

under by-laws to be made by a Board, exercise the same under regulations to be made in the manner provided in section two hundred and five of the said Act: And whereas there is no Harbour Board having jurisdiction in Lake Taupo, which is a harbour within the meaning of that term as defined by the said Act:

And whereas it is desirable to make regulations for controlling the traffic on the said lake and for the management of the wharves erected therein, and to prescribe dues for the use thereof:

Now, therefore, His Excellency the Governor of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, and in pursuance and exercise of the power and authority conferred upon him by section nine of the said Act, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in that behalf, doth hereby make the regulations contained in the Schedule hereto, and doth order that the same shall, on and after the date of this Order in Council, apply to Lake Taupo and the wharves aforesaid.

SCHEDULE.

REGULATIONS.

1. IN these regulations the word "Department" means the Minister having charge of the Department of Tourist and Health Resorts, and any person acting for, by, or under the direction of such Minister; "vessel" includes steamer, ship, launch, and boat; "master boatman" includes any officer, licensed or otherwise, in charge of any vessel; and "licensed" includes any vessel or master boatman licensed under these regulations.

2. All vessels plying on the lake, and all master boatmen in charge of same, shall be under the direction of the Department, and subject to these regulations.

Wharves, Jetties, and Moorings.

3. The Department shall have power to close any wharf or any portion thereof whenever in its opinion it is advisable to do so, and the wharf or portion thereof so closed shall not be used for traffic.

4. No person shall be allowed on any wharf or in the sheds or buildings used therewith unless he has, in the opinion of the Department, legitimate business thereon.

5. No person shall disobey the orders of the Department or its officers when acting in the due performance of their duty, nor in any way obstruct the traffic on any wharf, pier, jetty, or landing-place, nor make use of a abusive or improper language thereon.

6. No person shall scribble upon, cut, scratch, or otherwise deface any part of any wharf, or any shed thereon or connected therewith.

7. Any person who accidentally or otherwise damages or destroys any of the Department's property shall be liable for the cost of repair or renewal thereof.

8. No pitch, tar, resin, or other combustible matter shall be lighted or heated on board of any vessel while lying alongside or near any other vessel or wharf.

9. Every master boatman shall on all occasions, when ordered by the Department, do whatever the Department may consider necessary or expedient with the view to the safety and interest of the whole shipping, and in consideration of the state of the weather or any other circumstance.

10. It shall be an offence under these regulations to anchor or moor a vessel or boat in such a manner as to obstruct the approach to any wharf, and any such vessel may be removed by the Department at the risk and expense of the owner.

11. The Department may order any vessel to be removed from any berth alongside any wharf, or from any anchorage, to any part of the lake, whenever in the opinion of the Department such removal is proper for the general accommodation of shipping, and it shall be the duty of the master boatman to obey such order.

12. Every vessel arriving at the wharf shall be moored where directed by the Department, and shall not remain moored at any wharf for a period exceeding one hour without the permission of the Department. If deemed necessary, the Department may order the removal from a wharf of any vessel as soon as its passengers (and cargo, if any) have been landed. In all cases licensed vessels shall have prior right to moor at any wharf, as against unlicensed vessels.

13. All goods shall be removed from the wharves within three hours of their being placed thereon. Any goods not so removed may be removed by the Department at the owner's risk and expense.

14. No person shall throw fish, refuse, or empty tins, into the lake within half a mile of the shore.

15. Every owner of a vessel shall have a permanent mooring placed in an approved position which shall leave room for the adjacent vessels at all times to swing clear. The position

of such mooring shall be clear to the fairway, and at least thirty yards away from any wharf or other mooring.

The mooring shall be of a substantial and permanent nature, and shall be sunk entirely below the bed of the lake.

16. The following dues shall be payable to the Department for the use of the wharves on the said lake:—

INCLUSIVE CHARGE FOR ALL WHARVES.

For all vessels over 5 tons or licensed to carry twenty passengers or over:—	£	s.	d.
For each occasion they come alongside the wharf, for a period of one hour or less	0	2	0
For the use of all wharves for a period of one year	4	0	0
For vessels under 5 tons and licensed to carry less than twenty persons:—			
For each occasion they come alongside any wharf, for a period of one hour or less	0	1	0
For the use of all wharves for a period of one year	2	0	0

Wharfage on Goods.

For all goods landed or shipped at any wharf, per ton, by weight or measurement 0 1 0
The above annual charge due shall be payable in advance on the 1st day of January in each year. Any vessel using the wharves only between the 1st day of July and 31st day of December of any year shall pay one-half the amount of the above annual wharfage fees.

17. All vessels which do not pay their wharfage dues in advance shall be deemed to be irregular trading-vessels, and wharfage dues shall be payable accordingly.

Vessels.

18. All wharfage dues payable by irregular trading-vessels shall be paid to the Department, or to some one appointed by it to receive them, the payments to be made by the master or owner of the vessel upon application.

19. Vessels shall not ply for hire, nor carry passengers or cargo, nor be employed as ferry-boats or tug-boats, without being licensed by the Department for such purposes.

20. Applications for licenses must be made in writing, addressed to the Department, and shall give full details of the dimensions and description of the vessel and engine, if any.

20A. Before any license is issued, the vessel must be inspected by the Department, which will determine whether the vessel is in a seaworthy condition and properly equipped for the safety and comfort of passengers. Details of such equipment shall be specified in the license. The license shall also specify the number of passengers and the quantity of cargo the vessel may carry, and as provided in the certificate of survey granted by the Marine Department.

21. The license shall be carried at all times on the boat, and shall be open for inspection by the Department, or by any passenger at any time on demand.

22. A card shall be supplied with each license giving the name of the vessel, the main dimensions, and the number of passengers and quantity of cargo which it is licensed to carry. This card shall be exhibited at all times in a conspicuous position on the vessel.

23. Every vessel licensed to carry passengers or cargo shall have its name legibly painted in a conspicuous position on the hull.

24. No vessel shall carry more passengers, cargo, ballast, water, or otherwise than the number or quantity allowed in the license.

25. No license under these regulations shall be held to give any right to carry cargo in any vessel until the requirements of the Customs laws and regulations have been duly complied with.

26. A condition of every such license shall be that the applicant shall keep such vessel fully equipped with proper gear and in a seaworthy condition, and properly marked, as required by these regulations.

27. The fares to be charged by master boatmen or watermen shall not exceed those shown in the table of fares, which the Department is hereby authorized to make and to alter from time to time as it deems expedient.

28. No vessel shall be fumigated or smoked for the extermination of vermin while lying alongside any wharf or other vessel.

29. Proper tarpaulins shall be used in discharging or taking in ballast, coals, rubbish, gravel, earth, or filth of any kind, so as to prevent any part thereof from falling into the lake.

30. Fees for licenses shall be paid to the Department according to the following scale per annum:—

For each vessel or boat plying for hire: 2s. 6d. per annum.
Every mechanically propelled boat shall be allowed one dinghy not exceeding 12 ft. in length, and the name of the