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OPEN SEASON FOR GAME
IN
FISH AND GAME REGIONS

NORTH ISLAND
AND
SOUTH ISLAND

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 section 15 and section 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 2005 New Zealand Game Bird Habitat Stamp is approved².



The 2005 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

Bag limits

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, except on Sunday, 8 May 2005, a person may have in possession twice the number of game birds specified as the daily bag limit for Saturday, 7 May 2005.

A person may have in that person's possession more game than specified above, 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 Regions in which the game was taken; and
- (e) The date on which the game was taken.

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

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

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

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

Persons⁴ 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.

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

Persons⁵ 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.

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 cross of that species with any other species, variety, or kind of duck

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

Paradise Duck (*Casarca variegata*), also known as the Paradise shelduck (*Tadorna variegata*)

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.

Guns of a Calibre Less Than 12 Gauge Temporarily Exempt in Relation to Use of Lead Shot

Hunters may continue to use lead shot in guns of a calibre less than 12 gauge for the 2005 season due to the difficulty in obtaining non-toxic shot for smaller calibre guns. This temporary exemption will be reviewed before the 2006 game bird hunting season.

⁴Section 17 of the Wildlife Act 1953

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

Lead Shot Exemption for Molesworth/St James Organised Canada Goose Hunts

The use of lead shot within 200 metres of open water by hunters participating in the Fish and Game NZ organised “Molesworth/St James Canada Goose Hunts” will be permitted during the 2005-06 game bird season. The lead shot exemption only applies to the hunting of Canada Geese on the Fish and Game organised hunts. Outside of these organised hunts, the national lead shot ban applies.

Camouflaged Rowboats

Persons⁶ may hunt or kill game within the following Fish and Game Regions, from unmoored camouflaged rowboats, subject to the conditions specified below.

Fish and Game Regions of:

Northland

Nelson/Marlborough

Otago

Southland

Taranaki

West Coast

Eastern – excluding 7 and 8 May 2005

Wellington – excluding 7 and 8 May 2005

Central South Island – excluding 7 and 8 May 2005

North Canterbury – excluding 7 to 15 May 2005

Hawke’s Bay – excluding 7 and 8 May 2005

Registered Game Preserves

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.

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.

Pegging Day

1. A person, following purchase of a 2005/2006 Whole Season game bird hunting licence, can reclaim the stand claimed during the 2004 Game Season at any time prior to 10.00 a.m. on 10 April 2005 in all Fish and Game Regions.
2. Otherwise unclaimed stands can only be claimed any time after 10.00 a.m. on 10 April 2005 in all Fish and Game Regions.
3. Stands are claimed by completing and attaching to the stand, or a stake or board at the stand site, the claim tag provided with the licence.
4. The stand claim tag must be affixed to a board or identifying label having plainly marked thereon the claimant’s name and the number of the licence.
5. The licence holder claiming a stand must be present in person at the stand when marking up such.

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

6. NB: In the Auckland Waikato Region, only holders of 2005/2006 Whole Season Adult Game Bird Licences can claim hunting stands.
7. No one can claim more than one stand.
8. A stand cannot be claimed closer than 90 metres to a stand already claimed by another person without that person's consent.
9. 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.

Conditions

1. These approvals shall not derogate from the principal conditions specified for each Fish and Game Region under the Second Schedule, which shall apply.
2. 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 REGION****Game That May Be Hunted or Killed—Duration of the 2005/2006 Season**

Species	Season	Daily Bag Limit
Grey Duck and any hybrid of that species	7 May to 3 July 2005 incl.	20
Mallard Duck and any hybrid of that species	7 May to 3 July 2005 incl.	20
Shoveler Duck	7 May to 3 July 2005 incl.	3
<i>Grey, Mallard and Shoveler Duck; a maximum total bag not exceeding 20 birds for all species including hybrids combined and no more than the individual bag limit for each species.</i>		
Paradise Shelduck	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	20
	25 February to 26 February 2006 incl.	20
Black Swan	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	10
Canada Goose	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	5
Pukeko	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	12
Californian and Brown Quail	7 May to 14 August 2005 incl.	20
Cock Pheasant – Area A	7 May to 14 August 2005 incl.	3
Cock Pheasant – Rest of region	7 May to 14 August 2005 incl.	5

Definition of Area A: The following description refers to 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.

