



Fisheries Management Act 2007
Fisheries Management (Miscellaneous Exploratory and Developmental Fishery)
Regulations 2025

EXPLORATORY OR DEVELOPMENTAL PERMIT APPLICATION FORM

Application Fee \$6,172

01/07/2026 – 30/06/2027

With this completed application:
(Please tick when complete)

- ☐ I have enclosed the **application fee** of **\$6,172**
- ☐ All my contact details as stated are correct.
- ☐ I have provided all supporting documentation.
- ☐ If the application is submitted in a company name, I have enclosed a copy of an **ASIC full company search** (Developmental Permit only)
- ☐ I have attached a **National Police Certificate** (the certificate must be no more than 3 months from the time of lodging this application).
- ☐ I have provided any information that I believe is relevant in demonstrating the benefits the proposal may bring.

Applications must be lodged to:
The Executive Director, Fisheries and Aquaculture
Primary Industries & Regions SA
GPO Box 1625
Adelaide SA 5001

Please Note:

Payment can only be made as follows:-

- **Payment by credit card (Visa or Mastercard only)** On receipt of the application we will contact you to obtain payment.
- **By EFTPOS** at the PIRSA Fisheries & Aquaculture office at 2 Hamra Avenue, West Beach. SA 5024.
- **Cheques are not acceptable.**

PIRSA FISHERIES & AQUACULTURE
2 Hamra Avenue, West Beach. SA 5024
GPO Box 1625, Adelaide SA 5001
Telephone (08) 8207 5332 Facsimile (08) 8207 5331
Email PIRSA.FisheriesLicensing@sa.gov.au
<http://www.pir.sa.gov.au/fisheries/home>

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INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION

1. Read the information contained in this application form carefully. Contact PIRSA Fisheries & Aquaculture if you need clarification of any fisheries management or licensing matter contained in, or related to, this form.
2. You are advised to contact the Department of Planning Transport and Infrastructure regarding qualifications necessary to operate a boat.
3. Seek professional advice if necessary in relation to the completion of this form, including taxation and legal issues.
4. The applicant must complete all Parts of this form, and the statutory declaration on page 11.
5. All parts of the application form must be submitted at the same time.
6. **All applications must be completed in full** before being lodged with PIRSA Fisheries & Aquaculture. Incomplete applications will not be assessed and will be returned to the sender. If the completed application is not received within 30 days then the application will be returned.
7. The applicant **MUST** initial each page (bottom right corner where marked).
8. Personal information will be collected from you for the purposes of maintaining a register of persons holding authorities under the *Fisheries Management Act 2007* and will be used by PIRSA Fisheries & Aquaculture for purposes permitted by this Act.
9. Please contact PIRSA Fisheries & Aquaculture on (08) 8207 5332 if you have any queries.
10. Exploratory permits are held in an individual's name only. Developmental permits can be held in either an individual's name or a company name.

FALSE AND MISLEADING INFORMATION

A person must not make a statement that is false or misleading in a material particular (whether by reason of the inclusion or omission of any particular) in any information provided, or record kept, under this Act.

Maximum penalty:

- (a) if the case where the offence involved the making of a false or misleading statement, or the provision of false or misleading information, relating to a quota entitlement under a fishery authority—
 - (i) if the offender is a body corporate—\$300,000;
 - (ii) if the offender is a natural person—\$60,000;
- (b) in any other case—
 - (i) if the offender is a body corporate—\$100,000;
 - (ii) if the offender is a natural person—\$20,000.

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PART A TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT

1. PERSONAL DETAILS

Name that the permit is to be held in:.....

Company Name the permit is to be held in (Developmental Only):.....

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Date of birth of applicant/...../..... **ACN:**.....

If licence is to be held in a company name, please list the director acting as the main contact person of the company:

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If the licence is to be held by a company, please provide an ASIC full company search, no more than one month old from the date of lodging this application. Is this document attached? **Yes / No**

Residential or business address:

..... Post Code

Postal Address.....

