

DNS Server Selection: DNS server Information with Assertion Token

[draft-reddy-add-server-policy-selection-00](#)

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Agenda

- Context & Motivation
- Solution Overview
- Privacy Assertion Token (PAT)
- PAT Object
- Next Steps

Context & Motivation

- DNS clients may maintain a list of DNS servers
 - Pre-configured
 - Discovered
- DNS clients may be provided with a set of preferences
 - Pre-configured
 - Instructed by a user
- DNS clients need to implement a selection procedure to select the server

Our Approach

1. Determine relevant resolver information (e.g., DNS filtering) to feed the server selection
2. Policy **attestation**
3. **Change notification** of privacy statement and DNS filtering
4. **Easily Find** DNS server privacy statement URL

This draft does not discuss policy content

Filtering Capabilities

- Current filtering capabilities
 - DNS Filtering
 - Malware blocking
 - Policy blocking (blacklist or objectionable content)
 - QNAME minimization (RFC7816)

Policy Attestation

- Signature by the organization operating the DNS server
 - Optionally signed by another domain (“auditor”)
- OV/EV certificates registered organizations to cryptographically attest the privacy statement URL and filtering policy
 - Or DNS client is configured to trust the signer of the PAT object

Privacy Assertion Token (PAT)

- PAT uses JSON Web Token (JWT) and JSON Web Signature (JWS)
- Clients retrieve PAT as per draft-ietf-dnsop-resolver-information
- A PAT object is created by the organization hosting the DoT/DoH server, and optionally by a third party (privacy and security auditor) of the DoT/DoH server

PAT Object Example

```
{
  "server": {
    "adn": ["example.com"]
  },
  "iat": 1443208345,
  "exp": 1443640345,
  "policyinfo": {
    "filtering": {
      "malwareblocking": true,
      "policyblocking": false,
    },
    "privacyurl": "https://example.com/privacy/",
    "auditurl": "https://example.com/privacyaudit"
  }
}
```


Change Notification

- Notify client of changes to privacy statement and filtering
 - DNS push notifications: [draft-ietf-dnssd-push](#)

Privacy Statement URL

- **Easily Finds** human readable privacy statement URL
 - User or automata easily finds privacy policy
- Users may review the privacy statement of the DNS server and **assess its filtering capability**

Next Steps

- Additional capabilities for server selection?
- Comments and suggestions