Guide to Wisconsin Hook and Line

Fishing Regulations 2013-2014

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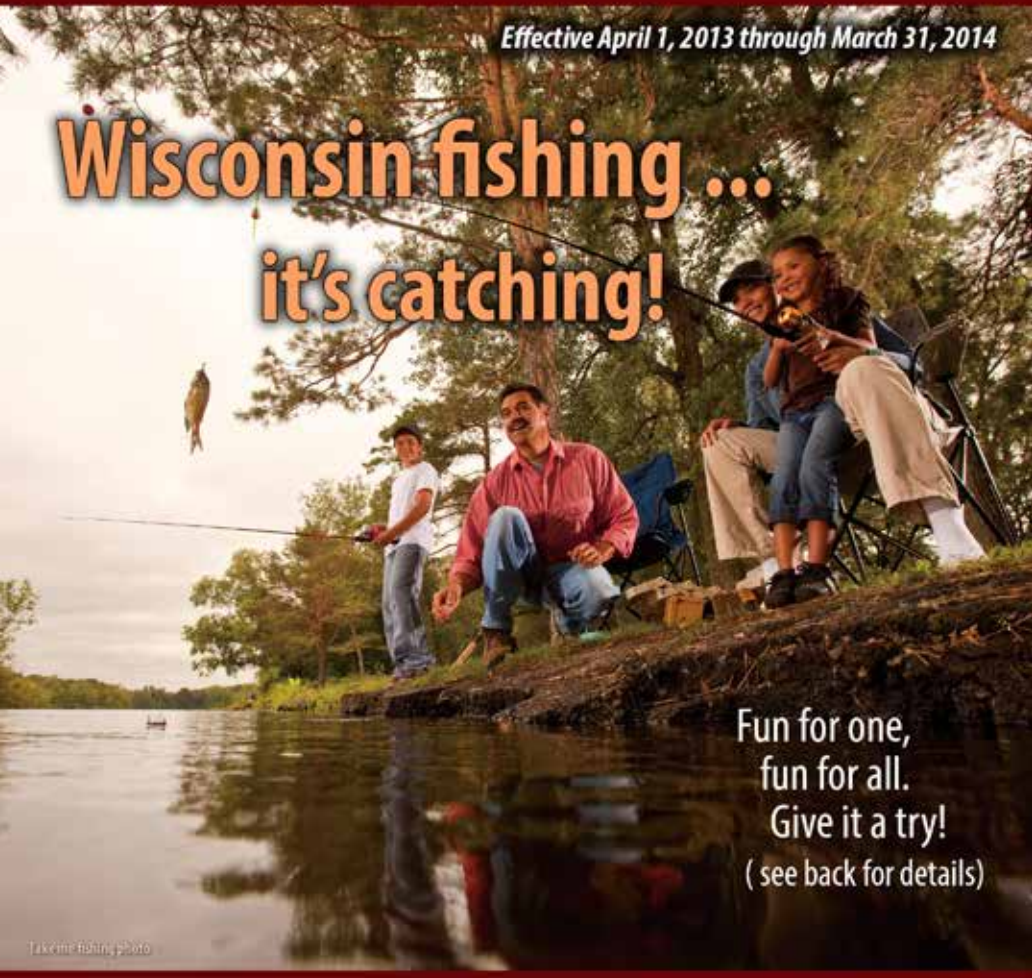

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Bureau of Fisheries Management

Wisconsin Fishing... it's fun and easy!

To use this pamphlet, follow these 5 easy steps:

1 **Restrictions:** Be familiar with What's New in 2013-2014 on page 4 and the License Requirements and Statewide Fishing Restrictions on pages 5-11.

2 **Trout waters:** If you plan to fish for trout, please see the separate inland trout regulations pamphlet, ***Guide to Wisconsin Trout Fishing Regulations, 2013-2014,*** available online, from your license distributor, or any DNR Service Center.

3 **Special regulations:** Check for special regulations on the water you will be fishing in the section entitled **Special Regulations-Listed by County** beginning on page 23. Check for walleye bag limits in the Ceded Territory insert.

4 **Great Lakes, Winnebago System Waters, and Boundary Waters:** If you are planning to fish on the Great Lakes, their tributaries, Winnebago System waters or waters bordering other states, check the appropriate tables on pages 58–70.

5 **Statewide rules:** If the water you will be fishing is not found in the **Special Regulations-Listed by County** and is not a Great Lake, Winnebago system, or boundary water, statewide rules apply. See the regulation table for General Inland Waters on pages 56–57 for seasons, length and bag limits, listed by species.

*** This pamphlet is an interpretive summary of Wisconsin's fishing laws and regulations. For complete fishing laws and regulations, consult the Wisconsin State Statutes Chapter 29 or the Administrative Code of the Department of Natural Resources. Consult the legislative website - http://www.legis.state.wi.us/rsb/index.html - for more informaiton.*

Free Fishing Weekend— June 1-2, 2013 and January 18-19, 2014

Every year, the first consecutive Saturday and Sunday in June and beginning in 2013, the third Saturday and Sunday in January, are designated as Free Fishing Weekends throughout the state of Wisconsin. Residents and nonresidents of all ages can fish without a fishing license (and trout stamps) over these two days. However, all other fishing regulations (length limits, bag limits, etc.) apply.

Purchase your license
on-line at:
dnr.wi.gov

Call 1-877-945-4236
(1-877-WILICEN)

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For fishing information or regulation updates, visit
www.fishingwisconsin.org

Fishing Made Easy

Resources to make your Wisconsin fishing easier.

1. What are the regulations on this water?

Don't have your regulation pamphlet handy? No problem. You can find the regulations for inland lakes in our searchable on-line database.

2. Where can I fish?

Check out our statewide inventory containing over 2,000 identified public boat access sites and over 100 developed shore fishing sites.
dnr.wi.gov/topic/lands/boataccess/

3. Fish are Photogenic Calendar

Wisconsin anglers - Plan those special days on the water with the Fish are Photogenic 2013 calendar.

The calendar includes: Important fishing dates, moon phases, game fish identification, monthly forecasts and other resources to keep you in touch with Wisconsin fishing.

Support Ethical Responsible Fishing • Report Violations
CALL 1-800-TIP-WDNR (1-800-847-9367) • Toll free when calling from a WI number
608-267-4023 when calling from an out-of-state number
#367 from your cell phone (free for U.S. Cellular customers)
Toll Free • Statewide • 24-Hour • Confidential

Fishing Licenses, Stamps, and Tags

Wisconsin residents who are 16 years old or older need a fishing license to fish in any waters of the state. Residents need a fishing license to take rough fish by hand, hook and line or to spear fish where allowed. Residents do not need a fishing license to take smelt, rough fish, or minnows with nets, traps, and seines of legal size. (Obtain the ***Guide to Wisconsin Spearing, Netting, and Bait Harvest Regulations, 2013-2014*** for additional regulations).

Nonresidents who are 16 years old or older need a nonresident fishing license to fish in Wisconsin waters with hook and line. Nonresidents need a fishing license to take rough fish by hand, hook and line, or to spear fish where allowed. Nonresidents of any age need a fishing license to take smelt, spear fish, or to take rough fish and minnows using nets, traps, and seines of legal size. Nonresidents may not sell minnows or smelt. (Obtain the ***Guide to Wisconsin Spearing, Netting, and Bait Harvest Regulations, 2013-2014*** for additional regulations).

Fishing licenses are sold at DNR Service Centers, License Sales Agents, or for an additional fee, over the phone at 1-877-WILICEN (1-877-945-4236) or online at dnr.wi.gov. Groups of disabled persons on fishing excursions conducted by nonprofit organizations may not need fishing licenses. Well in advance of your event, contact the WDNR Bureau of Customer Service and Licensing, 1-888-936-7463 or 608-266-2621 for more information.

All annual licenses are valid from date of purchase through March 31, 2014

License	Fee
Resident individual (annual) fishing license	$20.00
NEW **Resident first-time buyer license** — A reduced-price license for residents who have not purchased a license before or last purchased a license 10 or more years ago.	$5.00
Resident one-day fishing license — In the event the angler purchases an annual fishing license later in the same license year, the cost of the one-day license will apply towards the purchase of the annual fishing license. Please note: License does not include trout and salmon stamp privileges.	$8.00
Resident combination (husband and wife) license— Issued to a legally married husband and wife who meet residency requirements.	$31.00
Resident sports license— This license allows for fishing and hunting of small game and gun deer. (Nonresident fee $275)	$60.00
Resident junior sports license-10 to 17 years (Nonresident fee $36.00)	$35.00
Resident reduced-rate fishing license — Required of anglers 16 and 17 years of age and anglers 65 years of age and older. Residents born before 1927 do not need a fishing license. Simply carry proof of age when fishing. Nonresident senior citizens must purchase a regular nonresident license.	$7.00
Resident conservation patron license—This license serves as a substitute for separate licenses and stamp privileges for annual fishing, inland trout fishing, Great Lakes trout and salmon fishing, hook and line lake sturgeon harvest, hunting small game, turkey, pheasant, deer, waterfowl, archer hunting, and trapping (trapping for residents and qualified nonresidents only). You also receive an admission sticker for state parks, state forests and state trails, and a one-year subscription to Wisconsin Natural Resources magazine. (Nonresident fee $600)	$165.00
Resident junior conservation patron license - 10–17 years (Nonresident fee $77.00)	$75.00

Resident annual fishing licenses for the disabled— Anglers must annually provide one of the following as proof: Social Security Disability Award Notice for the current year, Letter from Social Security Administration advising the customer is currently (within the past year) receiving disability benefits, Letter or Notice of Railroad Retirement Disability, or signed statement from a licensed physician or optometrist indicating that the customer's sight is impaired to the degree that he/she cannot read ordinary newspaper print with or without corrective glasses. Discount applies to resident fishing license only. Disabled nonresidents need to buy a regular nonresident license.	$7.00
Resident annual disabled veteran's fishing license—Veterans must provide one of the following as proof: Veteran's Disability Award Letter showing benefits are being paid for a disability of 70% or more, or Letter from Veterans Administration that indicates customer is receiving benefits for a service-related disability of 70% or more. Nonresident disabled veterans must purchase a regular nonresident license.	$3.00
Free annual resident armed forces fishing license for members of the U.S. armed forces who exhibit proof that they are in active service with the armed forces and that they are a resident on furlough or leave (includes the inland trout and Great Lakes salmon stamps).	NC
Nonresident individual (annual) fishing license	$50.00
NEW **Nonresident first-time buyer license** — A reduced-price license for nonresidents who have not purchased a license before or last purchased a license 10 or more years ago.	$25.75
Nonresident one-day fishing license — In the event the angler purchases an annual fishing license later in the same license year, the cost of the one-day license will apply towards the purchase of the annual fishing license. Please note: License does not include trout and salmon stamp privileges.	$10.00
Nonresident 4-day individual license	$24.00
Nonresident 15-day individual license	$28.00
Nonresident 15-day family license—Includes children 16 & 17 years old (Please Note: Family licenses do not include grandchildren ages 16 & 17 years old).	$40.00
Nonresident annual family license—Includes children 16 & 17 years old (Please Note: Family licenses do not include grandchildren ages 16 & 17 years old).	$65.00
Annual Inland Trout Stamp Privilege (residents and nonresidents)— *See* ***the Guide to Wisconsin Trout Fishing Regulations, 2013-2014*** for license restrictions. Required in addition to your fishing license to fish trout on tributaries to Lake Superior and all inland waters, except Green Bay and Lake Michigan tributaries up to the first dam or lake.	$10.00
Annual Great Lakes Trout and Salmon Stamp Privilege (residents and nonresidents)— Required in addition to your fishing license to fish trout or salmon on Lake Superior, Lake Michigan, Green Bay and the tributaries of Lake Michigan and Green Bay up to the first dam or lake.	$10.00
Two-day Sports fishing license for residents and nonresidents—This license entitles a resident or nonresident to fish the outlying waters of Lake Superior, Lake Michigan, and Green Bay, as well as Lake Michigan and Green Bay tributaries upstream to the first dam or lake. License includes the Great Lakes Trout and Salmon stamp privilege.	$14.00
Two-day Inland Lake Trout Fishing License (residents only)—This license authorizes fishing for trout on inland lakes. A trout stamp is not required.	$14.00
Hook and Line Lake Sturgeon Harvest Tag—Anglers who intend to harvest a lake sturgeon must purchase this tag first, regardless of age or need for a fishing license. Harvest tags are available for either inland waters or WI/MI boundary waters. A fishing license is required to fish for sturgeon (unless you are exempt), but a harvest tag is not required for catch and release sturgeon fishing (Nonresident fee $50).	$20.00

Automated License Issuance System (ALIS)

The ALIS for license and stamp sales has eliminated the need to affix a stamp to your license when fishing for trout in inland waters or salmon and trout on the Great Lakes. The stamp privilege you purchase will be printed on your license. Stamps are no longer available.

Lost Fishing Licenses

If you lose your fishing license, you may obtain a duplicate for $10.00 (or the original cost of the license, whichever is less) at DNR Service Centers, License Sales Agents, 1-877-WI-LICEN, or online at dnr.wi.gov. If you had any fishing stamp privileges, they will automatically print with the duplicate license at no extra charge. However, if you had purchased your license and stamp privileges at different times and lost only the stamp privilege, you will need to purchase the stamp privilege at full price.

Inland Trout/Great Lakes Trout and Salmon Stamp Privileges

You must have an inland trout stamp privilege if you need a fishing license and intend to fish for trout in inland waters, including streams flowing into Lake Superior (except a trout stamp is not needed for fishing trout on inland lakes under the authority of an inland lake trout fishing license). You need a Great Lakes Trout and Salmon Stamp Privilege to fish for trout and salmon in Lake Superior, Lake Michigan, Green Bay, and streams that flow into Green Bay and Lake Michigan from their mouths up to the first dam or lake including the Milwaukee River upstream to the Grafton Dam in the village of Grafton and tributaries of the Milwaukee River upstream to the first dam or lake, and the Menomonee River upstream to the Lepper Dam in the village of Menomonee Falls and tributaries of the Menomonee River upstream to the first dam or lake. Anyone who is exempt from the requirements to have a fishing license or who is not required to pay a fee for a fishing license also does not need to purchase an Inland Trout or Great Lakes Trout and Salmon Stamp privilege to fish for trout in those waters. Please consult the ***Guide to Wisconsin Trout Fishing Regulations, 2013-2014*** for further trout and salmon information. For online information on Lake Michigan and its tributaries visit dnr.wi.gov/topic/fishing/lakemichigan.

Fishing and Sport Trolling Guide Licenses

Only licensed fishing guides and sport trollers may guide anglers for any compensation. Guide license fee is $40 for a resident and $100 for a nonresident and are needed to guide on any Wisconsin water. Sport trolling licenses are required for guiding any person in sport trolling for trout or salmon on any outlying water of lakes Superior and Michigan and Green Bay. Sport trolling license fee is $100 for a resident and $400 for a nonresident. Interested persons may call 1-888-936-7463 or 608-266-2621 for application materials or go online at dnr.wi.gov for license and permit information.

Hook and Line Lake Sturgeon Harvest Tag, Tagging, and Registration

Anglers who intend to harvest a lake sturgeon, regardless of age or need for a fishing license, must first purchase an inland or WI/MI boundary water hook and line sturgeon harvest tag from your local DNR Service Center or License Sales Agent. **You do not need a harvest tag to catch and release sturgeon on waters open to sturgeon fishing during the open hook and line season.** After you catch a lake sturgeon of legal length that you wish to keep, you must immediately validate and attach your tag to the fish just in front of the sturgeon's tail. If you don't plan to keep the fish, it must be immediately released. It is illegal to tether, keep, or possess a sturgeon without validating and attaching the tag. A harvested fish must be registered at a designated registration station no later than 6 p.m. the day after you caught the fish.

Statewide Fishing Restrictions

IT IS ILLEGAL —

Licenses

- to fish in any waters of this state without a Wisconsin fishing license and stamp privilege as required. You must have your fishing license with you when fishing and present it to a warden on request. Even waters with no public access (including most private ponds) are considered waters of the state and the appropriate license, tag, or stamp is still required.
- to possess, loan, or borrow another person's license, stamp, or tag.

