



Queensland

Environmental Legislation Amendment Regulation 2025

Subordinate Legislation 2025 No. 42

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Environmental Offsets Act 2014

Environmental Protection Act 1994

Fisheries Act 1994

Nature Conservation Act 1992

State Penalties Enforcement Act 1999

Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011

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Part 1 Preliminary

1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the *Environmental Legislation Amendment Regulation 2025*.

2 Commencement

Section 55 commences on 1 July 2025.

Part 2 Amendment of Environmental Offsets Regulation 2014

3 Regulation amended

This part amends the *Environmental Offsets Regulation 2014*.

4 Amendment of s 6 (Environmental offsets policy—Act, s 12)

Section 6, ‘(version 1.16)’—
omit, insert—
(version 1.17)

Part 3 Amendment of Environmental Protection Regulation 2019

5 Regulation amended

This part amends the *Environmental Protection Regulation 2019*.

6 Amendment of s 42 (Meaning of *regulated waste*)

Section 42(4)(a) and (b)—

omit, insert—

- (a) for each relevant attribute mentioned in schedule 9, part 3, division 2, table 1, column 1, the waste satisfies the requirement mentioned in—
 - (i) for solid waste—column 2 opposite the attribute; or
 - (ii) for liquid waste—column 3 opposite the attribute; and
- (b) for each relevant substance mentioned in schedule 9, part 3, division 2, table 2, column 1, the concentration of the substance in the waste is less than the threshold mentioned in—
 - (i) for solid waste—column 2 opposite the substance; or
 - (ii) for liquid waste—column 3 opposite the substance.

7 Amendment of s 43 (Meaning of *category 1 regulated waste* and *category 2 regulated waste*)

Section 43(2)(b)(ii)—

omit, insert—

- (ii) for a relevant substance mentioned in schedule 9, part 2, column 1, the concentration of the substance in the waste is more than the threshold mentioned in column 2 opposite the substance.

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8 Amendment of sch 9 (Regulated waste and waste that is not regulated waste)

- (1) Schedule 9, authorising provision, from ‘*attribute table*,’—
omit, insert—
relevant attribute and relevant substance
- (2) Schedule 9, part 2, item 35—
omit.
- (3) Schedule 9, part 3, division 1—
insert—
- 18 intact or partly disassembled solar panels
- 19 contaminated soil from land recorded in the environmental management register or contaminated land register
- (4) Schedule 9, part 3, division 2, table 1, heading, ‘—Attribute table’—
omit.
- (5) Schedule 9, part 3, division 2, table 2, heading, ‘—Substance table’—
omit.
- (6) Schedule 9, part 3, division 2, table 2, item 35—
omit, insert—

35	per- and poly-fluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) (total), other than— (a) perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS); or (b) perfluorohexane sulfonic acid (PFHxS); or (c) perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)	0.004	0.01
35A	perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS) and perfluorohexane sulfonic acid (PFHxS) (total)	0.002	0.002

35B perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)	0.001	0.001
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- (7) Schedule 9, part 3, division 2, table 2, items 35A to 58—
renumber as items 36 to 60.

9 Amendment of sch 19 (Dictionary)

- (1) Schedule 19, part 1, section 5, tenth and eleventh dot points—
omit.
- (2) Schedule 19, part 2, definitions *attribute table*, *relevant attribute*, *relevant substance*, *substance table* and *threshold table*—
omit.
- (3) Schedule 19, part 2—
insert—

relevant attribute, in relation to waste, means—

- (a) if the waste is liquid waste—any of the attributes mentioned in schedule 9, part 3, division 2, table 1, column 1, items 1 to 6; or
- (b) if the waste is solid waste—an attribute mentioned in schedule 9, part 3, division 2, table 1, column 1, item 1 or 6.

relevant substance, in relation to waste, means a substance that—

- (a) is mentioned in—
- (i) schedule 9, part 2, column 1; or
- (ii) schedule 9, part 3, division 2, table 2, column 1; and
- (b) could reasonably be expected to be present in the waste, having regard to—
- (i) the source, type and quality of materials involved in the generation of the waste; and

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- (ii) the way in which the waste was generated.

Part 4 Amendment of Fisheries (General) Regulation 2019

10 Regulation amended

This part amends the *Fisheries (General) Regulation 2019*.

11 Amendment of s 4A (Animals prescribed not to be fish—Act, s 5)

- (1) Section 4A—

insert—

Note—

See also the *Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020*, section 66A.

