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OPEN SEASON FOR GAME IN FISH AND GAME REGIONS

Government Notice

**Wildlife Act 1953
Wildlife Regulations 1955
The New Zealand Game Bird Habitat Stamp Regulations 1993**

Open Season for Game in Fish and Game Regions

Under sections 15 and 16 of the Wildlife Act 1953, the Minister of Conservation declares an open season for game in the Fish and Game Regions, subject to the conditions specified in the First and Second Schedule of this notice.

The Minister of Conservation gives consent, under section 17(2) of the Wildlife Act 1953, to the hunting or killing of game in the manner set out in this notice.

New Zealand Game Bird Habitat Stamp

A game bird habitat stamp must¹ be affixed to every licence to hunt or kill game. The following form of the 2008 New Zealand Game Bird Habitat Stamp is approved².



The 2008 New Zealand Game Bird Habitat Stamp has a face value of ten dollars (\$10.00). A fee of two dollars (\$2.00) only is payable³ for every game bird habitat stamp supplied with a licence to hunt or kill game.

First Schedule Hunting conditions generally common to all Fish and Game regions.

Second Schedule Regionally specific hunting conditions, bag limits, closed and open game areas, and the like.

¹Section 19A(1) of the Wildlife Act 1953

²Sections 19A(2)(a)(i) and 19A(2)(a)(ii) of the Wildlife Act 1953

³Section 72(3A)(e) of the Wildlife Act 1953

FIRST SCHEDULE**1 Bag limits**

- 1.1 No person shall have in that person's possession on any one day, more than the number of game birds specified as the daily bag limit for the Fish and Game Region in which the game is taken.
- 1.2 Notwithstanding subclause 1.1 on Sunday, 4 May 2008, a person may have in possession twice the number of game birds specified as the daily bag limit for Saturday, 3 May 2008 if all such game is labelled with the following details:
- (a) The name and address of the person by whom the game was taken;
 - (b) The number of the licence to hunt or kill game held by the person by whom the game was taken;
 - (c) The name of the Fish and Game Region by which that licence was issued;
 - (d) The name of the Fish and Game Region in which the game was taken; and
 - (e) The date on which the game was taken.

2 Waiver of Restrictions on Baiting, and Methods of Taking Game Baiting for Waterfowl

A person⁴ may hunt or kill game of the family Anatidae (waterfowl) during the open season for game in all Fish and Game Regions where food has been cast, thrown, placed or planted, either during the current open season for game, the thirty (30) days immediately prior to the season or any other time during the year.

3 Magazine Shotguns – unpinned magazine shotguns can be used in all regions

A person⁵ may hunt or kill game birds, as specified, in all Fish and Game Regions with any unpinned magazine shotgun of a calibre 10 gauge or less, which includes magazine extensions.

4 Use of Lead Shot Prohibited

No person may possess lead shot, or use lead shot, while hunting or killing water fowl within 200 metres of open water, with any gun of a 10 or 12 gauge calibre. Non-toxic shot may be used, including steel.

For the purposes of this requirement, “water fowl” means any of the following game species:

Black swan (*Cygnus atratus*)

Canada goose (*Branta canadensis*)

Duck:

Grey duck (*Anas superciliosa*) and any hybrid of that species with any other species, variety, or kind of duck

Mallard duck (*Anas platyrhynchos*) and any hybrid of that species with any other species, variety, or kind of duck)

Paradise duck (*Tadorna variegata*), also known as the Paradise Shelduck

Spoonbill duck (New Zealand Shoveler) (*Anas rhynchos*)

Pukeko (*Porphyrio melanotus*)

For the purposes of this requirement, “open water” means either:

- (a) any area of land or seabed covered permanently or seasonally by water; or
- (b) any area which is temporarily covered by water at the time of such possession or use of lead shot, and that is contiguous to an area referred to in paragraph (a); and the area covered by water is wider than 3 metres.

⁴Section 17 of the Wildlife Act 1953

⁵Section 18(1)(c)(iii) of the Wildlife Act 1953

5 Guns of a Calibre Less Than 12 Gauge and Muzzle Loaders Exempt in Relation to Use of Lead Shot

Hunters may continue to use lead shot in guns of a calibre less than 12 gauge or muzzle loaders for the 2008 season. This exemption will be reviewed before the 2009 game bird hunting season. No exemptions for any breach loading 12 gauge or greater is to be provided for waterfowl hunting.

6 Lead Shot Exemption for Molesworth/St James Organised Hunts to Control Canada Geese

The use of lead shot within 200 metres of open water by hunters participating in the Fish & Game New Zealand organised Molesworth/St James hunts to control Canada geese will be permitted during the 2008-09 Game Bird Season. The lead shot exemption only applies to the hunting of Canada geese on Fish & Game-organised hunts. Outside of these organised hunts to control Canada goose numbers, the national lead shot ban applies.

7 Camouflaged Rowboats

A person⁶ may hunt or kill game within the following Fish and Game Regions, from unmoored camouflaged rowboats, subject to the excluded periods for some regions specified below.

Fish and Game Regions of:

Nelson/Marlborough

Northland

Otago

Southland

Taranaki

West Coast

Auckland/Waikato – excluding 3 and 4 May 2008

Central South Island – excluding 3 and 4 May 2008

Eastern – excluding 3 and 4 May 2008

Hawke's Bay – excluding 3 and 4 May 2008

North Canterbury – excluding 3 and 11 May 2008

Wellington – excluding 3 and 4 May 2008

8 Registered Game Preserves

Game preserves provide opportunities for upland game hunting on a commercial basis. Fish & Game New Zealand recognises that they do not involve the hunting of the wild game resource, but rather they raise and/or release all the birds that are available for hunting. They increase the available hunting opportunities in several ways, both on and adjacent to the preserve, and they do so without using either birds or land that would otherwise have been freely publicly available.

