

## REGULATIONS.

1. LICENSES to fish for trout, perch, tench, or other acclimatized fish (being fish not indigenous to New Zealand waters) within the said district may be issued under the hand of the Secretary of the Lakes District Acclimatization Society or any one authorized by the said Secretary in that behalf, and such license shall entitle the person named therein to fish in the said acclimatization district from the 1st day of November, in any one year to the 30th day of April in the year following, subject to the said Acts, and any regulations made thereunder and in force in the said district, and to these regulations:

Provided that the season for fishing for salmon shall commence on the 1st day of November in each year and end on the 15th day of May in the year following:

Provided further that the Secretary may refuse to issue a license to any person who (within the previous five years) has been convicted of any breach of the provisions of any Act relating to fishing for salmon, trout, perch, tench, or other acclimatized fish, or of any regulations made thereunder.

2. The fee to be charged for a license as aforesaid to each male person over the age of sixteen years shall be £1, and every such license shall be in the form set forth in the Second Schedule hereto. Licenses may also be issued to boys attending school or under the age of sixteen, or to women, at a fee of 5s. for each license so issued:

Provided that it shall be lawful for any Secretary or his deputy, in any case where application is made for a license on or after the 20th day of December in any year, to issue a license to any man for the sum of 12s. 6d., but so that such license shall extend only from the time of granting the same until the termination of the then trout-fishing season. No license shall confer any right of entry upon the land of any person without his consent.

3. It shall be unlawful to take trout with nets, or with rod and line, or by any other means, in Queenstown Bay, Lake Wakatipu, inside a straight line drawn from the outermost point of the Tourist Park to the outermost boundary of the Borough Immigration Barracks Reserve.

4. The Secretary of the said society may issue day-licenses to *bona fide* travellers and strangers, not resident within the district aforesaid, on payment of a fee of 2s. 6d. for each day's fishing.

5. Except where otherwise provided it shall be unlawful to fish for, take or kill trout, perch, tench, or other acclimatized fish, otherwise than with one rod and line, but a landing-net or gaff may be used to secure any trout, perch, tench, or other acclimatized fish caught with such rod and line, and no lures or baits other than natural or artificial flies, insects, worms, or fish shall be used with such rod and line.

6. It shall be unlawful for any person to fish with more than two flies, or one fly and one minnow, or one fly and one natural bait, or two natural baits affixed to any trace. No fly shall have more than one hook, and it shall not be lawful to use more than one lead or sinker, and such lead or sinker must be tied above all flies, minnow, or natural bait used.

7. It shall be unlawful to use any wire, either plain or twisted, or gimp trace of a greater gauge than 21 standard wire gauge.

8. It shall be unlawful to use any wire or gimp trace of a greater length than 6 ft. The provisions contained in this and the two regulations immediately preceding shall not apply to single-hooked flies size 10 (old numbers), or smaller, or to wire traces not exceeding 28 standard wire gauge.

9. It shall be unlawful to fish with a set rod unattended.

10. No license shall authorize any person other than the person named therein to fish.

11. No person shall take, kill, or have in his possession any trout, perch, or tench, between the 1st day of May and the 31st day of October in any year, or any salmon between the 15th day of May and the 31st day of October, which periods are hereby appointed the close seasons for such fish respectively:

Provided always that this regulation shall not apply to fish caught by the officers of the Marine Department or of an acclimatization society, or the General Manager of the Department of Tourists and Health Resorts for the purpose of pisciculture or scientific investigation:

Provided, further, that nothing herein contained shall be deemed to affect the provisions of any regulation now in force or hereafter made with respect to keeping such fish in freezing or cool chambers during the close season hereinbefore mentioned.

12. No person shall cast or throw into any river, lake, or stream in which salmon, trout, perch, tench, or other acclimatized fish exist or have been liberated, or shall allow to flow into, or place near the bank or margin of any such river, lake, or stream, any sawdust or sawmill refuse, lime, sheep-dip, flax-mill refuse, or any other matter or liquid that is noxious, poisonous, or injurious to fish:

Provided that nothing herein contained shall extend to prohibit the depositing in such river, lake, or stream of debris from any mining claim.

