



GUIDE TO ESTABLISHING AQUACULTURE IN NSW



Aquaculture involves the breeding, growing, keeping and harvesting of fish or marine vegetation with a view to sale for a commercial purpose. It involves a range of developments on both land and water.



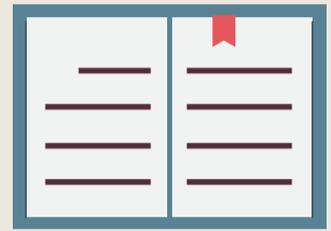
AQUACULTURE LAND USE PLANNING

Aquaculture Industry Development Plans under the Fisheries Management Act 1994 ensure aquaculture is developed in a sustainable manner promoting industry best practice.



AQUACULTURE CATEGORIES

- Land based (an aquaculture permit)
- Estuarine based (an aquaculture permit and lease)
- Marine based (an aquaculture & fishing permit)



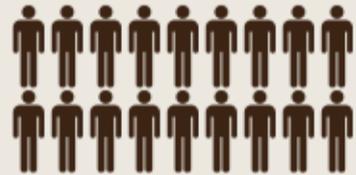
PERMITS

There are different types of permits, covering everything from hatchery, fishout, land and lease based culture. For producing fish in farm dams for your own consumption, an aquaculture permit is not required.



AQUACULTURE LEGISLATION

All states or territories have fisheries or aquaculture legislation that regulates aquaculture production. In NSW, aquaculture is regulated under general fisheries legislation covering commercial and recreational fishing, and aquaculture.



AUSTRALIAN AQUACULTURE CODE OF CONDUCT PRINCIPLES

- # Ecologically sustainable development.
- # Economic viability.
- # Long term protection of the environment

- # Keeping Code of Conduct regulations
- # Resource sharing and consideration
- # Research and development to support those priorities



MORE INFORMATION

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IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

1. State Environmental Planning Policy No. 62 - Sustainable Aquaculture
2. Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act (1999)
3. Fisheries Management Act 1994
4. NSW Land Based Sustainable Aquaculture Strategy
5. NSW Oyster Industry Sustainable Aquaculture Strategy
6. Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Act (1975)
7. Native Title Act (1993)



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