

THE FRESHWATER FISHERIES REGULATIONS (MARLBOROUGH AND NELSON) MODIFICATION NOTICE 1961

PURSUANT to the Fisheries Act 1908 and the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1951, the Minister of Marine hereby gives the following notice.

NOTICE

- 1. This notice may be cited as the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations (Marlborough and Nelson) Modification Notice 1961.
- 2. This notice shall come into force on the day after the date of its notification in the Gazette.
- 3. This notice shall be in force only within the Marlborough and Nelson Acclimatisation Districts.
- 4. The Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1951* are hereby modified as follows:

Limit Bag

(a) No person shall on any one day take or kill more than 10 acclimatised fish (being trout or salmon):

Size Limit

- (b) No person shall take or kill in any manner whatever or intentionally have in his possession any trout or salmon that does not exceed—
 - (i) In the case of any trout or salmon taken from the Maitai River, 10 in.:
 - (ii) In the case of any trout or salmon taken from any water other than the Maitai River, 12 in.:

*S.R. 1951/15 Amendment No. 1: S.R. 1951/200 Amendment No. 2: S.R. 1952/185 Amendment No. 3: S.R. 1955/177 Amendment No. 4: S.R. 1957/178 Amendment No. 5: S.R. 1960/142

Restrictions on Lures and Methods

- (c) No person in fishing for acclimatised fish shall—
 - (i) Use any lure or bait other than artificial fly in the Maitai River, Riwaka River, Happy Valley River, Motupiko River, Kaituna River, Mangles River, the Opawa River from its source to the Grove Road Bridge, the Okaramio Stream from its source to Farnell's Bridge, the Wakamarina River from its source to the main road bridge, the Timms Creek from its source to the main road bridge, the Top Valley Stream from its source to the main road bridge, the Rai River from its source to Bulford Bridge, the Cobb River above the high water level of Cobb Lake, that point being more particularly shown by white posts on the river banks, or in any tributary of any such river or stream or, as the case may be, of the part specified in this subparagraph:
 - (ii) Use any lure or bait other than artificial fly or artificial bait in the Waihopai River from its source to the Waihopai Bridge or in any tributary of that part of the Waihopai River:
 - (iii) Tow or troll any lure from a mechanically propelled or mechanically drawn boat in the Cobb Lake; or in that part of Lake Rotoroa within a radius of 200 yards from the centre of the meeting lines with the lake of all rivers and streams entering the lake; or in that part of Lake Rotoroa within a radius of 200 yards from the centre of the meeting line with the lake of the outlet from the lake of the Gowan River:
 - (iv) Fish from any boat in Lake Rotoiti within a radius of 200 yards from the centre of the meeting lines with the lake of the Travers River and Cold Water Creek; or within a radius of 200 yards from the centre of the outlet of the Buller River from the lake, that outlet being more particularly shown by white posts on the river bank:

Open Season Exceptions

- (d) No person shall fish for acclimatised fish in the Nelson Acclimatisation District during the period commencing on the 16th day of April and ending with the 14th day of October:
- (e) No person shall fish for acclimatised fish in Lake Daniells during the month of October.
- 5. The Freshwater Fisheries Regulations (Marlborough and Nelson) Modification Notice 1959* is hereby revoked.

Dated at Wellington this 8th day of September 1961.

R. G. GERARD, Minister of Marine.

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the notice, but is intended to indicate its general effect. Except as varied by Modification Notices of local application, the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1951 provide, inter alia, that—

(a) The limit bag, which is the maximum number of acclimatised fish (being trout or salmon) that may be taken by one person in one day com-

puted from midnight to midnight, shall be 50:

(b) The size limit, which is the minimum size of fish that may lawfully be taken, measured from tip of nose to tip of tail, shall be 6 in. for trout and salmon. Undersized fish must be released unharmed and are not

reckoned in the limit bag:

(c) Only artificial or natural fly, insect, worm, crustacea, or fish are lawful lures or baits for acclimatised fish. Shellfish (mollusca) and fish roe are illegal. Not more than two lures or baits may be used. Artificial flies, which include feathered lures, must have only one hook. In waters restricted to fly, no weight or loaded lure is permitted. Any weight must be affixed above any lure or bait, and, with artificial minnow (which includes spoon), at least 15 in. above.

(d) The duration of the open season for acclimatised fish is from 1 October

to 30 April.

This notice modifies the provisions of the general regulations in the Marlborough and Nelson Acclimatisation Districts by reducing the number of salmon and trout in a limit bag to 10, by increasing the size limit to 12 in. except in the Maitai River where it is increased to 10 in., by imposing restrictions on lures and methods in specified waters, by reducing the length of the open season in the Nelson Acclimatisation District, and by prohibiting fishing in Lake Daniells during the month of October.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936. Date of notification in Gazette: 14 September 1961. These regulations are administered in the Marine Department.