In order to ensure that they meet legal and ethical requirements, Fish & Game New Zealand requires that all game preserves be approved and licensed to ensure the following results:

- a) The legal and boundary descriptions of all game preserve areas are fully defined.
- b) Hunting on game preserves is in accord with the conditions specified in this Gazette Notice.
- c) There is no waterfowl hunting commercially available on game preserves, or anywhere else.
- d) Management of game birds and hunting on game preserves complies with an agreed code of conduct.
- e) All hunters are licensed by Fish & Game New Zealand.

⁶Section 18(1)(f)(vi) of the Wildlife Act 1953

Any property listed under any heading of “Registered Game Preserve” in this notice is a registered game preserve for the purposes of this notice regardless of the property’s name.

9 Paradise Duck

Any reference to Paradise Shelduck in this notice is to the same species referred to as Paradise duck elsewhere in this notice and the Wildlife Act 1953.

10 Pegging Day

- a) A person, following purchase of a 2008/09 Whole Season game bird hunting licence, can reclaim the stand claimed during the 2007 Game Season at any time prior to 10.00am on 6 April 2008 in all Fish and Game Regions.
- b) Otherwise unclaimed stands can only be claimed any time after 10.00am on 6 April 2008 in all Fish and Game Regions.
- c) A stand may be claimed by planting on it a stake having either a board or identifying label attached, plainly identifying the name of the claimant and the number of his/her licence. The hunting stand claim tag provided with the licence must be completed with the name of the claimant and affixed to the board or identifying label.
- d) The licence holder claiming a stand must be present in person at the stand when marking it up.
- e) In the Auckland Waikato Region, only holders of 2008/09 Whole Season Adult Game Bird Licences can claim hunting stands.
- f) No one can claim more than one stand.
- g) A stand cannot be claimed closer than 90 metres to a stand already claimed by another person without that person’s consent.
- h) Any stand not occupied by the claimant within one hour after the opening hour of hunting, on any day, can be occupied by another licence holder for the remainder of the day.

11 Conditions

- a) These approvals do not affect the principal conditions specified for each Fish and Game Region under the Second Schedule, which still applies.
- b) These approvals will expire at the end of the open season for game specified under the Second Schedule for each Fish and Game Region.

SECOND SCHEDULE**NORTHLAND FISH AND GAME REGION⁷****1 Game That May Be Hunted or Killed—Duration of the 2008/2009 Season**

Species	Season	Daily Bag Limit
Grey/Mallard duck and any hybrid of that species	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	20
Shoveler duck	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	3
<i>Grey, Mallard and Shoveler duck: A maximum total bag not exceeding 20 birds for all species including hybrids combined.</i>		
Paradise Shelduck	3 May to 10 August 2008 incl. 21 February and 22 February 2009 incl.	25 25
Black swan	3 May to 10 August 2008 incl.	10
Canada goose	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl. 21 February and 22 February 2009 incl.	15 15
Pukeko	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl. 21 February to 8 March 2009 incl.	12 12
California and Brown quail	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	20
Cock Pheasant (Area A)	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	3
Cock Pheasant (rest of region)	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	5
Registered Game Preserves		
Pheasant (both sexes)	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	No limit
Bobwhite quail (both sexes)	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	No limit
Red Legged Partridge (both sexes)	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	No limit

2 Definition of Area A

All lands north of a line running east/west, north of the Whangape Harbour, then along the main ridgeline of the Maungataniwha Range and out to and including all lands north of Whangaroa Harbour.

3 Shooting Hours

6.30am to 6.30pm, except that Canada geese may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day during the specified open season. The shooting hours of Paradise Shelduck and Canada goose on 21 and 22 February 2009 shooting hours will be from 6.00am to 9.00pm.

4 Decoy Limit

No limit.

5 Special Conditions

5.1 No person shall wilfully leave on the hunting ground any game bird(s) shot or parts of any game bird(s) shot.

5.2 Camouflaged Rowboats: Persons may hunt or kill game from an unmoored camouflaged rowboat.

⁷Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 22 May 1990, at page 1861

- 5.3** During the 21 and 22 February 2009 special Paradise Shelduck and Canada goose season, there shall be no hunting within 300 metres of any urban sewage oxidation ponds.

6 Registered Game Preserves

- 6.1 Lindale Hunting & Fishing Bay of Islands Limited:** The preserve is being operated on the property of Lemon Holdings Limited, east of Whangae Road, Kawakawa, and is bounded by native bush on the north, south and east.

AUCKLAND/WAIKATO FISH AND GAME REGION⁸**1 Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2008/2009 Season**, except that no duck may be hunted on Great Barrier Island

Species	Season	Daily Bag Limit
Grey/Mallard duck and any hybrid of those species	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	10
Shoveler duck	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	3
<i>Grey, Mallard and Shoveler duck: A maximum total bag not exceeding 10 birds for all species combined and no more than the individual bag limit for each species.</i>		
Paradise Shelduck	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	10
Pukeko	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	10
Black swan (in the region north of Auckland Harbour Bridge)	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	12
Black swan (except that no Black swan may be hunted or killed on the Waikato Hydro Lakes: Karapiro, Arapuni and Waipapa)	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	1
Canada goose	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	20
California quail	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	10
Virginian (Bobwhite) quail	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	10
Cock Pheasant	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	3

2 Shooting Hours

Shooting hours are 6.30am to 6.30pm, except that Canada geese may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day for the 24 hour Canada goose season; 6.30am 25 May 2008 to 6.30pm 4 June 2008, and 6.30am 13 June 2008 to 6.30pm 31 August 2008 inclusive.

