



## THE FRESHWATER FISHERIES REGULATIONS (OTAGO) MODIFICATION NOTICE 1981

PURSUANT to section 83 (2) (d) of the Fisheries Act 1908, and to regulation 7 of the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1951, the Minister of Fisheries hereby gives the following notice.

### NOTICE

**1. Title**—This notice may be cited as the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations (Otago) Modification Notice 1981.

**2. Commencement**—This notice shall come into force on the 14th day after the date of its notification in the *Gazette*.

**3. Application**—This notice shall be in force only within the Otago Acclimatisation District.

**4. Modification of regulations**—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) of which no more than 4 may be either salmon taken from the Clutha River downstream from the Roxburgh Dam or trout taken from the Pomahaka River upstream from Switzer's Bridge:

#### *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 in length—
- (i) In the case of any trout or salmon taken from the Water of Leith or the Teviot River, 20 cm:
  - (ii) In the case of any trout or salmon taken from any other water, 25 cm:

#### *Restrictions on Lures and Methods*

- (c) No person in fishing for acclimatised fish shall troll from any mechanically propelled or towed boat in any river or stream or in that part of the Catlin's River known as Catlin's Lake or fish from any boat, canoe, pontoon, or any form of floatation device in the Maitava River upstream from the Maitava Island bridge:

\*S.R. 1951/15 (Reprinted with Amendments Nos. 1 to 13: S.R. 1976/191)  
Amendment No. 14: (Revoked by S.R. 1977/268)  
Amendment No. 15: S.R. 1977/268  
Amendment No. 16: S.R. 1980/110  
Amendment No. 17: S.R. 1980/197

*Open Season Exceptions*

(d) No person shall fish for any acclimatised fish—

(i) At any time between the Roxburgh Dam and a line joining the sites of posts marked "Fishing prohibited above this point" placed on each side of the Clutha River at the outlet of the spillway from the Roxburgh powerhouse:

(ii) During the month of October in the Upper Manorburn Dam or in any tributary of Lake Mahinerangi:

*Close Season Exceptions*

(e) There shall be no close season in the following waters:

The Clutha River downstream from the main road bridge at Balclutha:

The Taieri River downstream from the main road bridge at Allanton:

Butcher's Dam:

Conroy's Dam:

Phoenix Dam:

Poolburn Dam:

Lake Onslow:

Lake Waihola, including the waterway connecting this lake to Lake Waipori and east on that waterway to the railway bridge:

Lake Waipori:

Tomahawk Lagoon:

Lake Roxburgh between the dam wall and the bridge on State Highway 8 at Alexandra:

*Special Open Season*

(f) There shall be an open season from the 1st day of June to the 30th day of September inclusive in any year in the Mataura River downstream from the Gorge Road traffic bridge.

**5. Revocation**—The Freshwater Fisheries Regulations (Otago) Modification Notice 1979\* is hereby revoked.

Dated at Wellington this 9th day of September 1981.

DUNCAN MACINTYRE, Minister of Fisheries.

\*1979/139

## 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 trout or salmon that may be taken by 1 person in 1 day computed from midnight to midnight, shall be 50:

(b) The *size limit*, which is the minimum size of fish lawfully takeable, measured from tip of nose to tip of tail, shall be 15 cm 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 2 lures or baits may be used. Artificial flies, which includes feathered lures, must have only 1 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 38 cm 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 Otago Acclimatisation District by reducing the limit bag, increasing the size limit, restricting the methods that may be used in certain waters, dispensing with a close season in certain waters, and prohibiting fishing in certain places during the open season.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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This notice is administered in the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.