

1 Release Notes for BIND Version 9.11.2b1

1.1 Introduction

This document summarizes changes since the last production release on the BIND 9.11 branch. Please see the `CHANGES` file for a further list of bug fixes and other changes.

1.2 Download

The latest versions of BIND 9 software can always be found at <http://www.isc.org/downloads/>. There you will find additional information about each release, source code, and pre-compiled versions for Microsoft Windows operating systems.

1.3 New DNSSEC Root Key

ICANN is in the process of introducing a new Key Signing Key (KSK) for the global root zone. BIND has multiple methods for managing DNSSEC trust anchors, with somewhat different behaviors. If the root key is configured using the **managed-keys** statement, or if the pre-configured root key is enabled by using **dnssec-validation auto**, then BIND can keep keys up to date automatically. Servers configured in this way will roll seamlessly to the new key when it is published in the root zone. However, keys configured using the **trusted-keys** statement are not automatically maintained. If your server is performing DNSSEC validation and is configured using **trusted-keys**, you are advised to change your configuration before the root zone begins signing with the new KSK. This is currently scheduled for October 11, 2017.

This release includes an updated version of the `bind.keys` file containing the new root key. This file can also be downloaded from <https://www.isc.org/bind-keys>.

1.4 License Change

With the release of BIND 9.11.0, ISC changed to the open source license for BIND from the ISC license to the Mozilla Public License (MPL 2.0).

The MPL-2.0 license requires that if you make changes to licensed software (e.g. BIND) and distribute them outside your organization, that you publish those changes under that same license. It does not require that you publish or disclose anything other than the changes you made to our software.

This new requirement will not affect anyone who is using BIND without redistributing it, nor anyone redistributing it without changes, therefore this change will be without consequence for most individuals and organizations who are using BIND.

Those unsure whether or not the license change affects their use of BIND, or who wish to discuss how to comply with the license may contact ISC at <https://www.isc.org/mission/contact/>.

1.5 Security Fixes

- The BIND installer on Windows used an unquoted service path, which can enable privilege escalation. This flaw is disclosed in CVE-2017-3141. [RT #45229]
- With certain RPZ configurations, a response with TTL 0 could cause **named** to go into an infinite query loop. This flaw is disclosed in CVE-2017-3140. [RT #45181]

1.6 Feature Changes

- **dig +ednsopt** now accepts the names for EDNS options in addition to numeric values. For example, an EDNS Client-Subnet option could be sent using **dig +ednsopt=ecs:....**. Thanks to John Worley of Secure64 for the contribution. [RT #44461]
- Threads in **named** are now set to human-readable names to assist debugging on operating systems that support that. Threads will have names such as "isc-timer", "isc-sockmgr", "isc-worker0001", and so on. This will affect the reporting of subsidiary thread names in **ps** and **top**, but not the main thread. [RT #43234]

1.7 Bug Fixes

- Reloading or reconfiguring **named** could fail on some platforms when LMDB was in use. [RT #45203]
- Due to some incorrectly deleted code, when BIND was built with LMDB, zones that were deleted via **rndc delzone** were removed from the running server but were not removed from the new zone database, so that deletion did not persist after a server restart. This has been corrected. [RT #45185]
- Semicolons are no longer escaped when printing CAA and URI records. This may break applications that depend on the presence of the backslash before the semicolon. [RT #45216]

1.8 End of Life

The end of life for BIND 9.11 is yet to be determined but will not be before BIND 9.13.0 has been released for 6 months. <https://www.isc.org/downloads/software-support-policy/>

1.9 Thank You

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