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## Wildlife Act 1975

### WILDLIFE (PROHIBITION OF GAME HUNTING) NOTICE

I, Jaala Pulford, Minister for Agriculture and I, Lily D'Ambrosio, Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change, make the following Notice:

Dated 2 February 2018

Dated 14 February 2018

JAALA PULFORD MP  
Minister for Agriculture

LILY D'AMBROSIO MP  
Minister for Energy, Environment and Climate Change

#### 1. Objective

The objective of this Notice is to prohibit absolutely the taking, destroying or hunting in Victoria of indigenous game birds (waterfowl), which would otherwise be permitted during the 2018 open season.

#### 2. Authorising provision

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

#### 3. Definitions

In this Notice:

**2018 open season** means the open season in 2018 for indigenous game birds (waterfowl) as prescribed by regulation 29 and Part 3 of Schedule 3 of the Wildlife (Game) Regulations 2012, being from the beginning of Saturday 17 March 2018 to 30 minutes after sunset on Monday 11 June 2018;

**indigenous game bird (waterfowl)** means any of the following, being the kinds or taxa of game set out in Part 3 of Schedule 3 of the Wildlife (Game) Regulations 2012:

Pacific Black Duck (*Anas superciliosa*), Australasian (Blue-winged) Shoveler (*Anas rhynchosotis*), Chestnut Teal (*Anas castanea*), Grey Teal (*Anas gracilis*), Hardhead (White-eyed Duck) (*Aythya australis*), Australian Shelduck (Mountain Duck) (*Tadorna tadornoides*), Pink-eared Duck (*Malacorhynchus membranaceus*) and Australian Wood Duck (Maned Duck) (*Chenonetta jubata*).

#### 4. Commencement and period notice has effect

This Notice takes effect from the commencement of the 2018 open season and continues to have effect until the end of the 2018 open season.

#### 5. Prohibition on hunting of indigenous game birds (waterfowl)

- (a) The taking, destroying or hunting of the Australasian (Blue-winged) Shoveler (*Anas rhynchosotis*) is prohibited during the 2018 open season, anywhere in Victoria.
- (b) The taking, destroying or hunting of any other indigenous game bird (waterfowl) is prohibited from:
  - (i) the beginning of the first day of the 2018 open season until 9:00 am on that day, anywhere in Victoria; and
  - (ii) half an hour after sunset on the first day of the 2018 open season to 8.00 am on Sunday 18 March 2018, anywhere in Victoria.

#### 6. Contravention of Notice

A person must not contravene any part of this Notice.

Penalty: 25 penalty units.

**Note:** Under section 86(3) of the **Wildlife Act 1975** this notice prevails over any inconsistent regulation made under the **Wildlife Act 1975** or any licence, permit or other authority to take, destroy or hunt any particular kind of taxon of wildlife issued under the **Wildlife Act 1975**.

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