

Oil pollution - maximum fines in Australia as at 1 July 2018

Legislation	Individual		Corporation	
	AUD	Penalty units	AUD	Penalty units
Commonwealth	s9 <i>Protection of the Sea (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) Act 1983</i> (Cth) s4AA(1) and 4B(3) <i>Crimes Act 1914</i> (Cth)	\$4,200,000	20,000 pu at \$210/pu	\$21 million 20,000 pu at \$1,050/pu
New South Wales	s15(1) <i>Marine Pollution Act 2012</i>	\$500,000	n.a	\$10 million n.a
Victoria	s8(1) <i>Pollution of Waters by Oil and Noxious Substances Act 1986</i> (Vic) s6 <i>Monetary Units Act 2004</i> (Vic)	\$322,380 and/or 2 years imprisonment	2,000 pu at \$161.19/pu	\$1,611,900 10,000 pu at \$161.19/pu
Queensland	s26(1) <i>Transport Operations (Marine Pollution) Act 1995</i> (Qld) s5A <i>Penalties and Sentences Act 1992</i> (QLD)	\$652,750	5,000 pu at \$130.55/pu	\$13,055,000 100,000 pu at \$130.55/pu
South Australia	s8 <i>Protection of Marine Waters (Prevention of Pollution from Ships) Act 1987</i> (SA)	\$200,000	n.a	\$1,000,000 n.a
Western Australia	s8 <i>Pollution of Waters by Oil and Noxious Substances Act 1987</i> (WA)	\$50,000	n.a	\$250,000 n.a
Northern Territory	s14 <i>Marine Pollution Act 1999</i> (NT) s4 - 7 <i>Environmental Offences and Penalties Act 1996</i>	Level 1 - \$596,750 Level 2 - \$238,700 Level 3 - \$119,350 Level 4 - \$11,935	Lvl 1 - 3,850 pu Lvl 2 - 1,540 pu Lvl 3 - 770 pu Lvl 4 - 77 pu at \$155/pu	Level 1 - \$3,010,100 Level 2 - \$1,193,500 Level 3 - \$596,750 Level 4 - \$59,675 Lvl 1 - 19,420 pu Lvl 2 - 7,700 pu Lvl 3 - 3,850 pu Lvl 4 - 385 pu at \$155/pu
Tasmania	s8 <i>Pollution of Waters by Oil and Noxious Substances Act 1987</i> (Tas) s4A <i>Penalty Units and other Penalties Act 1987</i>	\$407,500; or 4 years imprisonment	2,500 pu at \$163/pu	\$1,630,000 10,000 pu at \$163/pu