

Regulations under the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22.

JELlicoe, Governor-General
ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 1st day of February, 1924.

Present:

THE RIGHT HONOURABLE W. F. MASSEY, P.C., PRESIDING
IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers conferred on him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, His Excellency the Governor-General of the Dominion of New Zealand, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council of the said Dominion, doth hereby revoke all previous regulations made under the said Act, other than those made under Part III of that Act, and doth hereby make the following regulations for the purposes of the said Act.

REGULATIONS.

INTERPRETATION.

1. In these regulations, if not inconsistent with the context,—
 - “Act” means the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, with the exception of Part III thereof;
 - “Authorized officer” means any ranger, police officer, officer of a duly registered acclimatization society, or person appointed by the Minister of Internal Affairs for any specified purpose under these regulations;
 - “Minister” means the Minister of Internal Affairs;
 - “Registered acclimatization society” includes, in respect of the Rotorua Acclimatization District, the Department of Tourist and Health Resorts; and references to the secretary of a duly registered Acclimatization society shall be deemed to include the General Manager of that Department;
 - “Under-Secretary” means the Under-Secretary of the Department of Internal Affairs;

ISSUE OF LICENSES.

2. (1.) No person shall take or kill any imported game or native game during an open season in any district unless he is the holder of a license under the Act.
- (2.) Such licenses shall be issued by such person or persons as the Minister in notifying an open season for imported game or native game or both shall authorize to issue licenses, and such licenses shall have effect according to the tenor thereof.
- (3.) Licenses may be issued authorizing the holder thereof to take or kill both imported game and native game, and shall be in the form No. 1 in the Schedule hereto.
- (4.) Licenses may be issued authorizing the holder thereof to take or kill imported game only, and shall be in the form No. 2 in the Schedule hereto.
- (5.) Licenses may be issued authorizing the holder thereof to take or kill native game only, and shall be in the form No. 3 in the Schedule hereto.
- (6.) The fee payable for a license to take or kill both imported game and native game shall be one pound (£1); for imported game only, one pound (£1); and for native game only, ten shillings (10s.).

PROHIBITING SHOOTING GAME WITH CERTAIN KINDS OF GUN.

3. In addition to the prohibitions contained in sections 12 and 13 of the Act, no person shall kill or destroy any imported game or native game, or shoot at, or attempt to shoot at, any such imported game or native game with any automatic or auto-loading gun, unless it is converted into a gun capable of carrying two cartridges only, or with any rifle, pea-rifle, or punt-gun.

DISPOSAL OF FEES, FINES, ETC.

4. (1.) Except where otherwise provided, all fees paid for licenses issued by a postal officer under the Act shall be paid into the Post Office Account, and shall be applied—
 - (a.) In the first instance, in or towards defraying the cost of and incidental to the issue of licenses and any other expenses of carrying into effect the provisions of the Act; and
 - (b.) The balance shall be paid to the registered acclimatization societies of the districts in which such licenses were issued.

(2.) All fines recovered under the Act shall be paid into the Public Account, and, except as provided in section 42 thereof, shall be applied—

- (a.) In the first instance, in or towards defraying the costs of and incidental to the recovery of such fines; and
 - (b.) The balance shall be paid to the registered acclimatization societies in whose districts the offences were committed.
- (3.) If there is no registered acclimatization society in respect of any district, the balance aforesaid of all fees and fines applicable thereto shall be paid into the Consolidated Fund.
 - (4.) With respect to any district under the control of the Department of Tourist and Health Resorts, the balance of all fees and fines as aforesaid applicable thereto shall be paid into the Consolidated Fund.

REFUSAL TO ISSUE AND REVOCATION OF LICENSES.

5. (1.) Any person appointed to issue licenses under the Act or regulations may refuse to issue a license to any person who within two years prior to the date of his application for a license has been convicted of any breach of the provisions of the Act or of any regulations made thereunder.
- (2.) Where the holder of a license has been found guilty of a breach of the Act or of any regulations thereunder, the Court may, if it thinks fit, revoke his license either wholly or for such period as it thinks fit.

USE OF MARKS OF IDENTIFICATION OF DEER-HEADS.

6. (1.) The person authorized to issue licenses to take or kill deer shall issue to each licensee a number of labels or tags equal to the total number of deer such licensee is authorized to take or kill.
- (2.) Such labels or tags shall be of metal not less than $3\frac{1}{2}$ in. by $2\frac{1}{2}$ in., and shall have printed or written thereon the name of the acclimatization district in which the license to kill deer is to be used, together with the name of the licensee and the number of the deer-shooting license issued to him for the then current year, and shall be endorsed with the name of the officer issuing the same. Such labels or tags shall be numbered consecutively from one upwards. One of such labels or tags shall be affixed securely by the licensee to the head of each deer killed by him, and shall be kept so affixed.
- (3.) Any authorized officer is hereby authorized to seize and detain any deer's head which is not duly labelled in accordance with these regulations.
- (4.) Unless otherwise provided by the Minister in notifying an open season, this regulation shall not apply in respect of fallow deer.

SALE AND EXPORT OF DEER.

7. (1.) In any acclimatization district in which special regulations have been made authorizing the acclimatization society, or any person authorized by the secretary thereof, to kill deer, the secretary, or any person duly authorized in writing by such secretary, may sell or otherwise dispose of the venison or skins of any deer taken or killed pursuant to such regulations.
- (2.) Any person authorized under section 32 of the Act to take or kill deer may sell or otherwise dispose of the venison or skins of any deer taken or killed pursuant to the authority granted under that section.
- (3.) No person shall dispose of or retain the head or antlers of any stag taken or killed in pursuance of the aforesaid special regulations or authorities issued under section 32 without the consent of the acclimatization society in whose district the deer were so taken or killed.
- (4.) Except as provided in these regulations, no person shall sell or offer for sale any deer, or venison, or stag's head, or the antlers or skins thereof, without the consent in writing of the Under-Secretary.
- (5.) No person shall export or attempt to export for sale beyond New Zealand the head or antlers of any stag without the consent in writing of the Under-Secretary.

SALE OF SWANS' EGGS.

8. (1.) The Under-Secretary may authorize any registered acclimatization society to take, within the district of that society, the eggs of the black swan (*Cygnus atratus*) and sell or otherwise dispose of such eggs.
- (2.) The Under-Secretary, in authorizing a society to take and sell such eggs, may specify the purpose to which the proceeds derived therefrom shall be devoted.

COOL STORAGE OF GAME.

9. (1.) Any person authorized to take or kill or to sell imported game or native game or both may place in any freezing or cool chamber any such game so taken or killed,