

*Open Seasons for Imported Game and Native Game in North Canterbury and Wellington Acclimatization Districts*

IN exercise of the powers vested in him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, the Minister of Internal Affairs of the Dominion of New Zealand doth hereby amend the Warrant dated 23rd March, 1945, made under the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and published in the *New Zealand Gazette* No. 21 of the 27th *idem* at page 329 *et seq.*, by deleting all those portions of such Warrant included under the headings "North Canterbury Acclimatization District" and "Wellington Acclimatization District," and doth hereby declare open seasons for imported game and/or native game of the kinds hereinafter specified in the acclimatization districts specified hereunder, except in the areas shown under the heading "Excepted Areas," during the periods set forth in connection with each district, subject, in each case, to the following general conditions and subject to the special conditions specified in connection with each district. Any person taking or killing any imported game or native game otherwise than in terms of this notification (including the general conditions hereinafter set out and the special conditions specified in connection with each acclimatization district) is liable on conviction to a fine of £20.

#### GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. No person shall commence shooting earlier than one hour before sunrise or continue shooting later than one hour after sunset on any day during the open season concerned.

2. (a) No person shall use live birds of any species as decoys nor shall use more than fifteen artificial decoys at any one time, and no such artificial decoys shall be spread over a greater area than thirty yards square.

(b) No person shall place any artificial decoys within 100 yards of the nearest of any other artificial decoys set out by any other person.

(c) No person shall in any place during the period in that place of the open season, hereby declared, use in connection with the taking or killing of imported and/or native game, any form of decoying game by the aid of corn, wheat, oats, barley, maize, or any other grain or any products of grain or any other food placed by any person in or near the margin of any river, stream, lagoon, pond, swamp, estuary, or other water.

3. No person shall use or cause to be used any motor-vehicle in connection with the taking or killing of imported game and/or native game: Provided that this condition shall not be so construed as to prohibit the use of any motor-vehicle for the purpose of travelling either generally or to or from a rendezvous.

4. No person shall use or cause to be used for the purpose of taking or killing any imported or native game any unmoored floating stand, pontoon, hide, mai-mai, or loo, or any boat artificially dressed or covered in any way.

5. No person engaged in shooting from any shelter, mai-mai, mudhole, boat, louvre, or other contrivance shall use more than one gun: Provided that a person so engaged may have a second gun in a condition not immediately suitable for use, and held for use only in the event of the first gun becoming damaged or otherwise unfit for use.

#### ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICTS

##### NORTH CANTERBURY ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 68 of 28th September, 1933, at page 2463.)

1. Season for cock pheasants, Californian quail, and chukor: 12th May to 1st July, 1945 (both days inclusive).

2. Season for mallard duck, grey duck, spoonbill duck, paradise duck, pukeko, Canadian goose, and black swan: 12th May to 3rd June, 1945 (both days inclusive).

3. Licenses to take or kill such imported game and native game within the North Canterbury Acclimatization District will be issued to any person on payment of the sum of twenty-five shillings (25s.) each: Provided that licenses to take or kill imported game and native game within the said district will be issued to persons receiving an age benefit or a miner's benefit under the Social Security Act, 1938, on payment of the sum of twenty shillings (20s.) each; and the Secretary of the North Canterbury Acclimatization Society, or any person authorized by such Secretary in that behalf, is hereby authorized to sign and issue the said licenses.

4. No person shall in any one day take or kill more than—

(a) Ten head of Californian quail;

(b) Fifteen head in all of grey duck, paradise duck, spoonbill duck, and mallard duck;

(c) Three head of cock pheasants;

(d) Ten head of paradise duck;

(e) Five head of chukor; and

(f) Twenty head of pukeko.

5. No person shall take or kill native or imported game during the period 12th May to 3rd June, 1945 (inclusive), while occupying any stand, hide, loo, or position as commonly used by duck-shooters (hereinafter referred to as "a stand") which has been duly claimed by any other license-holder in accordance with the following provisions:—

(a) A stand may be claimed by the planting thereon at any time after noon on the 12th day of April, 1945, of a stake with a board attached having plainly marked thereon the name and address of the claimant and the number of his license:

(b) No person shall claim more than one stand:

(c) No stand shall be claimed on or within 100 yards of a stand which has already been duly claimed by any other person except with the consent of the last-mentioned person:

Provided, however, that any stand which is not occupied by the claimant within two hours after sunrise on any of the aforesaid days may be occupied on that day by any other license-holder:

Provided further that nothing in this clause contained shall be deemed to affect in any way whatsoever the rights of owners or occupiers of any lands in respect of shooting on such lands.

