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OPAL MINING ACT 1995

South Australia

**Opal Mining (Fees) Notice 2026**

under the *Opal Mining Act 1995*

**1—Short title**

This notice may be cited as the *Opal Mining (Fees) Notice 2026*.

**2—Commencement**

This notice has effect on 1 July 2026.

**Note—**

This is a fee notice made in accordance with the *Legislation (Fees) Act 2019*.

**3—Interpretation**

In this notice, unless the contrary intention appears—

*Act* means the *Opal Mining Act 1995*;

*extra large precious stones claim* means a precious stones claim with an area exceeding 5 000 m<sup>2</sup> (but not exceeding 20 000m<sup>2</sup>);

*large precious stones claim* means a precious stones claim with an area exceeding 2 500m<sup>2</sup> but not exceeding 5 000m<sup>2</sup>;

*small precious stones claim* means a precious stones claim with an area of 2 500m<sup>2</sup> or less.

**4—Fees**

The fees set out in Schedule 1 are prescribed for the purposes of the Act.

**Schedule 1—Fees**

1	Application for the issue or renewal of a precious stones prospecting permit	\$108.00
2	Application for the issue of a duplicate precious stones prospecting permit	\$21.40
3	Application for the issue of—	
	(a) a set of identification plates (other than the first set of plates)	\$11.60
	(b) a replacement identification plate	\$9.10
4	Application for the registration of—	
	(a) a small precious stones claim	\$63.50
	(b) a large precious stones claim	\$127.00
	(c) an extra large precious stones claim	\$192.00
	(d) an opal development lease	\$152.00
5	Application for the renewal of the registration of—	
	(a) a small precious stones claim	\$192.00
	(b) a large precious stones claim	\$384.00
	(c) an extra large precious stones claim	\$576.00
6	Lodgement or withdrawal of a caveat	\$96.50
7	Lodgement of a bond	Nil
8	Submission for registration of an opal mining cooperation agreement	\$119.00
9	Lodgement for registration of—	
	(a) a native title mining agreement	\$254.00
	(b) a native title mining determination	\$254.00
10	Inspection of the Mining Register	\$58.50
11	Extraction of a precious stones claim report	\$9.20
12	Application for an exemption from the obligation to comply with a provision of the Act	\$127.00
13	Recovery of a post stored at an office of the Mining Registrar	\$31.00

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| 14 | Application for an exemption from the requirement to remove posts | \$14.50 |
| 15 | Registration of any other document                                | \$21.50 |

**Made by the Minister for Energy and Mining**

Hon Anastasios Koutsantonis MP

On 29 April 2026

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