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Agriculture export regulatory services

Changes from draft cost recovery implementation statement – fish and eggs exports arrangement

The [Australian Government Cost Recovery Policy](#) requires that regulators recover some or all of the efficient costs of the effort required to deliver their services, unless the government has decided to fund the activity.

We have developed an ongoing sustainable funding model to support our delivery of export regulatory services to Australia's agricultural sector. The new modelling of fees and charges reflects the government's decision to return to full cost recovery and the transition of 5 existing and one new activity into exports cost recovery arrangements. The modelling also reflects the government's announcement of a further decision to defer the phased transition to full cost recovery by 12 months, with the intention to return export cost recovery arrangements to full cost recovery by 2029–30.

This fact sheet presents the changes to fees and charges in the [final fish and egg exports cost recovery implementation statement \(CRIS\)](#) from what was published in the draft fish and egg exports CRIS on 29 January 2026. [Appendix A](#) provides a comparison of the cost recovery fees and levy-based charges proposed in draft and final fish and egg exports CRISs with brief explanations for these changes.

Changes

In addition to the appendix, the following points highlight some of the main changes in the final fish and egg exports CRIS, including in response to stakeholder feedback received through consultation.

- Review of fee for service and levy-based charges has resulted in minor adjustment of some prices.
- We have also revised the charging risk assessment in consultation with the Department of Finance. The overall risk rating for 2026–27 financial year is rated as medium.

Industry consultation

We engage regularly with industry on charging arrangements.

Although prices remain unchanged for 2026–27, the prices proposed from 1 July 2027 align with the prices communicated to industry during consultation of the 2026–27 exports CRIS between January and March 2026. During this process the department released 7 CRISs for public consultation and invited stakeholder feedback through a submissions process and meetings with key industry bodies. A summary of feedback is included in each CRIS.

We are committed to transparent, meaningful consultation and careful consideration of stakeholder feedback on an ongoing basis.

Fees and charges for agricultural export regulatory services from 1 July 2026

More information

Learn more about [cost recovery fees and charges](#).

Web agriculture.gov.au/about/fees/cost-recovery

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Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the continuous connection of First Nations Traditional Owners and Custodians to the lands, seas and waters of Australia. We recognise their care for and cultivation of Country. We pay respect to Elders past and present, and recognise their knowledge and contribution to the productivity, innovation and sustainability of Australia's agriculture, fisheries and forestry industries.

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Appendix A: Summary of fees and charges by arrangement

Type of charge	Cost recovery charges	Unit	Current 2025-26	Draft CRIS				Final CRIS				2029-30 Draft to Final Variance	Comments
				Proposed 2026-27 (\$)	Proposed 2027-28 (\$)	Proposed 2028-29 (\$)	Proposed 2029-30 (\$)	2026-27 (\$)	2027-28 (\$)	2028-29 (\$)	2029-30 (\$)		
Levy-based charge	Storage establishment – fish	Annual	2,106	2,873	3,325	3,743	4,026	2,106	3,124.29	3,699.97	4,004.50	-1%	A review of fee for service and levy-based charge activities resulted in an increase in direct effort attribution to fee for service based activities and reduction in levy based charges.
Levy-based charge	Storage establishment – fish – part year	Annual	1,053	1436.5	1662.5	1871.5	2013	1,053	1,562.14	1,849.98	2,002.25	-1%	
Levy-based charge	Vessel (preparation direct export)	Annual	2,807	3,829	4,432	4,989	5,367	2,807	4,164.24	4,931.53	5,337.43	-1%	
Levy-based charge	Vessel (preparation direct export) – part year	Annual	1,403.50	1914.5	2216	2494.5	2683.5	1,403.05	2,082.12	2,465.77	2,668.72	-1%	
Levy-based charge	Land establishment – live only	Annual	1,404	1,915	2,217	2,495	2,684	1,404	2,082.86	2,466.64	2,669.67	-1%	
Levy-based charge	Land establishment – live only – part year	Annual	702	957.5	1108.5	1247.5	1342	702	1,041.43	1,233.32	1,334.83	-1%	

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Levy-based charge	Land establishment – processing	Annual	2,807	3,829	4,432	4,989	5,367	2,807	4,164.24	4,931.53	5,337.43	-1%	
Levy-based charge	Land establishment – processing – part year	Annual	1,403.50	1914.5	2216	2494.5	2683.5	1,403.50	2,082.12	2,465.77	2,668.72	-1%	
Levy-based charge	Egg establishment	Annual	2,106	2,873	3,325	3,743	4,026	2,106	3,124.29	3,699.97	4,004.50	-1%	
Levy-based charge	Egg establishment – part year	Annual	1,053	1436.5	1662.5	1871.5	2013	1,053	1,562.14	1,849.98	2,002.25	-1%	
Levy-based charge	Registration application – fish	Per application	689	940	1,088	1,225	1,317	689	1,022.14	1,210.48	1,310.11	-1%	
Levy-based charge	Registration application – egg	Per application	689					689	2,044.28	2,420.96	2,620.21	n/a	The levy-based charge egg registration applications was previously not included within the draft CRIS and has now been reflected in the final CRIS.