Shooting Hours

6.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m., except that for the hunting of Paradise Shelduck on 25 and 26 February 2006, shooting hours will be from 6.00 a.m. to 9.00 p.m.

Decoy Limit

No limit.

Special Conditions

1. No person shall wilfully leave on the hunting ground any game bird(s) shot or parts of any game bird(s) shot.
2. Camouflaged Rowboats: Persons may hunt or kill game from an unmoored camouflaged rowboat.
3. During 25 and 26 February 2006, Special Paradise Shelduck Season, there shall be no hunting within 500 metres of any urban sewage oxidation ponds.

AUCKLAND/WAIKATO FISH AND GAME REGION⁷

Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2005/2006 Season, except that no duck may be hunted on Great Barrier Island

Species	Season	Daily Bag Limit
Grey Duck	7 May to 3 July 2005 incl.	10
Mallard Duck	7 May to 3 July 2005 incl.	10
Shoveler Duck	7 May to 3 July 2005 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	7 May to 3 July 2005 incl.	10
Pukeko	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	10
Black Swan (except that no Black Swan may be hunted or killed on the Waikato Hydro Lakes: Karapiro, Arapuni and Waipapa)	7 May to 3 July 2005 incl.	1
Black Swan in the region north of Auckland Harbour Bridge	7 May to 3 July 2005 incl.	5
Canada Goose	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	10
Californian Quail	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	10
Virginian (Bobwhite) Quail	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	10
Cock Pheasant	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	3

Shooting Hours

Shooting hours are 6.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m., except that Canada Geese may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day for the 24 hour Moonlight Canada Goose Season: 6.30 a.m. 19 May 2005 to 6.30 p.m. 29 May 2005, and 6.30 a.m. 18 June 2005 to 6.30 p.m. 28 June 2005, and 6.30 a.m. 4 July 2005 to 6.30 p.m. 28 August 2005 inclusive.

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.

Special Conditions

1. From 7 May to 3 July 2005 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).
2. 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.
3. 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. No person may wilfully leave on the hunting ground any game bird(s) shot or parts of any game birds shot.
5. No person may herd or drive waterfowl for the purpose of hunting or killing them.

⁷Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 22 May 1990 as amended by *Gazette*, No. 129, of 29 August 1991, at page 2786

6. 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.
7. 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.

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.

Closed Game Areas

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, Maioro Survey District, bearing 126 degrees true to a marker on the south-eastern side of the river.
2. The lagoon at Okoroire Park, Matamata-Tauranga Road, Okoroire and a strip of land 20 metres in width surrounding the lagoon.
3. 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.
4. 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. The township of Te Aroha.
6. All that area lying to the east of the Southern Motorway and known as Pahurehure Inlet.
7. 129 hectares, being part of the Manukau Harbour known as Waimahia Creek (excluding the oxidation pond).
8. 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.
9. Western Arm (part), Lake Whangape. All that area within (lakeward), a boundary created by straight lines between white posts and more specifically: In straight lines commencing from the white post numbered "1" to be found on the edge approximately 350 metres to the west of Herbert Road road end; south for approximately 600 metres along the shoreline to the white post numbered "2"; directly across the bay west to the spit and the white post numbered "3" located there; south for approximately 500 metres along the shore to the white post numbered "4"; inland in a south-easterly direction for approximately 150 metres to the white post numbered "5"; inland in a south south-westerly direction for approximately 600 metres to the white post numbered "6"; towards the lake shore in a northerly direction to the white post numbered "7"; directly across the inlet in a north-westerly direction to the white post numbered "8"; northwards along the shore for approximately 1400 metres to the white post numbered "9"; across the western arm in a north-easterly direction to the white post numbered "10"; south for approximately 400 metres along the shore to the white post numbered "11"; directly across the inlet to the white post numbered "1".

