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# Plex remote access via tailscale

Help Needed

Still trying to figure out tailscale and looking for a simple solution...

I run a Plex server at my home on a Synology NAS. I've granted remote access to my family, who lives in another country. Everything was working smoothly for about a year. However, their ISP has recently been severely throttling anything that comes from my IP (I have a static IP).

I tested it out by getting them to download files directly from my IP, and it was evident that they were getting atrocious speeds, whereas downloading from any other place would give them phenomenal speeds.

I asked them to try and watch my Plex via a VPN, and it worked just fine. However, the moment they remove the VPN, it goes back to terrible speeds.

Scouring the net I discovered Tailscale and I was reading up about it and wondered if this could be the solution to

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I wonder if the newly announced Tailscale Funnel would help with this?

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did you end up figuring this thing out. I'm having similar issues with family halfway around the world.

I'm curious if/how you were able to set up tailscale on the client side to run plex specifically through tailscale.

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    Try this: https://community.umbrel.com/t/how-to-run-plex-through-tailscale/14595

    These steps worked for me. At least on a pc and on my phone (running tailscale app) and using plex via browser. I haven't done very much testing as of yet, but worked right away

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I've been affected by the change with RealVNC.

I'm just after a way to connect to my local network windows boxes in a vnc like way, not an RDP like way. unattended access is crucial. I just need to see what the monitor would see if there was one plugged in.

If there is an app that in installed on the windows machines that would therefore allow me to connect remotely, then all the better I guess.

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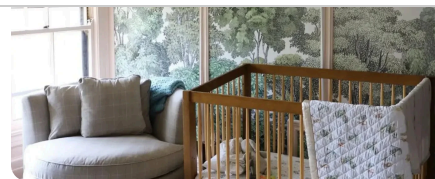You can buy a static IP from a VPS.

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    Mate, I already am on a static ip

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They would need Tailscale running somewhere on their network but it could be done without it running on the TV. But not sure it necessarily accomplishes anything different from a VPN. Tailscale traffic goes direct to your IP if possible but is relayed through their DERP servers if necessary. I don't think you have direct control of this, but if you ensure that ports can't get opened and such then I guess it may solve your issue. If you have Tailscale running somewhere with a different IP then they could use that as an exit node so all traffic would appear to the ISP to be going there.

There's probably other solutions to this, but VPN on their side (tailscale or otherwise) seems like a decent choice since I would also be concerned about an ISP taking that much interest in what you are up to

Cloudflare tunnels for Plex strictly speaking violates their TOS but they seem to tolerate using their test env like this:

https://github.com/danielewood/plexargod

It would be harder for them to justify throttling cloudflare IPs I imagine

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it's also possible the isp is throttling port 32400 and you could resolve the issue by using https

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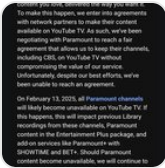
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