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Wildlife Act 1975

WILDLIFE (CONTROL OF GAME HUNTING) NOTICE NO. 01/2016

I, Jaala Pulford, Minister for Agriculture and I, Lisa Neville, Minister for Environment, Climate Change and Water, make the following Notice:

Dated 14 February 2016

JAALA PULFORD MP

Dated 19 February 2016

LISA NEVILLE MP

Minister for Agriculture Minister for Environment, Climate Change and Water

1. Objectives

The objectives of this Notice are to:

- (a) prohibit absolutely the taking, destroying or hunting in Victoria of specified indigenous game birds (waterfowl) during specified periods in specified areas; and
- (b) prohibit absolutely the taking, destroying or hunting in Victoria of the Australasian (Blue-winged) Shoveler (*Anas rhynchotis*) during a specified period; and
- (c) set the bag limits for the 2016 open season for hunting specified indigenous game bird (waterfowl).

2. Authorising provision

This Notice is made under section 86 of the Wildlife Act 1975.

3. Commencement

This Notice takes effect on Saturday 19 March 2016 and continues to have effect until 30 minutes after sunset on Monday 13 June 2016.

4. Specified indigenous game birds (waterfowl)

For the purposes of this notice, the species listed in the table are specified indigenous game birds (waterfowl):

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Common Name	Scientific Name
Chestnut Teal	Anas castanea
Grey Teal	Anas gracilis
Pacific Black Duck	Anas superciliosa
Hardhead (White-eyed) Duck	Aythya australis
Australian Wood Duck (Maned Duck)	Chenonetta jubata
Pink-eared Duck	Malacorhynchus membranaceus
Australian Shelduck (Mountain Duck)	Tadorna tadornoides

5. Hunting of specified indigenous game birds (waterfowl) prohibited during specified periods in specified areas

The taking, destroying or hunting of any specified indigenous game birds (waterfowl) is prohibited from the beginning of Saturday 19 March 2016 until:

- (a) 7.10 am on that day, east of the line of longitude at 146°30' east; and
- (b) 7.20 am on that day between the line of longitude at 146°30' east and the line of longitude at 142°30' east; and
- (c) 7.30 am on that day west of the line of longitude at 142°30' east.

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6. Hunting of Australasian (Blue-winged) Shoveler prohibited

The taking, destroying or hunting of the Australasian (Blue-winged) Shoveler (*Anas rhynchotis*) is prohibited from the beginning of Saturday 19 March 2016 until 30 minutes after sunset on Monday 13 June 2016 inclusive, anywhere in Victoria.

7. Bag limits

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The bag limit for the specified indigenous game birds (waterfowl) is:

- (a) eight (8) birds on Saturday 19 March 2016; and
- (b) four (4) birds, on any day from Sunday 20 March 2016 until 30 minutes after sunset on Monday 13 June 2016 inclusive.

The bag limit set out above applies collectively to all species of specified indigenous game birds (waterfowl) (rather than separately to each species).

8. Contravention of Notice

A person must not contravene any part of this Notice.

Penalty: 25 penalty units.

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