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auDA now proposes letting you keep your existing .com.au

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- ☐ **Keep your existing .com.au and .net.au names renewed.** auDA's proposal protects current licences. If a name lapses or you drop and re-register it, a new registration would face the proposed matching test.
 - ☐ **Check new domain plans against your registered names.** Before buying a new .com.au, compare it with your personal name, company name, registered business name or Australian trade mark.
 - ☐ **Watch how transfers are treated before selling a business.** If a sale or restructure would move a descriptive domain, check the transition plan when auDA publishes it.
 - ☐ **Have your say when consultation opens.** Check auDA's Licensing Rules Review page later this year for the marked-up rules and transition plan.
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