



SUPPLEMENT

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General Regulations under Part III of the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, respecting Opossums.

BLEDISLOE, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 24th day of May, 1934.

Present:

THE RIGHT HON. G. W. FORBES PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance and exercise of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22 (hereinafter referred to as the "said Act"), and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, 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 the Opossum Regulations, 1930, made under Part III of the said Act, and doth hereby make the following regulations for the purposes of the said Act, and doth hereby declare that the regulations hereby made shall have force and effect throughout New Zealand, subject to the said Act, and to any special regulations made thereunder in force in any acclimatization district.

REGULATIONS.

1. INTERPRETATION.

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

"Authorized officer" means any person appointed by the Under-Secretary to be an authorized officer for any specified purpose under these regulations:

"Broker" includes any person whose business it is to act as a broker or dealer in respect of the purchase and sale of opossum-skins:

"License" means a license to take or kill opossums issued under these regulations; but does not include a broker's license:

"Licensed broker" means any person who has obtained a broker's license as hereinafter provided from the Under-Secretary:

"Minister" means the Minister of Internal Affairs:

"Occupier" includes the wife or husband of an occupier (as the case may be):

"Official mark" means any mark mentioned in these regulations or in any former regulations respecting opossums made under Part III of the said Act or under the Animals Protection Amendment Act, 1920, including a royalty-paid stamp:

"Opossum" means any animal of the genus *trichosurus* or of any other genus of the family *phalangeridae* (commonly known as Australian opossums); but does not include any animal of the species *didelphys* (commonly known as American opossum); and "opossum-skin" has a corresponding meaning:

"Skins" and "opossum-skins" include tanned skins, but do not include tanned or prepared skins *bona fide* used as a rug, coat, muff, or article of personal or domestic or household use or ornament:

"Under-Secretary" means the Under-Secretary of the Department of Internal Affairs.

(2) These regulations may be cited as the Opossum Regulations, 1934.

2. TAKING OF OPOSSUMS.

(1) Opossums may be taken or killed only in the following manner:—

(a) By means of a running noose fixed in such manner that the head of the animal will pass through the noose.

(b) By means of the trap known as the American jump-trap, with or without teeth, or by the box trap, or by the ordinary rabbit-trap, or trap of similar construction.

(c) All such traps for the taking of opossums must be placed on the ground while in use: Provided that traps may be set off the ground if provision is made whereby the trap when sprung and the opossum which it holds will fall to the ground immediately.

(2) Every person engaged in taking opossums shall visit all traps or other contrivances used for that purpose at least once daily.

(3) Except as provided in these regulations, or in any special regulations made in respect of any district, no person shall take or kill opossums unless he is at the time the holder of a license or permit.

(4) Notwithstanding anything hereinbefore contained, any *bona fide* occupier of any land, and any one son or daughter of such occupier may take or kill opossums on that land without a license (but subject to obtaining a permit as hereinafter provided, and to all other restrictions and conditions imposed by or under the said Act or these regulations) during any open season in which opossums may lawfully be taken or killed under a license in the district within the boundaries of which such land is situated:

Provided that no person convicted of a breach of these regulations or of any former regulations respecting opossums made under Part III of the said Act, or a breach of section 16 of the Police Offences Act, 1927, shall be entitled to exercise any of the rights and privileges conferred by this clause within a period of two years next following the date of such conviction, notwithstanding that such person may have obtained a permit pursuant to the next succeeding clause hereof; and a permit issued to any such person shall be of no effect.

(5) Before any person takes or kills opossums pursuant to clause (4) of this regulation he shall first apply for and obtain a permit for such purpose from the secretary of the acclimatization society in whose district the said land is situated, and shall furnish such evidence as the secretary may require in proof that he is a *bona fide* occupier of such land or the son or daughter of a *bona fide* occupier, as the case may be. It shall be mandatory on the secretary of the acclimatization society concerned to issue such permit if the secretary is satisfied that the applicant is a person qualified to hold a permit. No fee shall be charged for such permit. Such permit shall be in the form or to the effect set out in form No. 6 in the First Schedule hereto. Where the holder of any permit issued under this clause is convicted of a breach of any of these regulations, the Court by which he is so convicted may, if it thinks fit, cancel such permit.

(6) The Minister may, by writing under his hand, authorize any acclimatization society, or the officers or servants of any such society, or any other person without being the holder of a license, to catch or take opossums for the purpose of distributing or exchanging the same in some other country or in some other part of New Zealand, or for any scientific or other purpose approved by the Minister. Any such authority may permit the holder thereof to enter upon a sanctuary or public domain for the purpose of catching or taking opossums as specified therein, and shall be subject to such conditions as may be specified therein.

(7) Notwithstanding anything in these regulations, it shall be lawful at any time and in any acclimatization district for the following persons to take or kill opossums, by any means not involving unnecessary cruelty, in the respective places hereinafter mentioned:—

- (a) The occupier of a registered orchard, within the boundaries of such orchard;
- (b) The occupier of a registered orchard exceeding one acre in extent, within the boundaries of such orchard and on the land within half a mile of such orchard (with the consent of the person in occupation of such land);
- (c) The occupier of any land within half a mile of a registered orchard exceeding one acre in extent, upon such land;
- (d) The occupier of any land within any of the areas defined in the Second Schedule hereto, upon the land in his occupation within such area;

Provided always that for the purpose of this clause—

“Occupier” includes a *bona fide* employee of an occupier;

“Registered orchard” means an orchard registered under the Orchard and Garden Diseases Act, 1928:

Provided also that the provisions of Regulation 4 hereof shall apply so far as applicable to any such occupier or employee as if he were the holder of a license:

Provided also that no person convicted of a breach of these regulations or of any former regulations respecting opossums made under Part III of the said Act, or a breach of section 16 of the Police Offences Act, 1927, shall be entitled to exercise any of the rights and privileges conferred by this clause within a period of two years next following the date of such conviction.

