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INZ 1396



# Business Investor Work Visa Change of Nominated Business

During the Establishment stage

Please download a copy of this form from our website each time to ensure you use the current version.  
[www.immigration.govt.nz](http://www.immigration.govt.nz)

## When to use this form

Use this form if you hold a Business Investor work visa and you need to nominate a new business to purchase during the Establishment stage. For example, if the business you originally nominated is no longer available for purchase.

You may only make one request to change a nominated business. That request must be made within the first six months from the date your initial Business Investor work visa was granted.

## How to complete this form

**Print clearly in English using CAPITAL LETTERS.**

Provide the evidence required in Section G.

Provide copies of documents. Do not provide original documents. If we require original documents, we will contact you.

If you have questions about completing the form:

- see our website [www.immigration.govt.nz/contactus](http://www.immigration.govt.nz/contactus)

## Where to send this form

### Postal address

Immigration New Zealand  
PO Box 76895  
Manukau City  
Auckland 2241  
New Zealand

### Courier address

Immigration New Zealand  
DX Box: EP71514  
20 Fairfax Avenue  
Penrose  
Auckland 1061  
New Zealand

## Immigration Advisers Licensing Act 2007

Under the Immigration Advisers Licensing Act 2007 it is an offence to provide immigration advice without being licensed or exempt. If your immigration adviser is not licensed when they should be, Immigration New Zealand will refuse to accept or will decline your request.

For more information and to view the register of licensed advisers, go to the Immigration Advisers Authority website [www.iaa.govt.nz](http://www.iaa.govt.nz) or email [info@iaa.govt.nz](mailto:info@iaa.govt.nz). Lawyers provide immigration advice and are exempt from licensing under the Immigration Advisers Licensing Act.

For more information and to view the register of immigration lawyers, go to the New Zealand Law Society website [www.lawsociety.org.nz](http://www.lawsociety.org.nz)



## Section B Change of nominated business

- B1** What were the material circumstances outside your control that prevented you from purchasing the business you nominated in your Business Investor work visa application (INZ1394)?  
Continue on a separate sheet of paper, if necessary.

- B2** What is the new business you wish to purchase?  
*Note: You must complete the Business Proposal Form (INZ1393) and provide the evidence as set out in that form and attach it to this request.*  
Continue on a separate sheet of paper, if necessary.

- B3** Is your request to change the nominated business made within the first six months of your initial Business Investor work visa being granted to you?

Yes  No *(provide details)*

*Note: You can only request a change to your nominated business within the first 6 months of your Business Investor Work Visa.*

Continue on a separate sheet of paper, if necessary.

- B4** Will you be able to purchase and begin operating your proposed new nominated business within the first 9 months of your current Business Investor Work Visa? *This includes time already spent on your Business Investor Work Visa.*

Yes  No *(provide details)*

Continue on a separate sheet of paper, if necessary.

- B5** For your proposed nominated business, do you intend to use funds or assets from your original Business Investor Visa application, new funds or assets, or a combination of both?

I will use only existing funds/assets from my original application  I will use only new funds/assets

I will use a mixture of existing and new funds/assets





## Section C Fit and proper person requirements

**C1** Have all business you have had significant influence over complied with all immigration, employment and taxation laws in any country?

**i** Significant influence includes, but is not limited to, control management and administrative functions when acting as a director or senior manager.

Yes  No (provide details)

**C2** Have you ever been investigated by the Serious Fraud Office or the New Zealand Police for any offences arising in the course of, or resulting from, business dealings?

Yes (provide details)  No

**C3** Have you ever been involved in business fraud or financial impropriety in any country?

Yes (provide details)  No

## Section D Declaration

**This sections must be completed by the person named at  A1.**

I have provided true and correct answers to the questions in this form.

I understand that if I make any false statements, or provide any false or misleading information, or have changed or altered this form in any way, my request may be declined, or I may become liable for deportation.

I agree to tell Immigration New Zealand about any changes to my circumstances that occur after making this request.

I understand that if I have received immigration advice from an immigration adviser and that immigration adviser is not licensed under the Immigration Advisers Licensing Act 2007 when they should be, Immigration New Zealand will refuse to accept or will decline my request.

I understand that:

- an immigration officer will assess the nominated business solely to determine whether the Business Investor Work Visa Instructions are met; and
- the approval of a change of nominated business does not mean the New Zealand Government endorses that business or guarantees its success.
- if I do proceed to purchase the nominated business or purchase a proportion of ownership in the nominated business it is entirely at my own risk.

I authorise Immigration New Zealand to make any necessary enquiries about information on this form and/or accompanying documentation.

I authorise any agency whether in New Zealand or overseas, including but not limited to border or immigration agencies, education providers, financial institutions, foreign embassies, government authorities, healthcare providers, police or other law enforcement agencies, that holds information (including personal information) related to information on this request form and/or accompanying documentation to disclose that information to Immigration New Zealand so that they can:

- make a decision on this request.
- answer enquiries about my immigration status once a decision on my request has been made.

