



## Getting ready for .UK Standardisation – 2025 policy consultation outcome

A major programme called Registry Standardisation is underway at Nominet. This will change how registrars and registrants engage with .UK and modernises many of our services and policies to bring them closer to industry standards.

We held a consultation in 2025 to gather .UK stakeholder feedback on proposed revisions to key .UK policies and agreements. These updates focused on streamlining and modernising Nominet’s .UK policies and agreements, ensuring compatibility with changes previously covered in our 2024 consultation - [Modernisation, standardisation, and legacy service retirement](#).

This summary gives you a high-level overview of the 2025 consultation outcome, and any updates that have been made to our policies and agreements in response to the feedback we received. Thanks to all those who took part.

Ahead of the transition, we’ll make sure registrars have the support and clarity they need to feel confident and well prepared.

The full consultation summary response can be viewed [here](#) including red line versions of the initially proposed policies and agreements which have been updated.

### Substantive changes

The focus of the policy updates set out in the 2025 consultation were primarily to ensure compatibility with the technical changes consulted on in 2024. After reviewing the feedback, a number of changes have been made to the proposed policies and are set out below.

Proposal	Consultation Outcome
Introduction of the Registry-Registrar Base Agreement into the .UK policy framework	The agreement will be introduced with minor changes.
Include new DNS abuse clauses aligned with those negotiated in the ICANN community into the RRBA	New clauses will be introduced as consulted on. We recognise that this is new, however, the volume of requests is typically low, and Nominet

	intends to work with registrars to share the options available to meet these requirements.
A new requirement for all registrars to be Nominet members with an exception for .sch.uk portfolio holders	New clauses will be introduced. At the point of transition, non-member registrars will have the option to become a Nominet member, transfer their portfolio to a member registrar or become a reseller.
A new policy to support the publication of the .UK Transactions report	The policy will be introduced with a minor revision to delay data release.

## POLICY REVISIONS

The following policies and agreements have been updated in response to the feedback we received during this consultation. A red line version of all updates can be found in the [full policy consultation summary](#).

### **.UK Registry-Registrar Agreement (.UK RRA)**

The following updates have been made to the .UK RRA:

- A new clause (8.2) has been included to formalise Nominet’s on-going commitment to policy consultation.
- Clause 2.2.3 of Schedule 1 has been expanded to cater for a broader range of electronic communication methods, moving beyond a limitation of just an email address.
- Clause 6.3 has been updated to specify that Nominet will notify the registrar in writing, so it is consistent throughout the agreements.

### **Registry-Registrar Base Agreement (RRBA)**

The following updates have been made to the RRBA:

- Clause 10.6 now explicitly documents that Nominet will provide at least 30 days’ written notice of variation.
- Clause 7.1 has been updated to make it clear that a registrar would not be required to indemnify Nominet because of actions taken by the registrar to comply with the

RRA or any instruction given, or enforcement action taken, by Nominet pursuant to the RRA.

- Clauses 3.2 and 7.1.3 have had small inconsequential updates fixing formatting.

#### **.UK Proxy Policy**

The following updates have been made to the .UK Proxy Policy:

- Clause 3.1 has been removed. This clause has been removed from the draft after a review of feedback and the potential outcome of a future Know Your Customer Policy that considers modern legislative developments in data quality.

#### **.UK Registration Policy**

The following updates have been made to the .UK Registration Policy:

- The table in clause 1.4 has been updated to show which zones have enforcement applied and which are advisory.

#### **.UK Registrant Terms and Conditions**

The following updates have been made to the .UK Registrant Terms and Conditions:

- Clause 11.2.2 was updated to remove unneeded quotes.

#### **.UK Transactional Reporting Policy**

The following updates have been made to the .UK Transactional Reporting Policy:

- Clause 2.2 has been updated to withhold the reports until three months after the end of the month to which the report relates to address concerns of competitive sensitivity.

#### **.UK Registry-Registrar Lifecycle Policy**

The following updates have been made to the .UK Registry-Registrar Lifecycle Policy:

- Clause 9.4 has been updated to move the registry restore fee (the amount charged) into the .UK Pricing Schedule. The restore fee remains the same (GBP 0) but is now included with all other .UK fees for transparency. This is in response to a registrar suggesting they have all fees in a single page for transparency.

#### **.UK Inter-Registrar Transfer Policy**

The following updates have been made to the .UK Inter-Registrar Transfer Policy:

- Clause 5.5.1 has been updated to fix a spelling mistake.
- Clause 10 has been updated to modify the TAC TTL from 15-days to 14-days.

The full list of confirmed policies and agreements can be found on Registrar Resources:

1. [.UK Registry-Registrar Agreement](#)
2. [Nominet Registry-Registrar Base Agreement](#)
3. [.UK Reseller Policy](#)
4. [.UK Proxy Policy](#)
5. [.UK Registration Policy](#)
6. [.UK Schools Domain Name Policy](#)
7. [.UK Registrant Terms and Conditions](#)
8. [.UK Transactional Reporting Policy](#)
9. [.UK Inter-registrar transfer policy](#)
10. [.UK Registry-Registrar Lifecycle Policy](#)
11. [.UK add grace period limits policy](#)
12. [.UK Interim Data Quality Policy](#)

These confirmed policies and agreements will come into effect on the transition date following formal notice (existing policies & agreements continue to apply until then).