EASTERN FISH AND GAME REGION⁸

Game That May be Hunted or Killed	Area	Duration of 2005/2006 Season
Grey, Mallard and Shoveler Duck	All areas	7 May to 3 July 2005 incl.
Paradise Shelduck	Areas A1, A2, B1 Area B2	7 May to 3 July 2005 incl. 7 May to 17 July 2005 incl.
Pukeko	All areas	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.
Black Swan	Area A1 Area A2 Area B1 Area B2	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl. 7 May to 3 July 2005 incl. No season 7 May to 19 June 2005 incl.
Canada Goose	All areas	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl. 4 to 5 February 2006 incl.
California Quail	All areas	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.
Brown Quail	All areas	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.
Bobwhite Quail	All areas	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.
Cock Pheasant	All areas including Registered Game Preserves	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.
Red Legged Partridge	Registered Game Preserves only	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.

Species	Area	Bag Limit
Mallard Duck	All Areas	10
Grey Duck	All Areas	2
Shoveler Duck	All Areas	3
Paradise Shelduck	Areas A1, A2 That part of B1, which lies north of the true right bank of the Uawa River, Tolaga Bay That part of B1, which lies south of the true right bank of the Uawa River, Tolaga Bay Area B2	6 10 6 10
Pukeko	All areas	10
Black Swan	Area A1 Area A2 Area B2	No limit 2 4
Canada Goose	All Areas	No limit
California Quail	Areas A1, A2 B1, B2	No limit 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

⁸Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 22 May 1990, at page 1861

Definition of Areas

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

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 No. 1, Rotorua District, Kawerau District, Whakatane District and Opotiki District.

Area A2: Those parts of the South Waikato District west of State Highway No. 1 within the Eastern Fish and Game region, Taupo District and Ruapehu District, which lie within the Eastern Fish and Game region.

Area B1: Gisborne District.

Area B2: That part of Wairoa District within the Eastern Fish and Game region.

Shooting Hours

6.15 a.m. to 6.15 p.m., except that in Areas A1, A2, and B1 from the day following the close of the mallard season to 5 February 2006 inclusive, Canada Goose may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day. For B2, Canada Geese may only be hunted 24 hours for 4 and 5 February 2006 inclusive. Note that these hours only apply to those days when Canada Geese may be hunted – refer table above.

Decoy Limit

No limit.

Maimais

No maimai shall impede the use of navigable channels in the Tauranga Harbour, Ohiwa Harbour, Little Waihi Estuary, Lake Aniwhenua and Lake Taupo.

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 (i.e. by 11 September 2005).

Registered Game Preserves (pheasant):

- (i) 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.
- (ii) Benner's Brothers Farm: Located 8 kilometres up the Bush Road from Pongokawa. Bounded by Pongakawa River and Rotoehu Forest and Bush Road.
- (iii) 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.
- (iv) 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.
- (v) Otama Partnership: Located 1559 Rangiuuru Road, bounded by Rangiuuru Road, Te Matai Road and Mangorewa River, being Part Lot 9, DP S90953, Block X1V, Maketu Survey District.

- (vi) Habitat Game Birds: Located 448 Allport Road, Te Puke. Being 72 hectares north of Allport Road and south of Public Road (Section 12, Block XI, Maketu Survey District and Lot 1, DP S91507) and 74 hectares south of Allport Road and north of Pokopoko Stream (Part Section 13, Block XI, Maketu Survey District).
- (vii) 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.

