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Complete this form when you want to apply to surrender an aquaculture lease or part of an aquaculture lease under section 57 of the Fisheries Management (Aquaculture) Regulation 2024.

To find out more, go to the surrender of aquaculture lease information kit at www.dnr.state.nj.us/education/aquaculture/lease/surrender.htm

dpi.nsw.gov.au/fishing/aquaculture/forms/lease-based

1. Before you submit your application

Have you removed all cultivation materials, lease markings, boundary posts and structures from the lease that you want to surrender? The Department will inspect the area to confirm that it is suitable for return to public water land.

☐ Yes, please proceed with your application.

☐ No – you must remove all improvements (cultivation materials, lease markings, boundary posts and structures) from the area before you submit this application.

2. Lessee details

Lessee details	Give details in space provided
Name of lessee (or company name if applicable)	
Mailing address of lessee	Address Suburb State Postcode
Physical address of lessee (cannot be a PO Box)	Address Suburb State Postcode
Preferred contact person	

Lessee details	Give details in space provided
Phone number for preferred contact	<input type="checkbox"/> Home <input type="checkbox"/> Work <input type="checkbox"/> Mobile Number: _____ If a mobile is provided, do you authorise for the mobile number to be used for SMS alerts? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Email address for preferred contact	

3. Lease/s to be surrendered

Lease number	Estuary

4. What are you surrendering?

☐ **Whole lease area** Continue to section 5.

☐ **Part of a lease area** – a new lease plan is required. The Department will advise you when you need to engage the services of a registered surveyor. You must attach to this application a draft plan or sketch that shows the boundaries of the part you want to surrender and the part you want to retain.

5. Lessee declaration

All lessees must sign the declaration.

An application lodged by a company must be signed by two directors, or one director and a secretary. If the company is a sole director company, then the sole director must state this next to their name.

I/We, the undersigned:

1. Surrender the whole or part of the aquaculture lease described in the application.
2. Declare all cultivation materials, lease markings and structures have been removed from the lease area being surrendered.
3. Are authorised to make this application.
4. Acknowledge that all the information provided in this application is true and correct.
5. Understand that giving false or misleading information is a serious offence.

Lessee name	Lessee signature	Date

6. Payment of application fee

When you submit your application, the Department will email you an invoice for the application fee. Payment options will be provided on the invoice.

The invoice will be payable immediately. If payment is not made within a reasonable timeframe your application will be returned to you.

Aquaculture fee schedule dpi.nsw.gov.au/fishing/aquaculture/schedule

7. Submitting your application

- Mail: DPIRD Aquaculture Administration, Locked Bag 1, Nelson Bay NSW 2315
- Email: aquaculture.administration@dpird.nsw.gov.au
- Phone: Aquaculture Administration on 1300 603 845

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