

Recommended Draft Policy ARIN-2020-7

4.4 gTLD Micro-allocation Clarification

Status: Pending Board of Trustees Review

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Current Text (14 July 2020)

AC Assessment of Conformance with the [Principles of Internet Number Resource Policy](#):

The draft Policy ARIN-2020-7 is fair, impartial, technically sound and supported by the community. This draft policy removes “new” from “new gTLD” in NRPM Section 4.4 in an effort to reduce confusion for those who may view the policy itself as “new” when it is from 2012.

Problem Statement:

As stated in NRPM section 4.4: Micro-allocation

ICANN-sanctioned gTLD operators may justify up to the equivalent of an IPv4 /23 block for each authorized new gTLD, allocated from the free pool or received via transfer, but not from the above reservation.

The term “new gTLD” is confusing and refers to all gTLD’s that have been created since June of 2012.

Policy statement:

ICANN-sanctioned gTLD operators may justify up to the equivalent of an IPv4 /23 block for each authorized gTLD, allocated from the free pool or received via transfer, but not from the above reservation.

Comments:

This proposal stems from a suggestion in the January, 2019 Policy Experience Report.

Timetable for implementation: Immediate

Staff and Legal Review (21 October 2020)

Summary (Staff Understanding)

ARIN-2020-7 removes “new” from “new GTLD” in NRPM Section 4.4 in an effort to reduce confusion for those who may view the policy itself as “new” when it is from 2012.

Comments

ARIN Staff Comments

ARIN-2020-7 eliminates a small but notable source of potential confusion for gTLD operators applying for Micro-allocations.

Upon implementation of this policy change, all gTLD operators will need to apply for IPv4 allocations via either the waitlist or via transfer.

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 three 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: [14 July 2020 Version](#)

History and Earlier Versions

History	
Action	Date
Proposal	3 June 2020
Draft Policy	23 June 2020
Revised	14 July 2020
Recommended Draft Policy	24 November 2020
Last Call	20 April 2021
Advanced to the Board of Trustees	25 May 2021