HAWKE'S BAY FISH AND GAME REGION⁹**Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2005/2006 Season**

Species	Area	Season Length (dates inclusive)	Daily Bag
Mallard Duck	All areas	7 May to 17 July 2005 incl.	10
Grey	All areas	7 May to 17 July 2005 incl.	3
Shoveler Duck	All areas	7 May to 17 July 2005 incl.	5
Paradise Shelduck	All areas	7 May to 3 July 2005 incl.	6
Pukeko	All areas	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	10
Black Swan	All areas	7 May to 3 July 2005 incl.	No limit
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	7 May to 2 October 2005 incl.	10
California Quail	All areas	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	10
Brown Quail	All areas	Closed Season	0
Bobwhite Quail	All areas	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	No limit
Cock Pheasant	All areas excluding Registered Game Preserves	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	2
Pheasants, both sexes	Registered game preserves only	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	No limit

Shooting Hours

6.15 a.m. to 6.30 p.m.

Decoy Limit

No limit.

Registered Game Preserves

Tim and Maree Kittows' property: 301 Gwavas Road Tikokino, Waipawa. 3.3 kilometres west along Gwavas Road, it bounds the Pan Pac Gwavas Forest and neighbouring properties. These properties are Chas Chestermans', George Williams' and Mike Rittson–Thomas' (Totara Hill).

Poronui Station: 8,000 hectares at the end of Taharua Road, 20 kilometres east of the Napier–Taupo Road. Bordered at the east by Wharetoto 5B Trust land, to the south by the Mohaka River and East Taupo Lands Trust land, and the west by the Kaimanawa Forest Park.

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.

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

Glencoe Station: Located in Central Hawke's Bay 8 kilometres south of Maraekakaho on State Highway No. 50. The property is 1,200 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.

TARANAKI FISH AND GAME REGION¹⁰**Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2005/2006 Season**

Species	Season Length (dates inclusive)	Daily Bag	Area
Mallard Duck/Grey Duck and any hybrids of those species	7 May to 3 July 2005	12	All areas
Shoveler Duck	7 May to 3 July 2005	3	All areas
Paradise Shelduck	7 May to 3 July 2005	5	Area A
Paradise Shelduck	7 May to 3 July 2005	10	Areas B, C
Black Swan	7 May to 3 July 2005	1	All areas
Pukeko	7 May to 3 July 2005	5	All areas
Canada Goose	7 May to 21 August 2005	10	All areas
Californian Quail	7 May to 14 August 2005	5	All areas
Cock Pheasant	7 May to 14 August 2005	2	All areas
Brown Quail	Closed season	0	All areas

Special Paradise Shelduck Season

Areas B and C only: 4–12 March 2006 inclusive. 6.30 a.m. to 7.30 p.m. Daily Bag Limit: Paradise Shelduck 10.

Special Canada Goose Season

Areas B and C only: 4 – 26 March 2006 inclusive. 24 hour hunting allowed. Daily Bag Limit: Canada Goose 10.

Hours of Shooting

6.30 a.m. to 6.15 p.m., except that Canada Geese may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day from 4 July to 21 August 2005.

Decoy Limit

No limit.

Pond Feeding

Permitted.

Definition of Areas

Area A: That area within the following boundary commencing at Waiaruhe Road. Then by that road, Owihakura 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.

Area B: That area within the following boundary commencing at Waiaruhe Road. Then by that road, Owihakura 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.

Area C: The balance of the region contained by the westerly boundaries of Area A and B and the sea coast between the Mokau and Waitotara river mouths.

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

WELLINGTON FISH AND GAME REGION¹¹**Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2005/2006 Season**

Species	Season Length (dates inclusive)	Daily Bag	Area
Grey/Mallard Duck	7 May to 3 July 2005	12	All areas
Shoveler Duck	7 May to 3 July 2005	5	Area A1
Shoveler Duck	7 May to 3 July 2005	2	Areas A, B and B1
Paradise Shelduck	7 May to 3 July 2005	10	All areas
Pukeko	7 May to 3 July 2005	5	Areas A1 and B1
Black Swan	7 May to 15 May 2005	3	Area A1
Black Swan	4 June to 14 August 2005	2	Area A1
Black Swan	7 May to 8 May 2005	1	Area B1
Black Swan	4 June to 6 June 2005	3	Area B1
Black Swan	2 July to 3 July 2005	3	Area B1
Canada Goose	7 May to 31 December 2005	No limit	Areas A and A1
Canada Goose	4 February to 26 March 2006	No limit	Areas A and A1
Canada Goose	7 May to 6 June 2005	5	Areas B and B1
Canada Goose	11 February to 26 February 2006	5	Area B and B1
Californian Quail	7 May to 14 August 2005	5	All areas
Cock Pheasant	7 May to 14 August 2005	2	All areas
Brown Quail	Closed season		All areas

