

FACT SHEET – JULY 2018

Approved Premises

This guide provides the information you need if you want to weigh your catch and report your Estuary General fishery quota usage at an indoor premises approved by the Secretary of the Department of Industry.

1. FisherMobile - quota reporting

Fishers must report all quota usage in real time using the FisherMobile App on a mobile device.

If you take Mud Crabs, Blue Swimmer Crabs or Eels you must report the total weight of each species to one decimal place using FisherMobile.

You must remain in the immediate vicinity of your catch of these species until you make a FisherMobile post-land report.

You must make a FisherMobile post-land report:

1. before you leave estuarine waters on board the boat, or
2. before you move more than 50 metres from where you landed the catch, or
3. within 30 minutes of landing the catch, or
4. before the catch is placed in a holding pen or removed from the boat*

whichever occurs first.

* A FisherMobile post-land report may be made after the catch is removed from the boat if you comply with all of the following:

- a) you remove the catch from the boat for the sole purpose of weighing the catch
- b) you weigh the catch immediately after removing it from the boat on scales that are located:
 - (i) outdoors and within 50 metres of where you landed the catch, or
 - (ii) **at indoor premises approved by the Secretary**
- c) the FisherMobile post-land report is made immediately after weighing the catch
- d) the catch is not mixed with any other fish until the FisherMobile post-land report has been made

2. Criteria – Approved Premises

Applications for approval as an *Approved Premises* must comply with all of the following:

1. The applicant must be a Class B registered fish receiver.
2. The premises [owned/managed/operated by the applicant] is an indoor premises and is used for the primary purpose of receiving fish for the purposes of sale.
3. The indoor premises is attached to and includes a wharf, pontoon, dock, jetty or similar* where Estuary General fishery endorsement holders land and unload their catch from a boat.
* this does not include things nearby to the premises
4. The scales at the indoor premises are within 50 metres of the place where Estuary General fishery endorsement holders land and unload their catch from a boat.

3. Applying for approval as an Approved Premises

Class B registered fish receivers who comply with all of the criteria above must submit a completed *Application for approved premises* form to NSW DPI.

The form is available at:

<https://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/fishing/commercial/licensing-forms>

Completed forms are to be submitted by:

Email: commercialfisheries@dpi.nsw.gov.au

Mail: NSW DPI PO Box 4291 COFFS HARBOUR NSW 2450

A separate form must be completed for each premises for which approval is sought.

A premises is not an approved premises until the applicant has been notified of the approval.

4. More information

Commercial Fisheries Hotline - 1300 726 488

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