

Changes to Prescribed Activities under the Environment Protection Act 1993 (SA)

Administrative changes to *Environment Protection Act 1993* (EP Act), Schedule 1 – Prescribed activities of environmental significance, were made by the Governor on 17 January 2019 and will come into effect on 1 June 2019.

Schedule 1 of the EP Act sets out the activities that require an authorisation (usually a licence) from the Environment Protection Authority (EPA), to be undertaken lawfully.

The changes made will not affect who needs to have a licence or its requirements (except for fish processors who will have a reduced number of works that require licensing).

Licence fee rates and the conditions of licences will not change as a result of these amendments.

You will see changes to licence activity reference numbers and/or phrasing after the changes take effect, with greater delineation of waste-related activities in particular. The amendments are being implemented to:

- better reflect modern terminology
- clarify language to aid understanding of when an environmental authorisation is required
- better delineate between different waste activities to aid simpler regulation and ability to report on industry character
- take into account various or amended definitions and concepts introduced into the Environment Protection Act by the *Environmental Protection (Waste Reform) Amendment Act 2017*.

[Summary](#) of the upcoming changes and further information

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