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What is actually port-forwarding in VPN? why would it effect torrenting and seeding?

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The aftermath of Mullvad's blog post, stating their decision to no longer support port-forwarding, has caused significant chaos in the community. While I understand the concept of port-forwarding in routers, I am unfamiliar with its implementation in VPNs. I am curious to know why customers are expressing frustration with this recent announcement and whether it has any implications for customer privacy. Additionally, I would like to explore how this change might impact the torrenting experience, specifically why it affects seeding but not downloading. Could this decision be driven by security and privacy concerns?

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ripped off now.

To directly answer your question, when you seed torrents, people who want to download from you have to access your torrent files through an open port on your network.

All those who are in private trackers groups have to maintain a certain level of seeding to be able to stay in those groups ...

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Just wondering if someone can please give a quick answer, this port forwarding thing would not affect me getting DMCA from downloading anything, right? I feel I've never set it up...

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If you have never set up any ports in Mullvad, then there's nothing to worry about. As long as you're always using mullvad whenever torrenting, then you'll never get a DMCA.

In other words, if you've never even set up ports, this has zero effects on you.

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I understand the concept of port-forwarding in routers

That's all you need know. When you're on the VPN, Mullvad is your router.

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a pain in the ass, most port related things imho but we'll see. <https://github.com/danielewood/plexargod>

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This is the exact type of reasons why I use docker and gluten in my homelab. I can run qbittorrent through my iVPN gluten docker container which runs downloading and seeding over the vpn connection in the backend, but all of my services like jellyfin, adguard dns (forwarders pointing to iVPN dns) and what not (including the qbittorrent portal) are still accessible over my domain network through cloudflare and traefik reverse proxy. Meaning, although the backend traffic is routed through the VPN container, all the services themselves are accessible through my normal (non-vpn) network.

My downloads stay hidden from ISP, my network stays protected and still accessible through traefik and only local port forwarding for http and https are needed (for just the reverse proxy).

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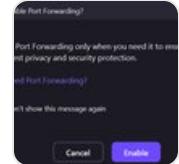
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