(8) Before any person takes or kills opossums pursuant to clause (7) of this regulation he shall first apply for and obtain a permit for such purpose from the secretary of the acclimatization society in whose district the land occupied by him is situated, and shall furnish such evidence as the secretary may require in proof that he is qualified under the provisions of the said clause (7). It shall be mandatory on the secretary of the acclimatization society concerned to issue such permit if such secretary is satisfied that the applicant is a person qualified to hold a permit. No fee shall be charged for such permit. Such permit shall be in the form or to the effect set out in form No. 8 in the First Schedule hereto.

(9) On being satisfied that injury or damage to any land has arisen or is likely to arise through the presence of opossums on such land, the Minister may in writing authorize the owner or occupier of such land, or his servants, to take or kill opossums thereon without being the holder of a license, subject to such conditions and during such period not exceeding three months from the date thereof as may be specified in such Warrant.

(10) Every person holding a permit to take or kill opossums shall, on demand by any authorized person, produce such permit, and after such demand, if such permit is not produced, or if the person gives a false name or place of residence or address, he shall be liable to a fine not exceeding £20.

(11) For the purposes of the last preceding clause of this regulation “authorized person” includes all Justices, constables, rangers, officers of the State Forest Service, or officers of acclimatization societies, proprietors, or occupiers of land upon which any person may be found in pursuit of opossums, and all holders of licenses or permits to take or kill opossums.

(12) The provisions of Regulations 8 and 9 hereof (relating to royalties and disposal of skins) shall apply to the skins of all opossums taken or killed in New Zealand, whether pursuant to a license in that behalf or otherwise under the provisions of this regulation.

3. LICENSES.

(1) A license to take or kill opossums may be issued to any person on payment of the prescribed fee, in the form No. 1 in the First Schedule hereto, and shall be issued by the officers appointed in the special regulations issued in respect of each district; provided that no such license shall be issued to any person who is the holder of a broker's license issued under Regulation 6 hereof; provided, further, that no license shall authorize the taking or killing of opossums in any sanctuary other than a scenic reserve.

(2) Every person holding a license to take or kill opossums shall, on demand by any authorized person, produce such license, and after such demand, if such license is not produced, or if the person gives a false name or place of residence or address, he shall be liable to a fine not exceeding £20.

(3) For the purposes of the last preceding clause of this regulation “authorized person” includes all Justices, constables, rangers, officers of the State Forest Service, or officers of acclimatization societies, proprietors, or occupiers of land upon which any person may be found in pursuit of opossums, and all holders of licenses or permits to take or kill opossums.

(4) Any person authorized to issue licenses hereunder 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 any of these regulations or of any former regulations respecting opossums made under Part III of the said Act, or a breach of section 16 of the Police Offences Act, 1927.

(5) Where the holder of a license hereunder is convicted of a breach of any of these regulations the Court by which he is so convicted may, if it thinks fit, revoke his license.

(6) If through no fault of his own a person who has paid the prescribed fee for a license to take or kill opossums should be unable to use such license, or if he has inadvertently taken out a license when such license is not required under this regulation, the Minister may, in his absolute discretion, direct that the whole of such fee or any portion thereof shall be refunded to such person. In such event such person shall, before such refund is made, surrender such license to the officer by whom it was issued.

(7) If any person to whom a license has been issued under this regulation proves to the satisfaction of any person authorized to issue licenses, by such evidence as such authorized person may see fit to require, that any license or copy of a license has been lost or mutilated or become illegible, and on payment of a fee of 5s., he may at any time during the currency of the license obtain from such authorized person a copy of the license certified as being a true copy, and such copy shall be available for all purposes for which the original license could have been available under this regulation.

4. ENTRY ON PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LAND.

(1) The holder of any license is not entitled by virtue of such license to enter upon any land in private occupation without the consent of the owner or occupier thereof.

(2) The holder of any license is not entitled by virtue of such license—

- (a) To enter upon any State forest, provisional State forest, forest reserve, forest-plantation reserve, bush reserve, timber reserve, or reserve for the growth and preservation of timber without the written consent of a Conservator of Forests or a responsible officer of the State Forest Service having control thereof; nor
- (b) To enter upon any Crown land not in private occupation, any scenic reserve, or any public reserve, other than a public domain, without the written consent of a Commissioner of Crown Lands, or of any Board having control thereof; nor

(c) To enter upon any reserve under the Tourist and Health Resorts Control Act, 1908, without the written consent of the General Manager of the Department of Tourist and Health Resorts or his appointee.

(3) Notification of any consent given under clause (2) of this regulation shall be endorsed on the license by an officer authorized to issue licenses on his being satisfied that such consent has been duly given.

(4) If any person to whom application is made for the issue of a license has reason to believe that the applicant proposes to take or kill opossums upon lands of any of the classes referred to in clause (2) of this regulation, he shall withhold the issue of such license until production to him of such written consent as aforesaid.

5. TRAPPER'S STATEMENT AND MARKING OF SKINS.

(1) Any person taking or killing opossums in New Zealand shall prepare and sign in duplicate a true and correct statement in writing in the form No. 2 in the First Schedule hereto, relating to such opossums and the skins thereof, and shall therein state in words the number of skins to which such statement relates.

(2) Such person or a licensed broker authorized in writing in the said form No. 2 to act on his behalf shall apply to the secretary or a ranger of the acclimatization society in whose district the opossums were killed or taken, or to a Ranger of the Department of Internal Affairs, or to any other person specially authorized for that purpose (hereinafter called the certifying officer) to sign on each copy of the said statement the certificate set out at the foot of the said form No. 2.