Angling Methods and Lures

- to move live fish away from a water, except minnows that were purchased from a bait dealer may be moved under the conditions of the *Minnows and Bait Fish Regulations* on page 17.
- to fish with more than three hooks, baits, or lures.
- to take fish by any means other than hook and line unless otherwise allowed.
- to leave any fish line unattended except when using licensed setlines or bank poles. When fishing open water, anglers must remain within 100 yards of their line(s). Failure to immediately respond to a line upon indication of a bite will be sufficient evidence that the line is unattended.
- to fish using the technique known as "jug" fishing in all waters of the state. Jug fishing is the use of any free floating, remote-controlled, or anchored bouyant device with attached hook and line that is not held or otherwise controlled by the angler with the use of a line.
- to possess or use spears, snag hooks, gill nets, trammel nets, hoop nets or fish traps (except where authorized) or to use or possess on the water unlicensed setlines, bank poles and trotlines. See the ***2013–2014 Guide to Wisconsin Spearing, Netting, and Bait Harvest Regulations*** for more information.
- to fish with a minnow 8 inches or longer unless using a quick-strike rig or a non-offset circle hook (the hook tip must be in line with the hook shaft - see diagram at right).
- to fish by snagging, foul-hooking, or attempting to hook fish other than in the mouth.
- to keep foul-hooked, snagged or any fish not hooked in the mouth.
- to take fish other than rough fish by hand.
- to take fish using a firearm, air gun, or similar device.
- to fish with a hook and line while operating a dip net from a boat or while in possession of a dip net. Note: A landing net is not a dip net.
- to possess or use a sinker release device while fishing.
- to motor troll except in counties and waters listed in the section titled **Special Regulations—Listed by County** (see definition of motor trolling on page 19).
- to tag or mark and release fish without first obtaining a scientific collectors permit.

non-offset circle hook

Bait

- to release unused bait into Wisconsin's lakes, ponds, rivers, and streams.
- to possess live crayfish while fishing or while possessing angling equipment on any inland water, except the Mississippi River (see page 60 for more details).
- to use goldfish or alewife in any form for bait in state waters except that alewife may be used on Lake Michigan, Green Bay and their tributary streams up to the first dam or lake.
- to remove insect larvae from a trout stream except that a licensed angler may take insect larvae or nymphs from trout streams by hand (no seines or nets) during the open trout season for their immediate personal use as bait in the stream from which they were taken. All unused larvae and nymphs must be returned to the stream prior to leaving the stream from which taken.

- to use gamefish as bait unless they meet any length restriction for the water body you are fishing and are included in your daily bag limit for that species.
- to possess any bait on waters where only the use of artificial lures is authorized.

Seasons, Bag Limits, Length Limits, and Possession Limits

- to fish for a species of fish during the closed season for that species (includes catch and release fishing).
- to possess a fish that is above a maximum length limit or below the minimum length limit established for the waters being fished.
- to take, catch, kill, or fish for any variety of fish in excess of the daily bag limit or total daily bag limit (see definitions page 12)
- to group bag. For example, if an angler catches a limit of 25 panfish and gives them to another person, the person catching the fish has attained their daily bag limit and can no longer keep panfish that day. Any fish received are considered part of the recipient's possession limit, but not part of their daily bag limit unless they are possessed while on the water, bank or shore of the water, ice, or while fishing.
- to possess or fish for more than the daily bag limit of fish while you're fishing or while you're on the water, shore of the water, or on the ice, regardless of number of days fished.
- to possess more than the possession limit (twice the total daily bag limit) at any time, except from the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters (defined on p. 58) where only one total daily bag limit can be possessed. The possession limit for the Great Lakes and their tributaries having anadromous trout is twice the total daily bag limit. The possession limit on trout in inland waters is 10 with no more than 5 being a combined total of brown and rainbow trout.
- to transport fish subject to a length limit, unless you leave the skin and scales intact (on the fish); the heads and tails can't be removed unless the dressed fish or fillets meet the minimum length limit.
- to sort fish. Any fish you take into possession which you do not release immediately is part of your daily bag limit even if it is released later.
- to fish in trout streams for any species of fish when the trout season is closed except that rough fish may be taken by hand.

Restricted Fishing Areas

- to sponsor a fishing tournament without a permit from the DNR.
- to fish in fish refuges. Refuges are posted "No Fishing" with DNR or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service signs. See additional information on page 19.
- to fish using any method other than hook and line (including by hand) within 200 feet of a fishway, lock, or dam. This restriction includes the use of hoop net turtle traps, setlines, bankpoles and minnow traps
- to fish within 500 feet of any DNR net or weir when the area is posted by the DNR.

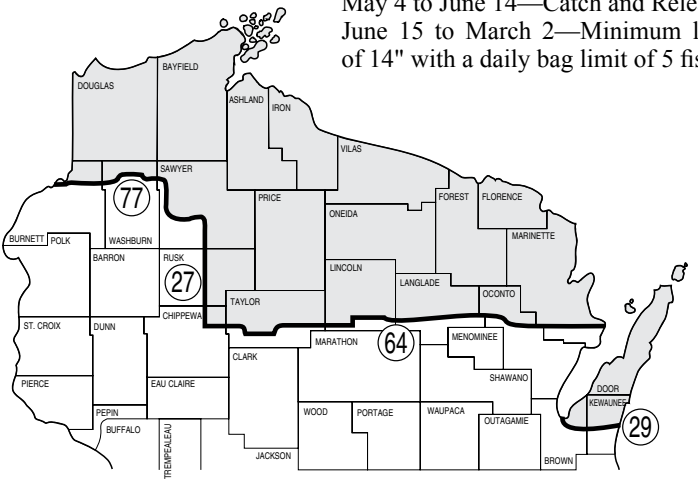
Other

- to stock fish into Wisconsin waters (including private ponds) without first obtaining a stocking permit.
- to deposit fish carcasses or parts, including entrails or other waste, into Wisconsin waters or on the bank or shore of any water.
- to use or possess a box or container in which to hold live fish in any water of the state unless a legible tag bearing the owner or user's name and address is attached to the container. Containers and live boxes used by anglers while fishing are exempt from this requirement.
- to buy, sell, or trade any game fish. It is legal to sell rough fish (see the definition of rough fish on page 15).
- to buy, sell, or trade minnows, frogs, or crayfish for use as bait without a bait dealer license (except residents under 16 years of age - see page 17 for details)
- to transport live rough fish into or within the state without a permit from the DNR.
- to withhold catch and fishing effort information when interviewed by authorized DNR creel clerks.

Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass Management Zones

The following map identifies the boundary and regulation differences between the Northern and Southern Bass Management Zones. Check the **Special Regulations—Listed by County** for exceptions to the following statewide regulations. See tables on pages 63–67 for specific application of Northern and Southern Bass Management Zone rules for Lake Michigan, Green Bay, and their tributaries.

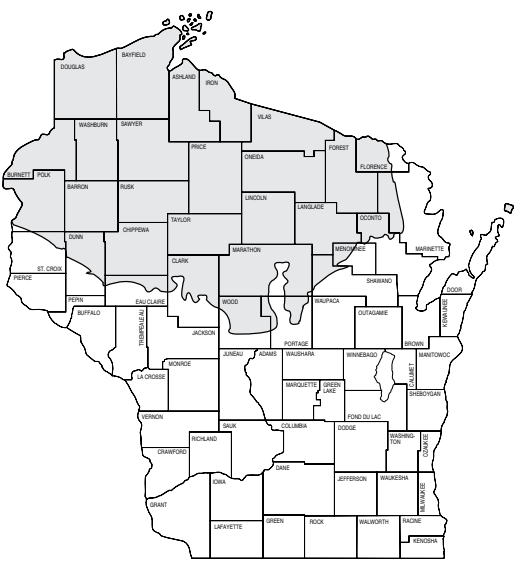
Northern Zone
May 4 to June 14—Catch and Release only.
June 15 to March 2—Minimum length limit of 14" with a daily bag limit of 5 fish in total.



Southern Zone
May 4 to March 2 —Minimum length limit of 14" with a daily bag limit of 5 fish in total.

Ceded Territory

The ceded territory encompasses 22,400 square miles of northern Wisconsin that was ceded to the United States by the Lake Superior Chippewa Tribes in 1837 and 1842. Some special fisheries regulations occur in the ceded territory as a result of Chippewa off-reservation treaty rights as mandated by Federal Court rulings. Some waters may have more restrictive bag or length limits. Check for public notices at access points. Also obtain the latest list of the adjusted walleye bag limits (insert to regulations pamphlet) or online at dnr.wi.gov.

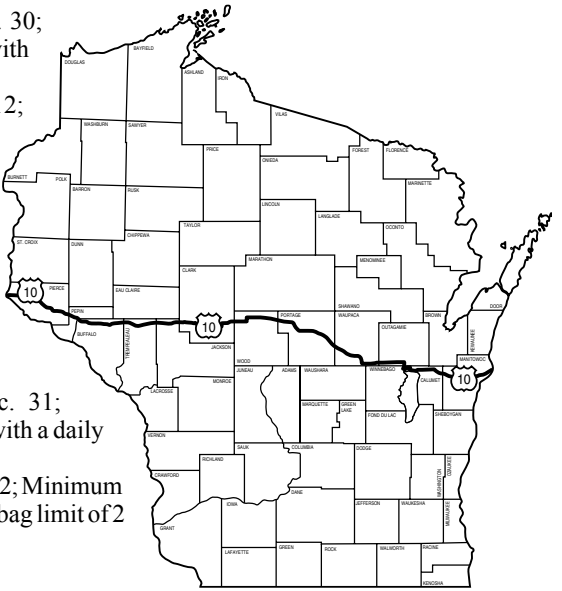


Muskellunge and Northern Pike Management Zones

US Highway 10 divides the state into a northern and southern management zone for muskellunge and northern pike. Check the **Special Regulations—Listed by County** for exceptions to the following statewide regulations:

Northern Zone
(inland waters north of Highway 10
Waldo Blvd—excluding WI/MI boundary waters)

Muskellunge: May 25 to Nov. 30; Minimum length limit of 40" with a daily bag limit of 1
Northern pike: May 4 to March 2; No minimum length limit with a daily bag limit of 5. See *Tributary Streams to Green Bay and Lake Michigan* (p. 64) for exceptions.



Southern Zone
(inland waters south of Highway 10/Waldo Blvd)
Muskellunge: May 4 to Dec. 31; Minimum length limit of 40" with a daily bag limit of 1
Northern pike: May 4 to March 2; Minimum length limit of 26" with a daily bag limit of 2

General Information

Anglers' Club

The *Hooked on Wisconsin Anglers' Club* is a program that acknowledges resident and nonresident anglers for their outstanding sport fishing catches. Anglers may apply for membership in the Live Release, Kept Fish, or Mixed Bag categories. For complete details, visit fishingwisconsin.org.

Artificial Lures

Some regulations restrict anglers to the use of only artificial lures. Artificial lure means a spoon, spinner, plug, or other fish bait made of hair, feathers, cork, wood, rubber, metal, plastic, or other synthetic materials, or combinations of these materials. An artificial lure may not include natural or organic food stuffs like corn, marshmallows, dough, cheese, meat, living or dead organisms or parts thereof, except hair, feathers, cork, wood, and rubber. Liquid scents sprayed on an artificial lure are legal to use when fishing waters where only artificial lures may be used.

Daily Bag/Total Daily Bag Limits

The **daily bag limit** is the maximum number of fish that an angler may possess or reduce to his/her possession from a specified waterbody or a portion of a waterbody in one day. The **total daily bag limit** is the maximum number of fish that an angler may reduce to his/her possession in one day from all waters or portions of waters fished for that day. An angler may combine the catch of a particular species from multiple waters until the total daily bag limit is reached as long as the daily bag limit for each body of water is never exceeded. Be aware that while on the water you may not possess more than the daily limit for that body of water. For example, an angler catches a daily limit of walleye from a 3-bag limit lake. The angler can not then fish another lake with a 2 walleye limit while still possessing the 3 walleye from the previous lake.

TOTAL DAILY BAG LIMITS FOR WISCONSIN FISH SPECIES*

Species	Total Daily Bag Limit
Catfish	25 in total; only one may be a flathead catfish if fishing Winnebago system waters (see page 70).
Cisco (lake herring), whitefish, and hybrids	
Inland waters	25 pounds and one fish in total
Outlying waters	10 in total
Lake sturgeon	1 per season
Largemouth and smallmouth bass	5 in total
Muskellunge	1
Northern pike	
All waters north of U.S. Hwy 10	5 in total
All waters south of U.S. Hwy 10	2 in total
Panfish (bluegill, pumpkinseed, yellow perch, white and black crappie)	25 in total
Rock bass, white and yellow bass, bullheads, and rough fish	None
Ruffe and gobies (and other nonnative detrimental fish)	0 but one of each may be killed and possessed for immediate delivery to a DNR Service Center or regional office.
Shovelnose sturgeon	3
Walleye, sauger, and hybrid (saugeye)	5 in total

* *The total daily bag limit may be exceeded only on specific waters authorized or posted by the DNR. See the 2013-2014 Guide to Wisconsin Trout Fishing Regulations for trout total daily bag limits.*

Boating Information

A wearable personal flotation device (life jacket) of the correct size for the intended wearer must be available for each person in a boat. Additional boating information is contained in Wisconsin Boating Regulations available from any WDNR office, the web site, *dnr.wi.gov,* or by calling (608) 266-2141. Information on boat registration can be obtained from the website or by calling 1-888-936-7463 or 608-266-2621.

Camping and State Lands

Camping on state-owned lands is strictly prohibited except within designated camping areas. Check with the local DNR office for specific camping regulations. **Please – Don't Move Firewood** Keeping firewood local helps protect Wisconsin's natural resources from emerald ash borer and other pests and diseases that move around on firewood. Removal of drift wood from a lakebed or State-owned properties is illegal without a DNR permit. Waterfront property owners must check with DNR water regulation staff to determine if a permit would be required to remove wood from a lakebed.

Catch and Release: It will grow on you!

Fish you wish to release, and fish not meeting the legal length limit, should be played as little as possible and handled carefully with wet hands. The fish should not be held out of the water longer than necessary to remove hooks, take a photograph, or measure the fish. If live release is intended, a quick set rig should be employed, where the hook is set immediately upon pickup, to prevent deeply hooked fish. Deep-hooked fish, if meeting the legal limit, should be kept. If the fish does not meet the legal length limit it must be let go after cutting the line or leader as close to the hook as possible.

Clamming

There is no open season for taking live clams from inland waters. Recreational clamming is allowed on boundary and outlying waters only. It is illegal to possess live mussels or take dead mussel shells from the St. Croix and Namekagon rivers. It is illegal to possess or transport live zebra or quagga mussels without an invasive species permit.For complete mussel harvest information, go to *dnr.wi.gov/topic/fishing*

Crayfish

- A fishing or small game license is required to take crayfish, unless under age 16.
- No person may use or possess live crayfish and angling equipment simultaneously on any inland water except the Mississippi River (see p. 60 for more details).
- Any non-native species of crayfish, except rusty crayfish, must be immediately killed. Rusty crayfish may not be kept alive or transported live unless contained within a container that will not allow them to escape.
- Crayfish traps placed in trout streams shall conform to the dimensions of minnow traps. See ***Minnow and other Bait Fish Regulations*** on page 18.

There are no bag or size limits on crayfish and no closed season except on the ***Wisconsin/ Minnesota boundary waters*** where the open season is from May 1 to the following March 1, both dates inclusive.

Crayfish scoops may be used in ***Wisconsin/Minnesota boundary waters*** provided the scoops do not exceed 4 feet in length, 3 feet in width and 18 inches in depth attached to a handle not to exceed 4 feet in length.

Crayfish may be taken in all waters by the following means only: By hand, by use of minnow seines and minnow dip nets, where the same are permitted for the taking of minnows, and by crayfish traps (other than in trout streams) with any entrance to the trap not to exceed 2½ inches at the greatest diagonal measurement. Crayfish may not be taken by hook and line. Traps must bear the name and address of the owner and must be raised and emptied at least once each day following the day set.

