

# FACT SHEET ERA FEE REDUCTION



If your business has demonstrated environmental improvements by either completing the ecoBiz program or through another means (i.e. you have implemented your own improvements or with the help of another program), you are eligible to become an ecoBiz Partner subject to the criteria below.

## CRITERIA 1: APPROVED ECOBIZ PARTICIPANT

Your business must be an approved participant in the ecoBiz program.

## CRITERIA 2: COMPLETE STEPS 2–6 OF THE ECOBIZ PROGRAM

- **Step 2:** Baseline assessment
- **Step 3:** Site survey
- **Step 4:** Action plan
- **Step 5:** Implementation
- **Step 6:** Reassessment

The steps must be appropriately documented and verified by an ecoBiz project officer. We recommend your business complete steps 2–6 within 12 months of joining the program.

Although we provide a range of tools and resources and a structured program to complete, as long as you fulfill our Partnership Criteria you are eligible to become a partner.

If your business has already implemented eco-efficient practices or is just starting out and would prefer not to use our Benchmarking Tool, you are still able to enjoy the benefits of becoming an ecoBiz Partner.

## CRITERIA 3: DEMONSTRATED ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS

- A minimum of 10% reduction in at least one of greenhouse gas emissions, energy usage, water usage, or waste production; and
- An increase of no more than 5% in greenhouse gas emissions, energy usage, water usage, or waste production.

Note: Additional improvements to the wider sustainability of the site may also be considered as justification for ecoBiz partnership at the discretion of the ecoBiz project officer.

## CRITERIA 4: COMPLIANCE

Participants applying for Partnership must be compliant with Queensland Government legislation and maintain this compliance throughout their Partnership with the ecoBiz program. Partnership may be temporarily or permanently suspended or terminated if compliance issues arise.

## MAINTAINING PARTNERSHIP

ecoBiz partnership is initially valid for a period of one year. To maintain ecoBiz partnership your business must continue to submit action plans and reassessments on an ongoing basis.

## ACTION PLAN

- Provide an updated action plan to ecoBiz every 12 months.
- The first action plan must be submitted and verified by the one-year anniversary of ecoBiz Partnership.

## REASSESSMENT

- Complete a reassessment every 12 months.
- The first reassessment must be completed and verified by the two-year anniversary of ecoBiz Partnership.
- Each reassessment must demonstrate continuous improvement.

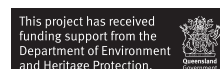
## COMPLIANCE

- Remain compliant with Queensland Government legislation.

This information is to be read in conjunction with the Environmental Protection Regulation 2008 Information Sheet.

**THE ECOBIZ TEAM IS ALWAYS  
AVAILABLE TO HELP YOU.**

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