3 Decoy Limit

No limit, except on Lake Waikare – a total decoy limit of 50 decoys per stand and no decoys to be placed within 50 metres of those placed by another hunter. Note: No restriction on goose decoys.

4 Special Conditions

- 4.1 From 3 May to 29 June 2008 inclusive, no person may use or cause to be used for the hunting or killing of game on Lake Waikare, any drifting or temporarily moored floating stand or any stand, hide or maimai which is permanently fixed to the lake bed except within 180 metres of the outer margin of the lake or the shoreline of Motu Nui Island (Grape Island).
- 4.2 Floating maimais are allowed on Lake Waikare following conclusion of the duck hunting season to provide greater opportunity to target Canada geese.
- 4.3 No person may use or cause to be used for the hunting or killing of game on Lake Ngaroto any fixed stand, pontoon, hide or maimai except within 85 metres of the margin of the lake.
- 4.4 No person may use or cause to be used for the hunting or killing of game on Lake Rotokauri any fixed stand, pontoon, hide or maimai on any open water of the lake.
- 4.5 No person may wilfully leave on the hunting ground any game bird(s) shot or parts of any game birds shot.

⁸Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83 of 22 May 1990, as amended by *Gazette*, No. 129, of 29 August 1991, at page 2787

- 4.6 No person may herd or drive waterfowl for the purpose of hunting or killing them.
- 4.7 No person may shoot game from any unmoored boat on the Waikato River north of the boat ramp at the confluence of the Mangawara Stream and the Waikato River at Taupiri on any of the first three days or the second weekend of the open season.
- 4.8 No person may possess a firearm in or on any unmoored vessel, except a rowboat, unless the firearm is dismantled or secured in a case, gunslip or other secure compartment, except when in use to retrieve wounded game.
- 4.9 On public land, the last tagged owner must remove any maimai not tagged up for 2 years from the date of the last mark-up.

5 Closed Game Areas

- 5.1 All that area of the Waikato River below Mean High Water Spring Tide from the Tasman Sea inland to an imaginary line commencing from a marker at the exit of the Fisherman's Road drain on the north-western side of the river in Block VII Maoro Survey District, bearing 126 degrees true to a marker on the south-eastern side of the river.
- 5.2 The Kaitoke Creek, Great Barrier Island and its tributaries, and an area 100 metres in width on either bank from the main road bridge over the Kaitoke Creek upstream to the southern boundary of Allotment 185 Aotea Parish and the eastern boundary of the State Forest Reserve, the Awana Stream and an area 100 metres in width on either bank from its confluence with the sea at low-water mark to the point where the main tributary flowing across Allotment 178 Aotea Parish meets the Awana Stream, the Saltwater Creek and an area 100 metres in width on either bank from its confluence with the sea at Oruawhara Bay to a point where the south-east boundary of Allotment NW 74 Aotea Parish crosses the creek.
- 5.3 All DP 23519, being part Maungatapu Block, Blocks II and VI Maungakawa Survey District, being 15 hectares, the property of A. C. Allen, Riverdale, Piako, Morrinsville.
- 5.4 The township of Te Aroha.
- 5.5 All that area lying to the east of the Southern Motorway and known as Pahurehure Inlet.
- 5.6 129 hectares, being part of the Manukau Harbour known as Waimahia Creek (excluding the oxidation pond).
- 5.7 Plan DP S81922 of Lots 1-6, subdivision of part Lot 7 DP 9441 and part Section 19 Block II Whitianga Survey District, 53.3353 hectares. Property of Andrew Hill.
- 5.8 Weavers Lake at Huntly.

EASTERN FISH AND GAME REGION⁹**1 Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2008/2009 Season**

Game That May be Hunted or Killed	Area	Duration of 2007/2008 Season
Grey and Mallard duck	All areas	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.
Shoveler duck	All areas	3 May to 2 June 2008 incl.
Paradise Shelduck	All areas	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.
	That part of BI, which lies north of the true right bank of the Uawa River, Tolaga Bay	7 and 8 February 2009 incl.
Pukeko	All areas	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.
Black swan	Area A1	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.
	Area A2	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.
	Area B1	Closed season
	Area B2	Closed season
Canada goose	All areas	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl. 7 and 8 February 2009 incl.
California quail	All areas	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.
Brown quail	All areas	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.
Bobwhite quail	All areas	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.
Cock Pheasant	All areas including registered game preserves	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.
Cock Pheasant	Registered game preserves junior hunters only	1 September to 28 September 2008 incl.
Hen Pheasant	Registered game preserves	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.
Red Legged Partridge	Registered game preserves	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.
Species	Area	Bag Limit
Mallard duck	All areas	An aggregate bag of 7 mallard and grey duck, except within that aggregate bag a limit of 2 hen mallard and 2 grey duck shall apply
Grey duck	All areas	2
Shoveler duck	All areas	2
Paradise Shelduck	Areas A1, A2, B2	6
	That part of Area B1 which lies north of the true right bank of the Uawa River, Tolaga Bay	10
	That part of Area B1, which lies south of the true right bank of the Uawa River, Tolaga Bay	6
Pukeko	All areas	10
Black swan	Area A1	No limit
	Area A2	2
Canada goose	All areas	No limit

⁹Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 22 May 1990, at page 1861

California quail	Areas A1, A2	No limit
	Areas B1, B2	5
Brown quail	All areas	5
Bobwhite quail	All areas	No limit
Cock Pheasant	All areas, excluding registered game preserves	5
Pheasants, both sexes	Registered game preserves	No limit
Red Legged Partridge	Registered game preserves	No limit

2 Definition of Areas

The following descriptions refer to Local Authority Boundaries described on the Infomap 242B-2 Department of Survey and Land Information (now Land Information New Zealand) for the Eastern Region Fish and Game Council region.

