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**THE FRESHWATER FISHERIES REGULATIONS (NORTH  
CANTERBURY) MODIFICATION NOTICE 1961**

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

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**NOTICE**

1. This notice may be cited as the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations (North Canterbury) 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 North Canterbury Acclimatisation District.
4. In this notice the term "high country waters" means—
  - (a) The following lakes and their tributaries – namely, Lakes Coleridge, Evelyn, Georgina, Grasmere, Hawdon, Henrietta, Ida, Katrine, Letitia, Lillian, Mason, Marymere, Catherine (also known as Monk), Pearson, Red Hill, Rubicon, Sarah, Selfe, Sheppard, Sumner, Taylor, and Tennyson:
  - (b) All other lakes and tarns situated in the high country and their tributaries, excepting Lakes Lyndon and Marion:
  - (c) All waters from the outlets of Lakes Sumner, Taylor, and Sheppard to the junction of the Sisters Stream and the North Branch of the Hurunui River:
  - (d) All waters from the outlet of Lake Hawdon to the junction of Slovens Creek and Broken River:
  - (e) All waters from the outlet of Lake Pearson to the junction of Winding Creek and Broken River:
  - (f) All waters from the outlets of Lakes Grasmere and Sarah to the junction of the Cass and Waimakariri Rivers:
  - (g) The canal between Lake Katrine and Lake Sumner:
  - (h) The Clarence River between Lake Tennyson and the New Zealand Electricity Department bridge approximately 1½ miles below that lake.

5. 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 20 trout from Lake Lyndon:
- (b) No person shall on any one day take or kill more than 20 acclimatised fish (being trout or salmon), of which—
  - (i) Not more than 10 may be quinnat salmon taken from Lake Coleridge:
  - (ii) Not more than 6 may be quinnat salmon taken from other waters:
  - (iii) Not more than 6 may be trout taken from high country waters:
  - (iv) Not more than 10 may be trout taken from any waters (other than Lake Lyndon or any high country waters):

*Size Limit*

- (c) No person shall take or kill in any manner whatever or intentionally have in his possession any acclimatised fish (being trout or salmon) that does not exceed—
  - (i) In the case of any trout or salmon taken from any high country water, 12 in.:
  - (ii) In the case of any trout or salmon taken elsewhere than from any high country water or Lake Lyndon by any person of 17 years of age or over and not attending school full time, 10 in.:

*Restrictions on Lures and Methods*

- (d) No person in fishing for acclimatised 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 any hook (other than a single hook) with worm as bait:
  - (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 in—
- (1) The Ashley River above the main north line railway bridge or any tributary of that river which joins it above that point; or

\*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

- (2) Lake Lyndon; or
  - (3) Any high country waters, other than Lakes Coleridge, Sumner, or Taylor and the waters from the outlets of Lakes Sheppard, Sumner, and Taylor to the junction of the Sisters Stream and the North Branch of the Hurunui River; or
  - (4) The Selwyn River above the gate at Coe's Ford, more particularly shown by posts, or any tributary of that river which joins it above that point; or
  - (5) Harts Creek above the first traffic bridge above the mouth; or
  - (6) The Doyleston Drain; or
  - (7) The Irwell River above the first bridge above Lake Ellesmere; or
  - (8) The Halswell River above the North Canterbury Acclimatisation Society's hatchery at Greenpark; or
  - (9) The Styx River above the Marshland Road traffic bridge; or
  - (10) The Main Drain; or
  - (11) The Ohoka River; or
  - (12) The Southbrook River; or
  - (13) The Cam River above the Tuahiwi Road bridge; or
  - (14) The Cust River; or
  - (15) The Waipara River; or
  - (16) The Hororata River:
- (v) Use any lure or bait other than artificial fly or artificial minnow in—
- (1) The Selwyn River between the point at the Selwyn Huts where the road from Springston South meets the Selwyn River and the gate at Coe's Ford, being more particularly shown by posts, or in any tributary of that river which joins it between those points; or
  - (2) The Ashley River below the main north line railway bridge or in any tributary of that river which joins it below that point; or
  - (3) Lakes Coleridge, Sumner, or Taylor and the waters from the outlets of Lakes Sheppard, Sumner, and Taylor to the junction of the Sisters Stream and the North Branch of the Hurunui River:
- (vi) Fish from any boat in Lake Lyndon or in any high country waters other than Lakes Coleridge and Sumner, or fish from any boat in Lakes Coleridge and Sumner within 300 yards of any person fishing from the shore:
- (vii) Use in the Avon River above Swanns Road bridge or in any tributary of that river which joins it above that point, or in the Heathcote River above the Opawa Road bridge or in any tributary of that river which joins it above that point, any lure or bait other than a single hook only:

(e) Notwithstanding anything in paragraph (d) of this clause, it shall be lawful for any person under 17 years of age or attending school full time in fishing for acclimatised fish to use natural fly or insects or worm as bait, except in—

- (i) Lake Lyndon; or
- (ii) Any high country waters other than Lakes Coleridge, Sumner, and Taylor and the waters from the outlets of Lakes Sheppard, Sumner, and Taylor to the junction of the Sisters Stream and the North Branch of the Hurunui River:

*Open Season Exceptions*

(f) No person shall fish—

(i) At any time for acclimatised fish in Taylor's Drain from its source to its junction with the Wairarapa Stream, or in the Avon River from the bridge on the east side of the United Club Tennis Courts, Hagley Park, to the Colombo Street bridge:

(ii) During the month of October for acclimatised fish in Lake Lyndon:

(iii) During the month of October for acclimatised fish in any high country waters:

(iv) During the months of March and April for acclimatised fish in the Rakaia River and its tributaries above the Lake Coleridge powerhouse, that point being more particularly shown by white posts on the river banks:

Provided that this subparagraph shall not apply to any lakes draining into the Rakaia River above the point specified:

(v) During the months of March and April for salmon in—

- (1) The Clarence River above the New Zealand Electricity Department bridge approximately  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles below Lake Tennyson, or any tributary of that part of that river:
- (2) The Hurunui River above the junction of the South Branch with that river, or any tributary of that part of that river:
- (3) The Waiau River above the junction of that river with the Hope River, or any tributary of that part of the Waiau River:
- (4) The Waimakariri River above Hamilton's Hut approximately  $\frac{1}{3}$  of a mile above Woodstock, or any tributary of that part of that river:

*Faunistic Reserve*

(g) Lake Marion and tributaries of Lake Marion are hereby declared a faunistic reserve, and the special provisions of regulation 98 of the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1951 shall apply to those waters accordingly.

6. The Freshwater Fisheries Regulations (North Canterbury) Modification Notice 1960\* 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 that may be taken by one person in one day computed 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 fixed 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 North Canterbury Acclimatisation 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.

The notice also declares Lake Marion and its tributaries to be a faunistic reserve where the provisions of regulation 98 of the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1951 shall apply.

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These regulations are administered in the Marine Department.