13. Save as provided herein or by any other regulations under the said Acts, no person shall take, fish for, catch, or kill in any manner whatever, or have in his possession, any salmon-parr, or smolts, or the ova, young, or fry of any salmon in any stage whatever; and any of the above-named taken by accident or otherwise shall immediately be returned alive into the water from which the same is taken.

14. No person shall fish for trout, perch, tench, or other acclimatized fish without a license; and every person fishing shall, on the demand of any ranger, constable, officer of the said society, or of any person producing a license, produce and show to such ranger, officer, constable, or person his license, and the contents of his creel or bag and the bait used by him for taking, catching, or killing such salmon, trout, perch, tench, or other acclimatized fish.

15. Every trout not exceeding 9 in. in length from nose to tip of tail taken or caught by any person shall immediately be returned alive into the water from which the same is taken.

16. No person shall take, catch, or kill any perch under 8 in. in length, nor shall perch be taken, caught, or killed at all or had in the possession of any person between the 1st day of May and the 31st day of October in any year.

17. No cross-line fishing, stroke-hauling, wilful foul-hooking, spearing, or any other unsportsmanlike device shall be used for the purpose of taking, catching, or killing salmon, trout, perch, tench, or other acclimatized fish; nor shall any baits be used with any medicated or chemical preparation whatever.

18. Except as provided in these or other regulations under the said Acts, no person shall put, throw, drag, draw, or place, or allow to be put, thrown, dragged, drawn, or placed, for any purpose whatsoever any net of any description except a landing-net, bully, or silvery net, or whitebait net in any of the waters, lakes, rivers, or streams in the said district in which salmon, trout, perch, tench, or other acclimatized fish have been placed or exist, or in the outlet, mouth, or entrance of any such waters, lakes, rivers, or streams.

19. For the purpose of these regulations the mouth or entrance of every such river or stream shall be deemed to include every outlet of the same and the shore between such outlets, and shall extend over a radius of 500 yds. from the point or line where the waters of such river or stream meet those of a lake, or of any harbour at low water.

20. No person shall sell, or expose or offer for sale, trout, perch, tench, or any part thereof.

21. Any regulation regarding the number or weight of trout which a person may take or catch in any one day or other specified period which has been made by general regulations under the Fisheries Act, 1908, and its amendments or regulations shall not apply to the said district.

22. If any person shall be convicted of an offence against these regulations the license (if any) held by the offender shall thereupon become void.

23. The penalty for the breach of any of these regulations shall not be more than £50.

## NETTING.

24. Until otherwise ordered by His Excellency the Governor-General the Lakes District Acclimatization Society shall have the control and management of all salmon and trout now or hereafter to be placed in the lakes in the said Lakes District Acclimatization District, and for this purpose may divide the lakes into suitable areas. The right of fishing such areas to be let by the said society, from year to year, by public auction or public tender.

25. The season for netting shall extend from the 1st day of November in any year to the 30th day of April in the year following, inclusive.

26. No person shall use a net of smaller mesh than three and a half inches in diameter for the taking of fish in any portion of the Lakes District, and all fish not larger than 12 in. in length caught by net shall be forthwith returned to the water.

27. No person shall use nets for the taking of fish in any of the rivers, or streams, or creeks within the Lakes District Acclimatization District.

28. No person shall haul or use a net for the purpose of taking fish in Queenstown Bay, Lake Wakatipu, inside a straight line drawn from the outermost point of the Tourist Park to the outermost boundary of the Borough Immigration Barracks Reserve.

29. No person shall be permitted to use a net for the purpose of fishing unless he holds a valid license so to fish from the Lakes District Acclimatization Society.

30. Subject to the restrictions imposed by clause three hereof any person holding a fishing license under the provisions of the regulations for fishing in the Lakes District Acclimatization District may fish with rod and line in any lake, river, or stream within the said district.

31. The Lakes District Acclimatization Society, through their officers, rangers, inspectors, constables, or any other person duly authorized, shall have full power at any time to