



**THE FRESHWATER FISHERIES REGULATIONS (SOUTH
CANTERBURY, WAIMATE, AND WAITAKI)
MODIFICATION NOTICE 1966**

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 (South Canterbury, Waimate, and Waitaki) Modification Notice 1966.
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—

(i) In the South Canterbury Acclimatisation District, more than 15 acclimatised fish (being trout or salmon), of which not more than six may be salmon and not more than 12 may be trout, of which trout not more than four may be taken from Lakes Alexandrina and McGregor, including their tributaries, and not more than eight may be taken from any other lake or lakes, including their tributaries, or from rivers and their tributaries, west of Burke's Pass:

(ii) In the Waimate and Waitaki Acclimatisation Districts, more than 10 acclimatised fish (being trout or salmon), of which not more than four may be salmon and not more than eight may be trout:

*S.R. 1951/15 (Reprinted with Amendments Nos. 1 to 8: S.R. 1964/196)
Amendment No. 9: S.R. 1965/170

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 system (including all artificial and natural lakes), or from any river or lake except Lake McGregor and Lake Alexandrina) in the South Canterbury Acclimatisation District west of Burke's Pass, or in any tributary of the said rivers or lakes, 12 in.:

(ii) In the case of any trout taken from Lake McGregor or Lake Alexandrina, 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 Maerewhenua 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 Lake Benmore, or in the Ahuriri River or its tributaries, or in the Otematata River or its tributaries:

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

(vi) Fish from a moving or unmoored boat in Lake Ohau within 200 yards of the mouth of the Dobson River or within 200 yards of the outlet of the lake or within 200 yards of any angler fishing from the shore of the lake:

(vii) Fish from a moving or unmoored boat in Lake Benmore within 200 yards of the mouth of any river entering the lake, or within 200 yards of any other angler fishing from the shore of the lake:

(viii) Tow or troll any lure from any mechanically propelled or mechanically drawn boat in Lakes Alexandrina and McGregor:

(ix) Fish from any unmoored boat within 100 yards of the shore of Lake Alexandrina:

Open Season Exceptions

(d) No person shall fish—

(i) During the period commencing on the 1st day of October and ending with the Friday preceding the first Saturday in November for trout in Lake Alexandrina, Lake McGregor, Lake Murray, Lake Benmore, 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 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:

(iii) During the period commencing on the 15th day of April and ending with the 30th day of April, for acclimatised fish in the Waitaki River between the Waitaki Hydro Dam and a line running beneath and parallel to the power lines across the river south-west of Bortons, or in any tributary of that part of the Waitaki River:

(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:

(vi) At any time for acclimatised fish in the boat harbour, or from either side of the mole at the boat harbour, at Sailors' Cutting, Lake Benmore:

(vii) At any time for acclimatised fish within 100 yards of the wharf at the boat harbour at Haldon Station, Lake Benmore.

5. The Freshwater Fisheries Regulations (South Canterbury, Waimate and Waitaki) Modification Notice 1965* is hereby revoked.

Dated at Wellington this 28th day of September 1966.

W. J. SCOTT, 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 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 six may be salmon and not more than 12 may be trout, of which trout not more than four may be taken from certain specified waters and not more than eight may be taken from other specified waters, and to 10 trout and salmon in the Waimate and Waitaki Districts, of which not more than four may be salmon and not more than eight may be trout, 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.

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These regulations are administered in the Marine Department.