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Abstract

This document defines how to discover tunnel services using the \_service domain.

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## 1. Requirements notation

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in [[RFC2119](#)].

## 2. Introduction

When a user requires IPv6 connectivity in a IPv4-only or IPv4 connectivity in a IPv6-only environment, currently a user has to find out where to find a IPv6 or IPv4 provider herself or use 6to4.

This document describes a way how organisations can easily document the location of their services and have local users automatically make use of them.

## 3. Entries in the \_service domain

The following records are possible to be inserted in the organisations \_service domain [[SERVICE](#)].

This example mentions to the user to try the TSP and TIC [[TIC](#)] protocol first, them having equal weight. When that fails the user can use the website for more information.

```
$ORIGIN example.net.
_http._tcp          PTR      Example._http._tcp
Example._http._tcp  SRV      42  100  80  www

_https._tcp          PTR      Example._https._tcp
Example._https._tcp SRV      13  100  443 ssl

; Tunneling Services (Configuration etc)
_tic._tcp            SRV      10  100  3874 tic
_tsp._tcp            SRV      10  100  3653 tsp

; _service domain entries
_service             TXT      "Example"
_website._service    PTR      Example._https._tcp
                     PTR      Example._http._tcp
_ipv6-tunnel._service PTR      _website._service
                     PTR      _tic._tcp
                     PTR      _tsp._tcp

tic                  A        192.0.2.42
tsp                  A        192.0.2.13
ssl                  A        192.0.2.80
www                  A        192.0.2.80
```



#### **4. Security Considerations**

There are no additional security considerations except the ones already given for the `_service` domain and prefix.

#### **5. IANA Considerations**

There are no considerations for IANA

#### **6. Normative References**

- [RFC2119] Bradner, S., "Key words for use in RFCs to Indicate Requirement Levels", [BCP 14](#), [RFC 2119](#), March 1997.
- [SERVICE] Massar, J., "The `_service` domain and prefix", [draft-massar-dnsop-service-00](#) (work in progress), July 2005.
- [TIC] Massar, J., "TIC - Tunnel Information Control Protocol", [draft-massar-v6ops-tic-00](#) (work in progress), January 2004, <<http://www.sixxs.net/tools/tic/>>.

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