(3) On making application for the certificate of the certifying officer such person or such licensed broker shall produce to the certifying officer the skins of the opossums to which such statement relates.

(4) No broker or other person shall accept delivery of any skins not bearing an official mark, unless accompanied by both copies of such statement; and where a broker accepts delivery of such skins he shall endorse on both copies of the accompanying statement a receipt for the skins therein referred to, and shall state in such receipt the number of skins in words.

(5) No certifying officer shall sign any certificate on such statement unless the skins of the opossums to which such statement relates have been produced to him as hereinbefore provided.

(6) On payment of royalty by a licensed broker one copy of such statement so certified shall be delivered to the officer authorized to receive royalty and shall be forwarded by him to the Under-Secretary with his monthly return referred to in clause (16) of Regulation 8 hereof, and the other copy thereof shall be forwarded by the licensed broker to the Under-Secretary with the monthly certified copy of register entries referred to in clause (2) of Regulation 7 hereof.

(7) On payment of royalty by any person other than a licensed broker, both copies of such statement so certified shall be delivered to the officer authorized to receive royalty, and shall be forwarded by him to the Under-Secretary with his monthly return referred to in clause (16) of Regulation 8 hereof.

(8) No person shall present any skins to an officer authorized to receive royalty or deliver any skins to a licensed broker unless each such skin has been legibly marked before drying in indelible pencil, or by other similar effective means with the number of the license or permit of the person who took or killed the opossum and the year in which the opossum was killed or taken.

6. BROKERS' LICENSES.

(1) No person, firm, or corporation shall act as a broker within the meaning of these regulations in any acclimatization district without being the holder of an annual license, to be called a broker's license, in the form No. 4 in the First Schedule hereto, in respect of every acclimatization district in which such broker carries on the business or any part of the business of a broker.

(2) Application for a broker's license shall be made in writing to the Under-Secretary in the form No. 3 in the First Schedule hereto, and shall be signed by the applicant in person or by some member of a firm, or by a manager or other responsible officer of a company, as the case may require; and in the case of a broker's license to be issued to a partnership firm or a member thereof the application shall set out the full name and address of every partner in that firm.

(3) A broker's license shall be issued by the Under-Secretary, and shall expire on the 30th day of April following the date thereof and there shall be payable on the issue thereof a fee of £2 10s.; provided that a broker's license shall not be issued to any person who is the holder of a license to take or kill opossums issued under Regulation 3 hereof.

(4) It shall be sufficient compliance with this regulation on the part of a partnership firm or company if one of two or more persons carrying on business in partnership or if the manager or other person nominated in writing by the general manager of a company (as the case may be) is the holder of a broker's license under this regulation, and in such case it

shall be in the discretion of the Under-Secretary whether a broker's license shall be issued to such firm or company or to a partner in the firm or a nominee of the company, as the case may be.

(5) A separate broker's license must be taken out in respect of every branch of any business, and in respect of every acclimatization district in which the broker carries on business, and if business is carried on at more than one branch in any acclimatization district then a separate broker's license must be taken out in respect of every such branch.

(6) The Under-Secretary, if he thinks that any applicant is not a fit and proper person, firm, or company to be the holder of a broker's license, may, in his discretion, refuse to issue a license in respect of such application, whether to the person, firm, or company, or to any partner of the firm or nominee of the company in respect of such application, and shall not be required to state the grounds for such refusal.

(7) The Under-Secretary may, on the like grounds and in the like discretion, by notice in the *Gazette* suspend or revoke any broker's license already issued.

7. DUTIES OF LICENSED BROKERS.

(1) Every licensed broker shall keep a register in the form No. 5 in the First Schedule hereto, and shall on receipt of any opossum-skins enter therein the correct name, address, and occupation of each person, firm, or company from whom such skins are obtained, indicating whether such skins are imported skins or the locality where the opossums were taken (as the case may be), and on the sale of any skins shall enter therein the name, address, and occupation of each person, firm, or company to whom such skins are sold. Such register shall be produced for inspection on demand by any constable, officer of an acclimatization society, ranger, or authorized officer.

(2) Every licensed broker shall, immediately the sale of any opossum-skins takes place, forward to the secretary of the acclimatization society in whose district the opossums were taken a catalogue of such sale, giving the names of the sellers and buyers; and, immediately after the last day of each month, shall forward to the Under-Secretary a certified copy of the entries made during the month in the register referred to in clause (1) of this regulation, noting thereon the number of opossum-skins then in his possession.

(3) No skins shall be delivered by a licensed broker unless they have been stamped to show that the royalty has been paid:

Provided that skins in possession of a broker which have not been stamped, and upon which royalty has not been paid, may be delivered to the buyer or returned to the seller where authority to do so has been granted by the Under-Secretary; and such authority may be granted on such conditions as the Under-Secretary thinks fit to impose.

(4) For the purpose of complying with these regulations the licensed broker shall notify the officer appointed to stamp skins and collect royalty from brokers at least three days before any auction sale of skins takes place; and in case of a private sale such notification must be given immediately the sale is effected.

(5) Notwithstanding anything herein contained, the royalty may be paid after any auction sale takes place on the condition that the broker gives an undertaking to the nearest officer authorized to receive royalty that royalty will be paid within twenty-four hours after the sale takes place.

8. ROYALTIES.

(1) In respect of the skin of every opossum taken and killed in New Zealand, where the skin is submitted for stamping in the Acclimatization District in which the opossum was taken, there shall be payable the sum of 9d. by way of royalty.

In respect of every opossum-skin imported into New Zealand, there shall be payable the sum of 1s. by way of royalty.

