

Requirements of Commonwealth and state government agencies

Highlights relevant legislation that may apply to dredging campaigns. It remains the responsibility of the dredge proponents to contact other relevant agencies for guidance on required approvals and comply with all legislation, whether or not the legislation is referred to in this table.

Information correct as of the date of the release of these guidelines.

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Issue	Agency	Legislation	Resources
Various environmental issues	DEW	Numerous	DEW DA checklist
Clearance of native vegetation. This includes aquatic plants and seagrass.	DEW	<i>Native Vegetation Act 1991</i>	Permit requirements
Activity within Marine Parks and Marine Reserves	DEW	<i>Marine Parks Act 2007</i>	Permits requirements General information
Activity in coastal environments – protect coastal habitats and sensitive species from erosion, damage, deterioration, pollution and misuse	Coast Protection Board	<i>Coast Protection Act 1972</i>	Approval requirements General information
Activities that may have an effect on national and conservation parks or native wildlife including shorebirds	DEW	<i>National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972</i> <i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i>	General information
Shipwrecks – damage, destroying, interfering with, removing or disposing of an historic shipwreck or relic	DEW	<i>Historic Shipwrecks Act 1981</i>	Permits requirements General information
Impacts on the behaviour and survival of marine wildlife including protected species	DEW PIRSA	<i>Adelaide Dolphin Sanctuary Act 2005</i> <i>National Parks and Wildlife Act 1972</i> <i>National Parks and Wildlife (Protected Animals – Marine Mammals) Regulations 2010</i> <i>Fisheries Management Act 2007</i>	The Act Permits and exemptions
Water affecting activities (inland waters) that may impact health and condition of water resources, eg construction of dams and water crossings, excavating material from watercourses, removal of reeds	Landscape SA	<i>Landscape South Australia Act 2019</i>	Requirements for water affecting activity permits Landscape SA regions

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Biosecurity (both aquatic pests, eg <i>Caulerpa taxifolia</i>, and diseases, eg POMs which may be present in spoil, ballast water and biofouling)	Primary Industries and Regions South Australia (PIRSA) Landscape SA	<i>Livestock Act 1997</i> <i>Fisheries Management Act 2007</i> <i>Landscape South Australia Act 2019</i>	General information Biofouling and ballast water Aquatic pests Aquatic diseases Landscape SA
Land ownership/management of dredge and spoil disposal locations	Local councils Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) Crown Lands, DEW	<i>Local Government Act 1999</i> <i>Harbors and Navigation Act 1993</i> <i>Crown Land Management Act 2009</i>	SA Planning Portal DEW requirements
Development	Local councils State Commission Assessment Panel (SCAP)	<i>Planning, Development and Infrastructure Act 2016</i> <i>Development Act 1993</i>	SA Planning Portal
Protection of sites of significance according to Aboriginal tradition and sites significant to Aboriginal archaeology, anthropology and history	Department of the Premier and Cabinet	<i>Aboriginal Heritage Act 1988</i>	Guidance on Aboriginal Heritage

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Matters of National Environmental Significance	Department of Environment and Energy	<i>Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999</i>	General information and permit requirements
Disposal of dredge spoil in Australian waters. Note: the majority of dredging undertaken within SA occurs in state waters (including Spencer Gulf and Gulf	Australian Maritime Safety Authority	<i>Environment Protection (Sea Dumping) Act 1991</i>	General information Permit requirements

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St Vincent) therefore the application of the Sea Dumping Act rarely applies.			
Management of ballast water and entry of vessels and other infrastructure from international waters	Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment	<i>Biosecurity Act 2015</i>	General information Ballast water Vessel entry Marine pest information