Parts of fish, fish by-products including fish meal or prepared parts of such fish may not be used for bait unless: the fish were caught from the water being trapped, were obtained from a bait dealer, or were used with written authorization from the WDNR. Other meats (e.g., chicken and beef livers) may be used for bait for crayfish.

Floats or markers used to locate traps 1) may not exceed 5 inches in size, 2) may not extend more than 4 inches above the water surface, 3) must clearly display the name and address (in the English language) of owner or operator, and 4) must not be orange or any other fluorescent color.

Endangered and Threatened (E/T) Species

Without a permit, it is illegal to take, possess, transport, or sell any species that is included on the Wisconsin Endangered and Threatened Species List. Endangered fish species include: skipjack herring, crystal darter, gravel chub, bluntnose darter, starhead topminnow, goldeye, striped shiner, black redhorse, pallid shiner, and slender madtom. Threatened fish species include: blue sucker, black buffalo, longear sunfish, redfin shiner, river redhorse, greater redhorse, pugnose shiner, Ozark minnow, gilt darter, and paddlefish. Visit http://dnr.wi.gov/org/land/er/ to find additional listed species information.

Frogs and Turtles

A fishing or small game license is required to take turtles. Some species are protected and may not be harvested.

These regulations apply to native Wisconsin frog and turtle species, regardless of their origin.

No non-resident harvest or possession of frogs is allowed, except frogs taken and possessed for use as fishing bait.

License Requirements

All residents and non-residents who collect, attempt to collect, or possess native Wisconsin aquatic turtles must possess one of the following resident or non-resident licenses: Fishing, Small Game, Sports, Conservation Patron, Setline*, or Set or Bank Pole*. (* These licenses are available only to residents). Existing Senior Citizen Recreational Cards also qualify. In addition to the licenses listed above, residents holding a Commercial Fishing License may harvest turtles on Mississippi River Boundary Waters. Note: Residents under the age of 16 do not need a license to take turtles but must comply with all other regulations. Frogs may be taken and possessed without a license.

Seasons

Frogs. The open frog season runs from the Saturday nearest May 1 through December 31.

Turtles. The open turtle season runs from July 15 through November 30. Turtles or turtle eggs may not be taken during the closed season.

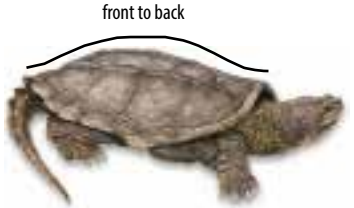
Possession Limits

- The possession limit for snapping turtles and softshell turtles is 3 statewide, except on the Mississippi River, where the possession limit is 10 for snapping turtles and 5 for softshell turtles. The possession limit for all other turtle species (not endangered or threatened) is 5 in total.
- Licensed bait dealers and registered fish farmers may possess more than 5 specimens of any unprotected amphibian species which are collected or possessed as part of a bait collection or shipment.
- More than 5 frogs may be collected for use as fishing bait, but no more than 5 of any species may be possessed for more than 24 hours.

It is illegal to sell native amphibians and reptiles, except persons with a Class A Captive Wildlife license may sell:

1) Eastern tiger salamanders, mudpuppies, and northern leopard frogs.
2) Native amphibians and reptiles not considered endangered and threatened, and collected outside the state, to out of state sources or to education or research in stitutions in-state.
3) Legally harvested dead turtles and their parts during the open season.

Licensed bait dealers may sell frogs for use as fishing bait.



Size Limits

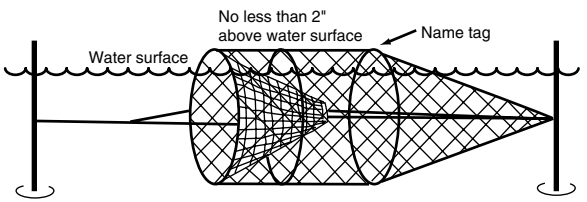
- Snapping turtle size limits are a 12-inch minimum and a 16-inch maximum carapace (top shell along contour) length.
- There are no size limits for other turtles.

Harvesting Methods

- It is unlawful to take frogs by firearms or airguns.
- Turtles may be taken by hand, dip net, hook and line, set line, set or bank poles, hooking, or hoop net trap (see allowed design below). No other trap types are allowed.
- Setlines and set or bank poles must be licensed, tagged and used in compliance with rules on these lines for fishing. See *Guide to Wisconsin Setline, Set and Bank Pole Regulations, 2013-2014* for details.
- Turtles may not be taken by hook and line from trout streams during the closed trout season.
- Parts of fish, fish by-products including fish meal or prepared parts of such fish may not be used for bait unless: the fish were caught from the water being trapped, were obtained from a bait dealer, or were used with written authorization from the WDNR. Other meats (e.g., chicken and beef livers) may be used for bait for turtles.
- The number of hoop traps that can be operated are 10 in Iowa-Wisconsin or Minnesota-Wisconsin boundary waters and 3 in all other waters of the state.

Hoop Net Trap Specifications

Traps must be made of stretchable fabric (e.g., nylon) and must have a minimum mesh stretch of 6 inches.



No wire mesh is allowed. Each trap must have a metal tag stamped or engraved with the name and address of the operator attached, and must be visible above the water's surface. The operator identified on the trap tag is the only person authorized to tend these traps. Traps must be set with the hoops exposed a minimum of 2 inches above the water's surface. Turtle traps must be checked and the entrapped contents removed at least once each day after the day they are set in all waters.

Game Fish, Rough Fish, and Minnows; Definitions

G**ame fish** are defined as all varieties of fish (including those commonly referred to as panfish) except rough fish and minnows. **Rough fish** include: suckers, carp (common and Asian), goldfish, redhorse, freshwater drum, burbot, bowfin, gar, buffalo, lamprey, alewife, gizzard shad, smelt, mooneye, and carpsuckers. **Minnows** include: suckers, mud minnow, madtom, stonecat, killifish, topminnow, silverside, sticklebacks, trout perch, darters, sculpins, and all species in the minnow family (except goldfish and carp).

Health Advisory for Eating Fish

Although fish are delicious and nutritious, some fish contain contaminants at levels that can pose health risks to people who eat fish frequently. To reduce your exposure to these contaminants, the state issues advice to help you plan what fish to keep as well as how often and how much fish to eat. Please read the information below and consult the complete fish consumption advisory as a guide to eating fish low in contaminants. Fish consumption advice is provided for fish that may contain mercury, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), and other compounds.

Statewide mercury advisory: Mercury is found in almost all waters throughout the state. Wisconsin's statewide advice for most of Wisconsin's inland (non-Great Lakes) waters recommends that:

Women of childbearing years, nursing mothers and all children under 15 may eat:

- One meal per week of bluegill, sunfish, crappies, yellow perch, bullheads, inland trout; **and**
- One meal per month of walleye, northern pike, bass, catfish, and all other species
- Do not eat muskies.

Men, and women beyond their childbearing years may eat:

- Unrestricted amounts of bluegill, sunfish, crappies, yellow perch, bullheads, inland trout; **and**
- One meal per week of walleye, northern pike, bass, catfish, and all other species.
- One meal per month of musky.

Studies suggest that regularly including modest amounts of fish and shellfish (1 or 2 servings per week) in your diet can benefit your health. Little additional benefit is obtained from consuming more than that amount. And, for some waters, fewer meals should be eaten. On certain waters, where data indicates higher mercury levels, more restrictive advice is needed. In addition, fish purchased from stores or restaurants may contain mercury. Consult the fish consumption advisory booklet for the list of waters with exceptions to the above advice.

PCB advisory: PCBs are most often associated with industrialized river systems and the Great Lakes. Check the fish consumption advisory booklet for specific recommendations on how many meals you can safely eat of fish species caught from waters contaminated with polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), such as Lakes Michigan and Superior, some large rivers and other surface waters. PCBs are tend to build up in fatty tissues, so you can reduce PCB levels in fish you eat by trimming away the fatty areas and properly cooking your fish. The advisory booklet contains more information on cooking and cleaning your fish.

Complete fish consumption advisory: You can download the complete fish consumption advisories directly from the website at: http://www.fishingwisconsin.org. For a free, printed copy, call or write your local DNR office or local health department. You may also call the Bureau of Fisheries Management at (608) 267-7498

Ice Fishing

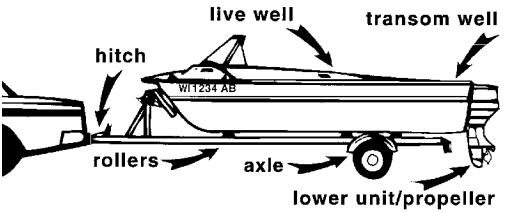
Statewide fishing restrictions apply (see Page 8). Fishing holes cut through the ice cannot measure more than 12 inches across.The doors of enclosed fishing shelters must be readily opened from the outside while occupied; they may be locked only while not occupied and not in use. The shelter owner's name and address (in English) must be legibly painted or otherwise affixed on the outside of the fishing shelter with block

lettering a minimum of one inch square and in contrasting colors. Fishing shelters that are occupied or otherwise in use are exempt from this requirement. Fishing shelters on Wisconsin boundary waters with Iowa, Michigan or Minnesota must display the name and address on all shelters at all times, even portable shelters that are occupied or in use. After the date for removing shelters from the ice, you may continue to use a portable shelter, but you must remove it daily when it is not occupied or in use. Shelters must be removed daily on the Fox River in Brown County from the DePere Dam downstream. All ice fishing shelters must be completely removed from:

- Lake Michigan, Green Bay, Lake Superior, and inland waters north of Highway 64 by the First Sunday following March 12.
- Inland waters south of Highway 64 by the First Sunday following March 1.
- Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters by March 15.
- Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters by March 1.
- Wisconsin-Iowa boundary waters by February 20.

Invasive Species

Aquatic invasive species can crowd out native plants and animals and threaten the quality of boating and fishing in the waters we love. To prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species and diseases **Wisconsin law requires that you:**



INSPECT your boat, trailer, and equipment.

REMOVE any attached aquatic plants or animals (before launching, after loading & before transporting on a public highway)

DRAIN all water from boats, motors and equipment (livewell, coolers, buckets, etc.).

NEVER MOVE live fish away from a waterbody.* Fish out of water are not considered live. Transport on ice is legal and recommended.

BUY minnows from a Wisconsin bait dealer and **USE** leftover minnows only under certain conditions.*

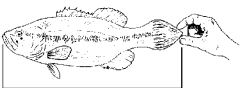
*You may take leftover minnows purchased from a Wisconsin bait dealer away from any state water and use them again on that same water. You may use leftover minnows on other waters only if no lake or river water, or other fish were added to their container. See fishingwisconsin.org for more information.

It is illegal to possess, introduce, transport, or transfer a live specimen of any nonnative fish species without a permit issued by the DNR unless it belongs to one of four permissible groups: established nonnative fish species, viable nonnative fish species in the aquarium trade, nonnative fish species in the aquaculture industry and nonviable nonnative fish species. Use of specimens from those groups is allowed, but restricted. See PUB-FH-716 for definitions of the four permissible groups and information about what is allowed for species in each group.

It is illegal to possess, introduce, transport, or transfer a live nonnative crayfish without a permit issued by the DNR, except rusty crayfish when being used as bait on the Mississippi River.

Measuring Fish

Fish must be measured in a straight line from the tip of the snout with the mouth closed to the end of the compressed tail.



Minnows and other Bait Fish Regulations

You may take live minnows purchased from a Wisconsin bait dealer (which includes Wisconsin registered fish farms) away from a waterbody if any of the following three conditions are met:

• Anglers can take purchased minnows away from a lake or river and use them again on that same waterbody.

• Anglers can also take purchased minnows away from a waterbody and use them elsewhere if no lake or river water or other fish were added to the bait container.

• Anglers can also take purchased minnows away from a waterbody for use elsewhere if they intend to preserve them as dead bait using approved methods.

In each of these cases, minnows may be transported in the amount of water needed to keep the minnows alive, up to 2 gallons. No other fish may be held in the minnow container.

It is illegal for anyone to possess more than 600 minnows except licensed bait dealers and residents younger than 16 years who are selling the minnows for fishing bait. It is also illegal for nonresidents to sell minnows, crayfish, or frogs as bait. Residents 16 years or older must have a bait dealer's license to sell minnows, crayfish, or frogs for bait. Residents under 16 years can possess no more than 5,000 of each species and can sell less than $500 worth annually without a bait dealer's license. Bait dealers are required to possess an approved wild bait harvest permit to harvest bait minnows from any approved location. Only licensed bait dealers with a wild bait harvest permit and a nonstandard gear permit from the DNR may use minnow seines or minnow dip nets of any type or description in inland trout streams or tributary spring ponds. During the open trout season, people who do not possess a bait dealer's license can't use more than three minnow traps to harvest minnows from trout streams and these minnows may not be transported away from the stream alive. Minnow traps are not allowed in trout streams during the closed season for trout.

BAIT-MINNOW HARVEST IS CLOSED TO ALL PERSONS ON ALL VHS KNOWN AND SUSPECT WATERS. Minnow harvest gear is prohibited on these waters. Waters include Lake Michigan, Lake Superior, the Winnebago system, the Mississippi River, the Wisconsin River up to the Prairie du Sac Dam and all waters connected to these waters up to the first barrier impassable to fish. On all other waters, bait fish may be collected, possessed and used on the water they were caught on, or a connected water without a wild bait harvest permit if they are never transported away from the water, bank, or shore. Suckers may be harvested with dipnets from VHS waters (except Lake Superior), but cannot be taken away from the water alive. Dead bait (minnows or eggs) can be used unpreserved on the same water from where it was gathered, or on Lake Michigan or Green Bay, but otherwise must be preserved by a method that does not require refrigeration or freezing.

Bait minnows may be taken, where allowed, by the following methods only:

- Hook and line.
- With seines no more than 35 feet long with a mesh no larger than one-half inch stretch measure in inland waters. Fifty-foot lengths of seine may be used in Minnesota and Iowa boundary waters.
- With dip nets no more than eight feet in diameter or square.
- With traps no more than 24 inches long and 16 inches in diameter or square with a throat measuring one-and-a-half inches or less. All traps must bear their owner's name and address and be emptied at least once every 48 hours (once every 24 hours on trout streams). **Note: Except for bait dealers with the proper permits, the transporting of live, harvested minnows or suckers away from the water where they were caught is not allowed.**

Motor Trolling

"Motor trolling" is trailing a lure, bait, or similar device used to attract or catch fish from a boat while being propelled (forwards or backwards) by a motor or a sail or while being towed by a boat being propelled by a motor or sail. Motor trolling is illegal except in some counties and waters as listed in the section titled **Special Regulations—Listed by County,** beginning on page 23. Motor trolling is allowed for certain disabled anglers and their able-bodied assistant(s) who have applied for and received special permits with trolling privileges. Casting and immediate retrieval of a bait or lure while being propelled (forwards or backwards) by a motor or a sail or while being towed by a boat being propelled by a motor or sail is not motor trolling. **NOTE: Trailing a bait or lure from a boat that is being propelled by motor or sail at the same time casting and immediately retrieving another bait or lure is considered motor trolling and is not allowed.**

"Backtrolling" is only legal in waters where motor trolling is allowed. "Position fishing" is fishing from a boat where the fishing line extends vertically into the water while the boat is maneuvered (forwards or backwards) by a motor used to position or maintain the position of the boat over underwater structure. Position fishing is allowed statewide in all waters.

Native American Reservations

Native American reservations in Wisconsin are governed by a unique blend of federal, state, and tribal law. You should find out about current tribal policies for natural resources use at each tribal headquarters before entering a reservation to hunt or fish. Failure to do so may place you in conflict with the law and subject you to enforcement action.

Panfish

The term "panfish" is defined as any of the following species: bluegill, pumpkinseed, black and white crappie, yellow perch, green sunfish, warmouth, and orangespotted sunfish.

Record Fish

If you think you or someone else has caught a fish that may be a state record, here's what to do:

- don't clean or freeze the fish.
- keep the fish cool—preferably on ice.
- get the fish weighed as soon as possible on a certified scale (found in grocery, hardware stores, etc.) and witnessed by an observer.
- contact the nearest DNR office to get the fish species positively identified and to find out whether the fish is a state record.