(2) The said royalty shall be paid in the case of skins of opossums killed in New Zealand to the nearest officer authorized to receive the same in the acclimatization district in which such opossums were taken, and in the case of opossum-skins imported into New Zealand, to the officer authorized to receive the same stationed nearest to the place of importation; provided that the Under-Secretary may in his discretion authorize the payment of royalty in any district other than that in which the opossums were taken, subject to such conditions and to the payment of such additional royalty, not exceeding the sum of 3d. per skin, as he thinks fit to impose.

(3) There shall be produced to such officer upon payment every skin in respect of which royalty is tendered and, if the case so requires, the statement referring to such skin mentioned in clause (5) of this regulation, and such officer shall thereupon mark every such skin with the appropriate official mark.

(4) No authorized officer having the custody or possession of the skin of any opossum taken or killed in New Zealand and not bearing an official mark shall part with the custody or possession thereof until the said royalty has been duly paid and the skin marked accordingly.

(5) In no case shall any authorized officer affix the official mark to any skin until there has been produced to and checked by him a duly certified statement in the form No. 2 in the

First Schedule to these regulations as prescribed by Regulation 5 hereof relating to such skin, unless he is satisfied by such evidence as he may require that such skin is of an opossum not taken or killed in New Zealand.

(6) In the case of opossums taken or killed in New Zealand the said royalty shall be paid by the person taking or killing the same, and shall be paid—

(a) Within one month after the date on which the same was taken if the same was taken in any of the places referred to in clause (7) of Regulation 2 hereof or taken pursuant to clause (6) or clause (8) of Regulation 2 hereof; or

(b) Within one month after the closing date of the open season in the acclimatization district in which the same was taken, provided the same was lawfully taken in the same year during the open season in that acclimatization district.

(7) In the case of opossum-skins imported into New Zealand the said royalty shall be paid by the person importing the same, and shall be payable on the importation thereof.

(8) The Under-Secretary may extend the periods referred to in clauses (6) and (7) of this regulation, subject to such conditions and the payment of such additional royalty, not exceeding the sum of 3d. per skin, as he thinks fit to impose.

(9) Except as otherwise provided in these regulations, every person being the owner or in possession of an opossum-skin not bearing the official mark shall pay to an authorized officer the said royalty in respect thereof within one month from the date of the skin coming into his possession.

(10) It shall be a sufficient compliance with this regulation on the part of any person taking and killing opossums in New Zealand if he delivers the skins thereof to a licensed broker in the acclimatization district in which such opossums were killed, and authorizes such broker to pay the royalty on his behalf.

(11) On payment of any royalty by a licensed broker there shall be allowed to such broker a commission of 5 per centum.

(12) Such commission shall be payable when such broker shall have forwarded the monthly return referred to in clause (2) of Regulation 7 hereof, and shall be allowed in respect of all royalties paid by such broker the particulars of payment of which shall at the time of payment of the commission have been forwarded to the Under-Secretary as provided by clause (16) of this regulation.

(13) The liability of every person being a licensed broker and being in possession of a skin not bearing an official mark to pay royalty thereon as aforesaid shall exist irrespective of any right of the broker to recover the royalty from any other person under clause (10) of this regulation or otherwise, and irrespective of the liability of any other person to pay such royalty.

(14) Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this regulation, if on the importation of any skins into New Zealand and production thereof to an officer authorized to receive royalty it is shown to the satisfaction of such officer that such skins are not intended to be disposed of for gain or to be made up or manufactured as coats, rugs, muffs, or other articles of personal or domestic or household use or ornament, then no royalty shall be payable in respect of such skins, but the same shall be marked with an appropriate official mark to denote that they are imported skins on which no royalty has been paid.

(15) No person shall thereafter dispose of for gain any such skin as is referred to in the last preceding clause hereof otherwise than to or through a licensed broker, and on the disposal of any such skin for gain or if the same is at any time made up or manufactured as aforesaid the royalty hereinbefore provided shall immediately become due and payable.

(16) Every officer appointed to receive royalty shall at the end of every month (whether any royalties have been paid to him during the month or not) forward to the Under-Secretary a return in the form No. 7 in the First Schedule hereto.

9. DISPOSAL OF SKINS.

(1) Any person may dispose of opossum-skins by gift, sale, or otherwise howsoever if such skins bear the appropriate official mark.

(2) Skins which do not bear such official mark may be disposed of to or by a licensed broker only.

(3) No person shall export or attempt to export opossum-skins without the consent in writing of the Under-Secretary.

(4) No person shall export or attempt to export opossum-skins unless they have been stamped with the appropriate official mark.

(5) No person shall tan or otherwise preserve any skin or manufacture the same into coats, rugs, muffs, or other articles or prepare to tan or otherwise preserve the same, unless such skin bears the appropriate official mark.

10. LIBERATING OPOSSUMS.

(1) No person shall liberate or harbour opossums in any area defined in the Second Schedule hereto or in any registered orchard or on any land within half a mile of such orchard.

(2) No person shall liberate an opossum in any part of New Zealand without the previous express written consent of the Minister, and subject to such conditions as the Minister may in his discretion impose upon giving such consent.

11. OFFENCES, PENALTIES, AND FORFEITURES.

(1) No person shall at any time have possession of any opossum-skin which does not bear an official mark thereon; provided, however, that it shall not be a breach of this regulation to have possession of any such skin—

(a) Within one month after the date on which the same was taken, if the same was lawfully taken in any of the places mentioned in clause (7) of Regulation 2 hereof, or taken pursuant to clause (6) or clause (8) of Regulation 2 hereof.

(b) At any time within one month after the closing date of the open season in the acclimatization district in which the same was taken, provided such skin was lawfully taken in the same year during the open season in that acclimatization district; or

(c) At any time within one month from the date of importation if the same is imported;

and provided also that the Under-Secretary may extend such periods subject to such conditions as he thinks fit to impose.

