



Queensland

Fisheries Legislation (Barramundi and Other Matters) Amendment Regulation 2026

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Part 1 Preliminary

1 Short title

This regulation may be cited as the *Fisheries Legislation (Barramundi and Other Matters) Amendment Regulation 2026*.

2 Commencement

Part 2 commences on 1 January 2027.

Part 2 Amendment of Fisheries (Commercial Fisheries) Regulation 2019

3 Regulation amended

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

4 Insertion of new sch 4, s 24A

Schedule 4, before section 25—

insert—

24A Where particular fish may be taken

Barramundi may be taken under the licence only in a part of the fishery area, if any, that is north of the southern bank of Kauri Creek.

5 Insertion of new sch 4, s 89A

Schedule 4, before section 90—

insert—

[s 6]

89A Where particular fish may be taken

Barramundi may be taken under the licence only in a part of the fishery area that is north of the southern bank of Kauri Creek.

6 Insertion of new sch 4, s 153CA

Schedule 4, before section 153D—

insert—

153CA Where particular fish may be taken

Barramundi may be taken under the licence only in a part of the fishery area that is north of the southern bank of Kauri Creek.

Part 3 Amendment of Fisheries Declaration 2019

7 Declaration amended

This part amends the *Fisheries Declaration 2019*.

8 Amendment of s 4 (Application of fisheries declarations)

Section 4(3), example 1, ‘1 October’—

omit, insert—

1 November

9 Insertion of new ch 2, pt 5, div 3C

Chapter 2, part 5—

insert—

Division 3C Black jewfish

27J Taking or possessing black jewfish in regulated period—waters other than the Gulf of Carpentaria waters

- (1) A person must not in the waters other than the Gulf of Carpentaria waters—
 - (a) take a black jewfish in the regulated period; or
 - (b) possess a black jewfish taken in contravention of paragraph (a).
- (2) For subsection (1)(a), the regulated period is from 1 November to 31 January.

10 Relocation and renumbering of s 29 (Taking or possessing black jewfish—North Cape York)

Section 29—

relocate to chapter 2, part 5, division 3C as inserted by this regulation and *renumber* as section 27I.

11 Amendment of s 37 (Taking or possessing tropical rocklobsters in regulated period—northern rocklobster waters)

Section 37(2), ‘1 October’—

omit, insert—

1 November

12 Amendment of sch 1 (Regulated waters)

- (1) Schedule 1, part 2, entry for waters other than the Gulf of Carpentaria waters, column 3, ‘sections 20 and 22’—

omit, insert—

sections 20, 22 and 27J

- (2) Schedule 1, part 2, entry for North Cape York, column 3, ‘section 29’—

[s 13]

omit, insert—

section 27I

13 Amendment of sch 2 (Regulated fish declarations)

- (1) Schedule 2, part 2, entry for black jewfish, third and fourth rows—

omit, insert—

F	a form other than whole	1 a person possessing the fish on a boat in the Gulf of Carpentaria waters 2 a recreational fisher possessing the fish on a boat in waters other than the Gulf of Carpentaria waters
F	a form other than— (a) whole; or (b) trunked with swim bladders naturally attached	a person possessing the fish on a commercial fishing boat in waters other than the Gulf of Carpentaria waters
N	maximum—1	a recreational fisher taking the fish in the Gulf of Carpentaria waters or possessing the fish taken in the waters
N	maximum—2	a recreational fisher taking the fish in waters other than the Gulf of Carpentaria waters or possessing the fish taken in the waters

- (2) Schedule 2, part 2, entry for black jewfish, last row—

omit, insert—

S	minimum— (a) when whole—75cm; or (b) when trunked with swim bladders naturally attached—57cm	a person taking the fish in waters other than the Gulf of Carpentaria waters or possessing the fish taken in the waters
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Part 4

**Amendment of Fisheries
(General) Regulation 2019**

14 Regulation amended

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

15 Amendment of sch 4 (Matters for particular fisheries offences under the Act)

Schedule 4, part 1, entry for black jewfish—
omit, insert—

black jewfish	10	35 (or 4 if only swim bladders)
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Endnotes

ENDNOTES

- 1 Made by the Governor in Council on 24 September 2026.
- 2 Notified on the Queensland legislation website on 25 September 2026.
- 3 The administering agency is the Department of Primary Industries.

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