6. No device or structure other than a hut made of scrub or rushes or a mudhole or a mai-mai shall be used from or out of which native game may be taken or killed on or near Lake Ellesmere.

7. A mudhole shall be constructed solely by means of the excavation of the soil, and no timber, metal, or other materials shall be used in the construction thereof.

8. No hut, mudhole, or mai-mai shall be used in any part of Lake Ellesmere in which the water is of a greater depth than twenty-four inches.

9. Notwithstanding anything contained in conditions 6 to 8 hereof, a boat concealed among the vegetation growing along or near the margin of Lake Ellesmere may be used for the purpose of taking or killing native game on or near such lake, or such boat, provided it is not a power-boat as described in paragraph (3) of Regulation 6, Animals Protection and Game Regulations 1939, may be used for the purpose of recovering native game which has been shot: Provided that no boat so used shall be artificially dressed or covered in any way.

10. Excepted areas wherein imported game and/or native game shall not be taken or killed during the open season:—

- (1) All that area in the County of Akaroa, situated in the Akaroa and Ellesmere Survey Districts, Canterbury Land District, containing by admeasurement 1,540 acres, more or less, being the lake known as Lake Forsyth, including all roads fronting on the shores of the said lake; and all those reserves in the said county and survey districts numbered 3186, 3187, 3185, 2903, 890, and 157, excluding therefrom Native Reserve 385, adjoining Lake Forsyth, and those portions of R.S. 2474, 4804, and 6012, being the flat land adjoining Okute and Little River Streams and Lake Forsyth.

(2) Ahuriri Lagoon.

(3) Glenmark Lagoon.

(4) Cheviot Lagoon.

(5) R.S. 1352, 1269, part 1439, Block X, Rangiora Survey District, comprising 71 acres, and part R.S. 1462, Block X, Rangiora Survey District, comprising 77 acres 1 rood 17 perches, the property of the Andrews Twine Company.

(6) All that area in the Canterbury Land District bounded by a line commencing at the south-western corner of Rural Section 17571; thence north-easterly generally along Fairweather Road, Harper's Road, and Dixon's Road to the northern boundary of Reserve 3415; thence along that boundary to a point due west of the easternmost corner of Rural Section 14341; thence along a right line to that point; thence westerly generally along the road forming the southern boundary of that section and of Rural Section 5785 to Heyward's Road; thence north-westerly along Heyward's Road to its intersection with the south-eastern boundary of Reserve 3415; thence south-westerly generally along that boundary to a point in line with the southern boundary of Rural Section 17571; thence to and along that boundary to the south-western corner of the said Section 17571, the point of commencement.

(7) That portion of the Weka Stream and its tributaries flowing through or bounding the properties of Messrs. F. C. Archer, A. Todd, R. B. Johnson, L. W. Ferguson, W. Antill, and A. Craighead, in the Waikari Survey District.

(8) All that area in the Canterbury Land District, being Rural Sections 4300, 4357, 4591, 4592, and 5235, situated in Block XVI, Waipara Survey District.

(9) All that area in the Canterbury Land District, situated in Mytholm, Lake Sumner, Marion, Saddle, Minchin, Katrine, and Noble Survey Districts, and bounded as follows: Commencing at the junction of the north branch of the Hurunui River and the Sisters Stream; thence by the left bank of the aforesaid north branch of the Hurunui River in a north-westerly direction to Lake Sumner; thence by a right line in a northerly direction to the summit of Mount Longfellow; thence by a right line in a north-westerly direction to the most northern point of Lake Marion; thence by a line parallel to and one mile on the north side of Lake Sumner and the Hurunui River to the Summit of the Southern Alps; thence south along the aforesaid Southern Alps to a point one mile on the south side of Harper's Pass; thence by a line parallel to and one mile south of the Hurunui River, Lake Sumner, the Canal, Loch Katrine, the Dray Road, Lake Taylor, to a point one mile due south of Trig. Station T in Noble Survey District; thence from the last-named point in an easterly direction to Dog Hill; thence by a right line to the point of commencement: save and excepting from the above-described area Rural Section 33978, Lake Sheppard, and a strip of land 11 chains wide surrounding the said Lake Sheppard.

(10) The property of Mr. Douglas Deans, of Darfield, being Rural Sections 4010x, 4012, 8985, 8985x, 17568, 17568x, 22175x, 22176x, 22176w, 22176y, and 22176z, and parts of Rural Sections 3222, 3838, 3839, 4010, 4011, 4116, 4117, 4118, 4119, 8982, 8986, 16085, 22175, and 22176, situated in Blocks I and V, Hawkin's Survey District, containing by admeasurement 955 acres 3 roods 25 perches, and being the land in certificate of title, Vol. 281, folio 131, Canterbury Registry.