

Registering Self-generated IPv6 Addresses using DHCPv6

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Quick Recap

What: a new DHCPv6 message to inform DHCPv6 server about statically configured or SLAAC addresses (like DHCPINFORM)

Why:

- Better visibility to IPv6 addresses used by devices
- Useful for troubleshooting and security/forensics
- Easy to integrate into existing DHCPv6 logging/IPAM infra
- Allows host to send network other information, such as hostname

More details: [IETF114 Slides](#)

Changes Since IETF114

Sending Registration Message

Message **MUST** be sent...

- from the address being registered
 - combined with SAVI/L2 security - reduced spoofing
 - *implies that each message contains one IA_NA only*
- via the interface the address is configured on
 - *to deal with multihomed hosts*

MUST NOT be sent for DHCPv6-provided addresses

- *so only SLAAC/Static addresses are registered*

Receiving Registration Message

Discard the message if:

“the address is not appropriate for the link” (RFC8415)

Valid message:

Mark the address as unavailable, do not offer it

SHOULD it be doing this? Or MAY?

Log the binding

Retransmits

Proposed approach:

- `ADDRREG_XMIT` (default: 3) packets
- `ADDRREG_RT_DELAY` (default: 3 secs) between each packet
- Jittered
- Variables SHOULD be configurable

Not much point adding *ACKs*, since initially no servers will respond

Registration Refresh

Refresh messages frequency is minimal of:

- 4 hrs
- $\frac{1}{3}$ of Valid Lifetime in the PIO which caused the address creation
 - *to avoid issues caused by subsequent PIOs with different lifetimes*

Retransmit logic as described on the previous slide

Another retransmit option (not in -04)

Retransmit strategy as per RFC8415 section 15:

IRT: REG_TIMEOUT

REG_TIMEOUT: new, default: 1 sec

MRT: 3600

MRC: 0

MRD: 0

Takes care of refreshing as well

Next Steps

More comments, suggestions?

Open questions:

Retransmit strategy?

Rename "Registration" to "Inform"?

Adoption Call?