

# **Fauna (Protection and Control) Ranba Wildlife Management Area Rules 1979**

INDEPENDENT STATE OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA.

Fauna (Protection and Control) Ranba Wildlife Management Area Rules 1979,

MADE under the *Fauna (Protection and Control) Act* 1966.

## 1. Interpretation.

In these Rules, unless the contrary intention appears—

"the Area" means the Ranba Wildlife Management Area;

"the Committee" means the Pono Wildlife Management Committee established for the Area.

## 2. Restriction on taking or killing of turtles.

(1) Subject to Subsections (2) and (3), a person shall not take or kill turtles in the Area

(2) A person who has customary rights to take or kill turtles in the Area, may take or kill turtles only in the part or parts of the Area over which his customary rights apply.

(3) A person, other than a person who has customary rights to take or kill turtles, may be authorized to take or kill turtles—

(a) in a part or parts of the Area over which customary rights apply—by the customary owner; and

(b) in a part or parts of the Area over which no customary rights apply—by the Committee.

(4) Turtles taken or killed by a person under Subsection (3) shall be paid for as if they were being purchased in accordance with Section 3.

## 3. Sale and purchase of turtles.

(1) Subject to Subsection (2) and to Section 4, a person may purchase a turtle taken or killed in the Area

(2) A turtle taken or killed in the Area shall not be sold during the months of May, June and July.

## 4. Measuring of turtles.

(1) Before a turtle is purchased in accordance with Section 3, it shall be measured—

(a) in the case of a turtle taken or killed in a part or parts of the Area over which customary rights apply—by the customary owner; and

(b) in the case of a turtle taken or killed in a part or parts of the Area over which no customary rights apply—by the Committee.

(2) The length of a turtle shall be determined by measuring along the back shell or carapace from the centre of the insertion of the neck to the tip above its tail.

#### 5. Payments for turtles.

(1) A person shall pay in respect of turtles purchased in accordance with Section 3—

(a) K20.00 for a turtle less than 60 cm in length; and

(b) K30.00 for a turtle of 60 cm or more in length.

(2) Payment in accordance with Subsection (1) shall be made—

(a) in the case of a turtle taken or killed in a part of the Area over which customary rights apply—to the customary owner; and

(b) in the case of a turtle taken or killed in a part of the Area over which no customary rights apply—to the Committee.

#### 6. Restriction on taking and killing of other fauna.

(1) Subject to Subsection (2), a person shall not take or kill fauna, other than turtles, in the Area.

(2) A person who has customary rights to take or kill fauna in the Area, may take or kill fauna, only in the part or parts of the Area over which his customary rights apply.

#### 7. Prohibition of use of shotguns.

A person shall not have or use shotguns in the Area.