

Internet facing server logging recommendation

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Background

- The IPv4 IANA free pool will soon be exhausted
- ISPs around the world will be deploying NATs
- Draft-ietf-intarea-shared-addressing-issues explains the issues around logging to deal with abuse/LEA
- Logs on the NAT side need to be matched with logs on the server side
 - Need more specific information on the server side logs than we currently have.

Recommendation (BCP candidate)

- It is RECOMMENDED as best current practice that Internet facing servers logging incoming IP addresses also log:
 - The source port number.
 - A timestamp accurate to the second, with associated time zone.
 - The transport protocol (usually TCP or UDP) and destination port number, when the server application is defined to use multiple transports or multiple ports.