Definition of Areas

Area A: Tararua/Northern and Eastern Wairarapa. All of the Wellington region east of main Ruahine and Tararua/Rimutaka ranges outside of Area A1.

Area B: Rangitikei/Manawatu. All of the Wellington region west of main Ruahine and Tararua/Rimutaka ranges outside of Area B1.

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.

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.

Shooting Hours

6.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m., excluding Canada Goose that may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day during the specified open season.

Decoy Limit

No limit.

Special Conditions

Summer Hunting Registration 2006: Hunters participating in the summer goose season must register with the Fish and Game Council prior to hunting.

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

NELSON MARLBOROUGH REGION¹²**Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2005/2006 Season**

Species	Season	Daily Bag Limit
Grey Duck	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	7
Mallard Duck	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	15
Shoveler Duck	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	2
<i>Grey, Mallard and Shoveler Duck aggregate limit; a maximum total bag not exceeding 15 birds, which must comprise of no more than 7 Grey and 2 Shoveler.</i>		
Paradise Shelduck	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	10
Pukeko (except East Coast/ Kaikoura area)	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	10
Pukeko (East Coast/Kaikoura area only)	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	2
	1 January to 28 February 2006	10
Black Swan	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	10
Canada Goose (except Wairau Lagoons)	7 May to 6 November 2005 incl.	No limit
	1 February to 23 April 2006 incl.	No limit
Canada Goose (Wairau Lagoons only*)	7 May to 25 September 2005 incl.	No limit
	1 February to 23 April 2006 incl.	No limit
California Quail (except Motueka and Waimea River Bermland)	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	10
California Quail (Motueka and Waimea River Bermland only)	4 June to 28 August 2005 incl.	10
Cock Pheasant (Pheasant area only)	4 June to 6 June 2005 incl.	1
	2 July to 3 July 2005 incl.	1
	30 July to 31 July 2005 incl.	1
Chukar	Closed season	Nil

Definition of Areas**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.

Pheasant Area

The area west of the Bryant Range, north of State Highway No. 63 from St Arnaud to Kawatiri Junction, and east of the Hope and Arthur Ranges.

Motueka River Bermland

The area adjacent to the Motueka River downstream of the Alexandra Bluff Bridge within the boundaries of State Highway No. 61 and Old Wharf Road to the east and the Motueka River West Bank Road, Umukuri Road and Lodder Lane in the west.

¹² Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 24 May 1990, at page 1861

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 No. 6 (Wai-iti Bridge).

East Coast/Kaikoura Area

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

Shooting Hours

6.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. during May, then 6.45 a.m. to 6.15 p.m. until the end of Dabbling Duck Season 2005. Canada Goose may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day after 31 July 2005.

Decoy Limit

No limit.

Special Conditions

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.
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.

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.

NORTH CANTERBURY FISH AND GAME REGION¹³**Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2005/2006 Season**

Species	Season	Daily Bag Limit
Grey Duck and any hybrid of that species	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	5
Shoveler Duck	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	2
Mallard Duck and any hybrid of that species	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	25
<i>Grey, Mallard and Shoveler Duck aggregate bag</i>		25
Paradise Shelduck (Area A)	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	5
Paradise Shelduck (Area B)	7 May to 25 September 2005 incl.	20
	4 February to 2 April 2006 incl.	20
Pukeko	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	2
Black Swan (Area A)	7 May to 4 September 2005 incl.	5
Black Swan (Area B)	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	2
Canada Goose (Area A)	7 May to 25 September 2005 incl.	No limit
	4 February to 2 April 2006 incl.	No limit
Canada Goose (Area B)	7 May to 27 November 2005 incl.	No limit
	4 February to 23 April 2006 incl.	No limit
Californian Quail	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	10
Cock Pheasant	5 June 2005 (one day only)	1
Chukar	Closed season	Nil

Definition of Areas

Area A (Paradise Shelduck, Black Swan and Canada Geese): That area east of State Highway No. 1 from Rakaia River in the south to Woodend Beach Road in the north.

