



Queensland

Waste Reduction and Recycling (Variation of Waste Levy) Amendment Regulation 2026

Subordinate Legislation 2026 No. 87

made under the

Waste Reduction and Recycling Act 2011

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1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the *Waste Reduction and Recycling (Variation of Waste Levy) Amendment Regulation 2026*.

2 Commencement

This regulation commences on 1 July 2026.

3 Regulation amended

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

4 Amendment of s 13 (Meaning of *level 1 rate*)

Section 13(a), from ‘2023–2024,’ to ‘2025–2026’—
omit, insert—

2026–2027, 2027–2028, 2028–2029 or
2029–2030

5 Amendment of s 14 (Meaning of *level 2 rate*)

Section 14(a), ‘2023–2024’—
omit, insert—

2025–2026

6 Amendment of s 26 (Annual payments to local governments—Act, s 73DA)

(1) Section 26(a), ‘1 July 2023’—
omit, insert—

1 July 2026

(2) Section 26(b), ‘1 July 2024’—
omit, insert—

1 July 2027

(3) Section 26(c), '1 July 2025'—

omit, insert—

1 July 2028

(4) Section 26(d), '1 July 2026'—

omit, insert—

1 July 2029

7 Replacement of sch 1 (Waste levy rates)

Schedule 1—

*omit, insert—***Schedule 1 Waste levy rates**

sections 13 and 14

Table 1—Level 1 rate

	Type of waste	Rate of waste levy— 2026–2027 financial year	Rate of waste levy— 2027–2028 financial year	Rate of waste levy— 2028–2029 financial year	Rate of waste levy— 2029–2030 financial year
1	treated timber sawdust and shavings	\$135 a tonne	\$145 a tonne	\$155 a tonne	\$165 a tonne
2	earth contaminated with a hazardous contaminant from land recorded in the environmental management register or contaminated land register	\$135 a tonne	\$145 a tonne	\$155 a tonne	\$165 a tonne

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Type of waste		Rate of waste levy— 2026–2027 financial year	Rate of waste levy— 2027–2028 financial year	Rate of waste levy— 2028–2029 financial year	Rate of waste levy— 2029–2030 financial year
3	category 1 regulated waste, other than waste of a type mentioned in item 1 or 2	\$215 a tonne	\$225 a tonne	\$235 a tonne	\$245 a tonne
4	category 2 regulated waste, other than waste of a type mentioned in item 1 or 2	\$165 a tonne	\$175 a tonne	\$185 a tonne	\$195 a tonne
5	any other levyable waste	\$135 a tonne	\$145 a tonne	\$155 a tonne	\$165 a tonne

Table 2—Level 2 rate

Type of waste		Rate of waste levy— 2025–2026 financial year
1	treated timber sawdust and shavings	\$97 a tonne
2	earth contaminated with a hazardous contaminant from land recorded in the environmental management register or contaminated land register	\$97 a tonne
3	category 1 regulated waste, other than waste of a type mentioned in item 1 or 2	\$192 a tonne
4	category 2 regulated waste, other than waste of a type mentioned in item 1 or 2	\$133 a tonne
5	any other levyable waste	\$97 a tonne

8 Amendment of sch 2 (Waste levy zone)

- (1) Schedule 2, part 1, items 10 and 12—
omit.
- (2) Schedule 2, part 1, item 11—
renumber as schedule 2, part 1, item 10.
- (3) Schedule 2, part 2, after item 21—
insert—
21A Somerset
- (4) Schedule 2, part 2, after item 24—
insert—
24A Toowoomba
- (5) Schedule 2, part 2, items 21A to 27—
renumber as schedule 2, part 2, items 22 to 29.

