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## **Fees and Levies 2026-2027**

I, Gerard Phillip Maley, Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries:

- (a) under regulation 206(1)(a) of the *Fisheries Regulations 1992* (the **Regulations**) and with reference to section 43 of the *Interpretation Act 1978*:
  - (i) revoke, with effect commencing on 1 July 2026, the prescription of the fee payable for the grant or renewal of a licence specified in Schedule 1, Part A, made by the instrument entitled 'Revocation and Prescription of Fees Payable and Levies' dated 1 May 2025 and published in *Gazette* No. G10 of 15 May 2025 (the **2025 instrument**); and
  - (ii) revoke, with effect commencing on 1 January 2027, the prescription of the fee payable for the grant or renewal of a licence specified in Schedule 1, Part B, made by the 2025 instrument; and
- (b) under regulation 206(1)(a) of the Regulations, prescribe the fee payable for the grant or renewal of:
  - (i) a licence specified in Schedule 1, Part A, for the licensing year commencing on 1 July 2026 to be the amount specified opposite the licence; and

- (ii) a licence specified in Schedule 1, Part B, for the licensing year commencing on 1 January 2027 to be the amount specified opposite the licence; and
- (c) under regulation 206(1)(aa) to (ea) of the Regulations and with reference to section 43 of the *Interpretation Act 1978*:
  - (i) revoke, with effect commencing on 1 July 2026, the prescription of the fee payable for a matter mentioned in Schedule 2 made by the 2025 instrument; and
  - (ii) prescribe, with effect for the period commencing on 1 July 2026 and ending on 30 June 2027, the fee payable for a matter mentioned in Schedule 2 to be the amount specified opposite the matter; and
- (d) under regulation 206(1A) of the Regulations and with reference to section 43 of the *Interpretation Act 1978*:
  - (i) revoke, with effect commencing on 1 July 2026, the prescription of the method of assessing the fee payable made by the 2025 instrument; and
  - (ii) prescribe, with effect for the period commencing on 1 July 2026 and ending on 30 June 2027, the method of assessing the fee payable for a person to examine, or obtain a copy of information from, a register in accordance with section 9(2) of the *Fisheries Act 1988* (the **Act**) to be the method set out in Schedule 3; and
- (e) under regulation 207(1) of the Regulations and with reference to section 43 of the *Interpretation Act 1978*:
  - (i) revoke, with effect commencing on 1 July 2026, the prescription of the levy to be paid by an applicant for the grant, renewal or transfer of a licence listed in Schedule 3 of the Regulations, other than a Pearl Oyster Fishery licence, made by the 2025 instrument; and
  - (ii) revoke, with effect commencing on 1 January 2027, the prescription of the levy to be paid by an applicant for the grant, renewal or transfer of a Pearl Oyster Fishery licence made by the 2025 instrument; and

- (f) under regulation 207(1) of the Regulations:
  - (i) for a licence listed in Schedule 3 of the Regulations, other than a Pearl Oyster Fishery licence – prescribe the levy to be paid by an applicant for the grant or renewal of the licence for the licensing year commencing on 1 July 2026, or the transfer of the licence during that licensing year, to be \$1 313; and
  - (ii) for a Pearl Oyster Fishery licence – prescribe the levy to be paid by an applicant for the grant or renewal of the licence for the licensing year commencing on 1 January 2027, or the transfer of the licence during that licensing year, to be \$1 313; and
- (g) under regulation 208C(1) of the Regulations and with reference to section 43 of the *Interpretation Act 1978*:
  - (i) revoke, with effect commencing on 1 January 2027, the prescription of the levy made by the 2025 instrument; and
  - (ii) prescribe the levy for each pearl culture unit allocated to a Pearl Oyster Fishery licensee or Pearl Oyster Culture Industry licensee that is to be paid by the licensee on application for renewal of the licence for the licensing year commencing on 1 January 2027 to be \$75.

