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Foreign Investment Portal enhancements

On 13 September 2025 there will be a systems update to deliver a number of enhancements to the Foreign Investment Portal.

These enhancements are intended to improve the user experience and deliver further efficiencies.

Submission form changes

ACCC merger control regime

Additional competition questions have been added to the submission forms to address the new merger control regime and the interaction with the foreign investment framework. Further information is available from ForeignInvestment.gov.au.

Note: Draft submissions created prior to 13 September 2025 will require updating to include responses to the competition questions. There will be no portal impact on submissions which have already been lodged.

Direct acquirer

It is no longer mandatory for at least one investor to be a direct acquirer.

Action descriptions and target details

The default action descriptions will no longer display the “maximum consideration” details.

Title details will be included for Australian land targets.

For target types ‘Land entity’ and ‘Other entity’, additional questions have been added to collect further details regarding actions related to section 19 of *Foreign Acquisitions and Takeovers Act 1975*.

New Portal features

Updates to the Portal home page

We have improved the Portal home page by adding new sections to help locate important information:

- Messages Due
- Outstanding Payments

Portal Submissions page enhancements

We have enhanced to the Submissions page to help you manage your records more efficiently:

- **Draft and Submitted submissions** are now displayed in separate sections, making it easier to locate your submission.
- Users can view all the **Related records** of a submission including:
  - All submission actions
  - Communications
  - Variations
  - Compliance reports

Communications changes

New features have been added to the Communications:

- An **Archive Message** option has been added to the Communications section.
- A **Request Extension** button has been added to the Invitation to Extend messages.
- A **View payment details** button has been added.

Managing access in the Foreign Investment Portal

In response to investor requests, you now have more control over user access within your organisation's accounts.

- **Invite User -** Use the **Linked User** feature in the **Accounts** section to invite portal users to join your account.
  You will need their Digital ID email address, and they must have a Standard Identity proofing level, or have their identity verified by Treasury.
- **Request to delink user** - When staff change roles or leave your organisation, you can now delink their account using the same **Linked User** feature.
- **Move submissions or compliance reports -** Finalised submissions and compliance reports can now be moved between Accounts or Sub-Accounts.

Withdraw for amendment

You can now withdraw a submission in order to make amendments *before* a decision has been made. This feature allows users to:

- Retain all original information from the original submission;
- Make necessary changes;
- Recalculate the fee (if necessary); and
- Resubmit your application.

The feature ensures errors can be corrected with minimal data re-entry on behalf of the user.

Any fee paid will be transferred to the new submission and any assessment work already completed by Treasury will also be transferred.

Note: Withdrawing for amendment resets both the submission date and the statutory due date