

Independent Internet Number Resources - Contractual Relationship Changes Between Sponsoring LIR and End User

The RIPE NCC assigns independent Internet number resources to End Users provided they have signed a contract with a sponsoring LIR or with the RIPE NCC.

This document describes the modifications that might be made to a contractual relationship between a sponsoring LIR and an End User of independent Internet number resources as well as the possible consequences of such changes or of failure to communicate these changes to the RIPE NCC. This document does not describe any procedures applicable to contractual relationship changes for users of independent Internet number resources who have a contractual relationship directly with the RIPE NCC. Nor does it describe the deregistration of independent Internet number resources for any reason other than contractual relationship changes. For information on deregistration of independent resources for any other reason, please see the RIPE NCC procedural document, [Closure of LIR and Deregistration of Internet Number Resources](#).

1. Change in End User's Business Structure

When the End User and the sponsoring LIR initially sign a contract, the sponsoring LIR must submit to the RIPE NCC an extract from the Commercial Trade Register or an equivalent document proving the registration of the End User's business with the relevant national authorities (see also the RIPE NCC procedural document, [Due Diligence for the Quality of the RIPE NCC Registration Data](#)).

If the End User is a natural person, the sponsoring LIR must submit the identification papers of the End User. This can be a passport, driving license or other official document proving the identity of the individual (see also the RIPE NCC procedural document, [Due Diligence for the Quality of the RIPE NCC Registration Data](#)).

If there is any change in the End User's business structure after signing the contract with the sponsoring LIR (for example, the End User has merged with another company or has changed name), and, because of this change, the information held by the RIPE NCC on the End User is not up-to-date, then the sponsoring LIR is obliged to submit the updated/new registration papers of the End User to the RIPE NCC, as well as any documents verifying this change.

Procedure

The sponsoring LIR must send an email to lir-help@ripe.net informing the RIPE NCC of the End User's business change. This

email must include new registration papers from the national authority and the official legal documents supporting this change.

The RIPE NCC will update all RIPE Database objects maintained by the RIPE NCC that are affected by this change. End Users must update all RIPE Database objects that they maintain themselves that are affected by this change.

If the sponsoring LIR does not submit the aforementioned documents within 10 working days of the RIPE NCC requesting them, the RIPE NCC will send a reminder to the sponsoring LIR's contact email addresses and to the End User's contact email addresses as listed in the relevant RIPE Database object, asking the sponsoring LIR to submit the requested documents within 10 working days of the day of the reminder.

If the RIPE NCC has not received the requested documents 10 working days from the date of the reminder, the RIPE NCC will begin deregistering the Independent Internet number resources according to the procedure described in the RIPE NCC procedural document [Closure of LIR and Deregistration of Internet Number Resources \(section B.2.2\)](#).

2. Termination of Contractual Relationship

An End User of Independent Internet number resources must have a contractual relationship with a sponsoring LIR at all times. If the contractual relationship between the End User and the sponsoring LIR is terminated for any reason, the RIPE NCC must be notified. The End User must at that point enter into a contractual relationship with a different sponsoring LIR or with the RIPE NCC directly.

Procedure

Preferably, for registration purposes, the RIPE NCC must be notified before the contractual relationship terminates. It is the responsibility of the sponsoring LIR to submit this notification to the RIPE NCC prior to termination.

If the RIPE NCC has not been notified prior to the termination and the End User has already entered into a new contractual relationship with a different sponsoring LIR, this new sponsoring LIR must notify the RIPE NCC and submit the new contract they signed with the End User. The RIPE NCC will notify the previous sponsoring LIR of this change. Should the previous LIR object to the termination of their contract with the End User, the RIPE NCC will only accept the contract of the sponsoring LIR that submits a confirmation signed by the End User. This confirmation must clearly state that the End User has or has not terminated the contractual agreement

with the previous sponsoring LIR.

The End User may also enter into a contractual relationship directly with the RIPE NCC. For more information, please see: <https://www.ripe.net/lir-services/resource-management/direct-assignments>

If the RIPE NCC is informed of the termination of the contractual relationship between the sponsoring LIR and the End User and, after 10 working days, no new contractual relationship has been established between the End User and a different sponsoring LIR or the RIPE NCC, the RIPE NCC will send a notification to the End User's contact email addresses, as listed in the relevant RIPE Database object, asking the End User to sign a new contractual agreement with another sponsoring LIR within 10 working days of the day of the notification or to sign an agreement directly with the RIPE NCC.

If the RIPE NCC has not received a new contractual agreement 10 working days from the date of the notification, the RIPE NCC will start deregistering the independent Internet number resources according to the procedure described in the RIPE NCC procedural document, [Closure of LIR and Deregistration of Internet Number Resources \(section B.2.2\)](#).

3. Closure of Sponsoring LIR

If the sponsoring LIR has their RIPE NCC Standard Service Agreement terminated, the RIPE NCC will send a notification to the End User's contact email addresses, as listed in the relevant RIPE Database object, asking the End User to sign a new contractual agreement with another sponsoring LIR or with the RIPE NCC within 10 working days of the notification.

If the End User does not submit a new contractual agreement with another sponsorship LIR within 10 working days of the RIPE NCC requesting them, the RIPE NCC will send a reminder to the End User's contact email addresses as listed in the relevant RIPE Database object, asking the sponsoring LIR to submit the requested documents within 10 working days of the day of the reminder.

If the RIPE NCC has not received a new contractual agreement 10 working days from the date of the reminder, the RIPE NCC will begin deregistering the independent resources according to the procedure described in the RIPE NCC procedural document, [Closure of LIR and Deregistration of Internet Number Resources \(section B.2.2\)](#).