See page 20 for a partial list of current state record fish. For a complete list of Wisconsin's record fish, check the DNR website, dnr.wi.gov, contact any DNR Service Center or write to: WDNR, Bureau of Fisheries Management, FH/4, P.O. Box 7921, Madison, WI 53707.

Refuges, Fish

Occasionally, fish need additional protection during critical times of their lives. Fish refuges are one of the tools a fisheries biologist uses to provide this protection. Ref-

Wisconsin's Hook and Line Record Fish

(For a complete list contact any DNR office)

Species	Weight	Date caught	Location caught
Bass, Largemouth	11 lbs. 3 oz.	10/12/1940	Lake Ripley, Jefferson Co.
Bass, Smallmouth	9 lbs. 1 oz.	06/21/1950	Indian Lake, Oneida Co.
Bass, Rock	2 lbs. 15 oz.	06/02/1990	Shadow Lake, Waupaca Co.
Bass, Hybrid Striped	13 lbs. 14.2 oz.	03/16/2002	Lake Columbia, Columbia Co.
Bass (White)	4 lbs. 6 oz.	09/24/1977	Okauchee Lake, Waukesha Co.
Bluegill	2 lbs. 9.8 oz.	08/02/1995	Green Bay, Brown Co.
Buffalo, Bigmouth	73 lbs. 1.6 oz.	03/22/2004	Lake Koshkonong, Jefferson Co.
Bullhead, Black	5 lbs. 8 oz.	09/02/1989	Big Falls Flowage, Rusk Co.
Bullhead, Brown	4 lbs. 2 oz.	07/07/2006	Little Green Lake, Green Lake Co.
Bullhead, Yellow	3 lbs. 5 oz.	06/06/1983	Nelson Lake, Sawyer Co.
Carp, Common	57 lbs. 2 oz.	08/28/1966	Lake Wisconsin, Columbia Co.
Catfish, Channel	44 lbs. 0 oz.	1962	Wisconsin River, Columbia Co.
Catfish, Flathead	74 lbs. 5 oz.	03/30/2001	Mississippi River, Vernon Co.
Crappie, Black	4 lbs. 8 oz.	08/12/1967	Gile Flowage, Iron Co.
Crappie, White	3 lbs. 13.1 oz.	05/04/2003	Cranberry Marsh, Monroe Co.
Drum (Sheepshead)	35 lbs. 4 oz.	08/29/1992	Mississippi River, Crawford Co.
Muskellunge	69 lbs. 11 oz.	10/20/1949	Chippewa Flowage, Sawyer Co.
Muskellunge, Tiger	51 lbs. 3 oz.	07/16/1919	Lake Vieux Desert, Vilas Co.
Northern Pike	38 lbs. 0 oz.	08/06/1952	Lake Puckaway, Green Lake Co.
Perch, Yellow	3 lbs. 4 oz.	1954	Lake Winnebago, Winnebago Co.
Pumpkinseed	1 lb. 2 oz.	05/27/2003	Big Round Lake, Polk Co.
Salmon, Coho	26 lbs. 1.9 oz.	08/21/1999	Lake Michigan, Milwaukee Co.
Salmon, Chinook	44 lbs. 15 oz.	07/19/1994	Lake Michigan, Door Co.
Sauger	6 lbs. 6.7 oz.	03/19/2009	Mississippi River, Pierce Co.
Sturgeon, Lake	170 lbs. 10 oz.	09/22/1979	Yellow Lake, Burnett Co
Sturgeon, Shovelnose	7 lbs. 5 oz.	09/07/1998	Mississippi River, Vernon Co
Trout, Brook (inland)	9 lbs. 15 oz.	09/02/1944	Prairie River, Lincoln Co.
Trout, Brook (outlying)	10 lbs. 1 oz.	06/08/1999	Lake Michigan, Ozaukee Co.
Trout, Brown (inland)	18 lbs. 6 oz.	05/07/1984	Lake Geneva, Walworth Co.
Trout, Brown (outlying)	41 lbs. 8 oz.	07/16/2010	Lake Michigan, Racine Co.
Trout, Lake (inland)	35 lbs. 4 oz.	06/01/1957	Green Lake, Green Lake Co.
Trout, Lake (outlying)	47 lbs. 0 oz.	09/09/1946	Lake Superior, Bayfield Co.
Trout, Rainbow (inland)	12 lbs. 3 oz.	06/15/2006	Elbow Lake, Marinette Co.
Trout, Rainbow (outlying)	27 lbs. 2 oz.	07/26/1997	Lake Michigan, Kewaunee Co.
Walleye	18 lbs. 0 oz.	09/16/1933	High Lake, Vilas Co.

uges are generally created to protect spawning fish or the nursery areas of developing fish. All refuges are posted with No Fishing signs from the DNR or the US Fish and Wildlife Service. It is illegal to take, disturb, catch, capture, kill, or fish for fish in any manner in a posted refuge. Some refuges are operated year round, while others restrict angler access seasonally. Anglers should contact their local fisheries biologist for more

detailed information on refuges in their immediate area. Phone numbers of DNR service centers can be found on page 71.

Residency, Establishing

You are eligible to obtain a resident license or a nonresident license at the resident fee if:

- immediately before applying for a license, you have maintained your permanent residence and have lived in Wisconsin for a period of 30 days. Ownership of property and payment of property tax do not alone establish residency. Voter registration, paying personal income taxes, driver license, and vehicle registration are also factors that influence residency.
- you are 16-17 years old and have a parent that is a Wisconsin resident.
- you are a non-resident in active service in the U.S. Armed Forces and are either stationed in Wisconsin or were a Wisconsin resident when you joined the service.
- you are a full-time non-resident/ student in residence at any Wisconsin public or private college or university offering degree; or,
- you are a citizen of a foreign country temporarily residing in the state while attending a Wisconsin high school or agricultural short course in the UW system.

Rough Fish

Suckers, redhorse, carp, and other rough fish (unless listed as threatened or endangered, p. 14) may be taken by hand or hook and line. However, it is illegal to fish by hook and line in a trout stream during the closed trout season. (See separate ***2013–2014 Spearing, Netting, and Bait Harvest Regulations***). You may return rough fish taken by hand or hook and line to the water. Rough fish taken by spear or bow and arrow may not be returned to the water. Dispose of them properly; do not leave them on shore or on the ice.

Tagged Fish and Tagging Fish

DNR fisheries biologists attach tags to fish for research purposes. If you catch a tagged fish, please notify the nearest DNR office with the tag number, when and where the fish was caught, its length, and its weight. If you keep the fish, send in the tag; if you release it, leave the tag on the fish but be sure to record the tag number. By including your contact information, the biologist will be able to send back to you information about the tagged fish. It is illegal for anyone to catch, tag, mark, or attach any object and release a fish without first obtaining a scientific collector's permit.

Tournament Permits

A permit is required from the WDNR to hold a fishing tournament where the waters to be fished are identified by name, where participants compete for prizes, and where any of the following apply: the tournament either involves 20 or more boats or 100 or more participants; the tournament includes any trout species on classified trout streams; the tournament is a catch-hold-release tournament with an off-site weigh-in; or, the total prize value is $10,000 or greater. Application fees must accompany applications and vary depending on the type of tournament and the amount of prizes being awarded. Details regarding application fees and other information on rules governing fishing tournaments can be found online at: dnr.wi.gov/fish/fishingtournaments/. Applications for holding a fishing tournament can also be submitted online. Results of the tournament must be reported on forms provided with the permit and returned to: WDNR Fishing Tournaments, PO Box 7921, Madison, WI 53707.

Urban Fishing

Urban fishing waters are small lakes and ponds under 25 acres that are intensively and cooperatively managed with a municipality. They are posted with signs, have special regulations, and their shoreline is accessible to the public.

• Urban waters with a year-round season, no length limits, and a special season (March 9 thru April 26, 2013) for juveniles 15 years of age and younger and certain disabled anglers. They also have a daily bag limit of three (3) trout, one (1) gamefish (largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, walleye, sauger, and northern pike), and ten (10) panfish (bluegill, crappie, pumpkinseed, yellow perch, and bullhead).

Posted waters: **Kenosha County:** Anderson Park, Bong Children's Pond, Poerio Park; **Milwaukee County:** Brown Deer Park, Dineen Park, Estabrook Park, Franklin High School, Greenfield Park, Holler Park, Humboldt Park, Jackson Park, Juneau Park, Kosciuszko Park, McCarty Park, McGovern Park, Miller Park, Mitchell Park, Oak Creek Parkway, Saveland Park, Shoetz Park, Scout Lake, Sheridan Park, Washington Park, Wilson Park; **Outagamie County:** Appleton Memorial Pond; **Ozaukee County:** Harrington Beach Quarry, Mequon Rotary Park East and West, Pucketts Pond, Schowalter Park, Willow Brooke Park; **Racine County:** Gorney Park, Johnson Park, Lockwood Park, Pritchard Park, Quarry Lake, Reservoir Park; **Sheboygan County:** Kohler-Andrae State Park Pond, Sheboygan Quarry, Memorial Park, River Park Lagoon (year round for all ages); **Walworth County**: Ceylon Lagoon, Congdon Park, Millpond Park Pond; **Washington County:** Boot Lake, Hartford Millpond, Homestead Hollow Park, Kewaskum Millpond, Regner Pond, Sandy Knoll Park, Wells Lake; **Waukesha County:** Calhoun Park, Delafield Rearing Pond, Foxbrook Pond, Heyer Park North and South, Lepper Dam Millpond, Lions Park-Overland, Menomonee Park, Minooka Park, Muskego Park, Nixon Park, Regal Park, and Woodfield North and South

Current fish stocking and regulation information for southeastern waters is available from February 15th through November 15th on the 24-hour Urban Waters Fishing Hotline at 414/263-8494 in the Milwaukee Metro Area or toll free at 1-888-FISH-LNE (1-888-347-4563).

• Urban waters with a year-round season and no length limits. *Note: Only juveniles 15 years of age and younger and certain disabled anglers may fish these waters.* These waters have a daily bag limit of three (3) trout, one (1) gamefish (largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, walleye, sauger, and northern pike), and ten (10) panfish (bluegill, crappie, pumpkinseed, yellow perch, and bullhead).

Posted waters: **Brown County:** Manger Lagoon - city of Green Bay; **Langlade County:** Remington Lake; **Lincoln County:** Mirror Lake

Viral Hemorrhagic Septicemia

Viral Hemorrhagic Septicemia, or VHS, is a serious fish disease that was found in Wisconsin in 2007. VHS is not a threat to human health, but it can affect a variety of Wisconsin fishes and cause large fish kills. To find out more about VHS and the current rules to minimize the spread of this deadly fish disease, visit the DNR website at *dnr.wi.gov/topic/fishing/vhs*.

Warden Authority

Conservation wardens performing their duties may enter private land at any time. Wardens may also seize as evidence all fish taken or possessed in violation of the law, and any equipment used in connection with a violation. Wardens do not have the authority to enforce trespass laws.

Special Regulations—Listed by County

Remember: These regulations apply in addition to the statewide general regulations! Trout regulations are covered in a separate booklet. ✰ identifies a quality fishing opportunity.

Great Lakes, Tributaries, Winnebago System Waters, and Boundary Waters—see pages 58–70.

ADAMS

- **Mason Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.

✰**Wisconsin River (including Castle Rock and Petenwell Flowages and sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first dam or highway bridge):** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" with a daily bag limit of 1. The minimum length limit on walleye and sauger is 15", but fish from 20" through 28" may not be kept and only one fish over 28" is allowed. Upstream from the Castle Rock Dam, the minimum length limit on muskellunge is 45".

ASHLAND

Ashland County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information). Tributaries to Lake Superior have different regulations for walleye, sauger, and northern pike (see page 68). Motor trolling is permitted county-wide.

✰**Day Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".

✰ **East Twin Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".

- **English Lake:** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".
- **Flambeau River (North Fork and tributaries up to the first dam or lake):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Gordon Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

✰**Kakagon River and Slough:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 22" and the daily bag limit is 1. The daily bag limit on walleye and sauger is 5, the minimum length limit is 15", but only 1 may be over 20".

✰**Lake Galilee:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. The bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

- **Lake Superior:** See the Lake Superior regulations on page 68.

✰**Lake Three:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.

- **Little Clam Lake**: After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.

✰**Mineral Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".

- **Potter Lake:** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".
- **Spider/Moquah Chain:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3. The minimum length on muskellunge is 28".

✰**Spillerburg Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye. After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".

- **Zielke Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

BARRON

Barron County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information). Motor trolling is permitted county-wide.

- **Bass Lake (T33N R10W S34):** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.
- **Bear Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth or smallmouth bass. Unless otherwise posted, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Beaver Dam Lake:** Unless posted otherwise, The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Chetek Chain of Lakes (Prairie, Chetek, Pokegama, Mud, and Ten Mile Lakes):** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.
- **Chetek River (below the Chetek Dam).** There is no minimum length limit on northern pike and the daily bag limit is 5.
- **Dummy Lake, Big**: There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass, but bass from 14" to 18" can not be kept and only one fish over 18" can be kept with a daily bag limit of 3 in total. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" with a daily bag limit of 2.
- **Dummy Lake, Little:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass, but bass from 14" to 18" can not be kept and only one fish over 18" can be kept with a daily bag limit of 3 in total. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" with a daily bag limit of 2.

☆ **Hemlock Lake:** Unless posted otherwise, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

- **Horseshoe Lake (T34N R14W):** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.
- **Horseshoe Lake (T36N R14E):** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth or smallmouth bass. Unless otherwise posted, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Loon Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye.

☆ **Red Cedar Lake:** Unless posted otherwise, The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

☆ **Rice Lake:** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50".

- **Staples Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.

☆ **Stump Lake***:* The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50".

- **Turtle Lake, Lower**: There is no minimum length limit on largemouth or smallmouth bass. Unless otherwise posted, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Turtle Lake, Upper**: There is no minimum length limit on largemouth or smallmouth bass. Unless otherwise posted, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

BAYFIELD

Bayfield County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information). Motor trolling is permitted county-wide. Tributaries to Lake Superior have special regulations for walleye, sauger, and northern pike. See the Lake Superior regulations on page 68.

- **Bladder Lake:** The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

☆ **Bony Lake:** The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total. There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

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☆ **Cable Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.

☆ **Crooked Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.

☆ **Diamond Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" and the daily bag limit is 1. There is a 15-inch minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 20" to 28" may not be kept and only one fish over 28" is allowed. The daily bag limit on walleye is 3.

☆ **Eau Claire Lake, Middle:** The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total. There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

- **Inch Lake:** Artificial lures only. Fish may not be harvested (catch and release only).
- **Jackson Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Lake Owen:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth or smallmouth bass. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

☆ **Lund Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.

- **Muskellunge Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.

☆ **Namekagon Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50".

☆ **Pigeon Lake:** After June 14, largemouth and smallmouth bass between 14" and 18" may not be kept and only one fish over 18"is allowed. The daily bag limit is 3 in total.

☆ **Pike Lake Chain (includes Buskey Bay, Millicent, Hart, Twin Bear, Eagle, Flynn, and McCarry):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

- **Sand Bar Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.
- **Sawdust Lake:** The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.
- **Tomahawk Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.
- **Lake Superior:** See the Lake Superior regulations on page 68.

☆ **Wiley Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.

BROWN

The daily bag limit on catfish is 25, county-wide.

- **Fox River:** Upstream to the De Pere Dam is considered part of Lake Michigan. See the Lake Michigan regulations on page 66. From the dam at De Pere upstream is considered inland water. ☛. Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50". The open season on muskellunge is May 25 to November 30. From the De Pere Dam upstream, there is a continuous season and no minimum length limit on walleye, sauger, and their hybrids.
- **Green Bay:** See the Lake Michigan regulations on page 66.
- **Lilly Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass but fish from 14" through 18" may not be kept and the daily bag limit is 3 in total. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.
- **Manger Lagoon:** Is an urban fishing water. See regulation details on page 22.
- **Tributary Streams to Green Bay:** See the tributary streams regulations on page 63.

BUFFALO

- **Chippewa River upstream from the Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy Railroad Bridge** (includes tributaries of the river from their mouths up to the first road or railroad bridge)

. There is no minimum length limit on northern pike and the daily bag limit is 5. Motor trolling is permitted.

