

*Regulations for Trout and Perch Fishing in the Wellington  
Acclimatization District.*

BLEDISLOE, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government House at Wellington, this 31st day of August, 1931.

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 for all that part of the Dominion known as the Wellington Acclimatization District, as the same may be from time to time defined, and the waters thereof; and doth hereby declare that these regulations shall, as from the date of the publication thereof in the *Gazette*, supersede all other regulations for the said district, and such regulations are hereby revoked.

REGULATIONS.

1. LICENSES to fish for trout, perch, or other acclimatized fish in all waters within the said district may be issued under the hand of the secretary of the Wellington 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 October 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 to these regulations: Provided that the secretary may refuse to issue a license to any person who, within the two years prior to his application for such license, has been convicted of any breach of the provisions of any Act relating to fishing for trout, perch, or other acclimatized fish, or of any regulation 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 Schedule hereto. Licenses may also be issued to boys attending school or under the age of sixteen, or to women, at a reduced 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. 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.

4. Trout, perch, or other acclimatized fish shall not be fished for, taken, or killed, otherwise than with one rod and a line always free to run, but a landing net or gaff may be used to secure any trout, perch, or other acclimatized fish caught with such rod and line.

5. It shall be lawful for the holder of any license issued pursuant to these regulations to fish with live baits in that portion of the Rangitikei River from the Moawhango Road Crossing at the Hawke's Bay boundary to the sea, and in that portion of the Oroua River from the Awahuri Bridge to its junction with the Manawatu River.

6. No lures or baits, other than artificial ones, shall be used in the following rivers and streams and their tributaries: The Wainui-o-Mata; the Wainui tributary of the Whakatiki; the Mungarua and its tributaries; the Koro Koro; the Akatarawa and its tributaries; the Pukuratahi and its tributaries; the Belmont Stream; the Horokiwi; the Pahautanui and its tributaries (Hutt County); the South Karori; the Porirua; the Kaiwarra (Makara County); the Mangaone; the Otaki and its tributaries above the railway-bridge; the Waitohu; the Waikawa; the Waikanee (above Buchanan's House); the Mangahao and its tributaries, above and including the dams (2); the Horipiti Dam; the Tokomaru; the Ohau and its tributaries, above the railway-bridge (Horowhenua County); Abbott's Creek; the Mangatarera and the Mangatiriri; the Waipoua and its tributaries; the Ruamahunga and its tributaries, from the Te Ore Ore Road Bridge to its source; the Kourarau Stream, including dams (2), (Wairarapa); the Kahutarawa; the Tiritea (Kairanga County); the Makakahi and its tributaries within the boundaries of the Eketahuna County; the Mangatainoka and its tributaries throughout the whole course; the Makuri and its tributaries (Pahiatua County); the Hautapu from Mataroa southward to the Rangitikei; the Moawhango. In the Hutt

River from the Belmont Stream to the Moonshine Bridge artificial baits and bully only are permitted.

7. No person shall use any sinker or weight exceeding the weight of 3 B.B. shot when fishing with live bait in waters where such bait may be used.

(NOTE.—One B.B. shot weighs one-fiftieth of an ounce (avoirdupois) and measures 18/100 of one inch or between 5 and 6 to one inch.)

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

9. No person shall have in his possession any salmon or trout between the 1st day of May and the 30th day of September in any year, which period is hereby appointed a close season for all such fish: 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 research: Provided further that nothing herein contained shall be deemed to affect the provisions of any regulations now in force, or hereafter made, with respect to keeping trout or salmon in freezing or cool chambers during the close season hereinbefore mentioned.

10. No person shall cast or throw into any stream in which trout or salmon exist or have been liberated, or shall allow to flow into, or place near the bank or margin of any such 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 stream of debris from any mining claim.

11. 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.

12. No person shall fish for trout, perch, or other acclimatized fish without a license; and every person fishing shall, on 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 trout, perch, or other acclimatized fish.

13. Every trout not exceeding 10 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; except that in the Kaiwarra, South Karori, and Koro Koro Streams, in which streams the minimum length of any trout which may be taken shall be 9 in. measured as aforesaid.

14. No cross-line fishing, stroke-hauling, or any other unsportsmanlike device shall be used for the purpose of taking, catching, or killing trout, perch, or other acclimatized fish; nor shall any of the above-mentioned baits be used with any medicated or chemical preparation whatever.

15. No person shall buy, sell, or expose, or offer for sale, or shall fish for the purpose of obtaining for sale, any salmon, trout, perch, or other acclimatized fish, or any part thereof.

16. No person shall take or catch more than twenty trout in any one day.

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

18. The penalty for the breach of any of these regulations shall not be less than 40s. or more than £50.

SCHEDULE.

LICENSE TO FISH.

The Fisheries Act, 1908, and its Amendments.

THE holder of this license [*Name in full*], of [*Address*], [*Calling or occupation*], having this day paid the sum of \_\_\_\_\_, is hereby authorized to fish with only one rod and running line for trout and other acclimatized fish in every acclimatization district in New Zealand, except in Rotorua Acclimatization District and Taupo waters, from the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, to the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, subject to the said Acts and to the regulations made thereunder, and to the regulations for the time being in force in the Wellington Acclimatization District, and to the local regulations for the time being in force in other acclimatization districts.

Dated at \_\_\_\_\_, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_.

Secretary, Wellington Acclimatization Society.

F. D. THOMSON,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.