(2) It shall be an offence for any person to perforate or otherwise stamp or mark an opossum-skin in such a way as to suggest that an official mark has been affixed or for any person other than an authorized officer to have in his possession or on his premises any stamping machine, device, tool, or other instrument for the purpose of counterfeiting an official mark, and every such offence shall be punishable by a fine of £20 in addition to forfeiture of the stamping machine, device, tool, or other instrument, and the skin or skins stamped or attempted or intended to be stamped therewith, or of the skin or skins concerned, as the case may be. Such stamping machine, device, tool, or other instrument and the skin or skins marked or attempted or intended to be marked therewith, or such skin or skins concerned, as the case may be, may at any time be seized by a Ranger and, if so seized, shall either upon the conviction of such person or if such person cannot be traced within a period of two months after such seizure, be forfeited to and become the property of the Crown.

(3) Every person carrying on the business of tanner or skin-preserver receiving opossum-skins not bearing an official mark shall forthwith, upon receiving the same, forward the name and address of the person from whom the skins were received to the Under-Secretary.

(4) Except as provided in the said Act or in these regulations, no person shall sell opossums or opossum-skins, or have opossums or opossum-skins in his possession:

Provided that the Minister may authorize the keeping of live opossums in possession subject to such conditions as he thinks fit.

(5) Any person who takes or kills opossums contrary to these regulations is liable on conviction to a fine of £10, and to a further fine of £5 for each opossum illegally taken or killed.

(6) Any person illegally in possession of opossums or opossum-skins is liable on conviction to a fine of £10, and to a further fine of £5 for each opossum or opossum-skin so illegally in his possession. All opossums or opossum-skins in the possession of any person shall, on demand by any constable, officer of an acclimatization society, Ranger, or authorized officer, be produced for inspection; and any opossums or opossum-skins illegally in the possession of such person may at any time be seized by a constable or Ranger, and, if so seized, shall, either upon the conviction of such person or if such person cannot be traced within a period of one month after such seizure, be forfeited to and become the property of the Crown.

(7) Any person who commits a breach of any of these regulations is liable on conviction, if no other penalty is provided, to a fine not exceeding £20 for each breach.

(8) All opossums or opossum-skins, and all nets, traps, firearms, ammunition, engines, instruments, appliances, and devices lawfully seized by a Ranger under the said Act, and used or intended to be used in breach of these regulations shall be forfeited to and become the property of the Crown.

(9) It shall be the duty of every Ranger or constable who has seized any opossums, opossum-skins, or other things as aforesaid, or into whose possession they have come, to forward immediate notification thereof to the Minister.

12. DISPOSAL OF REVENUE.

(1) All fines recovered under these regulations shall be paid into the Public Account, and 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.

(2) Any opossums, opossum-skins, traps or other contrivances used for the taking of opossums, or any stamping machine, device, tool, or other instrument for the purpose of counterfeiting the official mark, forfeited to the Crown under the provisions of these regulations shall be sold or otherwise disposed of in such manner and under such conditions as the Minister may direct.

(3) All moneys derived from the disposal of anything sold pursuant to this regulation shall be paid into the Public Account and shall, after deducting expenses, be paid over to the registered acclimatization society in whose district the seizure was made.

FIRST SCHEDULE.

[Form No. 1.]

LICENSE TO TAKE OR KILL OPOSSUMS.

[Name in full], of [Residence and calling], having this day paid the sum of _____, is hereby authorized to take or kill opossums within the _____ Acclimatization District from noon on the _____ day of _____, 19____, to noon on the _____ day of _____, 19____ (both days inclusive), subject to the provisions of Part III of the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and the regulations made thereunder.

Dated at _____ this _____ day of _____, 19____. [Signature.]

NOTE.—The attention of trappers is drawn to Regulation 5 (Trapper's Statement and marking of Skins).

[Form No. 2.]

THE STATEMENT TO ACCOMPANY SKINS.

| No. of License or Permit. | Name, Address, and Occupation of Licensee or Holder of Permit. | Number of Skins. (in words). | Locality and Area where Opossums were taken. | Name of Acclimatization District. | Date on which taken. |
|---------------------------|--|------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| License No. | | | | | From |
| Permit | | | | | To |

I hereby certify that the above statement is correct. [Signature of Trapper.] _____, Date.

This to be completed where skins handled by a licensed broker. I hereby authorize [Name of broker] to present on my behalf the [Number of skins, in words] skins referred to herein for certification of this statement and payment of royalty. [Signature of Trapper.] _____, Date.

Received from [Name of trapper], [Number of skins, in words] referred to herein. [Signature of Licensed Broker.] _____, Date.

I hereby certify that I have examined the skins referred to herein and know of no reason why they should not be stamped.

_____, Ranger or Secretary of Acclimatization Society. _____, Date.

NOTE.—(1) Two copies of this statement must be prepared by the trapper in his own handwriting.

(2) Special attention is drawn to the condition requiring skins to be marked, while green, in indelible pencil or other similar effective means, with the number of the license or permit and the year in which the opossum was taken or killed.

[Form No. 3.]

New Zealand.

APPLICATION FOR BROKER'S LICENSE UNDER PART III OF THE ANIMALS PROTECTION AND GAME ACT, 1921-22.

IN pursuance of the provisions of the above-mentioned Act, and the regulations made thereunder, I, [Name in full and address], hereby make application on my own behalf [or on behalf of the firm of _____, of which I am a member; or on behalf of (Name of registered company), whose written authority authorizing me to apply for and hold a license under the said Act is hereto annexed, marked "A"] for a broker's license in the name of [State person, firm, or company in whose name it is desired that the license be issued], to deal in opossum-skins in the _____ Acclimatization District.

My place of business is [State full particulars as to place or places of business].

[In the case of a firm, add:] The full names and addresses of all the partners in the above-named firm are [State names and addresses].

