

Tasmania Police (TasPol) hold full operational responsibility for recreational fishing enforcement.

NRE Tas Compliance’s role in recreational fishing is limited to:

- Providing intelligence reporting.
- Liaison with TasPol on recreational issues relevant to commercial fishing.
- Providing general fisheries management advice.
- Responding to TasPol enquiries or supporting joint operations on request.

The Secretary of NRE Tas is responsible for appointing Fisheries Officers under the *Living Marine Resources Management Act 1995*. Table 1 below lists the numbers of Fisheries Officers and Assistant Fisheries Officers by Division in NRE Tas.

There are also Fisheries Officers appointed within other agencies, including EPA, PWS & MAST. These appointments support broader compliance functions across government.

The number of Fisheries Officers employed by Marine Resources may fluctuate slightly due to normal staffing changes. However, overall staffing levels remain relatively consistent over time.

Table 1: NRE Tas – Fisheries Officers and Assistant Fisheries Officers

Division	Fisheries Officers (FOs)	Assistant Fisheries Officers (AFOs)	Total
NRE Tas – Marine Resources	15	0	15
Parks and Wildlife Service	15	0	15
NRE Tas (Other)	4	0	4