I understand that the information provided in this form may also be anonymised and used for survey or research purposes.

I have provided all the documents required by the checklist at Section G.

Signature of submitter:  Date: / /

## Section E Immigration adviser's details

This section must be completed by the submitter's immigration adviser. If the submitter has authorised all advisers within an organisation to act on their behalf at  A8, only the person named at  A6 must complete this section.

**E1** If you are a licensed adviser, please provide your licence details.

Licence type:  full  provisional  limited. *List conditions specified in the register.*

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Licence number:

**E2** If you are exempt from licensing, tick one box below to show why you are exempt from licensing then go to Section F: Declaration by person assisting the submitter.

- I provided immigration advice in an informal or family context only, and I did not provide the advice systematically or for a fee.
- I have provided immigration advice in the course of my work (employed or volunteer) and that work exempts me from the requirement to be licensed. Indicate the reason for your exemption below.
- Lawyer with current New Zealand practicing certificate  Community Law Centre
- Citizens Advice Bureau  New Zealand Member of Parliament or staff  New Zealand public servant
- Foreign Diplomatic/Consular

See [www.immigration.govt.nz/adviserlicensing](http://www.immigration.govt.nz/adviserlicensing) for more information about who is exempt from licensing.

## Section F Declaration by person assisting the submitter

This section must be completed and signed by the submitter's immigration adviser, or by any person who has assisted the submitter by providing immigration advice, explaining, translating, or recording information on the form for the submitter. If the submitter does not have an immigration adviser, and no one helped the submitter to fill in this form, this section does not have to be completed.

Name and address of person assisting the submitter  Same as name and address given at **A6**, or  as below

Family/last name:

Given/first name(s):

Organisation name (if applicable) and address:

New Zealand Business Number (if applicable):

For help search: [www.nzbn.govt.nz](http://www.nzbn.govt.nz)

Telephone:

Email:

I understand that after the submitter has signed this form it is an offence for me to change or add further information or change or add any documents attached to the form, without making a statement identifying what information or material has been changed, added or attached and by whom. If I make these changes or additions, I must state on the form what they were, who made them and the reason they were made.

I understand that the maximum penalty for this offence is a fine of up to NZ\$100,000 and/or a term of imprisonment of up to seven years.

I certify that the submitter asked me to help them complete this form and any additional forms. I certify that the submitter agreed that the information provided was correct before signing the declaration.

I have assisted the submitter as an interpreter/translator

I have assisted the submitter with recording information on the form

I have assisted the submitter in another way. Specify

I have provided immigration advice (as defined in the Immigration Advisers Licensing Act 2007) and my details in Section E: Immigration advisers details are correct.

Signature of person assisting the submitter

Date

## About the information provided

Immigration New Zealand collects the information about you on this form to decide whether you are eligible to change your nominated business. We may also use the information to contact you for research purposes or to advise you on immigration matters.

Collecting the information is authorised by the Immigration Act 2009 and the Immigration Regulations made under that Act. You do not have to provide the information, but if you do not we are likely to decline your request.

### Deciding whether you are eligible to board a flight to New Zealand

The information we collect may also be used to determine whether you are allowed to board a flight to New Zealand.

We will not share your personal information with airline check-in agents; however, we will send a boarding message to the airline check-in agent based on the information you have provided in this form.

Immigration New Zealand may also share the information you have provided with other government agencies that are entitled to it by law, or with other agencies (as you have agreed in the declaration).

You are able to ask for the information we hold about you and have any of it corrected. The address of Immigration New Zealand is PO Box 1473, Wellington 6140, New Zealand. This is not where your request should be sent.

### Other documents we may need or you may wish to send

We may ask for additional documents or information so that we can consider it with this application. You may wish to send other documents or information so that we can consider it with this application. Send photocopies only (not original documents), as these documents will not be returned to you. If we need to see an original document, we will ask you to produce it later.

### For more information

If you have questions about completing the form:

- see our website [www.immigration.govt.nz/contactus](http://www.immigration.govt.nz/contactus)
- telephone our call centre on 0508 558 855 (within New Zealand).

## Section G Request checklist

Office Use only	Information and documents you must supply	Check list
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have completed the Change of Nominated Business Request Form.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have attached the Business Proposal form (INZ 1393) and the evidence required in that form.	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have attached evidence of my new capital investment funds (new nominated funds and/or assets) to be used to purchase my new nominated business, if required. <i>Please note that valuations of assets must be no older than <b>three months old</b>.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	I have attached evidence that my partner supports the use of the new capital investment funds (new nominated funds and/or assets), if required.	<input type="checkbox"/>

## Returning your documents

Please return documents to me by secure post at the address given at:

- A5
- A6

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