G. P. MALEY  
Minister for Agriculture and Fisheries

Dated 16 May 2026

**Schedule 1**

| <b>Licence</b>                           | <b>Fee</b>   |
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| <b>Part A</b>                            |  |
| Aboriginal Coastal licence               | \$61   |
| Aquaculture licence                      | \$787  |
| Aquarium Fishing/Display Fishery licence | \$1 551  |
| Aquarium Trader licence                  | \$315  |
| Bait Net Fishery licence                 | \$1 551  |
| Barramundi Fishery licence               | \$333 per 100 m of gill net permitted to be used under the licence |
| Coastal Line Fishery licence             | \$1 440  |
| Coastal Net Fishery licence              | \$1 551  |
| Demersal Fishery licence                 | \$1 440  |
| Development Fishery licence              | \$1 517  |
| Fish Trader/Processor licence            | \$787  |
| Fishing Tour Operator licence            | \$986  |
| Jigging Fishery licence                  | \$1 440  |
| Mollusc Fishery licence                  | \$1 551  |
| Mud Crab Fishery licence                 | \$1 551  |
| Off-shore Net and Line Fishery licence   | \$1 440  |
| Ornamental Aquaculture licence           | \$122  |
| Public Aquarium licence                  | \$787  |
| Spanish Mackerel Fishery licence         | \$1 551  |
| Timor Reef Fishery licence               | \$1 440  |
| Trepang Fishery licence                  | \$1 551  |

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**Part B**

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| Pearl Oyster Culture Industry licence | \$1 551 |
| Pearl Oyster Fishery licence          | \$1 440 |

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**Schedule 2**

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| <b>Provision</b> | <b>Matter</b>  | <b>Fee</b> |
|------------------|--|------------|
| 206(1)(aa)       | An application for the grant of a special permit under section 17 of the Act that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) is for the purposes specified in section 17(2)(a) of the Act; and</li> <li>(b) specifies, in accordance with section 17(5) of the Act, that fish taken under the permit may be sold</li> </ul> | \$881      |
| 206(1)(b)        | The registration of a vessel   | \$67       |
| 206(1)(c)        | The transfer of a licence from a licensee to an approved person  | \$315      |
| 206(1)(d)        | A replacement of a licence, permit or certificate of registration of a vessel  | \$33       |
| 206(1)(e)        | The approval by the Director of a person as an approved operator under section 17A of the Act  | \$122      |
| 206(1)(ea)       | The issue of an identity card, or its replacement, under section 17C(1) of the Act   | \$26       |

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### **Schedule 3**

- 1 The fee payable by a person to examine a register kept under section 9(1) of the Act is the sum of:
    - (a) \$37; and
    - (b) an amount calculated at the rate of \$31 per hour for the estimated time required for staff to search for, retrieve and return information from the register.
  
  - 2 The fee payable by a person to obtain copies of information from a register kept under section 9(1) of the Act is the cost of photocopying calculated at the rate of:
    - (a) for black and white, A4 size photocopies – \$0.25 per page; or
    - (b) for colour, A4 size photocopies – \$0.73 per page.
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## **Revocation and Prescription of Timor Reef Fishery Licence Levies, Demersal Fishery Licence Levies, and Off-shore Net and Line Fishery Licence Levies**

I, Matthew William Osborne, Director of Fisheries, as the delegate of the Northern Territory Fisheries Joint Authority:

- (a) under regulations 208A(1), 208B(1) and 208CA(1) of the *Fisheries Regulations 1992* and with reference to section 43 of the *Interpretation Act 1978*, revoke the prescription of levies made by the notice entitled "Revocation and Prescription of Timor Reef Fishery Licence Levies, Demersal Fishery Licence Levies, and Off-shore Net and Line Fishery Licence Levies" dated 7 May 2025 and published in *Gazette* No. G10 of 15 May 2025 with effect on and from 1 July 2025; and
- (b) under regulation 208A(1) of the *Fisheries Regulations 1992*, prescribe the following levies to be paid by the holder of a Timor Reef Fishery licence on application for renewal of the licence with effect from 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027:
  - (i) \$0.070 for each fishery unit for goldband snapper attached to the licence;
  - (ii) \$0.011 for each fishery unit for red snapper attached to the licence;
  - (iii) \$0.071 for each fishery unit for grouped fish attached to the licence;and
- (c) under regulation 208B(1) of the *Fisheries Regulations 1992*, prescribe the following levies to be paid by the holder of a Demersal Fishery licence on application for renewal of the licence with effect from 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027:
  - (i) \$0.054 for each fishery unit for goldband snapper attached to the licence;
  - (ii) \$0.034 for each fishery unit for red snapper attached to the licence;
  - (iii) \$0.033 for each fishery unit for grouped fish attached to the licence; and

