

Submarine cable installation permits

A list of all submarine cable installation permits granted by the ACMA under Schedule 3A to the *Telecommunications Act 1997* (Schedule 3A), from the commencement of the regime to present.¹

Protection zone installation permits are granted under Division 2 of Part 3 of Schedule 3A and Non-protection zone installation permits are granted under Division 3 of Part 3 of Schedule 3A.

Table 1: Submarine cable installation permits granted by the ACMA in order of date permit granted

Item no.	Name of submarine cable to which the permit relates	Carrier applicant for permit	Date permit granted	Date permit application received by ACMA	Type of permit
1	Gondwana Cable	Office des Postes et Telecommunications	10 July 2007	5 February 2007	Non-protection zone
2	Gondwana Cable	Office des Postes et Telecommunications	10 September 2007	30 August 2007	Protection zone
3	Endeavour Cable	Telstra Corporation Limited	26 October 2007	4 October 2007	Protection zone
4	Pipe Pacific Cable	Pipe International (Australia) Pty Ltd	10 March 2008	4 February 2008	Protection zone
5	Endeavour Cable	Telstra Corporation Limited	19 March 2008	4 October 2007	Non-protection zone
6	Pipe Pacific Cable	Pipe International (Australia) Pty Ltd	24 November 2008	4 February 2008	Non-protection zone
7	Australia-Singapore Cable	Nextgen Networks Pty Limited	16 December 2011	2 December 2011	Protection zone
8	Australia-Singapore Cable	Nextgen Networks Pty Limited	16 April 2012	2 December 2011	Non-protection zone

¹ The permitting regime commenced on 20 September 2025 as a result of the [Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment \(Protection of Submarine Cables and Other Measures\) Act 2005](#).

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9	Australia-Singapore Cable	Nextgen Networks Pty Limited	23 October 2013	6 June 2013	Non-protection zone
10	APX-West	SubPartners Pty Ltd	14 March 2014	14 February 2014	Protection zone
11	APX-East	SubPartners Pty Ltd	17 June 2014	19 May 2014	Protection zone
12	APX-West	SubPartners Pty Ltd	7 July 2014	14 February 2014	Non-protection zone
13	SKIRON Cable (North West Cable System)	Nextgen Networks Pty Limited	30 October 2014	5 September 2014	Non-protection zone
14	Trident Cable	Trident Subsea Cable Australia Pty Ltd	8 January 2015	24 November 2014	Protection zone
15	North West Fibre Optic Network	Telstra Corporation Limited	22 June 2015	13 March 2015	Non-protection zone
16	SKIRON Cable (North West Cable System)	Nextgen Networks Pty Limited	30 September 2015	17 July 2015	Non-protection zone
17	Tasman Global Access	Telstra Corporation Limited	30 September 2015	27 August 2015	Protection zone
18	Unnamed cable	Solomons Oceanic Cable Company Limited	11 May 2016	24 November 2015	Protection zone
19	Hawaiki Cable	Hawaiki Submarine Cable Australia Pty Ltd	15 December 2016	10 November 2016	Protection zone
20	Hawaiki Cable	Hawaiki Submarine Cable Australia Pty Ltd	9 May 2017	31 March 2017	Protection zone
21	North Rankin Cable	Telstra Corporation Limited	22 May 2017	24 March 2017	Non-protection zone
22	Hawaiki Cable	Hawaiki Submarine Cable Australia Pty Ltd	2 July 2017	1 June 2017	Protection zone
23	Australia Singapore Cable	Nextgen Networks Pty Limited	28 November 2017	23 October 2017	Protection zone
24	Australia Singapore Cable	Nextgen Networks Pty Limited	18 April 2018	14 March 2018	Protection zone
25	Indigo West	Telstra Corporation Limited	17 July 2018	12 June 2018	Protection zone
26	Indigo Central	SubPartners Pty Ltd	17 July 2018	12 June 2018	Protection zone
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28	Japan Guam Australia Cable	AARNet Pty Ltd	12 November 2018	10 October 2018	Protection zone
29	Coral Sea Cable System	Nextgen Networks Pty Limited	4 April 2019	25 February 2019	Protection zone
30	Southern Cross NEXT	SCCL Australia Limited	6 September 2019	2 August 2019	Protection zone
31	Sunshine Coast Branch Cable	Sunshine Coast Regional Council	13 September 2019	20 June 2019	Non-protection zone
32	Oman Australia Cable	Subco Pty Ltd	5 May 2021	31 March 2021	Protection zone
33	Highclere Cable	Vocus Fibre Pty Ltd	19 September 2022	3 August 2022	Non-protection zone
34	Crux Cable	Skiron OpCo Pty Ltd	26 June 2023	23 May 2023	Non-protection zone
35	Timor-Leste Branch Cable	Skiron OpCo Pty Ltd	15 December 2023	14 November 2023	Non-protection zone
36	Hawaiki Nui	Hawaiki Submarine Cable Australia Pty Ltd	12 April 2024	6 March 2024	Protection zone
37	Hawaiki Nui	Hawaiki Submarine Cable Australia Pty Ltd	31 May 2024	6 March 2024	Protection zone
38	Sydney-Melbourne-Adelaide-Perth	SUBCO South Pty Ltd	3 July 2024	30 May 2024	Protection zone
39	Sydney-Melbourne-Adelaide-Perth	SUBCO South Pty Ltd	3 July 2024	30 May 2024	Protection zone
40	Tabua	Perch Infrastructure Pty Ltd	15 September 2025	23 July 2025	Non-protection zone
41	Tabua	Perch Infrastructure Pty Ltd	18 December 2025	13 November 2025	Protection zone
42	Honomoana	Perch Infrastructure Pty Ltd	23 December 2025	20 November 2025	Protection zone
43	Umoja	Perch Infrastructure Pty Ltd	12 January 2026	26 November 2025	Non-protection zone
44	TalayLink	Perch Infrastructure Pty Ltd	19 January 2026	30 October 2025	Non-protection zone

List is current at 6 May 2026.