Dated at _____ this _____ day of _____, 19____. [Signature of Applicant].

[Form No. 4.]

BROKER'S LICENSE TO DEAL IN OPOSSUM-SKINS.

[Name in full], of [Residence and calling], having this day paid the sum of £2 10s., is hereby authorized to deal in opossum-skins at [Address of office or place of business] in the _____ Acclimatization District from the _____ day of _____, 19____, to the _____ day of _____, 19____ (both days inclusive), subject to the provisions of Part III of the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and the regulations made thereunder.

Dated at _____ this _____ day of _____, 19____. [Signature.]

[Form No. 5.]

BROKER'S REGISTER.

For the Month of _____

| No. of Entry. | Full Name, Address, and Occupation of Person on whose behalf Opossum-skins are received for Sale. | Locality where Opossums taken, and Name of Acclimatization District. | Date received. | Number of Opossum-skins received. | Amount of Royalty paid. | Initials of Authorized Officer certifying Amount of Royalty paid. | Full Name, Address, and Occupation of Person to whom Opossum-skins are sold. | Date of Sale. | Number of Opossum-skins sold |
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Certified correct. [Signature of Broker.]

[Form No. 6.]

PERMIT TO TAKE OPOSSUMS (DURING OPEN SEASON).

[Name in full], of [Residence and calling], being the occupier [or son or daughter of the occupier] of the following land, namely:—

_____ within the _____ Acclimatization District is hereby authorized to take or kill opossums on the aforesaid land without a license from noon on the _____ day of _____, 19____, to noon on the _____ day of _____, 19____ (both days inclusive), subject to the provisions of Part III of the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and the regulations made thereunder.

Dated at _____ this _____ day of _____, 19____. [Signature.]

Secretary of the _____ Acclimatization Society.

[Form No. 7.]

STATEMENT OF OPOSSUM-SKINS STAMPED DURING THE MONTH OF _____, 19____, BY THE AUTHORIZED STAMPING OFFICER AT _____.

| Number of Skins stamped | Name and Address of Person on whose behalf Skins are stamped. | Place where Skins were taken. | | Remarks. | Amount of Royalty received. |
|--|---|-------------------------------|--------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|
| | | Locality. | Acclimatization Society. | | |
| On which Royalty has been paid. | | | | | |
| On which no Royalty is payable—i.e., Imported Skins. | | | | | |
| Date Skins stamped. | | | | | |

[Form No. 8.]

PERMIT TO TAKE OPOSSUMS (IN REGISTERED ORCHARDS AND OPEN AREAS).

[Name in full], of [Residence and calling], being the occupier of [a registered orchard], [a registered orchard exceeding one acre], [the following land, namely— being [land within half a mile of a registered orchard exceeding one acre], [land described in the open area in the Second Schedule to the Opossum Regulations, 1934], [a bona fide employee of any person qualified to take or kill opossums pursuant to the provisions of clause 7 of Regulation 2, Opossum Regulations, 1934]* within the Acclimatization District, is hereby authorized to take or kill opossums [on such orchard], [on such orchard, and with the consent of the occupier of such land, on any land within half a mile of such orchard], [on such land]* without a license, subject to the provisions of Part III of the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and the regulations made thereunder.

Dated at this day of 19

[Signature.]

Secretary of the Acclimatization Society.

* Strike out descriptions not applicable.

SECOND SCHEDULE.

AREAS WHEREIN OPOSSUMS MAY BE TAKEN OR KILLED WITHOUT LICENSE SUBJECT TO CLAUSES (7) AND (8) OF REGULATION 2.

Waitemata Area.—Comprising ridings of Kumeu, Pukeatua, Takapuna, Birkenhead, Waitakere, Waipareira, Waikumete, and Titirangi, and also Rangitoto Island.

Rodney Area.—Comprising ridings of Omaha, Matakana, Kourawhera, Albert, and Tauhoa, and also Kawau Island.

Hawke's Bay Area.—Commencing at a point at the mouth of the Maraetotara Stream; thence following the coast-line in a north-westerly direction to a point opposite to where the Napier-Hastings Road turns off in a westerly direction at Awatoto; thence along the same road to the Meeanee Bridge; thence along the right bank of the Tutaeakuri River to the Waiohiki Bridge; thence along the Omaha Road to Fernhill; thence following the public road along the eastern boundary of Te Awa-o-te-Atua Block to its junction with Iron Gate Road; thence along the said road to its junction with the Pakipaki-Stortford Lodge Road; thence along the Hastings-Maraekakaho Road in a south-easterly direction to the Te Aute Road; thence along the said road in an easterly direction to its junction with the Mount Erin Road; thence along the said road to Gilpin Road, following along that road to the south-east corner of Havelock Town District; thence westerly along the boundary of the said town district to the Te Mata Road; thence along the said road to its junction with the Tukituki River; thence across the said river to its eastern bank; thence along the said bank to its junction with the south-eastern boundary of the Clive Suburban Area; thence along the said boundary to its junction with the Maraetotara Stream; thence along the said stream to its mouth.

Kapiti Area.—All that land included in Block III of Kapiti Survey District, and also Kapiti Island.

Wairarapa Area.—All that area in the Wellington Land District bounded by a line commencing at the intersection of Western Lake Road and Bocketts Creek, and proceeding thence north-easterly along the said Western Lake Road to Boat Creek, near Pigeon Bush; thence up that creek, crossing the railway reserve, to a point twenty chains distant from the said railway reserve; thence generally north-easterly by a line parallel to and twenty chains distant from the railway reserve to the Ruamahanga River; thence following the Ruamahanga River southward to its junction with the Kahautara Road; thence in a direct line to the point of commencement.

