



**THE FRESHWATER FISHERIES REGULATIONS (AUCKLAND)
MODIFICATION NOTICE 1976**

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PURSUANT to the Fisheries Act 1908 and the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1951, the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries hereby gives the following notice.

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NOTICE

1. Title—This notice may be cited as the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations (Auckland) Modification Notice 1976.

2. Commencement—This notice shall come into force on the 1st day of October 1976.

3. Application—This notice shall be in force only within the Auckland Acclimatisation District.

4. Modification of regulations—The Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1951* are hereby modified as follows:

Limit Bag

- (a) No person shall on any one day take or kill more than 15 acclimatised fish (being trout or salmon):

Size Limit

- (b) No person shall take or kill in any manner whatever or intentionally have in his possession any trout or salmon that does not exceed 22 cm in length:

Restrictions on Lures and Methods

- (c) No person in fishing for acclimatised fish shall—
- (i) Use as a lure or bait any natural minnow taken from any water other than that in which it is being used as a lure or bait;
 - (ii) Use any lure or bait other than artificial fly in the following waters:
 - The Hingaia Stream:
 - The Wairoa River and its tributaries above the Hunua Falls:
 - The Tairua River:
 - The Kauaeranga River:
 - The Komata Stream:
 - The Maratoto Stream and its tributaries from its source to the ford on the old Whangamata track:

The Kakahu Stream (North-east of Okoroire) and its tributaries:

The Waipapa River upstream from the first waterfall situated approximately 0.5 km from Lake Waipapa:

The Mangatutu Stream from its source to the Lethbridge Road Bridge:

The Puniu River from its source to its confluence with the Owairaka Stream:

The Mangakahu and Mangati Streams in the Otorohanga area:

The Kaniwhaniwha Stream from its source on Pirongia Mountain to its confluence with the Waipa River:

The Awakino River from its source to the Mahoenui Bridge:

(iii) Cast with any fly line within 50 m of the shore of Hamilton Lake, except within the boundaries of that portion of the shore allocated as a casting range:

(iv) Fish from any boat or launch unless it is securely anchored in that part of the Waikato River upstream of the upper limits of Lake Karapiro, that point being more particularly shown by signposts:

Close Season Exceptions

(d) There shall be no close season in the following waters:

(i) All lakes within the Auckland Acclimatisation District except Parkinson's Lake:

(ii) The Wairoa River:

(iii) The Kauaeranga River:

(iv) The Maratoto Stream, from the ford on the old Whangamata track (also known locally as the Wires Track) near the junction with the Hamuti Stream, to its confluence with the Waihou River:

(v) The Ohinemuri River, from the concrete bridge (known as the Victoria Street Bridge on the boundary between Waihi Borough and Ohinemuri County) to its confluence with the Waihou River:

(vi) The Waitawheta Stream, from the Frankton Bridge (as shown by a signpost at Waitawheta) to its confluence with the Ohinemuri River:

(vii) The Waihou River, from the concrete bridge adjacent to Davidson's Road on the Matamata-Tauranga Road, to its mouth:

(viii) The Waikato River:

(ix) The Waipa River downstream from Toa's Bridge (some 16 km upstream from Otorohanga) to its confluence with the Waikato River:

(x) The Puniu River downstream from its junction with the Owairaka to its confluence with the Waipa River:

(xi) The Mangawhio River between the Waikato River and the falls:

(xii) The Marokopa River from its junction with the Mangatuahaua Stream to its mouth:

(xiii) The Mangaotaki River, from Battley's Bridge (as shown by a signpost on the Mangaotaki Road (Pio Pio)), to its confluence with the Mokau River:

(xiv) The Awakino River from the bridge at Mahoenui township to its mouth:

(xv) The Wanganui River:

Open Season Exception

(e) No person shall fish for, take, or kill any fish at any time in Parkinson's Lake.

5. Revocation—The Freshwater Fisheries Regulations (Auckland) Modification Notice 1975* is hereby revoked.

Dated at Wellington this 26th day of August 1976.

DUNCAN MACINTYRE,
Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries.

*S.R. 1975/154

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This note is not part of the notice, but is intended to indicate its general effect.

Except as varied by Modification Notices of local application, the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1951 provide, *inter alia*, that—

- (a) The *limit bag*, which is the maximum number of trout or salmon that may be taken by 1 person in 1 day computed from midnight to midnight, shall be 50;
- (b) The *size limit*, which is the minimum size of fish lawfully takeable, measured from tip of nose to tip of tail, shall be 15 cm for trout and salmon. Undersized fish must be released unharmed and are not reckoned in the limit bag;
- (c) Only artificial or natural fly, insect, worm, crustacea, or fish are lawful lures or baits for acclimatised fish. Shellfish (mollusca) and fish roe are illegal. Not more than 2 lures or baits may be used. Artificial flies, which include feathered lures, must have only 1 hook. In waters restricted to fly, no weight or loaded lure is permitted. Any weight must be affixed above any lure or bait, and, with artificial minnow (which includes spoon), at least 38 cm above;
- (d) The duration of the *open season* for acclimatised fish is from 1 October to 30 April.

This notice modifies the provisions of the general regulations in the Auckland Acclimatisation District by reducing the limit bag to 15, increasing the size limit to 22 cm, imposing restrictions on lures and methods of fishing in the waters specified in the notice, extending the open season for certain waters, and prohibiting all fishing in Parkinson's Lake.

Issued under the authority of the Regulations Act 1936.

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