- **Mississippi River:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters: See page 60 for those regulations.

BURNETT

Burnett County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information). Motor trolling is permitted county-wide. With the exceptions below, there is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass in all waters of Burnett County.

- **Big McKenzie Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Dunham Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.
- **Middle McKenzie Lake*:*** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Namekagon River:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 14".
- **St. Croix River (including flowages):** Where the St.Croix River forms the boundary between Wisconsin and Minnesota, boundary water regulations apply. See those regulations on page 60. The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 14".
- **Totagatic River:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 14".
- **Webb Lake:** Is included in the Southern Bass Management Zone (see page 10).

CALUMET

The county-wide daily bag limit on catfish is 25, except on Lake Winnebago system waters (see p. 70).

- **Lake Winnebago:** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70.

CHIPPEWA

Chippewa County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information).

- **Chain Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.

☆ **Chippewa River, Cornell Flowage, Old Abe Lake, Lake Wissota, and Chippewa Falls Flowage (includes tributaries of the river from their mouths upstream to the first dam or lake):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed. Motor trolling is permitted, but only up to the first roadbridge or railroad bridge on all tributary streams.

- **Dark Lake (T32N,R8W):** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1. There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

☆ **Holcombe Flowage (includes tributaries of the flowage from their mouths upstream to the first dam or lake):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed. Motor trolling is permitted in the flowage including tributaries up to the first road or railroad bridge.

☆ **Jump River (includes tributaries from their mouths upstream to the first dam or lake):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.

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☆ **Long Lake (T32N, R8W) including Herde Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. There is no minimum length limit on walleye , but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed. The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

- **Yellow River downstream from the Svetlik Dam at Cadott (includes tributaries from their mouths upstream to the first dam or lake):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.

CLARK

Clark County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information).

☆ **Lake Arbutus (including Black River up to STH 95; East Fork of Black River to E Fork Road and Arnold Creek upstream to Bachelors Ave.):** Motor trolling is permitted. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

COLUMBIA

- **Baraboo River:**
☆ **Columbia Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. The daily bag limit on catfish is 10. The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1. The minimum length limit on hybrid striped bass, white bass, and yellow bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 3 in total.
- **Crawfish River (including impoundments and sloughs):**
- **Fox River (downstream from the west highway crossing of state highway 33 at Portage):**
☆ **Lazy Lake:** The minimum length limit on bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.
- **Long Lake:**
- **Silver Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

☆ **Wisconsin River (including Lake WI and sloughs, bayous, flowages, and tributaries upstream to the first dam or highway bridge):** Motor trolling is permitted. The open season includes tributaries upstream to the first highway bridge. The daily bag limit on catfish is 10. The season for catfish is open all year except from the Prairie du Sac Dam downstream to the railroad bridge at Sauk City where the open season is May 4 through November 30. From the Wisconsin Dells Dam upstream, the minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" and the daily bag limit is 1. Upstream from the Prairie du Sac Dam, the minimum length limit on walleye and sauger is 15", but fish from 20" through 28" may not be kept and only one fish over 28" is allowed. Below the Prairie du Sac Dam, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18"and on sauger or hybrids is 15" with a daily bag limit of 3 in total.

CRAWFORD

- **Mississippi River:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Iowa boundary waters. See regulations on page 62.
- **Wisconsin River (including all sloughs, bayous, flowages, and tributaries upstream to the first dam or highway bridge):** Motor trolling is permitted. The open season includes tributaries upstream to the first highway bridge. The daily bag limit on catfish is 10. The minimum length limit on walleye and sauger or hybrids is 18" and 15", respectively, and the daily bag limit is 3 in total.

DANE

Motor trolling is permitted county-wide.

- **Busseyville (Koshkonong) Creek downstream from Co. Hwy. B:**

☆ **Fish Lake:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **Lake Koshkonong:** ☛

☆ **Lake Mendota including Sixmile Creek (downstream from Hwy. 19 in Section 8), Pheasant Branch Creek (downstream from Hwy. M), Yahara River (downstream from Hwy. 19), Cherokee Lake, and Warner Park Lagoons:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 40" with a daily bag limit of 1. The minimum length limit on walleye and sauger is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

☆ **Lake Monona (including Starkweather Creek):** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 45".

☆ **Mud Lake (NW corner of Dane Co., west of Fish Lake; S3&4,T9N,R7E):** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

☆ **Lake Waubesa (including Nine Springs Creek, Swan Creek, and Upper Mud Lake):** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 45".

☆ **Lake Wingra (including Wingra Creek):** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 45".

☆ **Wisconsin River (including all sloughs, bayous, flowages, and tributaries upstream to the first dam or highway bridge):** ☛ The open season includes tributaries upstream to the first highway bridge. The season for catfish is open all year except from the Prairie du Sac Dam downstream to the railroad bridge at Sauk City, where the open season for catfish is May 4 through November 30. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18"and on sauger or hybrids is 15" with a daily bag limit of 3 in total.

☆ **Yahara River** (from Tenney Locks downstream to Babcock Dam): The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 45".

DODGE

- **Beaver Dam Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3 (including Beaver Creek and all tributaries).
- **Beaver Dam River (downstream from the dam in the city of Beaver Dam):** ☛
- **Crawfish River:** ☛

☆ **Fox Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3. The minimum length limit on bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **Lake Sinissippi:** Motor trolling is permitted. ☛
- **Lost Lake:** ☛
- **Mill Creek:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Rock River (designated shore fishing locations only within the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge):** ☛ Note: The refuge does not allow sinkers or lures containing lead.
- **Rubicon River:** ☛
- **Wildcat Creek:** ☛

DOOR

- **Clark Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Kangaroo Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Lake Michigan, Green Bay and Sturgeon Bay**—See the Lake Michigan regulations on page 66.
- **Tributaries to Lake Michigan and Green Bay:** See the tributary regulations on p. 63.

☛ Hook and line fishing is open all year for all fish species except muskellunge, lake sturgeon, trout, paddlefish and threatened or endangered fish.

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DOUGLAS

Douglas County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information). Motor trolling is permitted county-wide. Tributaries to Lake Superior have special regulations for walleye, sauger, and northern pike. See the Lake Superior regulations on page 68. For lakes and flowages also partially in Burnett and Washburn counties, there is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass.

✰ **Allouez Bay:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters. See those regulations on page 60.

✰ **Bond Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" and the daily bag limit is 1.

- **Beauregard Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

✰ **Eau Claire Lake, Lower:** The muskellunge season is open from May 25 through Nov. 30,

✰ **Kimballs Bay:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters. See those regulations on page 60.

- **Lake Superior (excluding Allouez Bay, Little Pokegama Bay, Pokegama Bay, and Kimballs Bay):** See the Lake Superior regulations on page 68.

✰ **Little Pokegama Bay:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters. See those regulations on page 60.

- **Lyman Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye.
- **Minnesuing Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye.

✰ **Nemadji River:** The muskellunge season is open from May 25 through March 1. The northern pike season is from May 11 through March 1, and there is a daily bag limit of 2. Walleye and sauger season is open May 11 through March 1 with a daily bag limit of 2. The bass season is open from May 25 through March 2 with a minimum length limit of 12" and a daily bag limit of 5 in total.

✰ **Pokegama Bay:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters. See those regulations on page 60.

- **St. Louis Bay:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters. See those regulations on page 60.
- **St. Louis River:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters. See those regulations on page 60.
- **Superior Bay:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters. See those regulations on page 60.

DUNN

Dunn County is partially in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information).

- **Chippewa River (includes tributaries from their mouths upstream to the first road or railroad bridge)** Motor trolling is permitted
- **Dunnville Bottoms:**
- **Eau Galle River (downstream from L. Eau Galle):**
- **Lake Menomin:** Motor trolling is permitted. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.
- **Red Cedar River (from the Chippewa River to Lake Menomin):** From Lake Menomin to the Cedar Falls Dam, the daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.
- **Tainter Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

EAU CLAIRE

Eau Claire County is partially in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information).

- **Altoona Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

- **Chippewa River upstream of the Dells Pond Dam, including Dells Pond (includes tributaries from their mouths upstream to the first road or railroad bridge:** Motor trolling is permitted, but only up to the first roadbridge or railroad bridge on all tributary streams. There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
- **Chippewa River downstream of the Dells Pond Dam (includes all tributaries of the river from their mouths upstream to the first road or railroad bridge):** Motor trolling is permitted, but only up to the first roadbridge or railroad bridge on all tributary streams. The minimum length limit on walleye and sauger is 15".
- **Eau Claire Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Eau Claire River (from the Altoona Dam downstream):**

FLORENCE

Florence County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information).

- **Brule River (and its flowages):** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on either page 58 or consult the ***2013–2014 Trout Fishing Regulations and Guide*.**
- **Halsey Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.

☆ **Keyes Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

- **Menominee River (and its flowages):** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.
- **Patten Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

FOND DU LAC

The county-wide daily bag limit on catfish is 25, except on Lake Winnebago system waters (see p. 70)..

- **Fond du Lac River (within the Fond du Lac city limits):** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **Forest Lake:** Catch and release only for largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, walleye, and northern pike.
- **Kettle Moraine Lake**: There is no minimum length limit on northern pike and the daily bag limit is 5.
- **Long Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on northern pike and the daily bag limit is 5.
- **Mullet Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye.
- **Rock River:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye.
- **Lake Winnebago:** See the Winnebago SystemWaters regulations on p. 70

FOREST

Forest County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information).

- **Brule River:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on either page 58 or consult the ***2013–2014 Trout Fishing Regulations and Guide.***

☆ **Butternut Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.

☆ **Crane Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3. After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.

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☆ **Franklin Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
☆ **Julia Lake (S12, T38N, R11E):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".
☆ **Kentuck Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.
☆ **Lake Lucerne:** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
☆ **Lake Metonga:** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
☆ **Luna Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.
☆ **McKinley Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.
☆ **Pickerel Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3. After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.
- **Pine Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Stevens Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.

☆ **Three Johns Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.
☆ **Trump Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.
☆ **White Deer Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.
☆ **Windfall Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.
- **Wabikon Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.

GRANT

Motor trolling is permitted county-wide.
- **Mississippi River:** For Wisconsin-Iowa boundary water regulations, see page 62.
- **Wisconsin River (including all sloughs, bayous, flowages, and tributaries upstream to the first dam or highway bridge):** The open season includes tributaries upstream to the first highway bridge. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18"and on sauger or hybrids is 15" with a daily bag limit of 3 in total.

GREEN

- **Pecatonica River:**

GREEN LAKE

County-wide catfish regulations follow those of the Winnebago system waters (see p. 70)
☆ **Big Green Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Fox River (below the first dam upstream from Princeton):** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **Fox River (above the first dam upstream from Princeton):** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Lake Maria:** Motor trolling is permitted.

☆ **Lake Puckaway:** ☛ Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" and the daily bag limit is 1.
- **Puckyan River:** ☛ See Winnebago system waters regulations on p. 70.

IOWA

Motor trolling is permitted county-wide.

☆ **Blackhawk Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye, sauger, and their hybrids is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3. There is no minimum length limit on largemouth or smallmouth bass.

☆ **Cox Hollow Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye, sauger, and their hybrids is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total. There is no minimum length limit on largemouth or smallmouth bass.

☆ **Twin Valley Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye, sauger, and their hybrids is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 40" with a daily bag limit of 1. There is no daily bag limit on panfish.
- **Pecatonica River (East Branch-downstream from the bridge at STH 39—1/2 mile east of Hollandale):** ☛
- **Wisconsin River (including all sloughs, bayous, flowages, and tributaries upstream to the first dam or highway bridge):** ☛ The open season includes tributaries upstream to the first highway bridge. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18"and on sauger or hybrids is 15" with a daily bag limit of 3 in total.

IRON

Iron County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information). Unless posted otherwise, the minimum length limit on walleye is 15" and the daily bag limit is 3 on all waters of the Lac du Flambeau reservation not listed below. Please check for notices at access points. In all other waters, unless posted, or listed differently below, statewide walleye regulations (i.e., 15" minimum length, 5 bag) apply. Tributaries to Lake Superior have special regulations for walleye, sauger, and northern pike. See the Lake Superior regulations on page 68.
- **Bear River:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye.
- **Bearskull Lake:** The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.
- **Catherine Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Cedar Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Echo Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Evelyn Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.
- **Flambeau River (North Fork):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Gile Flowage:** After June 14, there is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass, but bass from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed with a daily bag limit of 3 in total. There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Grand Portage:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Island Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

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- **Lake Six:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.
- **Lake Superior:** See the Lake Superior regulations on page 68.
- **Little Oxbow Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Manitowish River:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye.
- **Mercer Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Montreal River (upstream where it no longer forms the border between Wisconsin and Michigan):** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.
- **Montreal River (West Branch):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **O'Brien Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

☆ **One Man Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **Owl Lake:** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".
- **Oxbow Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Pine Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

- **Randall Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Sandy Beach Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Sherman Lake:** There is a continuous open season on walleye with no minimum length or bag limit.
- **Spider Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

☆ **Trude Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total. The minimum length limit on crappie is 10".

☆ **Turtle/Flambeau Flowage:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye. After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15" with a daily bag limit of 2. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total. The minimum length limit on crappie is 10".

- **Turtle River (upstream of Echo Lake):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Wilson Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye. After June 14, largemouth and smallmouth bass have no minimum length limit, but largemouth and smallmouth bass from 12" through 16" may not be kept.

JACKSON

☆ **Lake Arbutus (including Black River up to STH 95; East Fork of Black River to E Fork Road and Arnold Creek upstream to Bachelors Ave.):** Motor trolling is permitted. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

- **Buffalo River (including tributaries):** There is no minimum length limit on northern pike and the daily bag limit is 5
- **Trempealeau River (including tributaries):** There is no minimum length limit on northern pike and the daily bag limit is 5
- **Lake Wazee:** The daily bag limit on bass and walleye is 2 and the daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

JEFFERSON

- **Bark River (from the dam at Hebron downstream):**
- **Bean Lake:**
- **Busseyville (Koshkonong) Creek downstream from Co. Hwy. B:**
- **Crawfish River:**
- **Goose Lake:**
- **Hahns Lake:**
- **Lake Koshkonong:** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Mud Lake (at Koshkonong):**
- **Red Cedar Lake:**
- **Rock Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Rock River:**
- **Scuppernong River (downstream from the dam at Palmyra):**
- **Waterloo Creek (Maunesha River) downstream from the former Malthouse Dam):**

JUNEAU

- **Lemonweir River (including all sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first dam or highway bridge):** The minimum length limit on walleye and sauger is 15", but fish from 20" through 28" may not be kept and only one fish over 28" is allowed.

☆ **Wisconsin River (including all sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first dam or highway bridge except the western boundary of the Wisconsin River on Lake Petenwell is Cty Hwy G) :** Motor trolling is permitted, except on that portion of the Castle Rock Flowage north of the Co. Hwy. G bridge. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" with a daily bag limit of 1. The minimum length limit on walleye and sauger is 15", but fish from 20" through 28" may not be kept and only one fish over 28" is allowed. Upstream from the Castle Rock Dam, the minimum length limit on muskellunge is 45".

- **Yellow River (including all sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first dam or highway bridge):** The minimum length limit on walleye and sauger is 15", but fish from 20" through 28" may not be kept and only one fish over 28" is allowed.

KENOSHA

Certain waters in Kenosha Co. are designated as urban (or special) waters and have different regulations (see page 22).

- **Elizabeth Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Fox River:**
- **Lake Michigan:** See the Lake Michigan regulations on page 66.
- **Tributaries to Lake Michigan:** See the tributary regulations on page 63.

☆ **Silver Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" with a daily bag limit of 1. The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.

☆ **Vern Wolf Lake:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

KEWAUNEE

- **Lake Michigan:** See the regulations on page 66.
- **Tributaries to Green Bay and Lake Michigan:** See the tributary regulations on page 63.

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LA CROSSE

- **La Crosse River (downstream from the Lake Neshonoc dam including sloughs and bayous upstream to the first dam or highway bridge):**
- **Mississippi River:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters. See those regulations on page 60.
- **Neshonoc Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.

LAFAYETTE

Motor trolling is permitted county-wide.

