

STATUTORY RULES 2025

S.R. No.

Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990

Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) (Mineral Industries) Amendment Regulations 2025

The Governor in Council makes the following Regulations:

Dated:

Responsible Minister:

LILY D'AMBROSIO

Minister for Energy and Resources

Clerk of the Executive Council

Part 1—Preliminary

1 Objective

The objective of these Regulations is to amend the Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) (Mineral Industries) Regulations 2019—

- (a) to increase existing fees prescribed for the purposes of the **Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990**; and
- (b) to prescribe fees in relation to declared mine rehabilitation plans under that Act.

2 Authorising provision

These Regulations are made under section 124 of the **Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) Act 1990**.

3 Commencement

These Regulations come into operation on 1 October 2025.

4 Principal Regulations

In these Regulations, the Mineral Resources (Sustainable Development) (Mineral Industries) Regulations 2019¹ are called the Principal Regulations.

Part 2—Amendment of Principal Regulations

5 Fees for licence applications

- (1) In regulation 19(1) of the Principal Regulations, for "145·8 fee units" **substitute** "487 fee units".
- (2) In regulation 19(2) of the Principal Regulations, for "262·3 fee units" **substitute** "876·1 fee units".
- (3) In regulation 19(3) of the Principal Regulations, for "50 fee units" **substitute** "167 fee units".
- (4) In regulation 19(4) of the Principal Regulations, for "145·8 fee units" **substitute** "487 fee units".

6 Additional fee for mineralisation report

In regulation 20 of the Principal Regulations, for "66 fee units" **substitute** "220·4 fee units".

7 Additional fee for native title assessment

In regulation 21(1) of the Principal Regulations, for "73·5 fee units" **substitute** "245·5 fee units".

8 Fee for grant of a licence (accepted tender)

In regulation 27(1) of the Principal Regulations—

- (a) in paragraph (a), for "145·8 fee units" **substitute** "487 fee units";
- (b) in paragraph (b), for "262·3 fee units" **substitute** "876·1 fee units";
- (c) in paragraph (c), for "145·8 fee units" **substitute** "487 fee units".

9 Rent on a licence

In regulation 29(2) of the Principal Regulations—

- (a) in paragraph (a), for "6·9 fee units" **substitute** "23 fee units";
- (b) in paragraph (b), for "14·3 fee units" **substitute** "47·8 fee units";
- (c) in paragraph (c), for "7·1 fee units" **substitute** "23·7 fee units";
- (d) in paragraph (d), for "2·4 fee units" **substitute** "8 fee units".

10 Fee for application for renewal of a licence

- (1) In regulation 34(1) of the Principal Regulations, for "76·3 fee units" **substitute** "254·8 fee units".
- (2) In regulation 34(2) of the Principal Regulations, for "76·7 fee units" **substitute** "256·2 fee units".
- (3) In regulation 34(3) of the Principal Regulations, for "76·3 fee units" **substitute** "254·8 fee units".

11 Fee for transfer of licence

In regulation 36 of the Principal Regulations, for "14·3 fee units" **substitute** "47·8 fee units".

12 Fee for variation of licence

In regulation 37 of the Principal Regulations, for "27·3 fee units" **substitute** "91·2 fee units".

13 Fee for amalgamation of licence

In regulation 39 of the Principal Regulations, for "23·2 fee units" **substitute** "77·5 fee units".

14 Fee for submitting an impact statement

In regulation 50 of the Principal Regulations, for "159·8 fee units" **substitute** "533·7 fee units".

15 Miner's rights

In regulation 58(1)(c) of the Principal Regulations, for "1·7 fee units" **substitute** "5·7 fee units".

16 Tourist fossicking authorities

In regulation 59(2)(b) of the Principal Regulations, for "6·4 fee units" **substitute** "21·4 fee units".

17 New regulation 64JA inserted

After regulation 64J of the Principal Regulations **insert—**

"64JA Fee for plan for rehabilitation of declared mine land

A plan for the rehabilitation of declared mine land prepared under section 84AZU of the Act must be accompanied by a fee of 8241·5 fee units."

18 New regulation 64LA inserted

After regulation 64L of the Principal Regulations **insert—**

"64LA Fee for variation of declared mine rehabilitation plan

An application for variation of a declared mine rehabilitation plan under section 84AZW of the Act must be accompanied by a fee of 7640·3 fee units."

19 Fees for information and copies

In regulation 66(1) of the Principal Regulations, for "1·7 fee units" **substitute** "5·7 fee units".

20 Certificate of information

In regulation 67(2) of the Principal Regulations, for "1·7 fee units" **substitute** "5·7 fee units".

21 Fee for lodgement of work plan

In the Table in clause 2 of Schedule 9 to the Principal Regulations—

(a) in column 3 of item 1, for "123·4 fee units" **substitute** "412·2 fee units";

(b) in column 3 of item 2—

(i) for "308·4 fee units" **substitute** "1030·1 fee units";

(ii) for "1233·8 fee units" **substitute** "4120·9 fee units";

(c) in column 3 of item 3—

- (i) for "370·1 fee units" **substitute** "1236·1 fee units";
- (ii) for "1233·8 fee units" **substitute** "4120·9 fee units";
- (d) in column 3 of item 4—
 - (i) for "308·4 fee units" **substitute** "1030·1 fee units";
 - (ii) for "1233·8 fee units" **substitute** "4120·9 fee units";
- (e) in column 3 of item 5—
 - (i) for "740·3 fee units" **substitute** "2472·6 fee units";
 - (ii) for "2467·5 fee units" **substitute** "8241·5 fee units";
- (f) in column 3 of item 6—
 - (i) for "740·3 fee units" **substitute** "2472·6 fee units";
 - (ii) for "2467·5 fee units" **substitute** "8241·5 fee units".

22 Fee for varying a work plan

In the Table in clause 3 of Schedule 9 to the Principal Regulations—

- (a) in column 3 of item 1—
 - (i) for "114·4 fee units" **substitute** "382·1 fee units";
 - (ii) for "38·1 fee units" **substitute** "127·3 fee units";
- (b) in column 3 of item 2—
 - (i) for "305·0 fee units" **substitute** "1018·7 fee units";
 - (ii) for "1143·8 fee units" **substitute** "3820·3 fee units";
 - (iii) for "95·3 fee units" **substitute** "318·3 fee units";
- (c) in column 3 of item 3—
 - (i) for "381·3 fee units" **substitute** "1273·5 fee units";
 - (ii) for "1143·8 fee units" **substitute** "3820·3 fee units";
 - (iii) for "114·4 fee units" **substitute** "382·1 fee units";
- (d) in column 3 of item 4—
 - (i) for "305·0 fee units" **substitute** "1018·7 fee units";
 - (ii) for "1143·8 fee units" **substitute** "3820·3 fee units";
 - (iii) for "95·3 fee units" **substitute** "318·3 fee units";
- (e) in column 3 of item 5—
 - (i) for "762·5 fee units" **substitute** "2546·8 fee units";
 - (ii) for "2287·5 fee units" **substitute** "7640·3 fee units";
 - (iii) for "228·8 fee units" **substitute** "764·2 fee units";
- (f) in column 3 of item 6—
 - (i) for "762·5 fee units" **substitute** "2546·8 fee units";
 - (ii) for "2287·5 fee units" **substitute** "7640·3 fee units";

(iii) for "228.8 fee units" **substitute** "764.2 fee units".

¹ Reg. 4: S.R. No. 48/2019 as amended by S.R. Nos 138/2019, 56/2020 and 97/2022.