

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

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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.
Shoveller.	Turnstone.
Paradise duck.	

ABSOLUTELY PROTECTED BIRDS.

The following is a list of absolutely protected birds:—

Albatross—	Fern-bird (matata)—
Black-browed mollymawk.	Chatham Island fern-bird.
Bounty Island mollymawk.	Mainland species.
Campbell Island mollymawk.	Snares Island fern-bird.
Royal albatross.	Gannet—
Snares Island mollymawk.	Gannet (takapu).
Sooty albatross.	Masked gannet.
Wandering albatross (toroa).	Grebe—
Yellow-nosed mollymawk.	Crested grebe (weweia).
Australian tree-swallow.	Little grebe, or dabchick (totokipio).
Avocet.	Gull—
Bell-bird, or mokōy (kōrimako).	Black-billed gull.
Auckland Island bell-bird.	Red-billed gull (tarapunga).
Chatham Island bell-bird.	Sea-hawk (hakoakoa).
Bittern (matuku-hurepo).	Heron—
Little bittern (kioriki).	Blue-heron (matuku).
Canary—	Nankeen night-heron.
Bush canary (mohua).	White-fronted heron (matuku-moana).
White-head canary (popokotea).	White heron (kotuku).
Creepers (South Island), (pipipi, toitoi).	Huia.
Crow—	Kaka.
North Island crow (kokako).	Kakapo (ground-parrot).
South Island crow (kokako).	Kingfisher (kotare).
Cuckoo (Family Cuculidae)—	Kiwi—
Long-tailed cuckoo (kōkōea).	Brown kiwi.
Shining cuckoo (pipiwharuroa).	Great spotted kiwi (roaroa).
Dottrel—	Grey kiwi.
Banded dottrel.	Spotted kiwi.
New Zealand dottrel.	Southern kiwi (roa).
Duck—	Stewart Island kiwi.
Auckland Island duck.	Magpie (Australian).
Blue or mountain duck (whio).	Martin.
Brown duck (tarawhatu).	Owl—
Grey teal (papango).	Laughing-owl (whēkau).
Fantail—	Morepork (ruru, kōkōu).
Black fantail (tiwakawaka).	Rufous-faced owl (North Island).
Chatham Island pied fantail.	Oyster-catcher, or redbill—
Pied fantail (tiwakawaka).	Black oyster-catcher, or redbill (torea).
	Pied oyster-catcher, or redbill (torea).

Parrakeet—

Antipodes Island parrakeet.
Auckland Island parrakeet.
Chatham Island parrakeet.
Kermadec Island parrakeet.
Orange-fronted parrakeet.
Red-fronted parrakeet (kakariki).
Yellow-fronted parrakeet.
Parson-bird (tui).

Penguin—

Big-crested penguin.
Blue penguin (korora).
Campbell Island crested penguin.
Crested penguin (tawaki).
King penguin.
Rock-hopper penguin.
Royal penguin.
Tufted penguin.
White-flipped penguin.
Yellow-eyed penguin (hoiho or hoihoi).

Petrel—

Black petrel (toanui).
Black-bellied storm-petrel.
Black-capped petrel.
Black-winged petrel.
Blue petrel.
Brown petrel.
Cape pigeon.
Chatham Island petrel.
Cook's petrel (titi).
Diving-petrel.
Grey-backed storm petrel.
Grey-faced petrel.
Giant petrel, or nelly.
Kermadec Island mutton-bird.
Rainbird.
Silver-grey petrel.
Whale-bird.
Whale-bird (whiroia).
White-chinned petrel.
White-faced storm-petrel.
White-headed petrel.
Wilson's storm-petrel.

Pigeon (kereru).

Chatham Island pigeon.

Pipit (pihoihoi, ground lark).

Antipodes Island pipit.
Auckland Island pipit.
Chatham Island pipit.

Plover—

Lapwing.
Sand-plover (kukuruaatu).
Wrybill (ngutupare).

Rail—

Auckland Island rail.
Dieffenbach's rail (Chatham Island), (moeraki).
Mangare rail.
Marsh-rail (koitareke).
Pectoral rail (mohopereru patata).
Swamp-rail (putoto).
Rifleman (titipounamu).
Robin—
Chatham Island robin.

Robin—continued.

North Island wood-robin (toutouwai).
Snares robin.
South Island alpine robin.
South Island wood-robin (toutouwai).
Saddleback (tieke).
Sandpiper.
Shag (kawau)—
Carunculated shag (phalacrocorax carunculatus).
Chatham Island shag.
Shearwater (hakoakoa).
Allied shearwater.
Long-tailed shearwater.
Pink-footed shearwater.
Wedge-tailed shearwater.

Snipe—

Antipodes Island snipe.
Auckland Island snipe.
Chatham Island snipe.
Common snipe.
Snares Island snipe.

Southern merganser.

Starling.

Stilt-plover—

Black stilt-plover (kaki).
Pied stilt-plover.

Stitch-bird (hihi).

Takahe.

Tern—

Black-fronted tern (tara).
Caspian tern (tara nui).
Grey noddy.
Little tern.
Sooty tern.
Swallow-tailed tern.
White-capped noddy.
White-fronted tern (tara).
White-tern.
White-winged black tern.

Thrush—

North Island thrush (piopio).
South Island thrush (piopio).

Tomtit (miromiro)—

Auckland Island tomtit.
Chatham Island tomtit.
North Island tomtit.
South Island tomtit.
Tropic bird (raukura).

Warbler—

Chatham Island warbler.
Grey warbler (riroriro).
Superb warbler (or blue wren).

Woodhen—

Black woodhen (weka).
Brown woodhen (weka).
North Island woodhen (weka).
South Island woodhen (weka).
Stewart Island woodhen (weka).

Wren—

Blue wren (or superb warbler).
Green wren.
Rock-wren.
Stephen Island wren.

SANCTUARIES.

It is illegal, without the authority of the Minister of Internal Affairs, to take any dog or firearm on to a sanctuary, or to discharge any firearm or explosive thereon, or to do anything likely to cause any bird or animal to leave a sanctuary.

Every person who unlawfully takes or kills any bird or animal on a sanctuary is liable to a fine of £10 for such offence, and to a further fine of £1 for each animal or bird so taken or killed.

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