

shillings (10s.); and a similar fee is payable in the case of the Ashburton, Southland, Waimate, and Waitaki Districts wherein native game only may be taken or killed during the present season; in the Buller and Grey Acclimatization Districts a license is obtainable to take or kill imported game only—viz., hares—at a fee of ten shillings (10s.), and a license to take or kill native game only at a similar fee.

Section 15. Nothing in any license to take or kill imported game or native game shall authorize the holder thereof to take or kill imported game or native game on lands actually and exclusively used by any registered acclimatization society for acclimatization purposes, or on any sanctuary or public domain, or on any land excepted from the operation of the notification declaring an open season for the district.

Section 39. Except as otherwise expressly provided, nothing in any license or other authority under the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, shall entitle the holder thereof to enter upon any private land without the consent of the owner or occupier thereof, or upon any State forest or provisional State forest.

A short season for paradise duck and for pukeko—viz., 1st May to 14th May, 1923—has been granted in respect of some acclimatization districts. The issue of licenses to take or kill these birds is provided for in the Warrants fixing the open season in the districts concerned.

STATEMENT SHOWING THE KINDS OF IMPORTED GAME AND NATIVE GAME WHICH MAY BE KILLED IN EACH DISTRICT.

Acclimatization District.	Imported and Native Game.
Ashburton ..	Grey duck, black teal, black swan, and paradise duck.
Auckland ..	Cock pheasants, Californian and Australian quail, black swan, black teal, and grey duck.
Bay of Islands ..	Cock pheasants, Californian and Australian quail, grey duck, black teal, and black swan.
Buller ..	Hares, grey duck, and pukeko.
Coromandel ..	Cock pheasants, Californian quail, grey duck, black teal, and black swan.
East Coast ..	Cock pheasants, Californian quail, grey duck, and black teal.
Feilding and district	Hares, cock pheasants, Californian and Australian quail, grey duck, and black swan.
Grey District ..	Hares, grey duck, black teal, and black swan.
Hawera ..	Cock pheasants, Californian quail, grey duck, black teal, and black swan.
Hawke's Bay ..	Cock pheasants, mallard duck, Californian and Australian quail, grey duck, black teal, widgeon (or shoveller), and black swan.
Hobson ..	Cock pheasants, grey duck, and black teal.
Lakes District ..	Californian quail, grey duck, black swan, paradise duck, and pukeko.
Marlborough ..	Californian quail, grey duck, and black swan.
Mangonui-Whangaroa	Cock pheasants, Australian quail, grey duck, black teal, spoonbill duck (or shoveller), and black swan.
Nelson ..	Californian quail, grey duck, and black swan.
North Canterbury ..	Californian quail, grey duck, spoonbill duck (or shoveller), black swan, paradise duck, and pukeko.
Opotiki ..	Cock pheasants, Californian and Australian quail, grey duck, black teal, and black swan.
Otago ..	Californian quail, mallard duck, grey duck, spoonbill duck (or widgeon), black swan, paradise duck, and pukeko.
Rotorua ..	Cock pheasants, Californian and Australian quail, grey duck, spoonbill duck, black teal, and black swan.
South Canterbury ..	Mallard duck, grey duck, black teal, black swan, and paradise duck.
Southland ..	Grey duck, spoonbill duck, black swan, and paradise duck.
Stratford ..	Cock pheasants, Californian quail, grey duck, black teal, and black swan.
Taranaki ..	Cock pheasants, Californian and Australian quail, grey duck, and black swan.

Acclimatization District.	Imported and Native Game.
Tauranga ..	Cock pheasants, Californian and Australian quail, grey duck, black teal, and black swan.
Waiapu ..	Cock pheasants, Californian and Australian quail, grey duck, black teal, and black swan.
Waimarino ..	Cock pheasants, Californian and Australian quail, grey duck, and black teal.
Waimate ..	Grey duck, black swan, paradise duck, and pukeko.
Waitaki ..	Grey duck, black swan, and paradise duck.
Wanganui ..	Cock pheasants, Californian and Australian quail, grey duck, spoonbill duck (or shoveller), black teal, and black swan.
Wellington ..	Cock pheasants, Californian and Australian quail, mallard duck, hares, grey duck, black teal, shoveller, and black swan.
Westland ..	Close season.
Whangarei ..	Cock pheasants, Australian quail, grey duck, black teal, and black swan.

NOTE.—Not more than twenty-five head of native game may be killed by any one person in any one day in any district.

Native pigeon is absolutely protected.

SALE OF NATIVE AND IMPORTED GAME.

No sale this season.

Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22.—Protection of Native Birds.

Department of Internal Affairs,
Wellington, 7th April, 1923.

THE public are earnestly requested to assist in preserving for posterity the native birds of New Zealand.

Under the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, it is illegal for any person to take or kill any protected birds, or have in possession the skins of any such birds, without the consent of the Minister of Internal Affairs.

It is also illegal for any person to rob or destroy the nest of any bird to which the Act applies.

Every person who offends against such provisions is liable to a fine of £25 for every such offence.

NATIVE GAME.

Native game can only be shot during the open season, and then only such kinds of native game as are specified in the annual shooting-season warrants.

The following is a list of native game :—

Black swan.	Eastern golden plover.
Duck—	Godwit or curlew.
Black teal.	Knot.
Grey duck.	Pukeko.
Paradise.	Turnstone.
Shoveller.	

ABSOLUTELY PROTECTED BIRDS.

The following is a list of absolutely protected birds :—

Albatross—	Crow—
Black-browed mollymawk.	North Island crow (kokako).
Bounty Island mollymawk.	South Island crow (kokako).
Campbell Island mollymawk.	Royal albatross.
Snares Island mollymawk.	Cuckoo (Family Cuculidae)—
Sooty albatross.	Long-tailed cuckoo (koekeoa).
Wandering albatross (toroa).	Shining cuckoo (pipihaurauoa).
Yellow-nosed mollymawk.	Dottrel—
Australian tree-swallow.	Banded dottrel.
Avocet.	New Zealand dottrel.
Bell-bird, or mocky (kirimako).	Duck—
Auckland Island bell-bird.	Auckland Island duck.
Chatham Island bell-bird.	Blue or mountain duck (whio).
Bittern (matuku-hurepo).	Brown duck.
Little bittern (kioriki).	Grey teal.
Canary—	Fantail—
Bush canary (mohua).	Black fantail (tiwakawaka).
White-head canary (popokotea).	Chatham Island pied fantail.
Creepers (South Island), (pipipi, toitoi).	Pied fantail (tiwakawaka).