9 Replacement of sch 5 (Annual payments to local governments affected by waste levy)

Schedule 5—

omit, insert—

Schedule 5 Annual payments to local governments affected by waste levy

section 26

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Column 1 Local government	Column 2 Annual payment (\$)— 2026–2027 financial year	Column 3 Annual payment (\$)— 2027–2028 financial year	Column 4 Annual payment (\$)— 2028–2029 financial year	Column 5 Annual payment (\$)— 2029–2030 financial year
Banana Shire Council	545,604	550,953	567,001	577,699
Brisbane City Council	34,087,407	30,510,334	26,091,596	20,831,194
Bundaberg Regional Council	2,426,859	2,053,742	2,113,559	2,153,438
Burdekin Shire Council	600,351	606,238	623,895	635,667
Cairns Regional Council	753,329	3,095,518	3,185,679	3,245,786
Cassowary Coast Regional Council	1,334,758	1,347,844	1,387,102	1,413,273
Central Highlands Regional Council	1,074,770	1,085,308	1,116,919	1,137,993
Charters Towers Regional Council	404,319	408,283	420,174	428,102
Cook Shire Council	143,720	145,129	149,356	152,174
Douglas Shire Council	195,897	167,777	172,663	175,921
Fraser Coast Regional Council	2,535,451	2,133,591	2,195,734	2,237,163
Gladstone Regional Council	1,256,910	1,057,694	1,088,501	1,109,039
Gold Coast City Council	19,273,505	17,250,977	14,752,560	11,778,254

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Goondiwindi Regional Council	429,425	433,636	446,266	454,686
Gympie Regional Council	1,837,145	1,855,157	1,909,191	1,945,213
Hinchinbrook Shire Council	373,577	377,240	388,228	395,553
Ipswich City Council	7,089,997	6,345,986	5,426,912	4,332,777
Isaac Regional Council	861,839	870,289	895,637	912,536
Livingstone Shire Council	1,250,587	1,262,849	1,299,631	1,324,152
Lockyer Valley Regional Council	997,411	892,745	763,451	609,529
Logan City Council	10,260,136	9,183,455	7,853,438	6,270,083
Mackay Regional Council	2,757,548	2,307,783	2,375,000	2,419,812
Maranoa Regional Council	528,659	533,843	549,391	559,757
Mareeba Shire Council	198,385	195,538	201,233	205,030
Moreton Bay City Council	13,710,111	12,271,396	10,494,160	8,378,402
Mount Isa City Council	1,075,159	nil	nil	nil

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Noosa Shire Council	2,508,552	2,245,310	1,920,127	1,533,005
North Burnett Regional Council	473,628	478,272	492,202	501,489
Palm Island Aboriginal Shire Council	45,333	45,778	47,112	48,000
Redland City Council	4,646,920	4,159,281	3,556,902	2,839,785
Rockhampton Regional Council	1,634,181	1,375,169	1,415,223	1,441,925
Scenic Rim Regional Council	1,394,954	1,248,570	1,067,743	852,472
Somerset Regional Council	520,827	447,044	460,064	468,745
South Burnett Regional Council	1,530,776	1,545,784	1,590,807	1,620,822
Southern Downs Regional Council	1,670,789	1,687,169	1,736,310	1,769,070
Sunshine Coast Regional Council	9,555,571	8,552,827	7,314,141	5,839,516
Tablelands Regional Council	1,058,969	1,069,352	1,100,498	1,121,262
Toowoomba Regional Council	3,295,971	2,829,042	2,911,441	2,966,374

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Townsville City Council	4,351,483	3,661,788	3,768,442	3,839,544
Western Downs Regional Council	898,852	907,665	934,102	951,726
Whitsunday Regional Council	1,570,741	1,586,140	1,632,338	1,663,137
Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council	18,226	18,405	18,941	19,299
Yarrabah Aboriginal Shire Council	112,574	106,279	109,374	111,438

Endnotes

ENDNOTES

- 1 Made by the Governor in Council on 25 June 2026.
- 2 Notified on the Queensland legislation website on 26 June 2026.
- 3 The administering agency is the Department of the Environment, Tourism, Science and Innovation.

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