- (d) under regulation 208CA(1) of the *Fisheries Regulations 1992*, prescribe the following levies to be paid by the holder of an Offshore Net and Line Fishery licence on application for renewal of the licence with effect from 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027:
- (i) \$0.0726 for each fishery unit for grey mackerel species from the Western Grey Mackerel Management Zone attached to the licence;
  - (ii) \$0.0726 for each fishery unit for grey mackerel species from the Eastern Grey Mackerel Management Zone attached to the licence;
  - (iii) \$0.0010 for each fishery unit for combined Blacktip Shark attached to the licence;
  - (iv) \$0.0014 for each fishery unit for Spot-tail Shark attached to the licence;
  - (v) \$0.0020 for each fishery unit for combined Shark group attached to the licence;
  - (vi) \$0.0002 for each fishery unit for combined other Shark group species attached to the licence;
  - (vii) \$0.0132 for each fishery unit for combined fin fish group (by-product) species attached to the licence.

M. W. OSBORNE  
Director of Fisheries  
Dated 20 May 2026

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**Prescription of Vessel Monitoring System Levy for Aquarium Fishery Licences, Coastal Line Fishery Licences, Mud Crab Fishery Licences and Trepang Fishery Licences**

I, Matthew William Osborne as the Director of Fisheries:

- (a) under regulation 208D(1) of the *Fisheries Regulations 1992* and with reference to section 43 of the *Interpretation Act 1978*, revoke the prescription of levies made by the notice entitled "Prescription of Vessel Monitoring System Levy for Aquarium Fishery Licences, Coastal Line Fishery Licences, Mud Crab Fishery Licences and Trepang Fishery Licences" dated 7 May 2025 and published in *Gazette* No. G10 of 15 May 2025 with effect on and from 1 July 2025; and
- (b) under regulation 208D(1) of the *Fisheries Regulations 1992*, with effect on and from 1 July 2026:
  - (i) prescribe a levy of \$2,288.31 for Aquarium Fishery licences numbered 1902 and 1919 to be paid by the holder of the licence on application for renewal of the licence.
  - (ii) prescribe a levy of \$1,743.62 for Coastal Line Fishery licences numbered 14, 95, 1636, 5003, 5005, 5006, 5017, 5018, 5019, 5029 and 5021 to be paid by the holder of the licence on application for renewal of the licence.
  - (iii) prescribe a levy of \$1,323.56 for each Mud Crab Fishery licence, to be paid by the holder of the licence on application for renewal of the licence.
  - (iv) prescribe a levy of \$277.10 for each Trepang Fishery licence, to be paid by the holder of the licence on application for renewal of the licence.

M. W. OSBORNE  
Director of Fisheries

Dated 20 May 2026

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## **Determination of Overcatch Fee**

I, Matthew William Osborne, Director of Fisheries, as the delegate of the Northern Territory Fisheries Joint Authority, under regulation 96CI(4) of the *Fisheries Regulations 1992*, determine the overcatch fee to be the amount specified in the Schedule for each kilogram of overcatch of the species group specified opposite the amount taken by an Offshore Net and Line Fishery licensee with effect from 1 July 2026 to 30 June 2027.

M. W. OSBORNE  
Director of Fisheries

Dated 20 May 2026

### **Schedule**

| <b>Fee per kilogram (\$)</b> | <b>Species group</b>   |
|------------------------------|--|
| 20.54                        | Grey mackerel species from the Western Grey Mackerel Management Zone |
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| 2.86                         | Combined Blacktip Shark  |
| 2.77                         | Spot-tail Shark  |
| 3.62                         | Combined Shark group   |
| 4.64                         | Combined other Shark group species                                   |
| 7.21                         | Combined fin fish group  |
| 14.66                        | Spanish mackerel   |