- 2.1 Area A1:** Tauranga District, Western Bay of Plenty District, that part of the South Waikato District within the Eastern Fish and Game region and east of State Highway 1, Rotorua District, Kawerau District, Whakatane District and Opotiki District.
- 2.2 Area A2:** Those parts of the South Waikato District west of State Highway 1 within the Eastern Fish and Game region, Taupo District and Ruapehu District, which lie within the Eastern Fish and Game region.
- 2.3 Area B1:** Gisborne District.
- 2.4 Area B2:** That part of Wairoa District within the Eastern Fish and Game region.

3 Shooting Hours

6.15am to 6.15pm, except that in Areas A1, A2 and B1 from 30 June 2008 to 31 August 2008 and 7 and 8 February 2009, Canada geese may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day. For Area B2, Canada geese may only be hunted 24 hours per day from 7 and 8 February 2009 inclusive. Paradise Shelduck may be hunted 24 hours per day from 7 and 8 February 2009 inclusive in that area of B1 north of the Uawa River, Tolaga Bay.

4 Decoy Limit

No limit.

5 Magazine Capacity

Unpinned magazine shotguns to manufacturer's specifications may be used.

6 Maimais

- 6.1** No maimai shall impede the use of navigable channels in the Tauranga Harbour, Ohiwa Harbour, Little Waihi Estuary, Lake Aniwhenua and Lake Taupo.
- 6.2** Maimais erected in the Little Waihi Estuary, Lake Aniwhenua, Ohiwa Harbour, Stump and Waihi bays of Lake Taupo must be dismantled and removed within 2 weeks of the close of the season (ie by 14 September 2008).

7 Registered Game Preserves (pheasant):

- 7.1 Titoki Hereford Stud:** The property situated along a 4 kilometre road frontage, at the top of Tikitere Hill from above Hell's Gate to opposite Moose Lodge entrance. Bounded by Fletcher Challenge Tikitere Forest and Okataina Scenic Reserve.
- 7.2 Benner's Brothers Farm:** Located 8 kilometres up the Bush Road from Pongokawa. Bounded by Pongakawa River, Rotoehu Forest and Bush Road.

- 7.3 Equine Farm:** Located approximately 6 kilometres in a north-west direction from Lake Rotoehu with Rotoehu Road and Fletcher Challenge's Rotoehu Forest on the main boundaries. Property is made up of 283 hectares being entirely enclosed within deer fence.
- 7.4 Treetops:** Located Hearoa Road, Horohoro, being some 470 hectares with frontage to Great West Road, and bounded by the Horohoro Bluffs, the extremities of the property being enclosed within deer fencing.
- 7.5 Otama Partnership:** Located at 1559 Rangiuru Road, bounded by Rangiuru Road, Te Matai Road and Mangorewa River, being part Lot 9 DP S90953 Block XIV Maketu Survey District.
- 7.6 Ngapuke Farm:** The property is situated at 416 Pongakawa Bush Road, Paengaroa, bounded by John Morrow to the north, John Scarrow to the south and Blaymeyers to the west.
- 7.7 Prime Pine:** Located on the Matata Highway and consists of some 120 hectares of pine forest. DP S58240. Bounded by Hingston, Fraser, Prinz and Knight properties.
- 7.8 Harakeke Station Taupo:** The property covers an area of 946.37 hectares and is bounded by State Highway 1, Tutukau Road and Tram Road.

HAWKE'S BAY FISH AND GAME REGION¹⁰**1 Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2008/2009 Season**

Species	Area	Season Length (dates inclusive)	Daily Bag Limit
Mallard duck	All areas	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	An aggregate bag of 7 mallard and grey duck, except within that aggregate bag a limit of 2 hen mallard and 2 grey duck shall apply
Grey duck	All areas	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	2
Shoveler duck	All areas	3 May to 2 June 2008 incl.	2
Paradise Shelduck	All areas	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	10
Pukeko	All areas	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	10
Black swan	All areas	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	3
Canada goose	Within a 40 kilometre radius of Porangahau but within that radius not more than 20 kilometres from the East Coast		
	From Kuripapango north of the Napier Taihape Road and west of the Ngaruroro River	3 May to 31 October 2008 incl.	15
California quail	All areas	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	10
Brown quail	All areas	Closed season	0
Bobwhite quail	All areas	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	No limit
Cock Pheasant	All areas excluding registered game preserves	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	2
Pheasants, both sexes	Registered game preserves only	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	No limit
Cock Pheasant	Registered game preserves junior hunters only	1 September to 28 September 2008 incl.	No limit

2 Shooting Hours

6.15am to 6.30pm, except that Canada goose may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day from 29 June to 31 October 2008.

3 Decoy Limit

No limit.