Nelson Area.—All that area in the Nelson Land District commencing at the mouth of the Otuhwhero River in Tasman Bay, and thence bounded by the said bay, the estuary of the Waimea River, Tasman Bay, and Nelson Haven to the south-west corner of Section 4, Block V, Wakapuaka Survey District; thence by the Nelson-Blenheim Road to the road forming the north-west boundary of Section 24 in Block VI of the said survey district; by that road, by Section 77, by Sections 33 and 4 in Block VI before mentioned, by Sections 15 and 18 in Block X, Wakapuaka Survey District, and by Sections 48, 64, 45, 46, 50, 24, 25, and 28, all in Block IX of the said survey district, and the production of the last-named boundary to the Maitai River; by that river to the western boundary of Section 31 in Block I, Maungatapu Survey District; thence bounded by Sections 31, 2, 18, 28, 26, part 4, and 22, all in Block I last mentioned;

by Section 14 (waterworks reserve) to the road near Trig. J, by the said river, over Trigs. Gb and G, and by the Aniseed Valley Road to the Roding River; thence by the said river, by the Wairoa River to Section 8 in Block XIII of the Waimea Survey District; thence by Sections 8, 67, 63, and 64 in Block XIII of the last-mentioned survey district, and by Section 9 in Block I, Rintoul Survey District; by Sections 3, 1, 6, and 18 in Block IV, Gordon Survey District, and by Sections 3 and 4 in Block VIII of the said survey district; thence by a road, a line across a road, by the south-east boundary of Section 63, a line across a road, by the south-east boundaries of Sections 5 and 60, and by the southern boundaries of Sections 60 and 3, all in Block VII, Gordon Survey District; thence by part of the eastern boundary and by the southern boundary of Section 27 in Block VI of the said survey district, by a road to and by the south-east boundary of Section 43 in Block X, Gordon Survey District, to Gordon's Creek; thence by the said creek and by the Motueka River to and by the north boundary of Section 2 in Block V, Gordon Survey District; thence by Small Grazing-run 6, by a road, by Sections 11 and 10 in Block IX of the said survey district; by Section 22 in Block XII, Tadmor Survey District, by Brewerton Creek, by Sections 17 and 73 in the said Block XII, to the Motupiko River; thence by a line across that river to the north-east corner of Section 2 in the last-mentioned Block XII; by that section and by Sections 12 and 11 in the said Block XII; by Section 13 in Block VII, Tadmor Survey District, by a road, and by a line across the Nelson-Glenhope Railway and across a road to the Tadmor River; thence by the said river to the Motueka River, by that river to the Graham River, and up that river and its tributaries to Trig. Station F (Crusader); thence by the boundary between the counties of Waimea and Takaka to Section 17 in Block I of the Motueka Survey District; thence down the Riwaka River to the east boundary of Section 27 in Block IX, Kaiteriteri Survey District; thence by the said Section 27, and by Sections 45 and 42 in Block VII, Kaiteriteri Survey District, to Kairuru Road; thence by the said road, by Sections 80 and 87 in Block VIII, Kaiteriteri Survey District, and by a line across a road to the Holyoake's Valley Stream; thence by that stream and the Otuhwhero River to the point of commencement.

Christchurch Area.—Waimairi and Heathcote Counties and Port Victoria Riding in the Mount Herbert County.

Rangiora Area.—All that area in the Canterbury Land District bounded by a line commencing at a point in the middle of the Makerikeri River in line with the north-eastern boundary of R.S. 33378; thence south-easterly along that boundary to a public road intersecting R.S. 33378, 37081, 33382, and 33366; thence southerly along that road to the northern boundary of Block II, Rangiora Survey District; thence easterly along that boundary to the north-eastern corner of the said block; thence southerly along the eastern boundaries of Blocks II and VI, Rangiora Survey District, to the south-eastern corner of the last-mentioned block; thence westerly along the southern boundaries of Blocks VI and V, Rangiora Survey District, to the south-western corner of the said Block V; thence northerly along the western boundary of Block V aforesaid to the left bank of the Ashley River; thence up the left banks of the Ashley and Okuku Rivers to a point in line with the road forming the south-eastern boundary of R.S. 34491; thence to and along that road to Main Road; thence southerly along Main Road to the road forming the north-western boundary of R.S. 7615; thence north-easterly along that road to Loburn and Kowai Road; thence north-westerly along Loburn and Kowai Road to a point in line with the north-western boundary of R.S. 35480; thence north-easterly along that boundary and its production to the middle of the Makerikeri River, and down the middle of that river to the point of commencement.

Otago Area.—All that area in the Otago Land District commencing at the south-eastern corner of Benger Survey District, thence westerly along the southern boundary of aforesaid district; thence northerly along the western boundaries generally of Benger, Teviot, Cairnhill, Fraserside, Bannockburn, and Cromwell Survey Districts to the Vincent County boundary; thence northerly along that boundary to the Clutha River; thence south-easterly down the aforesaid river to the northern boundary of Tarras Survey District; thence easterly along that boundary; thence southerly along the eastern boundaries of Tarras, Wakefield, and Leaning Rock Survey Districts; thence easterly and southerly along the northern and eastern boundaries of Cairnhill Survey District; thence southerly along the eastern boundaries of Teviot and Benger Survey Districts, to the point of commencement.

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

Open Seasons for the Taking or Killing of Opossums in certain Acclimatization Districts.

BLEDISLOE, Governor-General.

ORDER IN COUNCIL.

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 24th day of May, 1934.

Present:

THE RIGHT HON. G. W. FORBES PRESIDING IN COUNCIL.

IN pursuance of the powers and authorities conferred upon him by the Animals Protection and Game Act, 1921-22, and of all other powers and authorities enabling him in this behalf, 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 order and declare that opossums may be taken or killed within the acclimatization districts specified in the Schedule hereto, except in any sanctuary other than a scenic reserve, subject in all cases to the general regulations made by Order in Council dated the 24th day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four, and to the special conditions specified in connection with each district.

