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**THE FRESHWATER FISHERIES REGULATIONS (NORTH
CANTERBURY) MODIFICATION NOTICE 1951**

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

NOTICE

1. This notice may be cited as the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations (North Canterbury) Modification Notice 1951.

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 North Canterbury Acclimatization District.

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 twenty acclimatized fish, of which not more than ten may be salmon, and of which not more than ten may be trout, of which trout not more than eight may be taken from one or more of the following lakes, or from any tributaries of those lakes—namely, Lakes Coleridge, Evelyn, Georgina, Grassmere, Hawdon, Henrietta, Ida, Katrine, Letitia, Lillian, Lyndon, Mason, Marymere, Monk, Pearson, Red Hill, Rubicon, Sarah, Selfe, Sheppard, Sumner, Taylor—and all other lakes and tarns, excepting Lake Marion, situate in the high country (hereinafter referred to as the high country waters):

Size Limit

- (b) No person shall take or kill in any manner whatever or intentionally have in his possession any acclimatized fish that does not exceed—
- (i) In the case of any trout taken from Lake Lyndon 15 in. :
 - (ii) In the case of any trout or salmon taken from any high country water other than Lake Lyndon, 14 in. :
 - (iii) In the case of any trout or salmon taken elsewhere than from any high country water, 11 in. :
 - (iv) In the case of any perch, 6 in. :

* Statutory Regulations 1951, Serial number 1951/15, page 23.

Restrictions on Lures and Methods

(c) No person in fishing for acclimatized fish shall—

(i) Use any crustacea :

Provided that it shall be lawful to fish with fresh shrimp in the waters of the Waimakariri River system below the bridge behind the Belfast Hotel and below the confluence of the Main Drain, the Ohoka Stream, and the Eyre River :

(ii) Use a single hook larger than size No. 6 (old numbers) with worm as bait, except in the Waimakariri River, in which river a single hook not larger than size No. 2 (old numbers) may be used :

(iii) Use more than one lure or bait with natural minnow in the Rakaia River, or use any single or multiple hook larger than size No. 5 (old numbers) with a natural minnow in that river :

(iv) Use any lure or bait other than artificial fly or artificial minnow in the Ashley River :

(v) Use any lure or bait other than artificial fly or artificial minnow in the Selwyn River above the Ellesmere Bridge, or in any tributary of that river which joins it above that bridge :

(vi) Use any lure or bait other than artificial fly in any high country waters other than in Lakes Coleridge, Katrine, Sheppard, Sumner, or Taylor :

(vii) Fish from any boat in any high country waters other than Lakes Coleridge and Sumner, or fish from any boat in Lake Coleridge within 100 yards of any part of the shore :

Open Season Exceptions

(d) No person shall fish—

(i) At any time for acclimatized fish in Lake Marion, or in Taylor's Drain from its source to its junction with the Wairarapa Stream, or in the Avon River from the mouth of the watercourse near the bend of the river beside Riccarton Road to the Colombo Street Bridge :

(ii) During the months of October and November for acclimatized fish in Lake Lyndon :

(iii) During the month of October for acclimatized fish in any high country waters other than Lakes Coleridge, Katrine, Sheppard, Sumner, or Taylor :

(iv) During the month of April for quinnat salmon in the Rakaia River above the water gauge upstream from the Gorge Bridge, or in any tributary of the Rakaia River which joins it above that water gauge.

Dated at Wellington, this 19th day of September 1951.

W. S. GOOSMAN,
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 acclimatized fish to be taken by one person in one day computed from midnight to midnight, shall be twenty :
- (b) The *size limit*, which is the minimum size of fish lawfully takeable, measured from tip of nose to tip of tail, shall be 9 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 acclimatized 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 acclimatized fish is from 1st October to 30th April.

This notice modifies the provisions of the general regulations in the North Canterbury Acclimatization District by limiting the number of salmon or trout that may be taken in specified waters, increasing the size limit in certain waters, restricting the lures and methods of fishing that may be used in certain waters, and restricting the operation of the open season in certain waters.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

Date of notification in *Gazette* : 20th day of September 1951.

These regulations are administered in the Marine Department.