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*Open Seasons for Imported Game and/or Native Game in Certain Acclimatization Districts*

PURSUANT to the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, the Minister of Internal Affairs doth hereby declare open seasons for imported game and/or native game, of the kinds specified, and in the acclimatization districts specified in the First Schedule hereto, except in the "Excepted Areas" specified in the Second Schedule hereto, during the periods set forth in relation to each district, subject in all cases to the following general conditions and subject to the special conditions specified in relation to each district, and doth hereby call the attention of sportsmen and others to the enactments and provisions and matters set forth or referred to in the Third and Fourth Schedules hereto. 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 relation to any acclimatization district), is liable on conviction to a fine of £20.

**GENERAL CONDITIONS**

**RESTRICTIONS**

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 (except in the Auckland Acclimatization District, where the number of artificial decoys shall be not more than ten), 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) In the Southland Acclimatization District more than three persons shall not take or kill or attempt to take or kill native game over the same set of decoys at any one time.
- (d) In the Waimarino Acclimatization District the use of decoys of any type is absolutely prohibited.
- (e) 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.

**LICENCE FEES**

6. (a) Licences issued in all acclimatization districts in the North Island authorize the holder thereof to take or kill imported game and native game, the fee payable in respect of each acclimatization district being thirty shillings (30s.), except for persons in receipt of an age benefit or a miner's benefit under the Social Security Act, 1938, in which cases the fee is twenty shillings (20s.).

(b) The fee payable in respect of licences issued in all acclimatization districts in the South Island to take or kill imported game and native game is thirty shillings (30s.), but this is reducible to twenty shillings (20s.) in the case of persons in receipt of an age benefit or a miner's benefit under the Social Security Act, 1938:

Provided that licences to take or kill native game only may be issued in the Ashburton, Buller, Grey District, South Canterbury, Waimate, Waitaki, and Westland Acclimatization Districts on payment of a fee of fifteen shillings (15s.), which is reducible to ten shillings (10s.) in respect of persons in receipt of an age benefit or a miner's benefit under the Social Security Act, 1938.

**ISSUE OF LICENCES**

(c) In all acclimatization districts other than the Rotorua Acclimatization District and the Southern Lakes Acclimatization District, the Secretary of the acclimatization society concerned or any person authorized by him in writing is hereby authorized to sign and issue licences.

(d) In the Rotorua Acclimatization District and in the Southern Lakes Acclimatization District the Under-Secretary of the Department of Internal Affairs, Wellington, or any person appointed by him for that purpose, is hereby authorized to sign and issue licences.