SCHEDULE.

ASHBURTON ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 68, of 28th September, 1933, at page 2463.)

1. Season: Noon on 1st June to noon on 1st August, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officer authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Postmaster, Ashburton.

AUCKLAND ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 4, of 23rd January, 1930, at page 159.)

1. Season: Noon on 16th June to noon on 1st September, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Chief Postmaster, Auckland; Postmaster, Paeroa.

BULLER ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 749.)

1. Area where opossums may be taken: That portion of the district lying south of a line drawn from the mouth of the Waimangaroa River on the west to Bald Hill in the Lyell Range on the east.
2. Season: Noon on 1st June to noon on 1st August, 1934 (inclusive).
3. License fee: £2.
4. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Chief Postmaster, Westport; Postmaster, Ikamatua.

EAST COAST ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 749.)

1. Season: Noon on 2nd July to noon on 2nd September, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officer authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Chief Postmaster, Gisborne.

FEILDING AND DISTRICT ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 750.)

1. Season: Noon on 21st July to noon on 1st September, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Postmasters, Feilding, Ashurst, Pohangina, Apiti, Kimbolton, Rangiwhia, Halcombe, Bunnythorpe, Waituna, and Rewa.

GREY DISTRICT ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 750.)

1. Season: Noon on 1st June to noon on 1st August, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Chief Postmaster, Greymouth; Postmasters, Blackball, Brunnerton, Moana, Nelson Creek, Ngahere, Runanga, Stillwater, and Totara Flat.

HAWERA ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 750.)

1. Season: Noon on 1st June to noon on 1st September, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Postmasters, Patea, Hawera, Normanby, and Eltham.

HAWKE'S BAY ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 750.)

1. Season: Noon on 21st July to noon on 1st September, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Chief Postmaster, Napier; Postmasters, Dannevirke, Tikokino, and Puketitiri.

LAKES DISTRICT ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 751.)

1. Season: Noon on 1st June to noon on 1st August, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officer authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Postmaster, Queenstown.

MARLBOROUGH ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 751.)

1. Season: Noon on 2nd July to noon on 2nd September, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Chief Postmaster, Blenheim; Postmaster, Rai Valley.

NELSON ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 751.)

1. Season: Noon on 2nd July to noon on 2nd September, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Chief Postmaster, Nelson; Postmasters, Takaka and Reefton.

NORTH CANTERBURY ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 68, of 28th September, 1933, at page 2463.)

1. Season: Noon on 2nd July to noon on 2nd September, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Chief Postmaster, Christchurch; Postmasters, Little River, Rangiora, and Akaroa.

OTAGO ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 751.)

1. Season: Noon on 1st June to noon on 1st August, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Chief Postmaster, Dunedin; Postmasters, Milton, Clinton, Owaka, Tahakopa, Romahapa, Tapanui, Wyndham, and Waikaia.

ROTORUA ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 46, of 20th June, 1929, at page 1721.)

1. Season: Noon on 2nd July to noon on 2nd September, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Under-Secretary of the Department of Internal Affairs, Wellington (or any person authorized by such Under-Secretary in that behalf).

SOUTH CANTERBURY ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 752.)

1. Season: Noon on 2nd July to noon on 2nd August, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Chief Postmaster, Timaru; Postmasters, Geraldine and Temuka.

SOUTHLAND ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 752.)

1. Season: Noon on 1st June to noon on 1st August, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Chief Postmaster, Invercargill; Postmasters, Awarua Plains, Balfour, Dipton, Gore, Lumsden, Maitai, Nightcaps, Orawia, Otautau, Riversdale, Riverton, Wairio, Winton, Woodlands, and Half-moon Bay.

STRATFORD ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 752.)

1. Season: Noon on 1st June to noon on 1st August, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Postmasters, Stratford and Midhirst.

TARANAKI ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 752.)

1. Season: Noon on 1st June to noon on 1st September, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Chief Postmaster, New Plymouth; Postmasters, Inglewood, Waitara, Okato, Pungarehu, Rahotu, Tariki, Urenui, Uruti, and Opunake.

WAIAPU ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 753.)

1. Season: Noon on 2nd July to noon on 2nd September, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officer authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Postmaster, Tolaga Bay.

WAIMARINO ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 753.)

1. Season: Noon on 1st August to noon on 30th September, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officer authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Postmaster, Raetihi.

WAIMATE ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 754.)

1. Season: Noon on 2nd July to noon on 2nd August, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officer authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Postmaster, Waimate.

WANGANUI ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 60, of 15th September, 1932, at page 1998.)

1. Season: Noon on 2nd July to noon on 2nd September, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Chief Postmaster, Wanganui; Postmasters, Fordell and Mangamahua.

WELLINGTON ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 60, of 15th September, 1932, at page 1998.)

1. Season: Noon on 21st July to noon on 1st September, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Chief Postmaster, Wellington; Postmasters, Petone, Lower Hutt, Upper Hutt, Featherston, Greytown, Masterton, Carterton, Martinborough, Eketahuna, Pahiatua, Paekakariki, Waikanae, Paraparaumu, Otaki, Levin, Shannon, Palmerston North, Bulls, Marton, Turakina, Hunterville, Mangaweka, and Taihape.

WESTLAND ACCLIMATIZATION DISTRICT.

(As described in *New Zealand Gazette* No. 17, of 12th March, 1925, at page 754.)

1. Season: Noon on 1st June to noon on 1st August, 1934 (inclusive).
2. License fee: £2.
3. Officers authorized to issue trappers' licenses: Postmasters, Hokitika and Kumara.

F. D. THOMSON,
(I.A. 1933/23/3.) Clerk of the Executive Council.