¹⁰Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 22 May 1990, at page 1861

4 Registered Game Preserves:

- 4.1 Whanawhana Trust property:** Lots 2 and 3 DP 24970, namely that area north and south of Whanawhana Road, Whanawhana, bordered by the Ngaruroro River in the south and the Otamauri stream in the north.
- 4.2 Glencoe Station:** Located in Central Hawke's Bay 8 kilometres south of Maraekakaho on State Highway 50. The property is 1200 hectares bounded by Whakapirau Road at the back and private farm land on each side. These farms are owned by Mark Taylor, Graham De Gruchy, John Mulcaster, Nick Buckholt, John McPhee and Edwards brothers.
- 4.3 Tuna Nui Station:** Bounded by Flag Range Road to the east, the Waikonini Creek and Rauwhenua Forest in the west and north respectively and the Napier-Taihape Road to the south.
- 4.4 Ngamatea Station:** Being the property north of the Napier-Taihape road and bounded by the Taurarau and Rangitikei Rivers and Kaimanawa Range.

TARANAKI FISH AND GAME REGION¹¹**1 Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2008/2009 Season**

Species	Season Length (dates inclusive)	Daily Bag Limit	Area
Grey/Mallard duck	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	10	All areas
Shoveler duck	3 May to 2 June 2008 incl.	2	All areas
Paradise Shelduck	3 May to 4 May 2008 incl.	10	Area A
	5 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	5	Area A
	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	10	Areas B, C
Black swan	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	1	All areas
Pukeko	3 May to 17 August 2008 incl.	5	All areas
Canada goose	3 May to 17 August 2008 incl.	10	Areas A, B
	3 May to 28 September 2008 incl.	20	Area C
California quail	3 May to 17 August 2008 incl.	5	All areas
Cock Pheasant	3 May to 17 August 2008 incl.	2	All areas

2 Special Paradise Shelduck Season

- 2.1** Areas B and C only: 28 February – 1 March 2009 inclusive, 6.30am to 7.30pm. Daily bag limit: Paradise Shelduck 10.

3 Special Canada Goose Season

- 3.1** Area B only: 28 February – 22 March 2009 inclusive, 24-hour hunting allowed. Daily bag limit: Canada goose 10.
- 3.2** Area C only: 1 February – 22 March 2009 inclusive, 24-hour hunting allowed. Daily bag limit: Canada goose 20.

4 Definition of Areas

- 4.1 Area A:** That area within the following boundary commencing at Waiaruhe Road. Then by that road, Owakura Road, Whangaehu Valley Road and Fields Track to Kakatahi. Then by straight lines to Pipiriki and Tawhata. Then by Tawhata Road to the boundary. Then by the generally eastern boundary of the region to Waiaruhe Road.
- 4.2 Area B:** That area within the following boundary commencing at Waiaruhe Road. Then by that road, Owakura Road, Whangaehu Valley Road and Fields Track to Kakatahi. Then by straight lines to Pipiriki and Makakaho Junction down the eastern bank of the Waitotara River to the sea. Then by the sea coast and generally eastern boundary of the region to Waiaruhe Road.
- 4.3 Area C:** The balance of the region contained by the westerly boundaries of Area A and B and the sea coast between the Mokau River and Waitotara River mouths.

5 Hours of Shooting

6.30am to 6.15pm, except that Canada geese may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day from 30 June to 28 September 2008.

6 Decoy Limit

No limit.

¹¹Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 22 May 1990, at page 1861

7 Pond Feeding

Permitted.

WELLINGTON FISH AND GAME REGION¹²**1 Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2008/2009 Season**

Species	Season Length (dates inclusive)	Daily Bag Limit	Area
Grey/Mallard duck	3 May to 15 June 2008 incl.	10	All areas
Shoveler duck	3 May to 2 June 2008 incl.	5	Area A1
	3 May to 2 June 2008 incl.	2	Areas A, B, B1
Paradise shelduck	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	5	All areas
Pukeko	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	5	Areas A1, B1
Black swan	3 May to 24 August 2008 incl.	3	Area A1
	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	3	Area B1
Canada goose	3 May 2008 to 22 March 2009 incl.	No limit	Areas A, A1
	3 May to 29 June 2008 incl.	20	Areas B, B1
	31 January to 1 March 2009	20	Area B, B1
Brown quail	Closed season	0	All areas
California quail	3 May to 17 August 2008 incl.	5	All areas
Cock Pheasant	3 May to 17 August 2008 incl.	2	All areas, excluding registered game preserves
Pheasant, both sexes	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	No limit	Registered game preserves only

2 Definition of Areas

- 2.1 Area A:** Tararua/Northern and Eastern Wairarapa. All of the Wellington region east of main Ruahine and Tararua/Rimutaka ranges outside of Area A1.
- 2.2 Area B:** Rangitikei/Northern Manawatu. All of the Wellington region west of main Ruahine and Tararua/Rimutaka ranges outside of Area B1.
- 2.3 Area A1:** That part of the Wellington region that is east of the Rimutaka and Tararua Ranges, to the Waingawa River, south of that river and the Ruamahanga River to Wardells Bridge and then west of the Masterton-Martinborough Road to the Huangarua River, Ruakokapatuna River, and Aorangi Range to Cape Palliser.
- 2.4 Area B1:** That part of the Wellington region that is south of the railway line from Marton to the Manawatu Gorge and then west of the Tararua and Rimutaka ranges to Turakirae Head.

3 Hours of Shooting

6.30am to 6.30pm excluding Canada goose that may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day during the specified open season.

4 Decoy Limit

No limit.

¹²Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 22 May 1990, at page 1861

5 Registered Game Preserve

- 5.1 Rangitikei Game Preserve:** Located at Whaka Farm, Cooks Road, Hunterville. Bounded by Cooks Road and the Rangitikei River to the east, James Bull's property to the south, Rangatira Road to the west, and James Bull's and Jack Still's properties to the north.

