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The DNS server is the server SpamAssassin uses to look up the IP address for a hostname, it has nothing to do with open relay databases. If empty, the admin wizard guesses which DNS server to use (usually taking the setting of the TCP/IP protocol settings of your system). DON'T EVER SPECIFY AN RBL SERVER HERE!

The RBL checks are defined in the SpamAssassin's ruleset file 20_dnsbl_tests.cf. ORDB seems not to be one of them, maybe their database can't be queried by SpamAssassin.

The bottom line is, if you do not check 'skip rbl checks', and if the DNS server you specify is indeed a DNS server, RBL checking works.

Type 'nslookup' in a command line window to find the address of your DNS server.
