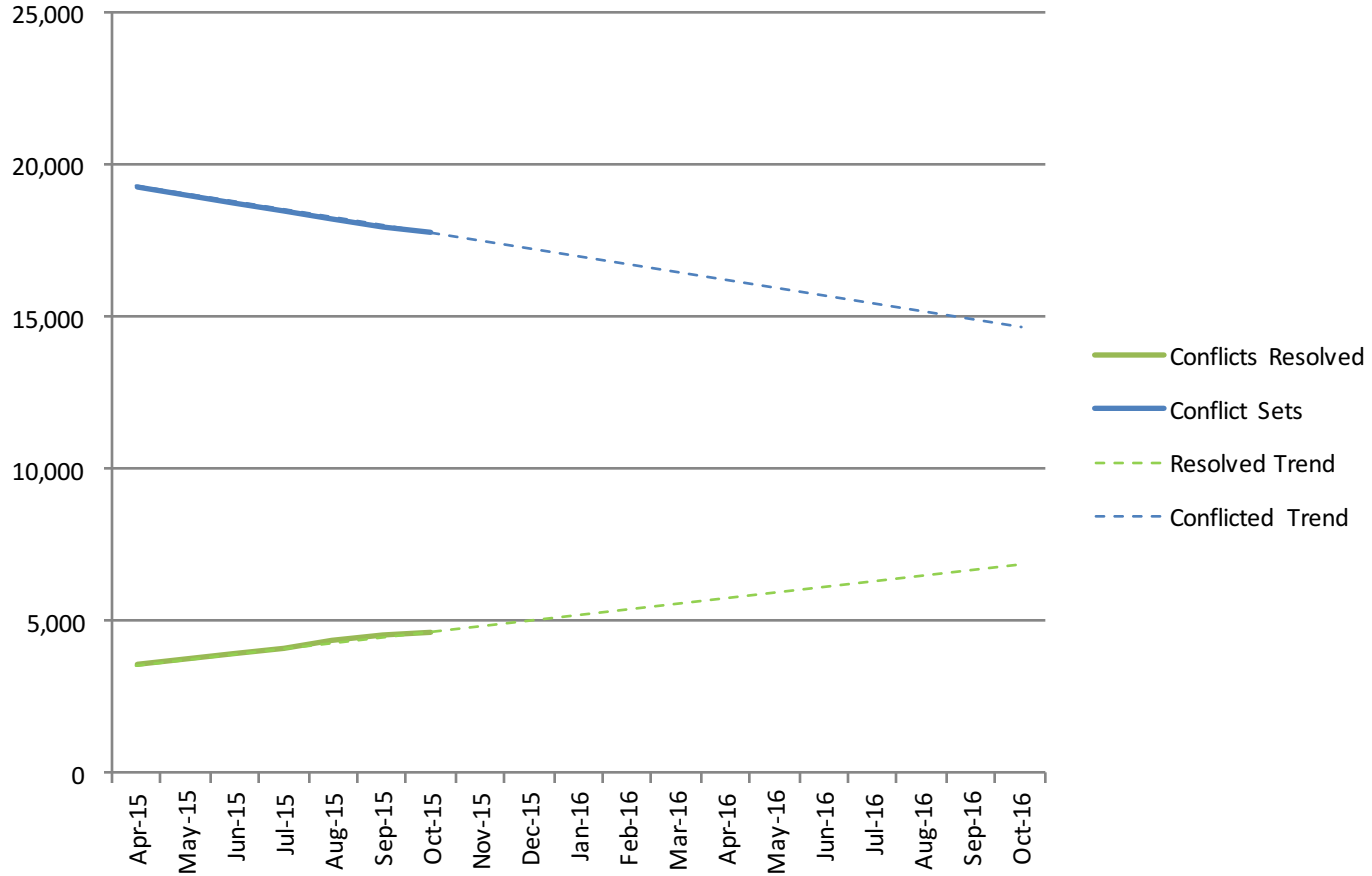


Based on this projection by October 2016 approximately 12,500 conflicts will remain and almost 9,000 names would have gained resolved rights.

Second Projection

Trend projection using data from April 2015

Projection Two - Data from April 2015



Based on this projection by October 2016 approximately 14,500 conflicts will remain and 7,000 names would have gained resolved rights.

Resolved status

If a conflict set is resolved then Resolved status only applies for two months.

DNCL sends reminder emails to the Registrant with Resolved rights.

Information on Registrar Portal of all names with rights for your registrations.

Review

The process for considering registrations of Conflicted Names will be reviewed 2 years after 30 September 2014 (Go Live).

Review of Reserved Names will also occur as they should be registered by 30 September 2016 and the related DRS policy.

In conclusion

Remember to advise DNCL on changes to ownership as consent is required under the authorisation agreement

Do not forget about the Conflict API and data on Registrar Portal

Welcome to advise your clients about the public meetings on the WHOIS consultation.

Any further questions?

You can contact us at any time via registrar@dnc.org.nz