- (2) Section 4A(2), definition *relevant protected animal*, after paragraph (a)—

insert—

(aa) largemouth sawfish;

- (3) Section 4A(2), definition *relevant protected animal*, paragraphs (aa) to (e)—

renumber as paragraphs (b) to (f).

12 Amendment of sch 7 (References relating to particular fish)

Schedule 7, part 6—

insert—

largemouth sawfish

Pristis pristis

Part 5 Amendment of Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020

13 Regulation amended

This part amends the *Nature Conservation (Animals) Regulation 2020*.

14 Amendment of s 49 (Moving dead protected animals)

Section 49, heading, after ‘animals’—

insert—

into State

15 Amendment of s 52 (Moving dead protected animals to particular holders)

(1) Section 52, heading, ‘holders’—

omit, insert—

authorised buyers

(2) Section 52(1)(c), from ‘to the holder’—

omit, insert—

to an authorised buyer for the animal.

(3) Section 52(2), ‘holder of the dealer licence, or a relevant person for the holder,’—

omit, insert—

authorised buyer

16 Amendment of s 55 (Dealing with sick, injured and orphaned protected animals)

Section 55—

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insert—

- (3) Subsection (2) does not apply to—
- (a) the holder of a rehabilitation permit for the animal, or a relevant person for the holder;
or
 - (b) a person who—
 - (i) advertises that the person provides animal rescue or rehabilitation services to members of the public but does not hold a rehabilitation permit; or
 - (ii) is employed by, or volunteers for, an entity that advertises it provides animal rescue or rehabilitation services to members of the public but does not hold a rehabilitation permit.

Example of advertising animal rescue or rehabilitation services—

publishing a phone number or email address, on a website or social media platform, for the purpose of allowing members of the public to report sick, injured or orphaned protected animals

17 Amendment of s 59 (Moving animals to and from veterinary surgeon)

Section 59(2), ‘A person’—

omit, insert—

The person

18 Insertion of new s 59A

Before section 60—

insert—

59A Dealing with dead exhibited animals

- (1) This section applies if—

- (a) a person lawfully keeps a protected animal under an exhibited animal authority; and
- (b) the animal dies.
- (2) The person may carry out any of the following activities—
 - (a) keep the dead animal;

Note—

See also section 320 in relation to dealing with a dead sampled or implanted animal.

- (b) sell or give away the dead animal to a person who is authorised to buy, accept or receive the animal under the Act or a law of another State.

19 Amendment of s 66A (Dealing with particular fish regulated under Fisheries Act 1994)

- (1) Section 66A(2), definition *regulated species*, after paragraph (a)—

insert—

- (aa) largemouth sawfish (*Pristis pristis*);

- (2) Section 66A(2), definition *regulated species*, paragraphs (aa) to (e)—

renumber as paragraphs (b) to (f).

20 Amendment of s 188 (Restriction on grant of permit for protected animal taken under rehabilitation permit)

Section 188(a)—

omit, insert—

- (a) the chief executive is satisfied—
 - (i) the animal would not, or is unlikely to, survive in the wild; and

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- (ii) the animal would contribute to the rehabilitation of animals of the same species or closely related species; and

21 Amendment of s 287 (Temporary marine mammal special management areas)

Section 287(2)(b)(v), example—

omit, insert—

Example of a stated speed—

a speed of more than 6 knots

22 Amendment of s 294 (Temporary special marine mammals)

Section 294(2)(b)(v), example—

omit, insert—

Example of a stated speed—

a speed of more than 6 knots

23 Amendment of s 305 (Entering caution zone)

Section 305(b)—

omit, insert—

- (b) the boat is moving at a speed of more than 6 knots.

24 Amendment of s 306 (Movement of whale or dugong into no approach zone)

Section 306(2)(b)—

omit, insert—

- (b) withdraw to an area outside the no approach zone for the whale or dugong at a speed that is not more than 6 knots.

25 Amendment of s 307 (Movement of whale or dugong into caution zone)

Section 307(2), from ‘boat—’ to ‘wake.’—

omit, insert—

boat at a speed of more than 6 knots.

26 Amendment of s 309 (Marine mammal showing signs of being disturbed)

Section 309(2), from ‘that—’ to ‘wake.’—

omit, insert—

that is not more than 6 knots.

