



Recommended Draft Policy ARIN-2016-2 **Change timeframes for IPv4 requests to** **24 months**

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Problem Statement



- The intention of this policy is to eliminate any confusion and requalification required when an applicant moves from a waiting list request for a 3mo supply of addresses to a transfer market request for a 24mo supply.
- Therefore if this policy is adopted all timeframes for IPv4 request approvals will be set to 24 months.

Policy Statement



The following changes would be made in the NRPM:

1. Retitle section 4.2.2.1.3 “Three months” to “Time Horizon”.
2. Section 4.2.2.1.3 body, replace “three months” with “24 months”.
3. Section 4.2.3.8, replace the term “three months” with “24 months”.
4. Section 4.3.3, replace both instances of “one year” with “24 months”.

Policy Statement



5. Section 4.2.4.3, replace the entire paragraph which currently reads:

"ISPs may request up to a 3-month supply of IPv4 addresses from ARIN, or a 24-month supply via 8.3 or 8.4 transfer. Determination of the appropriate allocation to be issued is based on efficient utilization of space within this time frame, consistent with the principles in 4.2.1."

with:

"ISPs may request up to a 24-month supply of IPv4 addresses."

Staff and Legal Summary



- Legal Assessment - The policy does not appear to create any material legal issue.
- Staff Assessment - All documentation related to the request process on the ARIN public web site and in outreach materials that describe the 3-month, 12-month (one year), and 24-month request horizons will require updating. This includes request guides, descriptions about the request process, and training materials.
 - The ARIN Online IPv4 request screens will need to be updated to describe the proper x-months needs horizon, accordingly.
 - This policy could be implemented as written.

Clarification of Intent



- **This policy would not affect the existing waiting list in any way.**
 - New entrants can go to either the bottom of the waiting list or to the transfer market to seek their 24-month supply.
 - Existing entity on the waiting list can re-qualify and expand their request to a 24-month supply, but they would go to the end of the list.
 - Waitlist Organizations who's needs have changed will be re-qualified under the new more lenient 24-month standard, however, they will not be eligible to receive a larger block than they originally qualified for when placed on the waiting list.

Discussion



- Does this present any risk?
- Is this simplification useful?
- Is there community support for this change?