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**THE FRESHWATER FISHERIES REGULATIONS (SOUTH
CANTERBURY, WAIMATE, AND WAITAKI)
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 (South Canterbury, Waimate, and Waitaki) 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 South Canterbury, Waimate, and Waitaki 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 6 salmon, or—
- (i) In the South Canterbury Acclimatisation District, more than 15 acclimatised fish (being trout or salmon), of which not more than 12 may be trout, of which trout not more than 4 may be taken from any lake or lakes, including tributaries of lakes:
 - (ii) In the Waimate and Waitaki Acclimatisation Districts, more than 10 acclimatised fish (being trout or salmon), of which not more than 8 may be trout:

Size Limit

- (b) No person shall take or kill in any manner whatever or intentionally have in his possession any acclimatised fish that does not exceed—
- (i) In the case of any trout taken from the Waitaki River, including the Waitaki Hydro Lake or any tributaries of that river or lake, 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

(ii) In the case of any trout taken from any lake (other than the Waitaki Hydro Lake) or any tributary of any lake (other than the Waitaki Hydro Lake), 14 in.:

(iii) In the case of any trout taken from the Oamaru Creek by a woman of 17 years of age or over or by a person under 17 years of age, 9 in.:

(iv) In the case of any trout taken from any water other than those described in subparagraphs (i), (ii), and (iii) of this paragraph, or in the case of any trout taken from the Oamaru Creek by a male of 17 years of age or over, 10 in.:

Restrictions on Lures and Methods

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

(i) Use any crustacea or huhu grub:

Provided that this subparagraph shall not apply with respect to that part of the Waihao River which lies between the Main North Road bridge and the sea:

(ii) Use more than one lure or bait with natural minnow, or use any single or multiple hook larger than size No. 5 with a natural minnow:

(iii) Use any lure or bait other than artificial fly in the Tengawai River or its tributaries; in the Ohape River or its tributaries; in the Hakataramea River or its tributaries; in the Maerawhenua River or its tributaries; in Lake McGregor or its tributaries or outlet stream; in Deep Stream, a tributary of the Waitaki River; or in any small high-country tarn:

(iv) Use any lure or bait other than artificial fly, artificial minnow, or spoon in Lake Alexandrina, or Lake Middleton, or in the tributaries of either of those lakes, or in the Ahuriri River or its tributaries, or in the Otematata River or its tributaries:

(v) Fish from any unmoored boat or launch in Lake Alexandrina, Lake McGregor, or Lake Middleton:

Open Season Exceptions

(d) No person shall fish—

(i) During the month of October for trout in Lake Ohau, or Lake Middleton, or in any small high-country tarn or in the tributaries of the said lakes and tarns, or in Deep Stream, a tributary of the Waitaki River, or in the Ahuriri River and its tributaries, or in the Otematata River and its tributaries, or in the Ohau River and its tributaries:

(ii) During the period commencing on the 1st day of October and ending with the first Friday in November for trout in Lake Alexandrina or Lake McGregor or Lake Murray or in any tributary of any of those lakes:

(iii) During the months of March and April for acclimatised fish in Lynn Creek or its tributaries, or in the Rangitata River or its tributaries above the point where the Peel Forest-Mesopotamia road nears the Rangitata River opposite the Mount Harper Ice Skating Rink, that point being more particularly shown by white posts on the river banks:

(iv) During the month of April for salmon in the Waitaki River and its tributaries between the Waitaki Hydro Dam and a line running in a south-westerly direction across the Waitaki River from approximately 500 yards below the mouth of the Hakataramea River to a notice board on the south bank of the Waitaki River as indicated by notice boards marked "Salmon Fishing Limit":

(v) At any time for acclimatised fish in the outlet creek between Lake Alexandrina and Lake McGregor.

5. The Freshwater Fisheries Regulations (South Canterbury, Waimate, and Waitaki) Modification Notice 1960* is hereby revoked.

Dated at Wellington this 8th day of September 1961.

R. G. GERARD, Minister of Marine.

*S.R. 1960/145

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. No 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 South Canterbury, Waimate, and Waitaki Acclimatisation Districts, by reducing the bag limit to 15 trout and salmon in the South Canterbury District, of which not more than 12 may be trout, of which trout not more than 4 may be taken from lakes or tributaries of lakes, and to 10 trout and salmon in the Waimate and Waitaki Districts, of which not more than 8 may be trout, by reducing the limit bag of salmon to 6 in each of those districts, by modifying the size limit, by imposing restrictions on lures and methods of fishing in waters specified in this notice, and by restricting the operation of the open season in certain waters.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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These regulations are administered in the Marine Department.