

WELLINGTON - Fish & Game Region¹⁴

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14 Wellington Fish and Game Region means the area so described in the NZ Gazette 24 May 1990, No.83 at page 1861

1 Game That May Be Hunted or Killed - Duration of the 2024/2025 Season

<i>Species</i>	<i>Season Duration (dates inclusive)</i>	<i>Daily Bag Limit</i>	<i>Hunting Area</i>
Grey/mallard duck	4 May to 30 Jun 2024	12	All areas
NZ shoveler duck	4 May to 30 Jun 2024	2	All areas
Paradise shelduck	4 May to 30 Jun 2024	10	All areas
Pūkeko	6 May to 25 Aug 2024	5	All areas
Black swan	6 May to 30 Jun 2024	5	All areas
Brown quail	Closed season	0	All areas
California quail	4 May to 25 Aug 2024	5	All areas
Cock pheasant	4 May to 25 Aug 2024	2	All areas
Pheasant, both sexes	4 May to 25 Aug 2024	No Limit	Upland game properties with special conditions specified in clause 5 for this Region
Red-legged partridge	4 May to 25 Aug 2024	1	All areas

2 Shooting Hours

6.30am to 6.30pm

4 Decoy Limit

No limit.

5 Upland Game Properties with Special Conditions

5.1 This clause applies to the following specified properties only:

- (a) Lagoon Hill Station: 653 ha, more or less, at 134 Lagoon Hill Rd, Tukurumuri, South Wairarapa, being Lot 1 DP 579663 and Lot 4 DP 579663.

5.2 Where hunting takes place in any specified property defined in subclause (1), no person shall have in that person's possession outside that specified property any game taken from that specified property, unless affixed to the game is a label with the name of the specified property where that game was taken or killed written legibly on it, and the additional words on the label, "for personal consumption, not for sale or profit", written

legibly on it.

- 5.3** A person must not clip the wings of a bird released on any specified property after the bird is 8 weeks old.
- 5.4** A person must not clip the beak of any bird released on any specified property at any time.
- 5.5** A person must not hunt:
 - (a) pheasant before it is 18 weeks old;
 - (b) a red-legged partridge before it is 16 weeks old.
- 5.6** A person must not hunt waterfowl on a specified property on the same day that a pheasant or red-legged partridge hunt takes place on that property.
- 5.7** The unlimited daily bag for any specified property shall only apply when at least 400 pheasants and/or red-legged partridges have been released on to that specified property within 5 months of the opening day of the season; otherwise the daily bag limit shall be 2 birds.
- 5.8** The owner of a property listed in subclause (1) or a lessee of that property owner must keep a register of:
 - (a) the names and addresses of hunters and all other persons who take game from that property;
 - (b) the number and type of birds taken by those persons;
 - (c) the description of that person's role in the hunting and killing of game birds on that day.

6 Special conditions

No person may hunt or kill game birds, as specified, within the Wellington region with any magazine extensions on a shotgun of a bore smaller than 10 gauge (including 12, 16, 20, 28, .410).



HUNTING IN WELLINGTON

Some of the best quality waterfowl hunting in the Wellington Fish and Game region can be found in the public hunting areas. Any game bird licence holder who obtains our Game Bird Hunting Access permit, may hunt the following wetlands after opening weekend for the remainder of the game season, or dates as printed in the permit booklet:

- Wairarapa Moana (Lake Wairarapa)
- Lake Omanu near Foxton (after Kings' Birthday Weekend)
- Makurerua Swamp 25 km south of Palmerston North
- Pukepuke Lagoon 4 km north of Himatangi Beach
- Pheasant and California quail hunting is available in 3 forests. Waitarere Forest (IFS Forestry); Erindale Forest (Wairarapa Estate Ltd); and Santoft Forests (Ernslaw One Ltd). The Game Bird Hunting Access Permit includes maps and conditions of access and includes a number of areas within the Wellington Fish and Game Region.



1080 WARNING

1080 is highly toxic to dogs. Toxicity can last for several months in the target species. If in doubt and you wish to hunt where 1080 warning signs are erected, check with your Regional Council (Manawatu-Whanganui 0800 800 800; Wellington 0800 496 734) or the land manager.

HUNTING BALLOTS

There are a limited number of balloted hunting stands available each year within some of the named conservation areas. These are advertised in mid-October each year.

