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Abstract

Prior to the publication of [RFC2489](#) (which was updated by [RFC2939](#)), several option codes were assigned to proposed DHCP options that were subsequently never used. This document lists those unused option codes and will be used to confirm that these option codes can be reused for other DHCP options in the future.

1. Introduction

This document lists the unused DHCP option codes from the IANA list of BOOTP and DHCP option codes [[1](#)]. Each option code includes any known documentation and contact information from the IANA list.

2. Service Location Protocol Naming Authority

Code: 80

Name: Service Location Protocol Naming Authority

Defined in: (expired Internet-Draft)

Contact: Charlie Perkins

Reason to recover: Never published as standard

3. Relay Agent Options

Codes: 83, 84

Name: Relay Agent Options

Defined in: Early draft of [RFC3046](#) [2]

Contact: (none)

Reason to recover: Not defined in [RFC3046](#) as published

4. IEEE 1003.1 POSIX Timezone

Code: 88

Name: IEEE 1003.1 POSIX Timezone

Defined in: (expired Internet-Draft)

Contact: Mike Carney

Reason to recover: Never published as standard

5. FQDNs in DHCP Options

Code: 89

Name: FQDNs in DHCP Options

Defined in: (expired Internet-Draft)

Contact: Ralph Droms

Reason to recover: Never published as standard

6. VINES TCP/IP Server

Code: 91

Name: VINES TCP/IP Server

Defined in: (none)

Contact: (none)

Reason to recover: Never published as Internet-Draft

7. Server Selection

Code: 92

Name: Server Selection

Defined in: (none)

Contact: (none)

Reason to recover: Never published as Internet-Draft

8. LDAP Servers

Code: 95

Name: LDAP Servers

Defined in: (none)

Contact: (none)

Reason to recover: Never published as Internet-Draft

9. IPv6 Transition

Code: 96

Name: IPv6 Transition

Defined in: (expired Internet-Draft)

Contact: Dan Harrington

Reason to recover: Never published as standard

10. Printer Name

Code: 100

Name: Printer Name

Defined in: (none)

Contact: (none)

Reason to recover: Never published as Internet-Draft

11. Multicast Assignment through DHCP

Code: 101

Name: Multicast Assignment through DHCP

Defined in: (expired Internet-Draft)

Contact: Baiju Patel, Munil Shah

Reason to recover: Never published as standard

12. Swap Path

Code: 108

Name: Swap Path

Defined in: (none)

Contact: (none)

Reason to recover: Never published as Internet-Draft

13. IPX Compatibility

Code: 110

Name: IPX Compatibility

Defined in: (none)

Contact: Juan Luciani

Reason to recover: Never published as Internet-Draft

14. Netinfo Parameters

Codes: 112, 113

Name: Netinfo Address, Netinfo Tag

Defined in: (none)

Contact: Marc Majka

Reason to recover: Never published as Internet-Draft

15. URL

Code: 114

Name: URL

Defined in: (none)

Contact: Vinod Valloppillil

Reason to recover: Never published as Internet-Draft

16. Failover

Code: 115

Name: Failover

Defined in: Early revisions of "DHCP Failover Protocol" [[3](#)]

Contact: Kim Kinnear

Reason to recover: Current version of "DHCP Failover Protocol" does not use a DHCP option

17. Option Code Extensions

Codes: 126, 127

Name: Option Code Extensions

Defined in: (expired Internet-Draft)

Contact: Ralph Droms

Reason to recover: Never published as standard

18. Option codes used in PXE Specification

The following option codes are used in the "Preboot Execution Environment (PXE) Specification, Version 2.1" [\[4\]](#). However, none of these option codes have been specified as a Standards-track RFC.

18.1 Client System

Code: 93

Name: Client System

Defined in: (none)

Contact: (none)

Reason to recover: Never published as Internet-Draft

18.2 Client NDI

Code: 94

Name: Client NDI

Defined in: (none)

Contact: (none)

Reason to recover: Never published as Internet-Draft

18.3 UUID/GUID Client Identifier

Code: 97

Name: UUID/GUID Client Identifier

Defined in: (expired Internet-Draft)

Contact: Dan Harrington

Reason to recover: Never published as standard

19. Already Returned for Reassignment

The option codes 99, 102-107, 109 and 111 have already been returned for reassignment to future DHCP options.

20. IANA Considerations

When this document has been published as an Informational RFC, IANA will be requested to return the unused DHCP option codes to the list of available option codes. These option codes may be reassigned to new DHCP options, according to the procedures in [RFC 2939](#) [5].

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