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

Shooting Hours

- (a) Canada Geese
- i. 7 May to 31 May 2005 6.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m.
 - ii. 1 June 2005 to 23 April 2006 24 hours per day during the specified season
- (b) Paradise Ducks
- i. 7 May to 25 September 2005 6.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. during the specified season
 - ii. 4 February to 23 April 2006 5.00 a.m. to 10.00 p.m. during the specified season
- (c) All other game birds 6.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. during the specified season

¹³Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 22 May 1990, at page 1861

Decoy Limit

Duck decoys:

- (a) 7 May to 15 May 2005, no person or persons sharing a stand shall use more than 30 duck decoys. No duck decoys shall be placed within 50 metres of those placed by another hunter.
- (b) Rest of duck hunting season: No limit.

Goose, Black Swan and other species: No limit.

Special Condition

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

WEST COAST FISH AND GAME REGION¹⁴**Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2005/2006 Season**

Species	Season	Daily Bag Limit
Grey Duck/Mallard Duck and any hybrids of those species	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	Aggregate bag 20
Shoveler Duck	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	2
Paradise Shelduck	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl. 4 March to 26 March 2006*	20 20
Pukeko	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	20
Black Swan	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	2
Canada Goose	7 May 2005 to 27 March 2006 incl.	No limit

May be subject to change by notification in the **Gazette.*

Shooting Hours

6.30 a.m. to 6.30 p.m., except that Canada Geese may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day during the specified open season.

Decoy Limit

No limit.

CENTRAL SOUTH ISLAND FISH AND GAME REGION¹⁵**Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2005/2006 Season**

Species	Season	Daily Bag
Grey Duck and any hybrid of that species	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	5
Shoveler Duck	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	2
Mallard Duck and any hybrid of that species	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	50
<i>Grey Duck, Mallard Duck 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 No. 1	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	15
West of State Highway No. 1	7 May to 25 September 2005 incl.	15
West of State Highway No. 1	4 February to 26 March 2006 incl.	15
Pukeko	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	10
Black Swan	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	5
Canada Goose		
Area A	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	No limit
Area B and C	7 May to 27 November 2005 incl.	No limit
Area C	4 February to 9 April 2006 incl.	No limit
Californian Quail	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	10
Chukar (by Permit only)	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	10
Virginian (Bobwhite) Quail	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	No limit
Cock Pheasant – all areas excluding Dorset Downs and Ngahere game preserves	5 June to 28 August 2005 incl.	4
Pheasant, both sexes – Dorset Downs game preserve only	1 April to 28 August 2005 incl.	No limit
Pheasant, both sexes – Ngahere Game Ranch only	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	No limit
Red-legged partridge – All areas excluding Dorset Downs and Ngahere game preserves	Closed season	0
Red-legged partridge – Dorset Downs game preserve	1 April to 28 August 2005 incl.	No limit
Red-legged partridge – Ngahere Game Ranch only	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	No limit

Definition of Areas

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 No. 1, the south by Poingdestres Road and the east by the Pacific Ocean.

Area B: That part of the bed of the Waitaki River between Lake Waitaki Dam and the sea.

Area C: That part of the region not included in Area A and Area B.

¹⁵Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 22 May 1990, as amended by *Gazette*, No. 129, of 29 August 1991, at page 2786

Chukar Hunting: Chukar hunting is by permit only. Permits are available at no cost from the Fish and Game office in Temuka.

Registered Game Preserves

Dorset Downs Game Preserve: That fenced area of Dorset Downs Station at Maungati near Timaru, marked with signposts reading Dorset Downs Game Preserve.

