**Key Messages for the WAIPS Portal**

* Agencies and suppliers required to report under the Western Australian Industry Participation Strategy (WAIPS) must register their account when the Portal launches on Monday 1 July 2024.
* The new Portal streamlines WAIPS requirements by replacing the need to download, complete, and email documents for relevant WA Government contracts. Users will complete all submissions online, receive email notifications for due reports, and access required templates directly.
* The WAIPS Portal aims to streamline and simplify the business processes for the completion of WAIPS-related documentation, and its subsequent reporting requirements.
* By presenting the information clearly, accessibly, and conveniently in one place, this improvement saves agencies and businesses time while reducing operational and compliance costs, granting them greater opportunity to participate.
* Information about WAIPS can be found on the [Western Australian Industry Participation Strategy](https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/department-of-jobs-tourism-science-and-innovation/western-australian-industry-participation-strategy) page.
* Information and guides to the WAIPS Portal for agencies can be found on the [WAIPS Portal information for agencies](https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/department-of-jobs-tourism-science-and-innovation/wa-industry-link-waips-portal-information-agencies) page.
* Similarly, suppliers can find useful resources to the Portal on the [WAIPS Portal information for businesses](https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/department-of-jobs-tourism-science-and-innovation/wa-industry-link-waips-portal-information-businesses-0).

**Key Messages about WAIPS**

* The Western Australian Industry Participation Strategy (WAIPS) provides local industry, in particular, small and medium sized businesses, with greater opportunities to access and compete for State Government contracts.
* The WAIPS is a key feature of the WA Industry Link and is an outcome of the Western Australian Jobs Act 2017.
* WAIPS applies to all State Government departments, agencies, statutory authorities, and government trading entities. It does not apply to universities and local government procurement.

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| **Social post Suggestion** | The WAIPS Portal is live 1 July 2024!Businesses supplying goods and services to the WA Government must register for a WAIPS Portal account.Procurement officers and contract managers are encouraged to actively reach out to existing suppliers to assist with account registration.Account registration will:✨ ensure smooth and ongoing compliance of the Western Australia Industry Participation Strategy (WAIPS) requirements.✨ ensure suppliers do not miss any important notifications relating to their existing WAIPS contracts.Businesses can learn how to register an account and how to use the portal at 👉 <https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/department-of-jobs-tourism-science-and-innovation/wa-industry-link-waips-portal-information-businesses-0>To learn more about WAIPS 👉<https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/department-of-jobs-tourism-science-and-innovation/western-australian-industry-participation-strategy> |
| **E-news article suggestions** | Businesses supplying goods and services to the WA Government must register for a WAIPS Portal account from Monday 1 July 2024. State Government procurement officers and contract managers are encouraged actively reach out to existing suppliers to register.  The WAIPS online migration provides agencies and their suppliers with the convenience of logging into an online system to complete and submit forms online.  Introductory user guides are available to help set up their account and navigate the basic functions of the portal.  For suppliers, visit the [portal information for businesses](https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/department-of-jobs-tourism-science-and-innovation/wa-industry-link-waips-portal-information-businesses-0) page.  For agencies, visit the [portal information for agencies](https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/department-of-jobs-tourism-science-and-innovation/western-australian-industry-participation-strategy) page.  Agencies are encouraged to use our WAIPS Portal [stakeholder toolkit](https://www.wa.gov.au/government/document-collections/wa-industry-link-waips-portal-stakeholder-toolkit) for resources to help spread to word about the new portal.  To learn more about the WAIPS requirements visit the [Western Australia Industry Participation Strategy](https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/department-of-jobs-tourism-science-and-innovation/western-australian-industry-participation-strategy) page.  For further advice and assistance email [WA Industry Link](mailto:industrylink@jtsi.wa.gov.au). |