

*Regulations for Trout-fishing.—Rotorua Acclimatization District (excluding Taupo).*

CHARLES FERGUSSON, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 13th day of September, 1926.

Present:

HIS EXCELLENCY THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance of the powers and authorities vested in him by the Fisheries Act, 1908, and its amendments, 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 make the following regulations and doth declare as follows:—

1. The following regulations shall have force and effect only in the waters and places described in the First Schedule to the following regulations.

2. The following regulations shall come into force on and from the first day of November, one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six.

3. The regulations made for the Rotorua Acclimatization District by Order in Council dated the twenty-seventh day of October, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, and published in the *Gazette* on the twenty-ninth day of October, one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, at page 3876, shall, upon the coming into force of the following regulations, be revoked so far as they relate to the waters and places in which the following regulations are declared to have force and effect.

4. In so far as any other regulations heretofore made and now in force are inconsistent with or repugnant to the following regulations the same shall be deemed to be subject to the following regulations.

REGULATIONS.

1. INTERPRETATION.

(1.) IN these regulations, if not inconsistent with the context,—

“General Manager or his appointee” means the General Manager for the time being of the Department of Tourist and Health Resorts or any one authorized in writing by such General Manager to act on his behalf for all the purposes of these regulations or any particular purpose, as the case may be.

“License” means a license to fish for trout issued under these regulations.

“Open season,” with reference to that part of the district which is exclusive of the Whakatane Sub-district, means the period from the 1st day of November in any year to the 31st day of May in the next following year (both days inclusive); and with reference to the remainder of the district—that is to say, the Whakatane Subdistrict means the period from the 1st day of October in any year to the 30th day of April in the next following year (both days inclusive).

“Close season,” with reference to any part of the district, means the portion of any year which is not included in the open season as hereby defined.

“The district” means the waters and places described in the First Schedule hereto.

“Whakatane Subdistrict” means the area described in the Third Schedule hereto.

(2.) These regulations may be cited as “the Rotorua Trout-fishing Regulations, 1926.”

2. ISSUE OF LICENSES.

(1.) The following licenses to fish for trout in the district may be issued:—

- (a.) A whole-season license.
- (b.) A monthly license.
- (c.) A weekly license.
- (d.) A day license.

A whole-season license issued to a man or woman on or after the 1st day of February in any year may be referred to as a half-season license.

(2.) Applications for licenses shall be made to the General Manager or his appointee.

(3.) All licenses shall be issued under the hand of the General Manager or his appointee, and shall be generally in the form set forth in the Second Schedule hereto.

(4.) The General Manager or his appointee may refuse to issue a license to any person who within the previous two years has been convicted of any breach of the provisions of any Act relating to fishing for trout or of any regulation made thereunder.

3. LICENSE FEES.

(1.) The fee for each whole-season license issued to a male person not attending school or under the age of sixteen years shall be £1, except as provided by clause (3) of this regulation.

(2.) The fee for each whole-season license issued to a female person not attending school or under the age of sixteen years shall be 15s., except as provided by the next succeeding clause of this regulation.

(3.) The fee for each whole-season license issued on or after the 1st day of February in any year to any person other than a boy or girl attending school or under the age of sixteen years shall be 12s. 6d.

(4.) The fee for each whole-season license issued to a boy or girl attending school or under the age of sixteen years shall be 5s.

(5.) The fee for each monthly license issued shall be 12s. 6d.

(6.) The fee for each weekly license issued shall be 7s. 6d.

(7.) The fee for each day license issued shall be 2s. 6d.

(8.) The foregoing fees shall be paid to the General Manager or his appointee prior to the issue of the respective licenses.

4. RIGHTS AND RESTRICTIONS UNDER LICENSES.

(1.) The holder of a whole-season license may fish for trout in any part of the district during the whole of the open season there in respect of which the license is issued, but every such license shall be for one season only and shall expire as regards any part of the district at the close in that part of the district of the open season in respect of which it was issued.

(2.) The holder of a monthly, weekly, or day license may fish for trout in any part of the said district within the open season there during or in respect of which the same is issued between the first and last days set out in the license (both days inclusive) or on the day set out in the license, as the case may be.

(3.) Every license is subject always to the special limits and restrictions set out in these regulations or otherwise imposed by law, and notwithstanding the terms of any license the holder thereof shall not be authorized to fish in any place during the close season in that place.

(4.) No license shall confer any right of entry upon the land of any person without his consent.

(5.) No license shall be transferable or be deemed to authorize any person to fish other than the person named therein.

5. FISHING WITHOUT A LICENSE.

(1.) No person shall fish for, take, or kill trout within the district unless he is the holder of a license issued under these regulations, except as provided by Regulation 13 hereof.

(2.) A general license to fish for trout and other acclimatized fish in every acclimatization district issued pursuant to the general regulations enuring under the Fisheries Act, 1908, and made by Order in Council dated the 23rd day of August, 1907, and published in the *Gazette* on the 29th day of August, 1907, at page 2685, shall not entitle the holder to fish for trout or other acclimatized fish in the district; but such general license shall not be required to be held by a person holding a license issued under these regulations.

(3.) Every person fishing for trout, or in possession of fishing gear, shall, on the demand of any Ranger, constable, officer of the Department of Tourist and Health Resorts, or of any person producing a current license, give his true name and place of residence, and, on the like demand, produce and show to such Ranger, officer, constable, or person his license and the contents of his creel or bag and the lure or bait used by him for taking, catching, or killing trout.

6. RESTRICTIONS ON TIMES OF FISHING.

(1.) No person shall fish for, take, or kill trout between the hours of 9 p.m. on any day and 4 a.m. on the following day.

(2.) No person shall fish for, take, or kill trout or in any way injure or disturb the same in any part of the district during the close season there.

7. RESTRICTIONS ON METHODS OF FISHING.

(1.) No person shall fish for, take, or kill trout otherwise than with one rod and line; but a landing net or gaff may be used to secure any trout caught with such rod and line.

(2.) No person shall, in fishing for trout,—

- (a.) Use any lure or bait other than the natural or artificial fly or natural or artificial minnow, or some form of spoon bait, or any small indigenous fish, or grasshopper, or beetle or spider or insect the use of which is not otherwise forbidden by these regulations.
- (b.) Use as a lure or bait the shell-fish koura, or worms, or the creeper, or the huhu, or matai-grub.
- (c.) Use any lure or bait otherwise than upon a running line attached to a rod and reel.
- (d.) Use with any lure or bait any medicated or chemical preparation whatever.