

Recommended Draft Policy ARIN-2020-1 Clarify Holding Period for Resources Received via 4.1.8 Waitlist

- Current Text (29 January 2020)
- Staff and Legal Review (26 June 2020)
- History and Earlier Versions
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Status: Last Call

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Current Text (29 January 2020)

AC Assessment of Conformance with the Principles of Internet Number Resource Policy:

Recommended Draft Policy ARIN-2020-1 (“RDP 2020-1”) clarifies that IPv4 address space distributed from the waitlist will not be eligible for transfer for a period of 60 months with the exception of transfers under section 8.2 of the ARIN Number Resource Policy Manual (“NRPM”). RDP 2020-1 enables fair and impartial number resource administration by eliminating an ambiguity concerning whether NRPM section 8.2 transfers constitute an intended exception to the 60 month hold period under the waitlist policy. RDP 2020-1 is technically sound by fostering clarity and consistency in the application of the waitlist policy, while meeting community needs expressed in section 8.2 of the NRPM, all of which contributes to improved directory accuracy. RDP 2020-1 enjoys community support.

Problem Statement:

A recent Policy Experience Report reported ambiguity on the part of customers as to whether or not the 60-month restriction on transferring resources received via NRPM Section 4.1.8 applies to M&A transfers under NRPM Section 8.2. This proposal clarifies this restriction to exempt 8.2 transfers from this restriction.

Policy Statement:

Update NRPM Section 4.1.8 as follows:

Original Text: Address space distributed from the waitlist will not be eligible for transfer for a period of 60 months.

New Text: Address space distributed from the waitlist will not be eligible for transfer, with the exception of Section 8.2 transfers, for a period of 60 months.”

Timetable for Implementation: Immediate

Staff and Legal Review (26 June 2020)

Summary (Staff Understanding)

ARIN-2020-1 would allow organizations who have received space from the waitlist to transfer that space via M&A transfer without the standard waiting period of 60 months. Other transfers would still not be allowed until after that period.

Staff understands that the remainder of that 60 months will continue to apply to the M&A transferred space after the transfer is complete.

For example, if an organization obtains space from the waitlist and transfers it via M&A six months later, that space would be subject to the remaining 54 months before being eligible for an 8.3 or 8.4 transfer.

Comments

ARIN Staff Comments

This text is clear and understandable, and can be implemented as written.

ARIN General Counsel – Legal Assessment

No material legal issue.

Resource Impact

Implementation of this policy would have minimal resource impact. It is estimated that implementation would occur within 3 months after ratification by the ARIN Board of Trustees. The following would be needed in order to implement:

- Staff training
- Updated guidelines and internal procedures
- Standard documentation updates

Proposal/Draft Policy Text Assessed: 29 January 2020 Version

Relevant Votes:

ARIN 46: 118 in attendance, 53 in favor, 3 against

The 11/19 Advisory Council Motion to Advance to the Board of Trustees carried with all in favor, via roll call vote.