NELSON MARLBOROUGH REGION¹³**1 Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2008/2009 Season**

Species	Season	Daily Bag Limit
Grey/Mallard duck and any hybrid of those species	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	15
Shoveler duck	3 May to 2 June 2008 incl.	2
<i>Grey, Mallard and Shoveler duck aggregate limit: A maximum total bag not exceeding 15 birds, which must comprise no more than 7 Grey and 2 Shoveler, when in season.</i>		
Paradise Shelduck	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	10
Pukeko (except East Coast/Kaikoura area)	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	10
Pukeko (East Coast/Kaikoura area only)	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	2
Pukeko (Pheasant area only)	1 August to 26 October 2008 incl.	10
	1 January to 28 February 2009 incl.	10
Black swan	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	10
Canada goose (except Wairau Lagoons)	3 May to 30 November 2008 incl.	No limit
	1 February to 19 April 2009 incl.	No limit
Canada goose (Wairau Lagoons only)	3 May to 21 September 2008 incl.	No limit
	1 February to 19 April 2009 incl.	No limit
California quail (except Motueka and Waimea River Bermland)	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	10
California quail (Motueka and Waimea River Bermland only)	31 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	10
Cock Pheasant (Pheasant area only)	31 May to 2 June 2008 incl.	1
	28 June and 29 June 2008 incl.	1
	26 July and 27 July 2008 incl.	1
Pheasant, both sexes		
Nelson & Tasman Bays Game Preserve Ltd	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	No limit
Chukar	Closed season	Nil

2 Definition of Areas**2.1 Wairau Lagoons**

That area defined as all open waters, islands and the peninsula between Chandlers Lagoon and Big Lagoon, south of the Wairau River mouth, including Te Aropipi Channel and south to the White Bluffs.

¹³ Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 24 May 1990, at page 1861

2.2 Pheasant Area

The area west of the Bryant Range, north of State Highway 63 from St Arnaud to Kawatiri Junction, and east of the Hope and Arthur Ranges.

2.3 Motueka River Bermland

The area adjacent to the Motueka River downstream of the Alexandra Bluff Bridge within the boundaries of State Highway 61 and Old Wharf Road to the east and the Motueka River West Bank Road, Umukuri Road and Lodder Lane in the west.

2.4 Waimea River Bermland

That area known as the Waimea Bermland contained within the stopbanks (or a 200 metre strip from both riverbanks where stopbanks are not present) of the Waimea and Wairoa Rivers up to the junction of the Lee River and the Wai-iti River up to State Highway 6 (Wai-iti Bridge).

2.5 East Coast/Kaikoura Area

The area to the east of the Awatere Valley/Molesworth Road and the Redwood Pass Road.

3 Shooting Hours

6.30am to 6.30pm during May, then 6.45am to 6.15pm until the end of Dabbling Duck Season 2008. Canada geese may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day after 27 July 2008.

4 Decoy Limit

No limit.

5 Special Conditions

5.1 All permanent hunting stands/maimais used for the purposes of hunting of game on the Wairau Lagoons must be situated above the mean high water level.

5.2 Moored camouflaged boats are permitted for hunting or killing game in the Wairau Lagoons, but shall not be within 200 metres of any other hunting stand.

5.3 Certain farmers who hunt their own property are allowed under section 19 of the Wildlife Act 1953 to do so without having to purchase a licence, although they are subject to this notice and the regulations. Those farmers who wish to do so can receive a current copy of the regional newsletter and national magazine. Contact the Nelson Fish and Game Office to place your address on the mailing list.

6 Registered Game Preserves

6.1 Nelson & Tasman Bays Game Preserve Ltd: That fenced and sign posted area reading Nelson & Tasman Bays Game Preserve Ltd, located on the Tadmor Valley Road, Tapawera, being 102 hectares Sections 16, 31 and 45 Block XVI Wangapeka Survey District and Lot 2 DP 333592 Computer Freehold Register 137721.

WEST COAST FISH AND GAME REGION¹⁴**1 Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2008/2009 Season**

Species	Season	Daily Bag Limit
Grey/Mallard duck and any hybrid of those species	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	Aggregate bag 20
Shoveler duck	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	2
Paradise Shelduck	3 May to 26 August 2008 incl.	20
	1 March to 29 March 2009 (subject to public notification).	20
Pukeko	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	20
	1 March to 29 March 2009 incl.	20
Black swan	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	2
Canada goose	3 May 2008 to 29 March 2009 incl.	No limit

2 Shooting Hours

6.30am to 6.30pm, except that Canada geese may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day during the specified open season.

3 Decoy Limit

No limit.

¹⁴Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 22 May 1990, at page 1861

NORTH CANTERBURY FISH AND GAME REGION¹⁵**1 Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2008/2009 Season**

Species	Season	Daily Bag Limit
Grey duck and any hybrid of that species	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	5
Shoveler duck	3 May to 2 June 2008 incl.	2
Mallard duck and any hybrid of that species	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	25
<i>Grey, Mallard and Shoveler duck aggregate bag</i>		25
Paradise Shelduck (Area A)	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	5
Paradise Shelduck (Area B)	3 May to 28 September 2008 incl. 31 January to 29 March 2009 incl.	20 20
Pukeko	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	2
Black swan (Area A)	3 May to 28 September 2008 incl.	5
Black swan (Area B)	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	2
Canada goose	3 May to 30 November 2008 incl. 31 January to 19 April 2009 incl.	No limit No limit
California quail	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	10
Cock Pheasant	7 and 8 June 2008 (two days only)	1
Chukar	Closed season	Nil

2 Definition of Areas

2.1 Area A (Paradise Shelduck and Black Swan): That area east of State Highway 1 from Rakaia River in the south to Woodend Beach Road in the north.