Ngahere Game Ranch: That fenced area of Ngahere Station adjoining Upper Mill Road, Waimate, marked with signposts reading Ngahere Game Ranch.

Shooting Hours

6.45 a.m. to 6.30 p.m., except that during the period 1 June 2005 to 9 April 2006 inclusive, Canada Goose may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day during the specified open season.

Decoy Limit

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. Rest of season: No limit.

Special Conditions

No person shall wilfully leave on the hunting ground the bodies or parts of bodies of Black Swans or other game shot in this region.

OTAGO FISH AND GAME REGION¹⁶**Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2005/2006 Season**

Species	Season	Daily Bag Limit
Mallard/Grey Duck and any hybrid of that species	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	Aggregate bag 25 (not more than 5 Grey duck type)
Shoveler Duck	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	5
Paradise Shelduck		
Area A	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	10
Area B	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	15
	Summer Season	
Area B	25 February to 5 March 2006 incl.	5*
Pukeko	Closed season	0
Black Swan		
Area A	Closed season	0
Area B	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	5
Canada Goose	7 May 2005 to 31 March 2006 incl.	No limit
Californian Quail	4 June to 28 August 2005 incl.	10
Pheasant		
Otago Region except Registered Hunting Preserve	4 June to 28 August 2005 incl.	5
Registered Hunting Preserves only	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	No limit
Red-legged Partridge		
Registered Hunting Preserves only	7 May to 28 August 2005 incl.	No limit
Chukar	4 June to 28 August 2005 incl.	2

May be subject to change by notification in the **Gazette.*

Definition of Areas

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

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

Registered Game Preserves

Bendigo Hunting Preserve: Bendigo Hunting Preserve is defined as that fenced area of Bendigo station property at Bendigo, near Lake Dunstan, Central Otago, marked with signposts reading “Bendigo Hunting Preserve”.

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

¹⁶Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 22 May 1990, at page 1861

Shooting Hours

7.00 a.m. to 6.45 p.m. Area A; 7.00 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. Area B; except that during the period 25 July 2005 to 31 March 2006 inclusive, Canada Goose may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day during the specified open season. During the Paradise Shelduck Summer Season, Paradise Shelduck may be hunted during daylight hours only.

Decoy Limit

No limit.

Closed Game Areas

Ashley Downs	Near Clinton, South Otago
Tomahawk Lagoon	Dunedin
Kawarau River outlet	Frankton

Special Conditions

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 and Game Council.
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.
3. Shooting from a boat is prohibited on the Clutha River on the opening weekend only.
4. Canada Geese can be hunted during the closed season if an authorisation is obtained from the Otago Fish and Game Council.

SOUTHLAND FISH AND GAME REGION¹⁷**Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2005/2006 Season**

Species	Season	Daily Bag Limit
Grey Duck and any hybrid of that species	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	1
Shoveler Duck	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	2
Mallard Duck and any hybrid of that species	7 May to 8 May 2005 incl.	20
Mallard Duck and any hybrid of that species	9 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	15
Paradise Shelduck	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	6
Pukeko	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	2
Black Swan	7 May to 31 July 2005 incl.	1
Canada Goose	7 May 2005 to 31 March 2006 incl.	No limit
Californian Quail	4 June to 28 August 2005 incl.	5
Cock Pheasant	4 June to 28 August 2005 incl.	5
Chukar	Closed season	Nil

Shooting Hours

7.00 a.m. to 6.30 p.m. or any period within these hours, except that during the period 1 August 2005 to 31 March 2006 inclusive, Canada Goose may be hunted or killed 24 hours per day during the specified open season.

Decoy Limit

No limit.

Special Conditions

Shooting from boats is prohibited during the month of May 2005 on the Mataura, Aparima, Oreti, Waiau and Waimatuku Rivers and their navigable tributaries.

Approved at Wellington this 21st day of March 2005.

**Hon Chris Carter,
Minister of Conservation.**

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