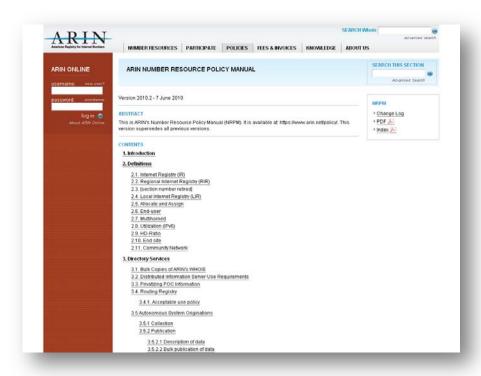# Policy Development Process

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Number Resource Policy Manual (NRPM)

Contains
- All active policies
- Change Logs
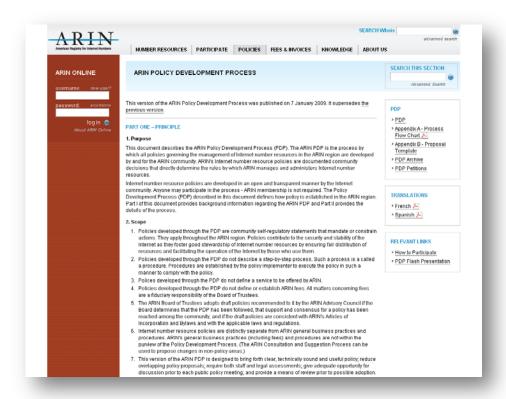- Index

https://www.arin.net/policy/nrpm.html

Policies in the NRPM

- IPv4 Address Space
- IPv6 Address Space
- Autonomous System Numbers (ASNs)
- Directory Services (WHOIS)
- Reverse DNS (in-addr)
- Transfers
- Experimental Assignments
- Resource Review Policy

Policy Development Process (PDP)

Flowchart

Proposal Template

Archive

Movie

https://www.arin.net/policy/pdp.html

Process Principles

Open Forum

Public Policy Mailing List

Public Policy Meetings

Transparent

PDP documented

Policies documented

Meetings documented

Bottom Up

ARIN does not dictate policy, ARIN implements it

Who Plays a Role in the Policy Process?

Community

- Discuss policy (in favor or not?)
- Submit proposals
- Participate in Petitions

Advisory Council "AC" (elected volunteers)

- Develop policy that is clear, technically sound and useful
- Determine Consensus

Roles…

ARIN "Board" (elected volunteers)

Provide corporate fiduciary oversight

Provide process oversight

Ratifies policy

ARIN Staff

Provides feedback

- Clarity and Understanding
- Staff Assessments

Implements ratified policy

Basic Steps

1. Community member submits a proposal

2. Community discusses the proposal

3. AC creates a draft policy

4. Community discusses the draft policy (list, <u>meeting</u>, last call)

5. AC determines consensus

6. Board adopts

7. Staff implements

Petitions

Anyone dissatisfied with a decision by the AC can petition in order to keep a proposal moving forward

1. **Petition to bring proposal to list and meeting**

   4 successful*

   3 unsuccessful

2. **Last call petition (to send to Board)**
   One – unsuccessful

   *3 ultimately abandoned, 1 adopted as policy

How to monitor and not be overwhelmed?

Once per month:

- Front page of the website leads to proposals and draft policies under discussion
    - New proposals need feedback for the AC's initial decision
    - Web site can help you focus on what's important to you and your company

Twice per year:

- Check the ARIN Public Policy Meeting site in the weeks leading up to the meeting
    - Proposals/Draft Policies on Agenda
    - Discussion Guide (summaries, text, staff assessments)
    - Attend in Person/Remote
- AC meeting last day: Watch list for AC's decisions, Last Calls – State your opinion, are you For or Against?

References

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Q&A