2.2 Area B (Paradise Shelduck and Black Swan): The remainder of the region excluding “Area A”.

3 Shooting Hours**3.1 Canada goose**

- i. 3 May to 31 May 2008 6.30am to 6.30pm
- ii. 1 June 2008 to 19 April 2009 24 hours per day during the specified season

3.2 Paradise Shelduck

- i. 3 May to 28 September 2008 6.30am to 6.30pm during the specified season
- ii. 31 January to 29 March 2009 5.00am to 10.00pm during the specified season

3.3 All other game birds 6.30am to 6.30pm during the specified season

4 Decoy Limit

No limit.

5 Special Condition

No person shall wilfully leave on the hunting ground the bodies or parts of bodies of any gamebird shot in this region.

6 Closed Game Areas

¹⁵Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 22 May 1990, at page 1861

There are three Closed Game Areas in the North Canterbury Region: St Anne's Lagoon, the northern end of the Rakaia Lagoon and the Ahuriri Lagoon.

- 6.1 St Anne's Lagoon:** Those parts of St Anne's Lagoon (commonly known as Cheviot Lagoon) situated on part Section 27 Block IV, and part Sections 1 and 4 Block VII Cheviot Survey District together with a strip of land 45.72 metres in width along the margins as further defined by erection of white painted posts. On the remainder of this lagoon and land adjoining (being Reserve 3146), shooting is prohibited as it is a reserve pursuant to the Reserves Act 1977.
- 6.2 Rakaia Lagoon:** All that area known as the Rakaia River Lagoon, being an area from a line commencing at the confluence of Boat Creek which flows into the lagoon from the northern shore, then north-easterly to the head of the lagoon and including the foreshore in front of the Rakaia Huts Village, then around the lagoon and south-west along the shingle spit opposite Boat Creek, the area being specifically marked by "Closed Game Area" signage.
- 6.3 Ahuriri Lagoon:** All that area of land in the Canterbury Land District, situated in Block X Halswell Survey District, in the Counties Ellesmere and Halswell, containing approximately 249 hectares being Rural Sections 1167 and 31239, part Rural Section 3319, part Reserve 3598, including Lots 1 and 2, and Lots 4 to 11, Crown and road reserves; commencing at the north-western corner of Rural Section 11167 on the eastern boundary of Burke's Drain and road reserve proceeding in an easterly direction along the northern boundary of Rural Section 11167 and Reserve 3598 to the south-eastern corner of Rural Section 11165; then easterly in a straight line crossing Reserve 3598 to the south-eastern corner of Rural Section 11166; then easterly along the northern boundaries of Reserve 3598 and Rural section 31239 to the north-eastern corner of Rural Section 31239 at the western side of the Christchurch-Akaroa Main Highway; then southerly, south-easterly and easterly along the said highway and crossing road reserve, the old course of the Halswell River, and road reserve to the south-east of the road reserve along the south bank of the old course of the Halswell River; then south-westerly along the south side of the said road reserve to the eastern side of the road reserve on the eastern bank of the Halswell Canal; then south-easterly in a straight line across the said road reserve and the Halswell Canal to the southern boundary of Reserve 3598 on the western bank of the said Halswell Canal; then generally westerly along the southern boundary of Reserve 3598 and across Matthews Road and continuing along the southern boundary of Reserve 3598 to the south-eastern side of Davidson's Road; then north-easterly along the south-eastern side of Davidson's Road to the southern bank of the Halswell River.

CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND FISH AND GAME REGION¹⁶**1 Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2008/2009 Season**

Species	Season	Daily Bag Limit
Grey duck and any hybrid of that species	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	5
Shoveler duck	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	2
Mallard duck and any hybrid of that species	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	50
Mallard duck and any hybrid of that species – Area D	7, 8 and 14, 15 February 2009 incl.	10
<i>Grey, Mallard and Shoveler duck: A maximum total aggregate bag not exceeding 50 birds for all those species including hybrids combined, except that within the aggregate bag a limit of 5 Grey duck and 2 Shoveler duck must apply.</i>		
Paradise Shelduck		
East of State Highway 1	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	15
West of State Highway 1	3 May to 28 September 2008 incl.	15
Pukeko	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	10
Black swan	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	5
Canada goose		
Area A	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	No limit
Area B and C	3 May to 30 November 2008 incl.	No limit
Area C	7 February to 12 April 2009 incl.	No limit
California quail	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	10
Chukar (by Permit only)	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	10
Virginian (Bobwhite) quail	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	No limit
Cock Pheasant (all areas excluding Craigmores, Dorset Downs and Ngahere registered game preserves)	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	4
Pheasant, both sexes (Dorset Downs registered game preserves only)	1 April to 31 August 2008 incl.	No limit
Pheasant, both sexes (Craigmores and Ngahere Game Ranch registered game preserves only)	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	No limit
Red-legged partridge (all areas excluding Dorset Downs and Ngahere registered game preserves)	Closed season	0
Red-legged Partridge (Dorset Downs registered game preserve only)	1 April to 31 August 2008 incl.	No limit
Red-legged partridge (Ngahere Game Ranch registered game preserve only)	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	No limit

¹⁶Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 22 May 1990, as amended by *Gazette*, No. 129, of 29 August 1991, at page 2789

2 Definition of Areas

- 2.1 Area A:** All that part of the region encompassing Lake Wainono and Wainono Reserve and bounded to the north by Hook Beach Road, the west by State Highway 1, the south by Poingdestres Road and the east by the Pacific Ocean.
- 2.2 Area B:** That part of the bed of the Waitaki River between Lake Waitaki Dam and the sea.
- 2.3 Area C:** That part of the region not included in Area A and Area B.
- 2.4 Area D:** That part of the region north of the Opihi River only over agricultural grain crops and green feed paddocks and more than 200 metres from any water body.
- 2.5 Chukar Hunting:** Chukar hunting is by permit only. Permits are available on request from the Fish and Game office in Temuka.

