

Re: MX records at different ISPs

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Simon Geary <simon_geary@xxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

- > Is it possible\desirable to host our MX records with two different
- > ISPs at the same time? We have redundant Internet connections to two
- > different ISPs but our MX records live at one only so we have no
- > redundancy there. My head has been hurting trying to think if it's
- > even possible to have the records hosted at two ISPs at once?

The MX records can only be in the zone, if one ISP hosts your zone then that is where your MX record lives. You would have to have the second ISP host a secondary of your zone.

Since you have two ISP's and two connections to the internet, and if you host your own mail server, create a second MX record with an A record that points to the IP of your second internet connection.

Then you can still receive your mail should one connection go down. You can also somewhat balance the mail connections by giving the MX records equal priority.

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Best regards,

Kevin D. Goodknecht Sr. [MVP]

Hope This Helps

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