

## CHAPTER 27.

## FISHERIES.

AN ORDINANCE TO CONTROL FISHING.

2 of 1944.

[23rd December, 1944.]

1. This Ordinance may be cited as the Fisheries Ord- Short title.  
inance.

2. In this Ordinance:

“Fish” means any marine or fresh water animal not Definition.  
being a mammal or bird.

“Fishing” means killing, pursuing, fishing for, in-  
juring, capturing, shooting at, disturbing or molesting  
by any method.

3. Subject to the provisions of this Ordinance the Governor in Council may from time to time by order make Power to  
regulations applicable to the whole or any part of the Colony make regu-  
or its fresh waters or to Colonial waters or to the whole or lations.  
any part of the Dependencies or their territorial waters as  
to all or any of the following matters—

- (a) prescribing close seasons within which it shall not be Close season.  
lawful to fish for all or any particular fish;
- (b) prohibiting, restricting or regulating the fishing for Restrictions.  
all or any particular fish in any specified locality;
- (c) prohibiting, restricting or regulating any method or Methods.  
means of fishing, and the use for fishing of any gear,  
material, instruments, or things and authorising the  
seizure of gear, material, instruments or things of  
which the use for fishing is for the time prohibited,  
restricted, or regulated;
- (d) prohibiting, restricting or regulating the removal, Trafficking.  
transfer, sale or purchase of any fish, and the  
removal, transfer, sale or purchase of any material or  
substance or thing manufactured from fish;

[Note. This Ordinance is applied to the Dependencies by the Application of  
Colony Laws Ordinance, Cap. 1 (D.S).]

- Curing, etc. (e) prohibiting, restricting, or regulating the manufacture, curing or preservation for any purpose of any fish or material or substance derived or extracted from fish and the conditions and methods of such operations;
- Import and Export. (f) prohibiting, restricting or regulating the import or export of fish, or any material, substance or thing manufactured from fish;
- Scientific purposes. (g) regulating the import, export, fishing for or possession or sale of any fish for scientific purposes;
- Licences. (h) prescribing the forms, conditions and duration of licences and permits, by whom, to whom, in what circumstances and on what conditions they are to be issued, the fees to be paid therefore, the royalties to be paid on the fish captured, the register to be kept by the holders and the returns to be made;
- General. (i) generally for the carrying into effect of any of the provisions or purposes of this Ordinance.

Export licences necessary.

4. No person shall, unless he is in possession of a valid licence, either—

- (a) fish in the fresh or territorial waters of the Colony or Dependencies for any fish for the purpose of export; or
- (b) export from the Colony or Dependencies any fish or substance or thing manufactured from fish which has been landed, transhipped, cured, preserved, or treated in the Colony or Dependencies or within territorial waters.

Offences.

5. Any person who contravenes any provision of this Ordinance or any regulation made under it, or who fails to comply with any requirement of this Ordinance or of any regulation, or who commits a breach of the conditions of any licence or permit held by him, and any person who attempts to commit, or abets such an offence, shall commit an offence against this Ordinance and shall on summary conviction be liable to a fine not exceeding £50 for a first offence and to forfeiture of any vessel, boat or gear used in committing the offence and to forfeiture of any fish in respect of which an offence has been committed, and for a second offence shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding £100 as well as to the said forfeitures.