

# PROCLAMATION 43 OF 1914

## WILD BIRDS

*To prohibit with certain exceptions the sale or export of the plumage or skins of wild birds.*

[20th July, 1914]

- Short title. 1. This Proclamation may be cited as the Wild Birds Proclamation.
- Definition of "plumage". 2. In this Proclamation "plumage" shall include the skin or body of a bird with the plumage on it.
- Providing for protection of the plumage and skin of certain wild birds. 3. No person shall sell or offer or expose for sale in the Territory or export or cause or procure to be exported from the Territory any plumage of any wild birds and no person shall have in his possession in the Territory any such plumage for the purpose of sale or export: Provided, however, that this prohibition shall not apply to—
- (a) the plumage of wild birds for the time being excluded from the operation of this Proclamation by Notice in the *Gazette*;
  - (b) the plumage of wild birds in respect of which a permit has been granted under this Proclamation;
  - (c) the plumage of wild birds ordinarily used as articles of diet.
- Offence and penalty. 4. Any person contravening the provisions of the preceding section shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable upon conviction to a fine not exceeding twenty rands or in default of payment to imprisonment for a period not exceeding three months.
- Permits. 5. Where the Resident Commissioner is satisfied that the plumage of any wild bird is to be sold or exported for scientific or educational purposes he may grant a permit in writing authorising such sale or export.
- Exceptions. 6. The High Commissioner may from time to time by Notice in the *Gazette* exclude any wild bird from the operation of this Proclamation for such period or periods as he may prescribe or until further notice.