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Fee	Audit – fish or egg	Per quarter hour	57	66	75	84	89	57	75.91	88.44	94.09	6%	A review of fee for service and levy-based charge activities resulted in an increase in direct effort attribution to fee for service based activities and reduction in levy based charges.
Fee	Assessment – fish or egg	Per quarter hour	57	66	75	84	89	57	75.91	88.44	94.09	6%	
Fee	Export document – manually-issued – fish	Per document	115	104	142	189	224	115	182.81	248.33	288.31	29%	
Fee	Export document – manually-issued – egg	Per document	115	110	152	202	239	115	182.81	248.33	288.31	21%	
Fee	Export document – manually-issued permit	Per document	115	104	142	189	224	115	182.81	248.33	288.31	29%	
Fee	Replacement export document – fish	Per document	574	524	720	960	1,136	574	890.19	1,209.26	1,403.94	24%	
Fee	Replacement export document – egg	Per document	574	551	757	1,009	1,194	574	890.19	1,209.26	1,403.94	18%	

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Fee	Application for exemption – fish	Per quarter hour	57	66	75	84	89	57	75.91	88.44	94.09	6%	
Fee/levy-based charge	Export document – electronically-issued – fish (including fee and levy-based charge) a	Per document	38	37	44	51	57	38	42.33	50.88	55.91	-2%	
Fee/levy-based charge	– Levy-based charge		31	30	35	39	42	31	31.2	35.76	38.36	-9%	
Fee/levy-based charge	– Fee		7	7	9	12	15	7	11.13	15.12	17.55	17%	
Fee/levy-based charge	Export document – electronically-issued – egg (including fee and levy-based charge) a	Per document	38	37	44	51	57	38	42.33	50.88	55.91	-2%	
Fee/levy-based charge	– Levy-based charge		31	30	35	39	42	31	31.20	35.76	38.36	-9%	

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Fee/levy-based charge	Export document – electronically-issued permit – fish (including fee and levy-based charge) a	Per document	38	37	44	51	57	38	42.33	50.88	55.91	-2%	
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Outside ordinary hours (OOH) fee	Weekday continuous	Per quarter hour	15	19	21	23	25	15	23.50	24.16	24.84	-1%	Pricing amendments within the final CRIS for financial year 2026-27 reflect government policy decision to keep prices unchanged for this financial year. Amendments for later financial years represent adjustments to account for rounding provisions.
Outside ordinary hours (OOH) fee	Weekday non-continuous (up to 30 minutes)	Any period up to 30 minutes	30	38	42	46	50	30	47	48.32	49.68	-1%	
Outside ordinary hours (OOH) fee	Weekday non-continuous (after 30 minutes)	Per quarter hour	15	19	21	23	25	15	23.50	24.16	24.84	-1%	
Outside ordinary hours (OOH) fee	Weekend and public holiday non-continuous (up to 30 minute)	Any period up to 30 minutes	40	50	56	62	66	40	62.67	64.43	66.24	0%	
Outside ordinary hours (OOH) fee	Weekend and public holiday non-continuous (after 30 minutes)	Per quarter hour	20	25	28	31	33	20	31.33	32.22	33.12	0%	
Organics	Organic certifying body	Annual	8,608	8,338	8,878	9,170	9,480	8,608	8,455.25	8,588.96	8,863.99	-6%	

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Organics	Organic certifying body – part year	Annual	4,304	4169	4439	4585	4740	4,304	4,227.63	4,294.48	4,432.00	-6%	organic work across documentation, annual registrations and applications has resulting in a recalculation and lower price.
Organics	Application charge for organic goods certification operation	Per application	689	710	730	751	772	689	384.32	390.39	402.9	-48%	
Organics	Audit fee for organic good certification operations	Per quarter hour	39	49	53	54	56	39	49.96	50.75	52.38	-6%	
Organics	Assessment of applications or approvals	Per quarter hour	39	49	53	54	56	39	49.88	50.68	52.31	-7%	