

*Season on Beavers Closed
in 2 Alaska Districts*

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After four years of heavy trapping, during which time more than 65,000 beavers have been taken, the field investigations of the Alaska Game Commission, together with reports from traders and trappers, show a serious depletion of breeding stocks of beavers in many sections and causes the Commission to announce the closing of the season on these animals for the spring of 1935 except in Fur Districts 1 and 4.

Fur District 1 includes that portion of the Territory known as Southeastern Alaska and lies East of Cape Fairweather. Fur District 4 includes that portion of the Territory consisting of the Iliamna Lake and Nushagak River drainages to Bristol Bay.

The open season in Fur District 1, Southeastern Alaska, excepting on Baranof Island, the Mendenhall Valley posted area and the Glacier Bay National Monument, where no beavers may be taken, will be from April 1st to 30th, both dates inclusive, with a bag limit of ten (10) beavers per trapper.

The open season in Fur District 4, the Iliamna Lake--Nushagak River region, excepting in the Katmai National Monument, will be from January 1st to May 10th, both dates inclusive, with a bag limit of ten (10) beavers per trapper.

The skins of beavers trapped during these open season shall be presented for sealing to a game warden or other person designated by the Commission within sixty (60) days after the close of the seasons, together with affidavits of lawful taking as has heretofore been required. To facilitate the sealing of skins in Fur District 4, game wardens or other persons authorized by the Commission to seal skins will be stationed at Seversen's Landing on Iliamna Lake and at Naknek and Dillingham. Arrangements will be made in Southeastern Alaska to seal all skins promptly upon presentation.

Martens may be taken only in Fur District 7 and that portion of the upper Tanana River region in Fur District 6 as set forth in the regulations contained in Circular No. 11 issued for the year 1933-1934, with a bag limit of ten (10) martens per trapper. Legally taken marten skins shall be presented for sealing on or before June 30th following the close of the open season.

A supplement to the Alaska Game Commission's Circular No. 11 will be distributed at an early date.