..... Post Code

Telephone number (home) (work)

Telephone number (mobile)

Fax number:

Email address

2. CURRENT FISHING (AQUATIC) AUTHORITIES HELD BY APPLICANT

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| Abalone Fishery | ☐ | Marine Scalefish Fishery |
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| Blue Crab Fishery | ☐ | Miscellaneous Fishery |
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| Charter Boat Fishery | ☐ | Prawn Fishery |
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| Lakes & Coorong Fishery | ☐ | Rock Lobster Fishery |
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| None | ☐ | Aquaculture Authority |
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Other, including Commonwealth or Interstate (please specify) _____

PART B FIT AND PROPER – TO BE COMPLETED BY APPLICANT^

PART B CONVICTIONS OR CHARGES – To be completed by the applicant^

For the purposes of this application I consent to the release of full details of any convictions or charges for breaches of fisheries related legislation imposed on me in any Australian State or Territory during the period of three years immediately preceding the date of this application. I acknowledge that without this consent being provided, conviction details in some States may not be disclosed.

If the permit is to be held in your personal name, have you appeared before a Court or Tribunal, or do you have charges or prosecution action pending or likely to be commenced, for an offence involving a breach of legislation relating to fishing in any State or Territory of the Commonwealth during the preceding three years?

Yes/No

If Yes, give details

If the permit is to be held in a company name, has any director of the company appeared before a Court or Tribunal, or have charges or prosecution action pending or likely to be commenced, for an offence involving a breach of legislation relating to fishing in any State or Territory of the Commonwealth during the preceding three years? **Yes/No**

If Yes, give details

Signature of Applicant..... Date:

PART C DETAILS OF PROPOSED EXPLORATORY OR DEVELOPMENTAL FISHING ACTIVITY

1. Name of target species (common name and scientific name, if known):

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2. Description of the area where fishing activity is proposed, - geographic boundaries, depth of water to be fished, etc. (must include map and coordinates).

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3. Explain how the proposed activity meets the objectives of the *Fisheries Management Act 2007*.

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4. Distribution of the targeted species.

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5. Description of what will be harvested (e.g. live animals, skins, meat, egg, shell, etc.). The description should include additional information such as the size of animals to be caught and if they are juvenile or sexually mature. If appropriate, please attach a photograph.

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6. What biological information is available on the target species (or similar species)?
For example, is this species abundant, fast or slow growing, lays a lot of eggs, easy to catch (e.g. forms aggregations) etc?

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7. Proposed time and duration of proposed fishing activity?

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8. What is the proposed / or expected quantity of harvest by area?

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9. What method of harvesting (e.g. by hand, net, etc.) and equipment will be used?

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10. Describe likely interactions with other commercial fisheries or other marine users. Is the proposed activity likely to significantly affect the enjoyment of an aquatic resource or ecosystem by other people?

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PART D ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

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1. Describe how the proposed activity may impact on the marine environment. How will these impacts be avoided or minimised?

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2. Is it likely that other (non-target) species will be caught during the proposed fishing activities? If so, list these species and explain how these interactions will be avoided or minimised.

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3. Is the proposed fishing activity likely to result in interactions with threatened, endangered or protected species (e.g. white sharks, leafy sea dragons, Australian Sea Lions, mammals and birds)?

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PART E RELEVANT FISHING EXPERIENCE

1. Describe any former experience (if any) in commercial fishing, including involvement in exploratory fishing activities of generally the same kind as those proposed in this application.

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2. Are you currently or have you previously been suspended from conducting any commercial fishing?

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2. Include a business plan detailing the proposed time and investment and demonstrating financial planning and preparedness to undertake the proposed fishing operation. The business plan must include financial information and expected costs etc..

Business Plan Attached: Yes / No

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PART F VESSEL INFORMATION

Will a vessel be used for the purposes of application? **Yes / No**

If yes, please provide the following details:

Registration No:

Survey Number:

Boat Name:

Main Colour:

Length (meters):

Home Port:

Construction Material:

Hull Identification Number (9 digits):

Will the vessel be fitted with a VMS unit? **Yes / No**

A copy of a current certificate of survey must be attached to this application.

(For further information on survey requirements please contact Department of Planning,
Transport and Infrastructure)

PART G DECLARATION OF PERSON COMPLETING THIS APPLICATION

I
(Full name of person completing this form)

of (address)

Contact Telephone Number:

hereby certify that this application is to the best of my knowledge and belief true and accurate. I know that this information is to be used for the purpose of the administration of the *Fisheries Management Act 2007* and if it is false or misleading in a material particular (whether by reason of inclusion or omission of any particular) I may be guilty of an offence.

Dated the(day) of(month), 20..... (year)

Signed:

Witnessed by:
(Full Name)

of
(Address)

Signature of Witness: