

provided that it shall be a defence for any person charged with a breach of this notice if he proves that he was netting for indigenous fish in accordance with the provisions of any regulations or notices in that behalf for the time being in force.

7. Prohibition on possession or control of spear gun—(1) No person shall, when taking any acclimatised fish or when in possession of any acclimatised fish, have in his possession or under his control any spear gun or any pointed missile (other than a bullet) which is propelled by means of any mechanical or explosive device.

(2) Where any person is charged with an offence under sub-paragraph (1) of this clause, it shall be a defence to the charge if the defendant proves that the spear gun or pointed missile in his possession or under his control was not used in taking the acclimatised fish.

(3) In this clause the term "explosive" has the same meaning as in the Explosives Act 1957.

8. No disturbance or possession—No person shall otherwise than in accordance with this notice intentionally disturb or damage the spawning redds or the eggs or larvae of acclimatised fish or have in his possession the eggs or larvae of acclimatised fish.

9. Authorised lures and baits—No person shall fish for acclimatised fish with any bait or lures other than artificial or natural fly, insect, worm, crustacea, minnow, fish (excluding fish ova or any portion of a fish or any shellfish (mollusca) or uncoloured bread dough.

10. Authorised fishing gear—(1) No person when fishing for acclimatised fish shall use—

- (a) more than 2 lures or baits;
- (b) any lead or weight attached below or so as to hang below any lure or bait;
- (c) in any water in which only artificial fly is permitted, any lead or weight other than the necessary weight of line, cast and fly;
- (d) any artificial fly having more than one hook or having a multiple hook;
- (e) any bait or lure treated with any medicinal or chemical preparation other than
 - (i) In the case of artificial fly, oil used solely to give buoyancy to such flies; and
 - (ii) In the case of natural baits, a formalin or other preservative preparation;
- (f) any wire, either plain or twisted, or any gimp trace or cast of a greater thickness than 0.82 mm;
- (g) any wire or gimp trace or cast of a greater length than 1.8 metres;
- (h) on or in conjunction with any spoonbait, minnow, or other lure any double or treble hook or other fixed multiple assembly of hooks any one hook of which has a greater distance than 13 mm between the point and the nearest part of the shank of the hook; or
- (i) in conjunction with any spoonbait or artificial minnow, any lead or weight affixed to the trace or line at a distance of less than 38 m above the lure.

(2) No person in fishing for acclimatised fish shall—

- (a) Use any crustacea or huhu grub except in that part of the Waihao River which lies between the Main North Road bridge and the sea;
- (b) Use with a natural minnow more than one lure or bait or any single or multiple hook with a gap larger than 9 mm;
- (c) Use any lure or bait other than artificial fly in the Tengawai River or its tributaries, in the Ohape River or its tributaries, in Lake McGregor, in the Hakataramea River or its tributaries, in the Maerewhenua River or its tributaries, in Deep Stream (a tributary of the Waitaki River), or in any small high-country tarn;
- (d) Use any lure or bait other than artificial fly, artificial minnow, or spoon in Lake Middleton or its tributaries, or in the Ahuriri River or its tributaries, or in the Otematata River or its tributaries, or in the Kakanui River upstream from Five Forks Bridge, or in the Waihao River upstream from Five Forks Bridge;
- (e) Fish from any unmoored boat in Lake McGregor or Lake Middleton;
- (f) Fish from a moving or unmoored boat in Lake Ohau within 200 m of the mouth of the Dobson River or within 200 m of the outlet of the lake or within 200 m of any person fishing from the shore of the lake.
- (g) Fish from a moving or unmoored boat in the Waitaki Valley Acclimatisation District in any man-made lakes, including Lakes Benmore, Aviemore, and Waitaki, within 200 m of the mouth of any river entering any of those lakes or within 200 m of any person fishing from the shore of any of those lakes;
- (h) Tow or troll any lure from any mechanically propelled or mechanically drawn boat in Lake McGregor;
- (i) Fish from any unmoored boat within 100 m of the shore of Lake Alexandrina;
- (j) Use in the Ophi River upstream from a designated line between Milford Reserve and Smith's property (both ends of the

line so designated being more particularly marked by poles on the river banks)—

- (1) More than one lure or bait, except when fishing with artificial fly; or
 - (2) More than one hook-unit (single or multiple), except when fishing with natural bait; or
 - (3) Any hook of wire with a diameter larger than 1 mm, or with a gap greater than 9 mm;
- (k) During the period commencing on the 1st day of January and ending with the 30th day of April, use in the Ophi River downstream from a designated line between Milford Reserve and Smith's property (both ends of the line so designated being more particularly marked by poles on the river banks)
- (1) Any lure or bait that does not fall in one of the following categories, that is, artificial fly, natural bait, or artificial minnow (that artificial minnow, being a spinner, wobbler, finnie spoon, or other such type made solely of metal which in effect spins and wobbles when fished); or
 - (2) With any lure, not being natural bait, more than one hook-unit (single or multiple) or any hook with a gap greater than 13 mm or any hook which is rigidly attached to any lure or bait; or
 - (3) More than one lure or bait, except when using artificial fly; or
 - (4) Any trace or cast of a greater length than 1 m, except when fishing with artificial fly or natural bait;
- (l) In the South Canterbury Acclimatisation District use any wire trace or metal line, except when trolling in Lake Benmore;
- (m) During the period commencing on the 1st day of January and ending with the 30th day of April, use in the Rangitata River, the Orari River, or their tributaries more than one lure or bait when any weight is attached, or more than one hook (single or multiple), or any hook with a gap greater than 13 mm.

(3) Every person taking any quinnat salmon in the South Canterbury Acclimatisation District by any means other than by hooking it through the mouth shall immediately return it alive with as little injury as possible into the waters from which it was taken, and no person shall have in his possession any quinnat salmon taken in such district by any means other than by being hooked through the mouth, except for the purpose of returning it into those waters in accordance with this provision.

11. Daily limit bag—(1) No person shall on any one day take, kill or have in possession more than 14 trout or salmon of which—

- (a) not more than 4 may be salmon and not more than 10 may be trout taken in any waters within the South Canterbury Acclimatisation District;
- (b) not more than 10 may be trout or salmon, taken in any waters in the Waitaki Valley Acclimatisation District, of which not more than 5 may be taken from Deep Stream, the Otematata River, or the Maerewhenua River, and not more than 4 may be quinnat salmon taken from the Waitaki River.

(2) No person shall continue to fish for trout or salmon on any day on which he had already taken or killed 14 trout or salmon in the South Canterbury Acclimatisation District or 10 trout or salmon in the Waitaki Valley Acclimatisation District.

(3) It shall be permissible to make up the difference between a lesser limit bag prescribed in one place and a higher limit bag prescribed in another place.

12. Minimum size to be taken—(1) No person shall fish for, or kill in any manner whatever, or intentionally have in his possession, any trout or salmon which does not exceed 25 cm in length.

(2) Every person taking a trout or salmon which does not exceed the specified length shall immediately return it with as little injury as possible into the water from which it was taken.

(3) Any acclimatised fish taken by any person netting for indigenous fish shall be immediately returned to the water from which it was taken with as little injury as possible.

13. Waitaki River demonstration channels declared fisheries experimental waters—The Waitaki River demonstration channels, being the specially constructed channels along the north bank of the lower Waitaki River extending for 7 km downstream from the point indicated by map reference NZMS 127:270988 to NZMS 127:340960, are hereby declared to be fisheries experimental waters.

No person shall fish for acclimatised fish in these channels unless he is the holder of a written permit issued free of charge by the Director-General, or by the Waitaki Valley Acclimatisation Society acting on behalf of the Director-General, and subject to such conditions as are specified in the permit.

Approved at Wellington this 16th day of December 1983.

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