27 Amendment of s 353 (Approved tags not to be used by unauthorised person)

Section 353(2), note, ‘identification requirements for persons possessing’—

omit, insert—

requirements relating to the possession of

28 Amendment of sch 1, s 14 (Invertebrates)

Schedule 1, section 14—

insert—

Euastacus setosus

Mount Glorious spiny crayfish

29 Amendment of sch 1, s 19 (Amphibians)

Schedule 1, section 19, entries for *Litoria nannotis* and *Litoria rheocola*—

omit.

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30 Amendment of sch 1, s 20 (Birds)

Schedule 1, section 20—

insert—

<i>Eclectus polychloros macgillivrayi</i>	eclectus parrot (Cape York Peninsula)
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31 Amendment of sch 1, s 21 (Fish)

Schedule 1, section 21—

insert—

<i>Pristis pristis</i>	largetooth sawfish
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32 Amendment of sch 1, s 24 (Reptiles)

Schedule 1, section 24—

insert—

<i>Ctenotus monticola</i>	Atherton ctenotus
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33 Amendment of sch 1, s 28 (Amphibians)

Schedule 1, section 28, entry for *Litoria serrata*—

omit.

34 Amendment of sch 1, s 29 (Birds)

Schedule 1, section 29, entries for *Cyclopsitta diophthalma macleayana* and *Eclectus polychloros macgillivrayi*—

omit.

35 Amendment of sch 1, s 33 (Reptiles)

(1) Schedule 1, section 33, entry for *Ctenotus monticola*—

omit.

- (2) Schedule 1, section 33—

insert—

Elseya irwini

Irwin's turtle

36 Amendment of sch 3, s 3 (Birds)

Schedule 3, section 3, entry for *Calyptorhynchus banksii*,
'banksii'—

omit, insert—

banksii

37 Amendment of sch 3, s 5 (Reptiles)

- (1) Schedule 3, section 5, entry for *Antaresia childreni*,
'children's'—

omit, insert—

Children's

- (2) Schedule 3, section 5, entry for *Antaresia stimsoni*—

omit.

38 Amendment of sch 7 (Dictionary)

Schedule 7, definition *wake*—

omit.

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Part 6 Amendment of Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017

39 Plan amended

This part amends the *Nature Conservation (Koala) Conservation Plan 2017*.

40 Amendment of sch 2 (Dictionary)

Schedule 2, definition *koala habitat tree*, paragraph (a),
'*Corymbia, Melaleuca, Lophostemon* or *Eucalyptus*'—

omit, insert—

Blakella, Corymbia, Eucalyptus, Lophostemon or
Melaleuca

Part 7 Amendment of Nature Conservation (Macropod) Conservation Plan 2017

41 Plan amended

This part amends the *Nature Conservation (Macropod) Conservation Plan 2017*.

42 Replacement of pt 4, div 3 (Identification requirements for possessing tags)

Part 4, division 3—

omit, insert—

Division 3 Possessing tags

79 Application of division

- (1) This division applies to the holder of an animal authority for macropods who possesses a Queensland macropod tag that—
 - (a) was supplied to the holder by the chief executive; and
 - (b) has not been attached to a macropod.
- (2) However, this division does not apply to the holder if—
 - (a) the holder has given notice to the chief executive that the tag has been stolen, lost, destroyed or damaged; or
 - (b) the harvest period for which the tag was supplied has ended.

79A Tags must be kept securely

The holder must ensure the tag is kept—

- (a) in the holder's physical possession; or
- (b) at the licensed premises for the animal authority, or in the holder's vehicle, in a way that prevents a person other than the holder from accessing the tag.

Maximum penalty—165 penalty units.

80 Holder must carry identification

While the tag is in the holder's physical possession, the holder must carry—

- (a) the holder's animal authority or a copy of the authority; and
- (b) a form of identification that shows a recent colour photograph of the holder.

Maximum penalty—50 penalty units.

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43 Amendment of sch 2 (Dictionary)

Schedule 2, definition *Queensland macropod tag*, ‘or approved’—

omit.

**Part 8 Amendment of Nature
Conservation (Plants)
Regulation 2020**

44 Regulation amended

This part amends the *Nature Conservation (Plants) Regulation 2020*.

45 Amendment of sch 1, s 5 (Plants)

Schedule 1, section 5, entries for *Oldenlandia tenelliflora* var. *papuana* and *Wendlandia psychotrioides*—

omit.

46 Amendment of sch 1, s 9 (Plants)

(1) Schedule 1, section 9, entries for *Zieria actites*, *Zieria boolbunda* and *Zieria fordii*—

omit.