- **Pecatonica River (entire East Branch and the West Branch from the US Hwy 151 bridge downstream, and from the junction of the East and West branches downstream):**
- **Yellowstone River (downstream from the Yellowstone Lake Dam):**

☆ **Yellowstone Lake (including the Yellowstone River from the lake upstream to Co. Hwy F):** Catch and release only on northern pike, muskellunge, and their hybrids, and gar and bowfin. Walleye, sauger, and their hybrids between 15" and 18", channel and flathead catfish between 15" and 24", and largemouth and smallmouth bass between 12" and 15" may be kept with a daily combined bag limit of 2 fish in total.

LANGLADE

Langlade County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information).

- **Enterprise Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye between 14" and 18" may not be kept and only one fish over 18" is allowed. The daily bag limit is 3.
- **Greater Bass Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth or smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.
- **Horseshoe Lake (S17, T33N, R10E):** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth or smallmouth bass.
- **Jessie Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Krasue Springs:** The season on largemouth and smallmouth bass is from May 4 to September 30 where there is no minimum length limit and the daily bag limit is 5 in total.
- **Little Partridge Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth or smallmouth bass.
- **McGee Lake:** There is an artificial lure only season on largemouth and smallmouth bass from May 4 to September 30 where there is no minimum length limit and the daily bag limit is 5 in total.
- **Partridge Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth or smallmouth bass.

☆ **Pickerel Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3. After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.

- **Post Lake (Lower and Upper):** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" with a daily bag limit of 2.
- **Rabe Lake:** The season on largemouth and smallmouth bass is from May 4 to September 30 where there is no minimum length limit and the daily bag limit is 5 in total.
- **Remington Lake:** Is an urban fishing water. See regulation details on page 22.
- **Rolling Stone Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Rose Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Sawyer Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. After June 14, largemouth and smallmouth bass have no minimum length limit but largemouth or smallmouth bass from 12" through 16" may not be kept.

LINCOLN

Lincoln County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information).

- **Mirror Lake:** Is an urban fishing water. See regulation details on page 22.
- **Muskellunge Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.
- **Pesobic Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Spirit River Flowage:** Motor trolling is permitted.

☆ **Wisconsin River waters:**

❖ **Grandfather Flowage** (Wisconsin River including sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first dam or highway bridge) upstream from Grandfather Dam, which impounds Grandfather Flowage, to Grandmother Dam: Motor trolling is permitted.

❖ **Grandmother Flowage** (Wisconsin River including sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first dam or highway bridge) upstream from Grandmother Dam, which impounds Grandmother Flowage, to Pride Dam, which impounds Lake Mohawksin: Motor trolling is permitted. Please note: The boundary of the Wisconsin and Spirit rivers is the confluence of the Spirit River one mile south of the Spirit River Flowage Dam.

❖ **Lake Alice** (Wisconsin River including sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first dam or highway bridge) upstream from Kings Dam, which impounds Lake Alice, to CTH A: Motor trolling is permitted. The open season for largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, northern pike, walleye, sauger, and their hybrids is from May 4 through March 2. Bass have a catch and release season from May 4 through June 14. After June 14, the minimum length limit on bass is 14" with a daily bag limit of 5 in total.

❖ **Lake Mohawksin** (Wisconsin River including sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first dam, highway bridge, or railroad bridge) upstream from Pride Dam, which impounds Lake Mohawksin, to the Fourth Street Bridge (Business 51) in Tomahawk: Motor trolling is not permitted. *Please note: The boundary of the Wisconsin and Somo rivers is the Tomahawk Railway Railroad Bridge on the west side of Lake Mohawksin. The boundary of the Wisconsin and Tomahawk rivers is the Canadian National Railroad Bridge nearest Baymill Road.*

❖ **Wisconsin River** (including sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first dam or highway bridge) upstream from the Fourth Street Bridge (Business 51) in Tomahawk to Kings Dam, which impounds Lake Alice: Motor trolling is permitted.

❖ **Wisconsin River** (including sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first dam or highway bridge) upstream from CTH A: The open season for largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, northern pike, walleye, sauger, and their hybrids is from May 4 through March 2. Bass have a catch and release season from May 4 through June 14. After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 14" with a daily bag limit of 5 in total.

❖ **Wisconsin River** (including sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first dam or highway bridge) from Grandfather Dam downstream to the Marathon County line (includes Alexander Lake and Merrill Flowage): Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on walleye, sauger, and their hybrids is 15" but fish from 20" to 28" may not be kept, and only one fish 28" and larger is allowed.

MANITOWOC

- **Lake Michigan:** See the Lake Michigan regulations on page 66.
- **Manitowoc River:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.
- **Silver Lake:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1 in total. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily

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bag limit of 3. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **Tributaries to Lake Michigan:** See the tributary regulations on page 63.

MARATHON

Marathon County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information).

☆ **Big Bass Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass, but bass from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed with a daily bag limit of 3 in total.

☆ **Big Eau Pleine Reservoir (upstream to the East Hwy 153 bridge):** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" and the daily bag limit is 1.

- **Mission Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass, but bass from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed with a daily bag limit of 3 in total.
- **Pike Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" with a daily bag limit of 2.

☆ **Wisconsin River (including all sloughs, bayous, and flowages up to the first dam or highway bridge):** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on walleye and sauger is 15", but fish from 20" through 28" may not be kept and only one fish over 28" is allowed. *Please note: The eastern boundary of the Wisconsin River and Peplin and Johnson creeks and the Little Eau Claire River at Lake DuBay is the south-bound lane of I-39.*

MARINETTE

Marinette County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information).

- **Green Bay:** Is part of Lake Michigan—See the regulations on page 66.
- **Tributaries to Green Bay:** See the tributary regulations on page 63.
- **High Falls Reservoir:** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Menominee River (and its flowages):** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.
- **Noquebay Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Peshtigo Flowage (Peshtigo Dam to the Potato Rapids Dam):** Northern Bass Zone regulations apply (see page 10). The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.

MARQUETTE

County-wide catfish regulations follow those of the Winnebago system waters (see p. 70)

- **Buffalo Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Fox River (downstream from Buffalo Lake):** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Grand River (from the Grand River wildlife area dam downstream to the Fox River):**
- **Mason Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **White Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth bass.
- **Wood Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth bass.

MENOMINEE

Menominee County is a Native American reservation. Find out about tribal policies at tribal headquarters. State laws apply to non-Native Americans fishing on the Menominee Reservation. All waters are closed to hook and line sturgeon fishing.

MILWAUKEE

Certain waters in Milwaukee County are designated as urban (or special) waters and have different regulations (see page 22).

- **Lake Michigan:** See the Lake Michigan regulations on page 66.
- **Tributaries to Lake Michigan:** See the tributary regulations on page 63.

MONROE

- **East Fork Lemonweir River (upstream to the Hwy 173 bridge):** The minimum length limit on walleye is 15", but walleye 20" through 28" may not be kept and only one fish over 28" is allowed.
- **Fort McCoy US Army Installation:** A Fort McCoy fishing permit approval is required with a Wisconsin fishing license and trout stamp when fishing for trout. For more information regarding Fort McCoy fishing and Fort McCoy fishing policy and regulations please contact the Directorate of Public Works; IMWE-MCY-PWEN (Permit Sales); 2168 South 8th Avenue; Fort McCoy, WI 54656-5136, (608.388.3337) or visit the web site at http://www.mccoy.army.mil and click on Recreational Opportunities.
- **Lemonweir River (including all sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first water control structure, dam, or highway bridge):** The minimum length limit on walleye is 15", but fish 20" through 28" may not be kept and only one fish over 28" is allowed.
- **South Fork Lemonweir River (upstream to the Tomah Dam):** The minimum length limit on walleye and sauger is 15", but fish 20" through 28" may not be kept and only one fish over 28" is allowed.

OCONTO

Oconto County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information).

☆ **Anderson Lake:** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50".

☆ **Archibald Lake:** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50".

- **Bear Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.
- **Christie Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Green Bay:** Is part of Lake Michigan. See the regulations on page 66.
- **John Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.
- **Tributaries to Green Bay:** See the tributary regulations on page 63.
- **Machickanee Flowage (Stiles Pond):** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Munger Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.
- **White Potato Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.

ONEIDA

Oneida County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information).

- **Alva Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Bearskin Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".

- **Booth Lake:** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".

☆ **Buckskin Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

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- **Buffalo Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Burrows Lake:** After June 14, The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.

☆ **Clear Lake (S16, T39N, R7E):** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50".

- **Columbus Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.

☆ **Crescent Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **Diamond Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **George Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Hasbrook Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Katherine Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Julia Lake (Three Lakes Area; S6, T38N, R12E):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".

- **Little Bass Lake (S15, T39N, R7E):** Only artificial flies and lures may be used.
- **Lost Lake (S24, T38N, R9E):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Maple Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" and the daily bag limit is 3.

- **Mercer Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Minocqua Chain (and connecting waters, includes Kawaguesaga, Little Tomahawk, Mid, Minocqua, Mud, and Tomahawk lakes):** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Moen Chain (and connecting waters, includes Moen, Second, Third, Fourth, Fifth Lakes):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Muskellunge Lake (S03, T38N, R8E):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Oneida Lake:** After June 14, there is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass, but bass between 14" and 18" may not be kept and only one fish over 18" is allowed. The daily bag limit is 3. There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Pelican Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50".

- **Pine Lake (S04, T37N, R9E):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Rainbow Flowage:** Motor trolling is permitted.

- **Shishebogama Lake:** Unless posted otherwise, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" and the daily bag limit is 3.
- **Soo Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Squash Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Squaw Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".
- **Squirrel Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

✰ **Stella Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

- **Sugar Camp Chain (and connecting waters, includes Dam, Sand, Echo, Chain, Stone Lakes):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Sugar Camp Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Three Lakes Chain and connecting waters (includes Big, Big Fork, Big Stone, Crystal (Mud), Deer, Dog, Fourmile, Island, Laurel, Little Fork, Long, Medicine, Moccasin, Planting Ground, Rangeline, Round, Spirit, Townline, Virgin, and Whitefish Lakes):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

✰ **Thunder Lake (T38N, R10E):** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

- **Willow Flowage:** Motor trolling is permitted.

OUTAGAMIE

The county-wide daily bag limit on catfish is 25, except on Winnebago system waters (see p. 70)

- **Embarrass River:** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **Fox River:** ⚭ Motor trolling is permitted.The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50". The open season on muskellunge is May 25 to November 30.There is no minimum length limit on walleye, sauger, and their hybrids from the De Pere Dam upstream to the Neenah-Menasha Dam.
- **Shioc River:**See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **Wolf River:**See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70

OZAUKEE

Certain waters in Ozaukee County are designated as urban (or special) waters and have different regulations (see page 22).

- **Lake Michigan:** See the Lake Michigan regulations on page 66.
- **Tributaries to Lake Michigan:** See the tributary regulations on page 63.

PEPIN

- **Chippewa River upstream of the Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy railroad bridge (includes tributaries upstream to the first road or railroad bridge).** ⚭ There is no minimum length limit on northern pike and the daily bag limit is 5. Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Eau Galle River:** ⚭
- **Lake Pepin:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters. See those regulations on page 60.
- **Mississippi River:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters. See those regulations on page 60.
- **Thompson Lake:** The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

PIERCE

- **Lake George (Spring Valley Reservoir):** The daily bag limit on panfish is 25 in total.
- **Mississippi River (Including Lake Pepin):** From its confluence with the St. Croix River downstream, is part of the Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters. See those regulations on page 60.

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- **St. Croix River:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters. See those regulations on page 60.

POLK

Polk County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information). Motor trolling is permitted county-wide. For all lakes and flowages that are also partially within Burnett County, there is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass.

- **Balsam Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.
- **Big Butternut Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth or smallmouth bass. Unless otherwise posted, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" and the daily bag limit is 3.
- **Big Round Lake:** Unless posted otherwise, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" and the daily bag limit is 3.

☆ **Bone Lake:** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50".

- **Cedar Lake:** The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total. There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, only one fish over 18" is allowed, and the daily bag limit is 3.
- **Half Moon Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth or smallmouth bass. Unless otherwise posted, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" and the daily bag limit is 3.
- **Horseshoe Lake (T34N R15W):** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.

☆ **Largon Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" and the daily bag limit is 1.

- **Long Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.
- **Loveless Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.
- **Pipe Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass. Unless otherwise posted, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" and the daily bag limit is 3.
- **St. Croix River:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters. See those regulations on page 60.
- **Ward Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth or smallmouth bass. Unless otherwise posted, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" and the daily bag limit is 3.

PORTAGE

County-wide (except the Wisconsin River including all sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first dam or highway bridge, and Little Eau Pleine Flowage) length limit on northern pike is 26" with a daily bag limit of 2.

- **Bass Lake:** 🐟
- **Jacqueline Lake:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" with a daily bag limit of 1.
- **Little Eau Pleine Flowage:** Motor trolling is permitted east of Co. Hwy. O. There is no minimum length limit on northern pike and the daily bag limit is 5.
- **Mill Creek:** 🐟
- **Pleasant Lake:** 🐟

☆ **Wisconsin River (including all sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first dam or highway bridge):** 🐟 Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on walleye and sauger is 15", but fish from 20" through 28" may not be kept and only one fish over 28" is allowed.There is no minimum length limit on northern pike and the daily bag

limit is 5 on Lake DuBay. Downstream from the Lake DuBay Dam, the minimum length limit on muskellunge is 45" and the minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" with a daily bag limit of 1. From the Stevens Point Flowage Dam to the AlTech Park spillway, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1. *Please note: The eastern boundary of the Wisconsin River and the Little Eau Claire River at Lake DuBay is the south-bound lane of I-39.*

PRICE

Price County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information). Motor trolling is permitted county-wide.

✰ **Bass Lake:** (T38N, R2W, S18 in Flambeau River State Forest): After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a combined daily bag limit of 1.

- **Bass Lake** (T40N, R2W, S15—West of Park Falls): There is no minimum length limit on walleye.
- **Butternut Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one walleye over 14" is allowed. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".

✰ **Cochran Lake:** After June 14, there is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass.

- **Elk River and its lakes and impoundments upstream from Wiemer Dam, including Musser Flowage, Duroy Lake, Elk Lake, Long Lake, Wilson Lake, Grassy Lake, and Soo Lake (also called Lac Sault Dore).** There is no minimum length limit on walleye.
- **Flambeau River (North and South Fork, including flowages and tributaries upstream to the first dam or lake):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Jump River, North Fork and South Fork (including tributaries to first dam or lake):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
- **Long Lake (Boyd's):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye.
- **Newman Lake:** The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.
- **Pike Lake Chain (includes Pike, Round, Turner, and Amik Lakes):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye. Motor trolling is permitted on Pike, Round, and Turner lakes only.

✰ **Sailor Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **Solberg Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".
- **Spirit and North Spirit lakes:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
- **Thompson Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
- **Whitcomb Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.

✰ **Wilson Flowage:** (This flowage is Northeast of Phillips in the Chequamegon National Forest. Don't confuse it with Wilson Lake west of Phillips.) The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" with a daily bag limit of 1.

RACINE

Motor trolling is permitted county-wide. Certain waters in Racine County are designated as urban (or special) waters and have different regulations (see page 22).

✰ **Browns Lake:** The minimum length limit on largemouth bass is 16".

✰ **Eagle Lake:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 22" with a daily bag limit of 1. There is a minimum length limit of 8" on panfish and a daily bag limit of 10 fish in total. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 40" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **Fox River (downstream from the dam at Waterford):**
- **Lake Michigan:** See the Lake Michigan regulations on page 66.
- **Tributaries to Lake Michigan:** See the tributary regulations on page 63.
- **Rockland Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth bass, but bass from 12" through 16" may not be kept.
- **White River (downstream from the Burlington Dam):**

RICHLAND

Motor trolling is permitted county-wide.

✰ **Lee Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye, sauger, and their hybrids is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

- **Wisconsin River (including all sloughs, bayous, flowages, and tributaries upstream to the first dam or highway bridge):** The open season includes tributaries upstream to the first highway bridge. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18"and on sauger or hybrids is 15" with a daily bag limit of 3 in total.

ROCK

- **Lake Koshkonong:** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Rock River:**

RUSK

Rusk County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information). Motor trolling is permitted county-wide.