3 Shooting Hours

6.45am to 6.30pm, except that during the period 1 June 2008 to 12 April 2009 inclusive, Canada geese may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day during the specified open season.

4 Decoy Limit

- 4.1 Lake Wainono and the Wainono Reserve: From opening day to the second Sunday after opening day,** no person or persons sharing a stand shall use more than 25 decoys. No decoys to be placed within 50 metres of those placed by occupant(s) of another stand.
- 4.2 Rest of season:** No limit.

5 Registered Game Preserves

- 5.1 Craigmores Game Preserve:** That fenced area of Craigmores Station adjoining Craigmores Hill Road, Maungati near Timaru, marked with signposts reading Craigmores Game Preserve.
- 5.2 Dorset Downs Game Preserve:** That fenced area of Dorset Downs Station at Maungati near Timaru, marked with signposts reading Dorset Downs Game Preserve.
- 5.3 Ngahere Game Ranch:** That fenced area of Ngahere Station adjoining Upper Mill Road, Waimate, marked with signposts reading Ngahere Game Ranch.

OTAGO FISH AND GAME REGION¹⁷**1 Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2008/2009 Season**

Species	Season	Daily Bag Limit
Grey/Mallard duck and any hybrid of those species	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	25
Shoveler duck	3 May to 2 June 2008 incl.	2
Paradise Shelduck		
Area A	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	10
Area B	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	15
Pukeko	Closed season	0
Black swan		
Area A	Closed season	0
Area B	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	5
Canada goose	3 May 2008 to 31 March 2009 incl.	No limit
California quail	31 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	10
Pheasant		
Otago Region except Registered game preserve	31 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	5
Registered game preserves only	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	No limit
Red-legged partridge		
Registered game preserves only	3 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	No limit
Chukar	31 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	2

2 Definition of Areas

2.1 Area A: The Clutha River catchment upstream from the Clyde Dam.

2.2 Area B: The Clutha River catchment downstream from the Clyde Dam; the Taieri River catchment and all the coastal catchments between Shag Point and The Brothers Point on the east coast of the South Island.

3 Shooting Hours

7.00am to 6.45pm Area A; 7.00am to 6.30pm Area B, except that during the period 28 July 2008 to 31 March 2009 inclusive, Canada geese may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day.

4 Decoy Limit

No limit.

5 Special Conditions

5.1 No person shall use or cause to be used on any water within the region for the hunting or killing of game, any fixed stand, pontoon, hide, loo or maimai, except within a distance of 10 metres from the water margin in non-tidal waters, or from the low water mark in tidal waters, or from the outside edge of the raupo growth where raupo abounds, without the prior consent of the Otago Fish & Game Council.

¹⁷Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 22 May 1990, at page 1861

- 5.2** No person may leave on the hunting ground the bodies or parts of bodies of Black swan or other game shot in the Otago Fish and Game Region.
- 5.3** Shooting from a boat is prohibited on the Clutha River on the opening weekend only.
- 5.4** Canada geese can be hunted during the closed season if an authorisation is obtained from the Otago Fish & Game Council.

6 Refuges and Closed Game Areas

The following wetland refuges and closed game areas are closed to hunting:

Refuges

- | | Location |
|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| 6.1 Lake Hayes | Queenstown/Arrowtown highway |
| 6.2 Hawksbury Lagoon | Waikouaiti – East Otago |
| 6.3 Finegand | Balclutha |

Closed Game Areas

- | | |
|---------------------------------|--|
| 6.4 Ashley Downs | Near Clinton, South Otago |
| 6.5 Tomahawk Lagoon | Dunedin |
| 6.6 Kawarau River outlet | From Lake Wakatipu downstream to the Shotover River confluence |

7 Registered Game Preserves

- 7.1 Cragneuk Hunting Preserve:** Cragneuk Hunting Preserve is defined as approx 513 hectares of Cragneuk Station encompassing the three forks of Dingo Creek and marked on the boundaries with signposts reading “Cragneuk Hunting Preserve”.

SOUTHLAND FISH AND GAME REGION¹⁸**1 Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2008/2009 Season**

Species	Season	Daily Bag Limit
Grey/Mallard duck and any hybrid of those species	3 and 4 May 2008	20
	5 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	15
Shoveler duck	3 May to 2 June 2008 incl.	2
Paradise Shelduck	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	6
Pukeko	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	2
Black swan	3 May to 27 July 2008 incl.	1
Canada goose	3 May 2008 to 29 March 2009 incl.	No limit
California quail	31 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	5
Cock Pheasant	31 May to 31 August 2008 incl.	5
Chukar	Closed season	Nil

2 Shooting Hours

7.00am to 6.30pm or any period within these hours, except that during the period 1 August 2008 to 29 March 2009 inclusive, Canada geese may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day during the specified open season.

3 Decoy Limit

No limit.

4 Special Conditions

Shooting from boats is prohibited during the month of May 2008 on the Maitai, Aparima, Oreti, Waiau and Waimatuku rivers and their navigable tributaries.

Approved at Wellington this 17th day of March 2008.

**Hon Steve Chadwick,
Minister of Conservation.**

¹⁸Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 22 May 1990, at page 1861