(2) Schedule 1, section 9—

insert—

Dryopteris wattsii

Kunzea truncata

Leionema ellipticum

Nicotiana wuttkei

Oldenlandia tenelliflora var. *papuana*

Oreogrammitis leonardii

Pecteilis vatia

Wendlandia psychotrioides

47 Amendment of sch 1, s 13 (Plants)

(1) Schedule 1, section 13—

omit the following entries—

- *Dinosperma longifolium*
- *Glossocardia orthochaeta*
- *Habenaria chlorosepala*
- *Habenaria exilis*
- *Habenaria harroldii*
- *Kunzea truncata*
- *Nicotiana wuttkei*

(2) Schedule 1, section 13—

insert—

Arthraxon australiensis

Buchanania mangoides

Bulbophyllum weinthalii subsp. *striatum*

Croton simulans

Dienia flavovirens

Dryopteris sparsa

Eulophia zollingeri

Firmiana papuana

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Grevillea venusta

Lepturus minutus

Oreogrammitis albosetosa

Paspalum multinodum

Pecteilis chlorosepala

Pecteilis exilis

Pecteilis harroldii

Picris conyzoides

Schoenorchis sarcophylla

Sowerbaea subtilis

Zieria fordii

48 Amendment of sch 1, s 17 (Plants)

(1) Schedule 1, section 17—

omit the following entries—

- *Acacia barakulensis*
- *Arthraxon australiensis*
- *Buchanania mangoides*
- *Bulbophyllum weinthalii*
- *Cadetia wariana*
- *Carex breviscapa*
- *Commersonia reticulata*
- *Croton simulans*
- *Dienia flavovirens*
- *Dryopteris sparsa*
- *Dryopteris wattsii*

- *Eucalyptus paedoglauca*
- *Eulophia zollingeri*
- *Firmiana papuana*
- *Grevillea venusta*
- *Habenaria euryloba*
- *Habenaria fuscina*
- *Habenaria vatia*
- *Leionema ellipticum*
- *Lepturus minutus*
- *Oreogrammitis albosetosa*
- *Oreogrammitis leonardii*
- *Paspalum multinodum*
- *Picris conyzoides*
- *Schoenorchis sarcophylla*
- *Sclerolaena blakei*
- *Sowerbaea subtilis*

(2) Schedule 1, section 17—

insert—

Dinosperma longifolium

Eucalyptus raveretiana

Glossocardia orthochaeta

Pecteilis euryloba

Pecteilis fuscina

Zieria actites

Zieria boolbunda

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49 Amendment of sch 1, s 21 (Plants)

- (1) Schedule 1, section 21, entries for *Habenaria rumphii* and *Habenaria xanthantha*—
omit.
- (2) Schedule 1, section 21—
insert—

Cadetia wariana

Carex breviscapa

Commersonia reticulata

Pecteilis rumphii

Pecteilis xanthantha

Part 9 Amendment of State Penalties Enforcement Regulation 2014

50 Regulation amended

This part amends the *State Penalties Enforcement Regulation 2014*.

51 Amendment of sch 1 (Infringement notice offences and fines for nominated laws)

- (1) Schedule 1, entry for *Nature Conservation (Macropod) Conservation Plan 2017*, entries for sections 79(2) and 80(2)—
omit.
- (2) Schedule 1, entry for *Nature Conservation (Macropod) Conservation Plan 2017*—
insert—

s 79A	5
s 80	2

Part 10 Amendment of Waste Reduction and Recycling Regulation 2023

52 Regulation amended

This part amends the *Waste Reduction and Recycling Regulation 2023*.

53 Amendment of s 6 (Types of exempt waste for definition *waste disposal site*—Act, s 8A)

(1) Section 6(1)—

insert—

(c) alum sludge or other residuals produced as a
result of a drinking water treatment process;

(2) Section 6(3)—

omit, insert—

(2) This subsection and subsection (1)(c) and (d)
expire on 30 June 2029.

54 Amendment of s 25 (Weight measurement criteria for measuring waste or other material other than by weighbridge—Act, s 26)

Section 25(1), after ‘section 60(6)’—

insert—

or 61(2)

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55 Amendment of sch 3 (Recycling activities for residue waste discounting applications)

Schedule 3—

insert—

- 4 recycling mixed construction and demolition waste to produce aggregate or other new products to a particular specification

ENDNOTES

- 1 Made by the Governor in Council on 5 June 2025.
- 2 Notified on the Queensland legislation website on 6 June 2025.
- 3 The administering agency is the Department of the Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation.

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