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Abstract

This document extends DELEG record, and SVCB records pointed to by DELEG record, as defined in [I-D.draft-wesplaap-deleg], with ability to specify transport protocols and authentication parameters supported by name servers.

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1. Introduction

The new delegation mechanism based on DELEG record type allows to specify attributes a resolver can use when talking to a delegated authority. This document introduces parameters specific to different transport mechanism than the default udp/53 protocol.

Legacy DNS resolvers unaware of DELEG mechanism would continue to use the NS and DS records, while resolvers that understand DELEG and its associated parameters can efficiently switch to new transports.

1.1. Terminology

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "NOT RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in BCP 14 [RFC2119] [RFC8174] when, and only when, they appear in all capitals, as shown here.

Terminology regarding the Domain Name System comes from [BCP219], with addition terms defined here:

- * legacy transport name servers: An authoritative name server that only supports unencrypted DNS via UDP/TCP port 53

2. New DNS transports

There has been a lot of work defining new ways to transport DNS over new encrypted protocols. While most of this work was focused on the client/stub resolver to recursive resolver connection the protocols will remain the same for an recursive to authoritative connections when iterating for a name. These are:

- * DNS over TLS as defined in [RFC7858]
- * DNS over HTTPS as defined in [RFC8484]
- * DNS over Dedicated QUIC Connections RFC9250

While the DNS over HTTPS recommends HTTP/2 [RFC9113] as the minimum version there are no differences when using to over HTTP/3 [RFC9114].

2.1. Selecting transport protocols

The selection of the transport protocol to use to connect to an authoritative server for a delegation is done by the ALPN parameter as defined in [RFC9460].

If there is no ALPN parameter the connection MUST be established using unencrypted DNS over UDP/TCP on port 53.

If there is an ALPN parameter up to 4 protocols in the list MUST be tried to connect to the authoritative server.

The following ALPN are allowed to be used and may need the additional parameters as defined in this table:

ALPN	parameters
dot	doq h2 dohpath h3 dohpath

2.2. Authenticating transport protocols

As all defined transport protocols here rely on TLS the authentication for the authentication of them is identical. When no TLSA parameter is present authentication is MUST be done using the normal PKI infrastructure of the recursive resolver. The name used for the authentication is the target name of the DELEG or SVCB record. When a TLSA parameter is present the authentication MUST be done using the digests in that record

2.2.1. "TLSA" parameter

The "TLSA" SvcParamKey is a transport parameter representing a TLSA RRset [RFC6698] to be used when connecting to TargetName using a TLS-based transport.

The SvcParamValue is a non-empty value-list. The presentation and wire format of each value is the same as the presentation and wire format described for the TLSA record as defined in [RFC6698], sections 2.1 and 2.2 respectively. To avoid wasting resources in the parent zone parents MAY reject RRSets containing "tlsa" SvcParams that use matching type 0 (exact match).

2.2.2. Authentication Failures

When a resolver attempts to access nameserver delegated by a DELEG or SVCB record, if a connection error occurs, such as a certificate mismatch or unreachable server, the resolver SHOULD attempt to connect to the other nameservers delegated to until either exhausting the list or the resolver's policy indicates that they should treat the resolution as failed.

3. Privacy Considerations

All of the information handled or transmitted by this protocol is public information published in the DNS.

4. Security Considerations

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5. IANA Considerations

5.1. New SvcParamKey Values

This document defines new SvcParamKey values in the "Service Binding (SVCB) Parameter Registry".

SvcParamKey	NAME	Meaning	Reference
TBD1	tlsa	TLSA RRset	(This Document)

Table 1

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