- **Chippewa River (and tributaries upstream to the first dam or lake):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
- **Flambeau River downstream from the Thornapple Dam (includes tributaries upstream to the first dam or lake):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
- **Flambeau River upstream from Thornapple Dam (including Thornapple Flowage, Ladysmith Flowage, Dairyland Flowage, Big Falls Flowage, and their tributaries) and South Fork Flambeau River (including its tributaries upstream to the first dam or lake):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Holcombe Flowage:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
- **Island Chain of Lakes (Chain, Clear, Island, and McCann):** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass. Unless otherwise posted, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Jump River (and tributaries to the first dam or lake):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.

✰ **Murphy Flowage:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1 in total. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

SAUK

- **Baraboo River:** ☛
- ☆ **Devils Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" and the daily bag limit is 1.
- ☆ **Lake Redstone:** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50".
- ☆ **Wisconsin River (including Lake WI and all sloughs, bayous, flowages, and tributaries upstream to the first dam or highway bridge):** ☛ Motor trolling is permitted. The open season and length limits include tributaries upstream to the first highway bridge. The season for catfish is open all year except from the Prairie du Sac Dam downstream to the railroad bridge at Sauk City where the open season is May 4 through November 30. From the Wisconsin Dells Dam upstream, the minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" with a daily bag limit of 1. Upstream from the Prairie du Sac Dam, there is a 15" minimum length limit on walleye and sauger, but fish from 20" through 28" may not be kept and only one fish over 28" is allowed. Downstream of the Prairie du Sac Dam, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18"and on sauger or hybrids is 15" with a daily bag limit of 3 in total.

SAWYER

Sawyer County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information). For all lakes and flowages that are also partially within Washburn County, there is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass.

- ☆ **Birch Lake:** The daily bag limit on panfish is 25, of which only 10 may be bluegill.
- ☆ **Black Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".
- ☆ **Black Dan Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- ☆ **Big Chetac Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. The daily bag limit on panfish is 25, of which only 10 may be bluegill.
- ☆ **Brunet River (from State Highway 70 bridge downstream to the Chippewa River, including Winter Flowage):** From the Lake Loretta Dam downstream including Lake Winter, there is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
- **Chief River, North Fork (downstream to Mud Lake):** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".
- ☆ **Chippewa Flowage:** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50". The open season on walleye is May 4 to November 30 and there is no minimum length limit on walleye. There is no minimum length limit on largemouth bass, but the minimum length limit on smallmouth bass is 14".
- ☆ **Chippewa River and major tributaries upstream of Arpin Dam:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye from the Arpin Dam upstream including the Radisson Flowage, on the East Fork of the Chippewa River to the Ashland County line including Barker, Hunter, and Blaisdell lakes, and upstream to the west boundary of S33, T42N, R5W on the West Fork of the Chippewa River including Moose Lake. From the Winter Dam downstream including all tributaries upstream to the first dam or lake, the minimum length limit on muskellunge is 45".
- **Chippewa River downstream of Arpin Dam and tributaries to the first dam or lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
- ☆ **Christner Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.
- ☆ **Clear Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 28" with a daily bag limit of 1.

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- **Flambeau River (North and South Fork and tributaries to the first dam or lake):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Grindstone Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50". There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.

☆ **Island Lake (T39N, R5W, S2):** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

☆ **Lac Courte Oreilles:** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50".

- **Lost Land Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye.

☆ **Moose Lake:** The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total. There is no minimum length limit on walleye.

- **Mud/Callahan lakes (T41N, R7W):** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".

☆ **Nelson Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total. After June 14, there is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" with a daily bag limit of 1. Unless otherwise posted, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

☆ **Radisson Flowage:** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 45".

- **Round Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.

☆ **Sand Lake (includes Sissabagama Creek 1/2 mile upstream to Sand Lake Road):** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

☆ **Sissabagama Lake:** The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total. There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass. Unless otherwise posted, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

☆ **Smith Lake:** The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.

- **Spider Lake:** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".
- **Teal Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye.
- **Teal River from the West Fork Chippewa River upstream to the State Hwy 77 bridge:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye.
- **Tiger Cat Chain (T41N, R7W):** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".
- **Whitefish Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. After June 14, there is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass. Unless otherwise posted, The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Windigo Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. There is no minimum length limit on walleye.

☆ **Winter Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.

SHAWANO

The county-wide daily bag limit on catfish is 25, except on Winnebago system waters (see p. 70)

- **Embarrass River (downstream from the Pella Dam):** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **Pella Pond:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.

☆ **Shawano Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.

- **Wolf River (downstream from the Shawano Paper Mill dam):** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70

SHEBOYGAN

Certain waters in Sheboygan County are designated as urban (or special) waters and have different regulations (see page 22).

☆ **Big Elkhart Lake:** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50".

- **Crystal Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on northern pike and the daily bag limit is 5.
- **Lake Michigan:** See the Lake Michigan regulations on page 66.
- **Tributaries to Lake Michigan:** See the tributary regulations on page 63.
- **Sheboygan Marsh (**including Sheboygan Lake and its tributaries upstream to the first road crossing): ☛ Motor trolling is permitted. There is no minimum length limit on northern pike and the daily bag limit is 5.

ST. CROIX

St. Croix County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information). The county-wide daily bag limit on panfish in all inland waters is 10 in total.

- **Cedar Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted. There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, only one fish over 18" is allowed, and the daily bag limit is 3.
- **Dry Dam Lake:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" with a daily bag limit of 1.
- **Glen Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass, but fish from 14" through 18" may not be kept, only one fish over 18" is allowed, and the daily bag limit is 3.
- **Lake George (Spring Valley Reservoir):** The daily bag limit on panfish is 25 in total.
- **Squaw Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass, but fish from 14" through 18" may not be kept, only one fish over 18" is allowed, and the daily bag limit is 3.
- **St. Croix River (including Lake St. Croix):** Is part of the Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters. See those regulations on page 60.

TAYLOR

Taylor County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information). Motor trolling is permitted county-wide.

- **Diamond Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
- **Harper Lakes (North and South):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
- **Jump River (and tributaries to the first dam or lake):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
- **Sackett Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
- **Spirit and North Spirit lakes:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.

TREMPEALEAU

- **Mississippi River:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters. See those regulations on page 60.
- **Buffalo River** upstream of Hwy 93 bridge (including tributaries): There is no minimum length limit on northern pike and the daily bag limit is 5.

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- **Trempealeau River** upstream of the dam in Blair (including tributaries): There is no minimum length limit on northern pike and the daily bag limit is 5

VERNON

☆ **Jersey Valley Lake:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.
- **Mississippi River:** Contains both Wisconsin-Minnesota (page 60) and Wisconsin-Iowa (page 62) boundary waters. The Minnesota-Iowa state line is approximately 1.3 miles north of Victory. Please see the proper regulations for those waters.

VILAS

Vilas County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information). Unless posted otherwise, the minimum length limit on walleye is 15" and the daily bag limit is 3 and the minimum length limit on muskellunge is 40" on all waters of the Lac du Flambeau reservation. Please check for notices at access points.
- **Amik Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye.
- **Anvil Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
- **Arbor Vitae Lakes (Big and Little):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Basin Lake:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.
- **Big Lake (S13, T43N, R8E):** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.

☆ **Big Lake (S4, T42N, R6E):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. Catch and release only on largemouth and smallmouth bass.
- **Big Bateau Lake:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.
- **Big Crooked Lake (S12, T42N, R6E):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye.
- **Big Crooked Lake (S22, T41N, R5E):** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3 unless posted otherwise.

☆ **Big Muskellunge Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.
- **Big Portage Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed. After June 14, The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

☆ **Big Sand Lake:** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50".
- **Birch Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Bittersweet Lake:** The daily bag limit for largemouth and smallmouth bass is zero (catch and release only!).
- **Boulder Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Buckskin Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Crab Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Crampton Lake:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.

- **Crystal Lake (S1, T42N, R10E):** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.
- **Cyrus Lake:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.
- **Dead Pike Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Eagle Chain and connecting waters (including Catfish, Cranberry, Duck, Eagle, Lynx, Otter, Scattering Rice, Voyageur, Watersmeet, Yellow Birch):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept. There is a daily bag limit of 3 walleye with only one fish over 18" allowed.

☆ **Ellerson Lakes (East and Middle):** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **Emily Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Escanaba Lake:** The season is open all year. The minimum length limit on walleye is 28" with a daily bag limit of 1.
- **Fishtrap Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Forest Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed. After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **Found Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Gresham Lake, Upper:** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".

☆ **Gunlock Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1. The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3 unless posted otherwise.

- **Harris Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **High Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Jenny Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye.
- **Kentuck Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.
- **Lac du Flambeau Chain:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3 unless posted otherwise.
- **Lac Vieux Desert:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.
- **Laura Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Little Bass Lake (S15, T40N R8E):** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **Little Presque Isle Lake:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.

☆ **Little St. Germain:** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 45".

- **Little Trout Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3 unless posted otherwise.

☆ **Long Lake:** The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50". The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

- **Lost Canoe Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.

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- **Mamie Lake:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.
- **Manitowish Chain (includes Alder, Clear, Fawn, Island, Little Star, Manitowish, Spider, Stone, Rest, Wild Rice Lakes, and Rice Creek upstream to County Hwy. K):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Mill Lake:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.
- **Mystery Lake:** There is a continuous open season on all species.
- **Nebish Lake:** There is a continuous open season on all species. There is no minimum length limit on smallmouth bass, but smallmouth bass 9" through 12" may not be kept.
- **North Crab Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Norwood Lake:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.

☆ **Oberlin Lake:** The daily bag limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is zero (catch and release only!).

- **Oxbow Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Pallette Lake:** There is a continuous open season on all species. The minimum length limit on smallmouth bass is 22" and the daily bag limit is 1. The lake trout season is closed.

☆ **Papoose Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **Plum Lake (S9, T43N, R8E):** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.

☆ **Plum Lake (S36, T41N R7E):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but walleye from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed. After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **Presque Isle Chain (Including Presque Isle, Averill, Van Vliet):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

☆ **Prong Lake:** The daily bag limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is zero (catch and release only!).

- **Roach Lake (S7, T43N, R8E):** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.
- **Rock Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Rush Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Salsich Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **Sanford Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye.
- **Sherman Lake:** There is a continuous open season on walleye with no minimum length or daily bag limit.
- **Shishebogama Lake:** Unless posted otherwise, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" and the daily bag limit is 3.

☆ **Smith Lake:** The daily bag limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is zero (catch and release only!).

- **Smoky Lake:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.

☆ **Sparkling Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 28" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **Spruce Lake:** There is a continuous open season on all species. Only artificial flies and lures may be used. Largemouth bass season is open all year with a 12" minimum length limit and a daily bag limit of 2.

- **Squaw Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 28".
- **Star Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed. After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.
- **Stateline Lake:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.
- **Tenderfoot Lake:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.

☆ **Trout Lake:** There is a daily bag limit of 3 walleye. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 45". The daily bag limit for whitefish and cisco is 10 in total. After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **Turtle Lakes (North and South):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.

☆ **Wabasso Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **West Bay Lake:** Is part of the Wisconsin-Michigan boundary waters. See those regulations on page 58.

☆ **West Plum Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

☆ **White Sand Lake—Hwy. K (T42N, R7E, S27):** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3. After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1.

☆ **Whitney Lake:** After June 14, the minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" with a daily bag limit of 2.

- **Wildwood Lake:** Only artificial flies and lures may be used. Largemouth and smallmouth bass season closes November 15.

WALWORTH

Certain waters in Walworth County are designated as urban (or special) waters and have different regulations (see page 22). Motor trolling is permitted county-wide.

- **Beulah Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass, but bass from 12" through 16" may not be kept.

☆ **Delavan Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" and the daily bag limit is 3. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" with a daily bag limit of 1. The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" and the daily bag limit is 1.

☆ **Geneva Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" with a daily bag limit of 1.

- **Lulu Lake:** The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total. There is no minimum length limit on largemouth or smallmouth bass, but bass from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed with a daily bag limit of 3 in total.

WASHBURN

Washburn County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information). Motor trolling is permitted county-wide. With the exceptions below, there is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass in all waters of Washburn County.

✰ **Balsam Lake:** Unless posted otherwise, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3. The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 14".
- **Bass (Patterson) Lake (S17, T40N, R10W):** There is no minimum length limit on walleye, but only one fish over 14" is allowed.
- **Bear Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Big McKenzie Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Birch Lake:** The daily bag limit of panfish is 25, of which only 10 can be bluegill. The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 14".
- **Long Lake (including Mud Lake):** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Middle McKenzie Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Namekagon River:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 14"
- **Nancy Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.
- **Red Cedar Lake:** Unless posted otherwise, the minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3. The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 14"
- **Shell Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on walleye. The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 14".
- **Slim Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" and the daily bag limit is 2.
- **Totagatic River:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 14".
- **Trego Flowage:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 14".

WASHINGTON

Certain waters in Washington County are designated as urban (or special) waters and have different regulations (see page 22).
- **Cedar Lake, Big:** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 40" with a daily bag limit of 1.
- **Cedar Lake, Little:** There is no minimum length limit on northern pike and the daily bag limit is 5.
- **Erler Lake:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1 in total. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.
- **Gilbert Lake:** The minimum length limit on northern pike is 40" with a daily bag limit of 1.
- **Lake Twelve:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1 in total. The daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.
- **Pike Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.

WAUKESHA

Motor trolling is permitted county-wide. Certain waters in Waukesha County are designated as urban (or special) waters and have different regulations (see page 22).

✰ **Big Muskego (including Bass Bay):** The minimum length limit on bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1. The minimum length limit on panfish is 8" with a daily bag limit of 15 fish in total. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 40" with a daily bag limit of 1.
- **Eagle Spring Lake:** The combined daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total. There is no minimum length limit on largemouth or smallmouth bass, but bass from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed with a daily bag limit of 3 in total.

✰ **Lac LaBelle:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 20" with a daily bag limit of 1. There is a closed season on flathead catfish. There is a total combined bag limit of 15 for bluegill, crappie, pumpkinseed, and yellow perch.
- **Oconomowoc Lake:** The minimum length limit on walleye is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

WAUPACA

The county-wide daily bag limit on catfish is 25, except on Winnebago system waters (see p. 70)

- **Brekke Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass and the daily bag limit is 3, but bass from 14" through 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
- **Campbell Lake:** 🐟
- **Cincoe Lake:** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **Crystal Lake:** 🐟
- **Embarrass River:** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **Kinney Lake:** 🐟
- **Little Wolf River (downstream from the dam at Manawa):** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **Marion Pond:** The minimum length limit for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1. The minimum length limit on northern pike is 26" with a daily bag limit of 2.
- **Partridge Crop Lake:** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **Partridge Lake:**See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **Waupaca River (downstream from the dam at Weyauwega):** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **White Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Wolf River:** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70

WAUSHARA

The county-wide daily bag limit on catfish is 25, except on Winnebago system waters (see p. 70)

- **Bean's Lake:** 🐟
- **Big Hills Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass.
- **Fox River:** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- ☆ **Hartford Lake:** The minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass is 18" with a daily bag limit of 1. The combined daily bag limit on panfish is 10 in total.
- **Johns Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass.
- **Lake Poygan:** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **Little Hills Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass.
- **Pine River (downstream from the dam at Poysippi):** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **Pumpkinseed Creek:** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- ☆ **Round Lake (S35, T20N, R11E):** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass and the daily bag limit is 3, but bass from 14" to 18" may not be kept, and only one fish over 18" is allowed.
- **Willow Creek (downstream from the dam at Auroraville):** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **Witter Lake:** There is no minimum length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass.

WINNEBAGO

The county-wide daily bag limit on catfish is 25, except on Winnebago system waters (see p. 70)

- **Fox River downstream of the Neenah-Menasha Dam:** 🐟 Motor trolling is permitted. The open season on muskellunge is May 25 to November 30. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50". There is no minimum length limit on walleye or sauger.

🐟 Hook and line fishing is open all year for all fish species except muskellunge, lake sturgeon, trout, paddlefish and threatened or endangered fish.

