### Unblocking Netflix on Indi home using smart DNS service.

A domain name system (DNS) maps **domain names into their IP addresses**. A DNS server is responsible for servicing your DNS queries when you access resources on the internet. Most times, this role is handled by your ISP (IndiHome). IndiHome also assigns you the DNS address to use.

Changing your DNS may help you bypass the IndiHome Netflix restriction. The best way to change your DNS is to use a Smart DNS provider. Smart DNS redirects your queries through its servers.

Hence, the Smart DNS provider will service your queries instead of your ISP. This way, you will bypass the restriction and hence stream Netflix. This is possible since the Smart DNS doesn't change your IP address.

### How can you get the service/choose a provider?

You can get a Smart DNS through various providers. This includes VPNs such as NordVPN and Express VPN. You can also get it through providers such as Unlocator and Unblock US.

To choose a provider, look at the **list of services it unblocks** and the **location of its servers**. Also, premium providers are recommendable. Their Smart DNS addresses have a higher success rate than those from free providers.

# Comparing Smart DNS with other methods

- A smart DNS will **change your DNS address** but a VPN hides your IP address.
- A smart DNS does not offer encryption to your internet traffic while a **VPN encrypts** your data and traffic.
- Smart DNS is **faster than both the VPN and Proxy servers** since it has no encryption and the servers are located in **proximity to the content location**.
- A smart DNS cannot bypass the firewalls enforced by Indi home while VPNs can.

### Advantages of Smart DNS

- ✓ Compatible with most devices.
- ✓ **Affordable** compared to VPNs.
- ✓ Faster speeds for seamless streaming.

### Disadvantages

- × Lacks encryption.
- × It does not bypass firewalls.
- × Will not work if ISP uses **transparent DNS proxy**.

### Unblocking Netflix on Indi home using proxy servers

Proxy servers act like intermediaries that handle your internet queries and browsing needs. They receive your requests and forward them to the websites you want to access.

In the same manner, they receive feedback from these sites and forward it to you. These sites will only see the IP addresses of these servers. Therefore, your actual IP address which is restricted by Indi home ISP will not be visible, hence bypassing the Netflix restriction.

The proxy server you're using has to be based in another region that can access Netflix. Although there are many types of proxies, HTTPS is the most suitable for this task.

## Comparison with other methods

- Proxy servers are slower than the smart DNS but faster than VPNs
- Proxy servers log your activities while most VPNs don't.
- Proxy servers offer weak or no encryption similar to Smart DNS. VPNs offer impeccable encryptions.
- VPNs and Smart DNS are more compatible with most devices as compared to proxy servers.

## Advantages

- ✓ Reduced load times.
- ✓ Bypasses geo-restrictions.
- ✓ May protect against malicious websites.

#### Disadvantages

- × Unreliable.
- × Log your internet activities.
- × Incompatible with some devices.

#### Recommendable method.

VPNs are the **most recommendable** option. They guarantee increased **encryption and privacy** which are the most important when surfing the internet.

#### The bottom line.

Although recent negotiations led to **partial unblocking**, Indi home will continue to partially restrict access to Netflix content.

Whether you decide to use the VPNs, Smart DNS solutions, or go for the proxy, the restrictions by Indi home should not stop you from enjoying your favorite Netflix shows.

If you go for the proxy servers and free Smart DNS services, be aware that your data is not safe.

#### **FAQs**

Is it legal to access Netflix in Indonesia?

Yes, there are no laws prohibiting you from watching Netflix content. Likewise, Netflix has also purchased rights to screen in Indonesia through other ISPs. Indi Home still blocks Netflix content.

Why does Indi Home block Netflix in Indonesia?

Telkomsel Company, the owner of Indi home, has cited violation of local regulations concerning the type of content to be displayed within Indonesia. The government has however not imposed any restrictions nor have complaints been raised.

Can I access other Netflix catalogs in Indonesia?

Yes. Using the above methods, you can access various Netflix catalogs. For instance, when using a reputable VPN, you can access catalogs based on the geo-location. You just have to change the server and clear your browsers or Netflix app cache.

Do free VPNs unblock Netflix on Indi Home?

Using free VPNs for Netflix is not recommendable. They offer unlimited bandwidth with data caps, some log your activities, and some may steal your data. For a seamless streaming experience, use premium VPNs, Smart DNS, or proxy servers.