

1.9 Nameservice

What are SOA records, and what are the requirements for .DE-domains?

Name Server: SOA Records

SOA stands for "**Start of Authority**".

A [SOA record](#) is the part of a DNS zone containing the email of the responsible person of the zone, and various synchronization parameters used by the different name servers of the zone.

Requests to register or update **.DE domains** must contain SOA values in the following ranges:

SOA-Record	Value
serial recommended format	YYYYMMDDnn
refresh	[10000 ... 86400]
retry	[1800 ... 28800]
expire	[604800 ... 3600000]
ttl	[180 ... 345600]

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