

Survey of West Coast game bird licence holders, October 2019.

- 1) Regulations. The only proposed change to the West Coast gamebird regulations is to allow adult licence holders directly supervising junior licence holders to shoot during the nine-day junior Paradise shelduck/Pukeko season held in March. Currently only junior licence holders can shoot and those without a firearms licence need an adult firearms licence holder to be directly supervising them. This will increase hunting opportunities for adult licence holders willing to supervise junior hunters. The daily bag limit of five Paradise shelduck and five Pukeko remains the same for the junior season.

What are your thoughts on this?

Support Against

Comments:

Are there any other changes to the regulations you would like to see?

- 2) Hunter perception and satisfaction. What are your feelings/experiences in regard to the following?

Access to hunting opportunities.

The number of game birds on the West Coast.

The work Fish & Game does in regard to hunter compliance

The work Fish & Game does in regard to hunter recruitment

Fish & Game communication with licence holders

Fish & Game promotion of hunting opportunities

What other barriers exist to game bird hunting on the West Coast?

Any other feedback?

Thank you for your comments.