

Serial Number 48/1936.



**THE TROUT-FISHING (NORTH CANTERBURY)  
REGULATIONS, 1936.**

Enacting authority : His Excellency the Governor-General in Council.  
Act pursuant to which the regulations were made : The Fisheries Act,  
1908.

Date on which the regulations were made : 14th day of October, 1936.

Date of notification in *Gazette* : 22nd day of October, 1936.

**REGULATIONS.**

**PRELIMINARY.**

1. These regulations may be cited as the Trout-fishing (North Canterbury) Regulations, 1936.

2. Terms herein shall have the same meaning as in the Fresh-water Fisheries Regulations, 1936\* (hereinafter called "the General Regulations").

3. In these regulations "the high-country waters" means and includes Lakes Coleridge, Evelyn, Georgina, Grasmere, Hawdon, Henrietta, Ida, Letitia, Lillian, Lyndon, Marion, Meremere, Monk, Pearson, Red Hill, Rubicon, Sarah, Selfe, Sheppard, Sumner, and Taylor, and the other small lakes and tarns situate in the high country of the said district.

4. The regulations made on the 18th day of September, 1933,† and on the 10th day of September, 1934,‡ respectively relating to fishing in the North Canterbury Acclimatization District and the waters thereof are revoked.

**OPEN SEASON.**

5. Whole-season licenses to fish for trout and other acclimatized fish issued by the North Canterbury Acclimatization Society or any other acclimatization society under the General Regulations and single-river licenses issued by the North Canterbury Acclimatization

\* Statutory Regulations, 1936-7, Serial number 36/1936, page 119.

† *Gazette*, 21st September, 1933, Vol. III, page 2426.

‡ *Gazette*, 20th September, 1934, Vol. III, page 2943.

Society shall entitle the holder to fish in the North Canterbury Acclimatization District (hereinafter called "the said district") as under:—

- (a) For trout and other acclimatized fish, except salmon, in the high-country waters from the 1st day of December in any year to the 30th day of April in the year next following, both days inclusive:
- (b) For trout and other acclimatized fish, except salmon, in Lake Ellesmere from the 1st day of October in any year to the 30th day of April in the year next following, both days inclusive:
- (c) For trout and other acclimatized fish, except salmon, in the rivers and waters of the district, except the high-country waters and Lake Ellesmere, from the 1st day of October in any year to the 16th day of April in the year next following, both days inclusive:
- (d) For salmon from the 1st day of October to the 15th day of May in the year next following, both days inclusive.

6. Half-season licenses, monthly licenses, weekly licenses, and day licenses issued by the North Canterbury Acclimatization Society shall entitle the holder to fish during any period set out in the license, but always in accordance with the last preceding clause hereof.

#### DISTRICT RESTRICTIONS.

7. No person shall in fishing for trout or other acclimatized fish in the said district use—

- (a) Any mollusca (which term includes snails, pipi, fresh-water mussels, salt-water mussels, oysters, winkles, and other shellfish), or any lure or bait other than natural or artificial flies, insects, worms, or fish:
- (b) More lures or baits affixed to one trace than (i) two flies, or (ii) one fly and one minnow, or (iii) one fly and one natural bait, or (iv) two natural baits:
- (c) More than one lead or sinker tied to one line:
- (d) A lead or sinker tied otherwise than above all baits or lures on the line:
- (e) Any wire or gimp trace of a greater length than 6 ft.: Provided that this restriction shall not apply to a wire trace not exceeding 28 standard wire gauge:
- (f) In any river where worm bait is permitted, except the Waimakariri River, a single hook larger than size 6 (old numbers):
- (g) In the Waimakariri River a single hook larger than size 2 (old numbers).

8. No person shall in fly-fishing use—

- (a) More than one hook for each fly:
- (b) Between sunrise and sunset, any hook larger than size 6 (new numbers):
- (c) Between sunset and sunrise, any hook larger than size 4 (new numbers).

9. No person shall fish for, take, or kill in any manner whatever, or intentionally have in his possession, any trout which does not exceed 11 in. in length from tip of nose to tip of tail.

**10.** No person shall fish for, take, or kill in any manner whatever from any of the high-country waters other than Lakes Coleridge, Sheppard, Sumner, and Taylor, or intentionally have in his possession if taken from any of the high-country waters (except those hereinbefore excluded), any trout which does not exceed 12 in. in length from tip of nose to tip of tail.

**11.** Every person taking from any of the high-country waters (except the lakes excluded in Regulation 10 hereof) a trout which does not exceed 12 in. in length from tip of nose to tip of tail, or from any other waters a trout which does not exceed 11 in. in length from tip of nose to tip of tail, shall immediately return it alive with as little injury as possible into the water from which it was taken.

**12.** No person shall, in any period of twenty-four hours computed from noon to noon, take or kill more than ten trout, and no person shall continue to fish for trout during any such period after he has already taken during that period ten trout :

Provided, first, that the number hereinbefore specified shall be exclusive of any fish taken and dealt with pursuant to Regulations 49 and 50 of the General Regulations ; secondly, that this regulation shall not apply to the fishing for, taking, or killing of trout in the course of an angling competition duly authorized by the said Society ; thirdly, that Regulation 47 of the General Regulations shall not apply within the district.

#### LOCAL RESTRICTIONS.

**13.** No person shall fish for, take, or kill any acclimatized fish at any time or by any manner in the following waters :—

(a) Lake Mason :

(b) That part of the Avon River which extends from the watercourse near the bend of the river on Riccarton Road thence through the City of Christchurch to Colombo Street Bridge :

(c) Taylor's Drain from its source to its junction with the Wairarapa Stream.

**14.** No person shall fish for trout or other acclimatized fish in any of the high-country waters other than Lakes Coleridge, Sheppard, Sumner, and Taylor with any weighted cast or any lure or bait other than fly which shall not be loaded or weighted.

**15.** No person shall in fishing for trout or other acclimatized fish in the Ashley River use as bait any worms, shrimps, or creeper.

**16.** No person shall in fishing for trout or other acclimatized fish during the months of October and November in that part of the Avon River which extends from Helmore's Bridge to the watercourse near the bend of the river on Riccarton Road use any lure or bait other than artificial fly or artificial minnow.

**17.** No person shall in fishing for trout or other acclimatized fish at any time in any part of the Selwyn River and its tributaries above the Ellesmere Bridge use any lure or bait other than artificial fly or artificial minnow.

**18.** No person shall fish for trout or other acclimatized fish from a boat of any description in any of the high-country waters except Lakes Coleridge, Sumner, and Pearson.

## NETTING.

**19.** No person shall put, throw, stake, set, drag, draw, or place, or cause or allow to be put, thrown, staked, set, dragged, drawn, or placed, for any purpose whatsoever a net of any description in any of the lakes, rivers, streams, or waters in the said district in which any acclimatized fish exist or have been liberated or are believed to exist, or in the mouth of any such river or stream as defined in the General Regulations, except a bully-net, silvery-net, whitebait-net, or a landing-net used for the purpose of landing fish lawfully caught with a rod and line :

Provided that it shall be a defence to any person charged with a breach of this regulation if such person proves that he was netting for indigenous fish or netting for acclimatized fish for sale in accordance with the provisions of any regulations in that behalf for the time being in force.

## PENALTY.

**20.** The penalty for any breach of these regulations shall be a fine not exceeding £50.

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Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act, 1936.  
These regulations are administered by the Marine Department.