☆ identifies quality fishing opportunity

- **Fox River upstream of Lake Winnebago:** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **Little Lake Butte des Morts:** Motor trolling is permitted. There is no minimum length limit on northern pike with a daily bag limit of 5. There is no minimum length limit on walleye. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 50". The open season on muskellunge is May 25 to November 30.
- **Pumpkinseed Creek:** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **Rush Lake:** Motor trolling is permitted.
- **Winnebago Pool Lakes (includes Poygan, Winneconne, Butte des Morts, and Winnebago):** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70
- **Wolf River:** See the Winnebago System Waters regulations on p. 70

WOOD

Wood County is in the ceded territory (see page 10 for additional ceded territory information).

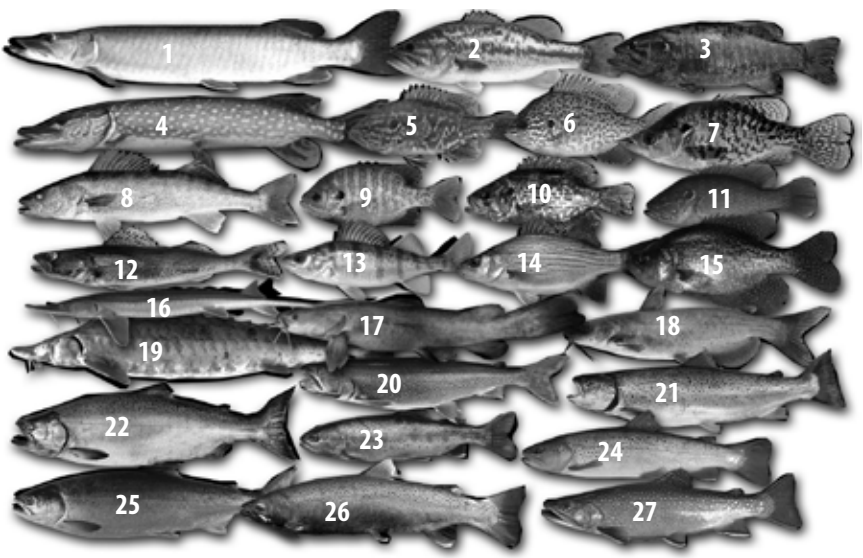
☆ **Nepco Lake***:* The minimum length limit on walleye, sauger, and their hybrids is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

☆ **Wazeecha Lake***:* The minimum length limit on walleye, sauger, and their hybrids is 18" with a daily bag limit of 3.

☆ **Wisconsin River (including all sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first dam or highway bridge):** Motor trolling is permitted. The minimum length limit on muskellunge is 45".The minimum length limit on northern pike is 32" with a daily bag limit of 1. There is a 15" minimum length limit on walleye and sauger, but fish from 20" through 28" may not be kept and only one fish over 28" is allowed.

- **Yellow River (downstream from the Hwy 54 dam at Dexterville including all sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first dam or highway bridge):** There is a 15" minimum length limit on walleye and sauger, but fish from 20" through 28" may not be kept and only one fish over 28" is allowed.

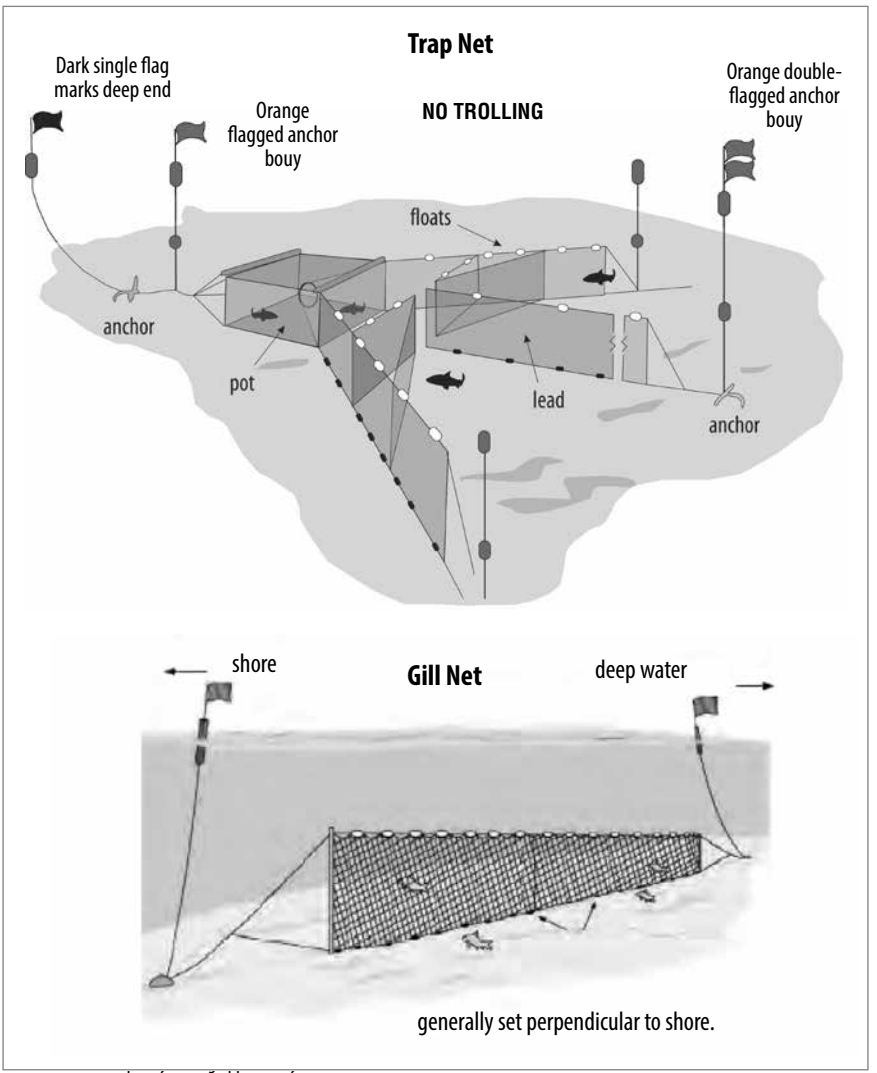
Do you know your Wisconsin fishes? (answers on page 55)



Great Lakes and Mississippi River Commercial Fishing Nets

Anglers and boaters on the Great Lakes and Mississippi River may encounter commercial trap nets and gill nets. All state-licensed commercial gear are required to be marked with floats or staff/flag combinations. Anglers and boaters should give wide berth to any markers, since anchor lines may extend several hundred feet in any direction from the floats or flags and along the length of the gear. The diagrams below can assist sport anglers and boaters in avoiding entanglement of fishing gear or boat propellers.

Tampering with commercial fishing gear is illegal. Removal or destruction of marker buoys and flags or other disturbance of gear often results in the waste of a valuable resource, since the nets continue to catch fish. They also can create safety problems for others on the water.



Natural Shorelines are Good for Fishing

By keeping shorelines natural, you can help protect water quality and improve fish habitat. A shoreline without trees and shrubs can get washed away, making the water muddy and unsuitable for fish. If you live near a lake or a river, plant a buffer strip along the water's edge using trees, shrubs, wildflowers or other native plants. Trees and other vegetation filter pollution and provide shade, shelter, habitat, and food critical for bass, trout, and other fish to thrive and reproduce. Keep your favorite fishing spots well vegetated! For more tips and information, visit http://water.epa.gov/type/lakes/index.cfm

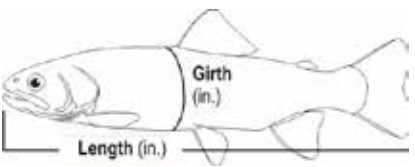
How much does my fish weigh?

Don't have a scale? No problem.
Reach for a tape measure and find the answer.

Use these equations to find the weight of your fish:

bass = (length x length x girth) / 1,200
pike = (length x length x length) / 3,500
sunfish = (length x length x length) / 1,200
trout = (length x girth x girth) / 800
walleye = (length x length x length) / 2,700

For example, you catch a 16" trout with an 8" girth. Using the equation for trout above: (16 x 8 x 8) / 800 = 1.25 pounds. Your trout would weigh about 1 and a quarter pounds.



Note: Results are rough estimates only. Actual weights vary slightly by waterbody.

Know your Wisconsin fishes. 1 - muskellunge, 2 - largemouth bass, 3 - smallmouth bass, 4 - northern pike, 5 - warmouth, 6 - pumpkinseed, 7 - white crappie, 8 - walleye, 9 - bluegill, 10 - rock bass, 11 - green sunfish, 12 - sauger, 13 - yellow perch, 14 - white bass, 15 - black crappie, 16 - shovelnose sturgeon, 17 - flathead catfish, 18 - channel catfish, 19 - lake sturgeon, 20 - lake trout, 21 - brown trout (GL), 22 - chinook salmon, 23 - rainbow trout, 24 - brown trout, 25 - coho salmon, 26 - steelhead, 27 - brook trout.

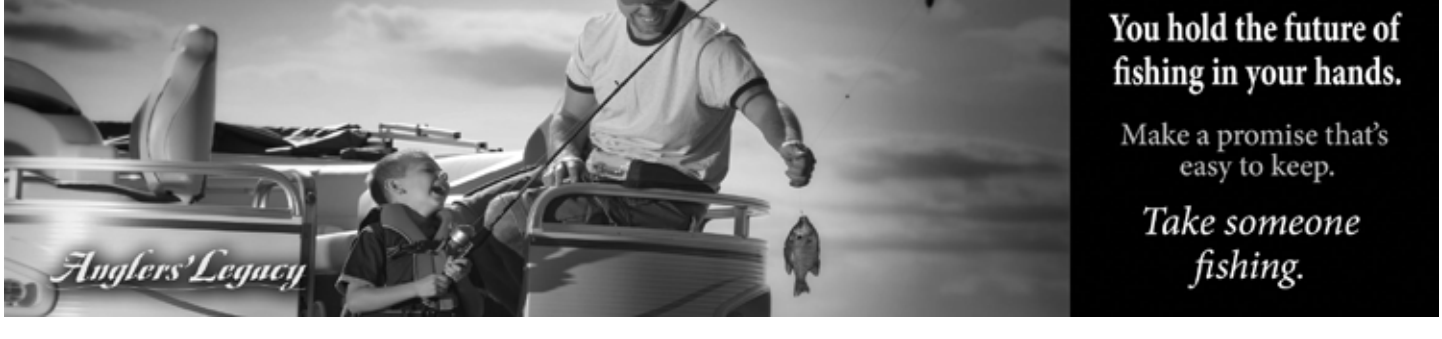
OPEN SEASONS, LENGTH LIMITS, and BAG LIMITS

GENERAL INLAND WATERS

***Remember: Also check the *Special Regulations–Listed by County* section, the Great Lakes, the Winnebago System Waters, the Boundary Waters tables, and the Tributary Streams to Green Bay and Lake Michigan table.**

FISH SPECIES–species not listed have no open season.	OPEN SEASON (all dates inclusive)	DAILY LIMIT	MINIMUM LENGTH
LARGEMOUTH BASS and SMALLMOUTH BASS			
Northern Zone (see map on page 10)	May 4–June 14	0 (catch and release only)	
	June 15 - March 2	5 in total	14 inches
Other inland waters	May 4 – March 2	5 in total	14 inches
ROCK, YELLOW (STRIPED) and WHITE BASS	open all year	none	none
PANFISH: BLUEGILL, PUMPKINSEED, SUNFISH, CRAPPIE and YELLOW PERCH	open all year	25 in total	none
BULLHEADS and ROUGH FISH (see definition on page 15)	open all year	none	none
CATFISH (CHANNEL, FLATHEAD)	open all year	10 in total	none
CISCO and WHITEFISH	open all year	25 pounds plus one more fish of either species in total	none
MUSKELLUNGE (INCLUDES HYBRIDS)			
Northern Zone: Inland waters north of U.S. Hwy 10 (excluding Wis-Mich. boundary waters)	May 25 – Nov 30	1	40 inches
Southern Zone: Inland waters south of U.S. Hwy 10	May 4 – Dec. 31	1	40 inches
NORTHERN PIKE			
Northern Zone: Inland waters north of US Hwy 10 (excluding Wis-Mich. boundary waters)	May 4 – March 2	5	none
Southern Zone: Inland waters south of US Hwy 10	May 4 – March 2	2	26 inches
PADDLEFISH (SPOONBILL CATFISH)	Closed all year–no fishing for paddlefish.		
RUFFE, WHITE PERCH and GOBIES and other nonnative detrimental fish species	Open all year–one may be killed and possessed for transport to a WDNR office—0 bag limit		

LAKE STURGEON Chippewa River: West Fork downstream from Moose Lake Dam (Sawyer Co.) and East Fork (Ashland Co.) downstream to the confluence of the Mississippi River (Pepin Co.) including sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to first highway or railroad bridge. Flambeau River: N Fork from Turtle-Flambeau Dam (Iron Co.) and S Fork (Price Co.) downstream to the confluence with the Chippewa River (Rusk Co.) including sloughs, bayous, and flowages upstream to the first dam or highway bridge. Butternut Lake (Price Co.) Jump River from the North and South Forks to the confluence with the Chippewa River (Rusk Co.); Yellow, Little Yellow, and Danbury Flowage chain of lakes (Burnett Co.); Wisconsin River below the Wisconsin Dells Dam (Columbia Co.) downstream.	Sept. 7 – Sept. 30 (All Lake sturgeon taken with hook and line must be tagged and registered. See page 6 for more information).	1 per season	60 inches
Other inland waters	Closed all year — no fishing for lake sturgeon		
SHOVELNOSE STURGEON			
Lower Wisconsin River from the Prairie du Sac Dam downstream	Open all year	3	none
All other inland waters	Closed all year— no fishing for shovelnose sturgeon		
WALLEYE and SAUGER (INCLUDES HYBRIDS).			
Walleye waters in the ceded territory (see page 10) may have lower bag limits. Check posted signs or inquire at DNR field offices.	May 4 – March 2	5 in total	15 inches
TROUT and SALMON—see the **2013 – 2014 Guide to Wisconsin Trout Fishing** or the Lake Superior, Lake Michigan and Tributary Streams tables on pages 63–69.			



WISCONSIN-MICHIGAN BOUNDARY WATERS

Includes the Brule, Menominee and Montreal rivers and their sloughs and flowages; that portion of Green Bay at the mouth of the Menominee River between the "government pier" or break wall on the south and the "lighthouse pier" or breakwall on the north and a line connecting the eastern-most points of those breakwaters on the east; and Basin, Big, Big Bateau, Crampton, Crystal, Cyrus, Lac Vieux Desert, Little Presque Isle, Mamie, Mill, Norwood, Plum, Roach, Smoky, State Line, Tenderfoot and West Bay lakes.

FISHING RESTRICTIONS ON WISCONSIN-MICHIGAN BOUNDARY WATERS

- **Each angler may fish with a total of three baits, lures or hooks.**
- You may not take more than the daily bag limit of fish in a single day. The possession limit or maximum number of fish you may have in your possession AT ANY TIME is the SAME as the daily bag limit.
- **Goldfish, alewife and live crayfish may not be possessed or used for bait** on Wisconsin-Michigan Boundary Waters.
- Ice fishing: Angler name and address must be prominently displayed on ice fishing shelters (portable or otherwise).
- It is illegal to fish using any method other than hook and line within 200 feet of any fishway, lock or dam.
- Motor trolling is permitted on Wisconsin-Michigan Boundary Waters except Vilas County boundary waters, where motor trolling is prohibited.
- Wisconsin residents need a Wisconsin fishing license and a Michigan resident needs a Michigan fishing license to fish these waters. Residents of other states need a nonresident license from Wisconsin or Michigan. Regulations on these waters differ between the two states. You must obey the regulation of the state in which you are fishing. Wisconsin license holders must have a valid Great Lakes Trout and Salmon stamp privilege (except with a two-day Sports Fishing License) to fish trout or salmon in the Menominee River from the Hattie Street Dam downstream to the eastern end of the breakwalls in Green Bay.

FISH SPECIES	OPEN SEASON (all dates inclusive)	DAILY LIMIT	MINIMUM LENGTH
LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS			
All boundary waters	May 4 – June 14	0 (catch and release only)	
	June 15 – Dec. 31	5 in total	14 inches
MUSKELLUNGE (INCLUDES HYBRIDS) Some waters may have larger minimum length limits. Look for signs and inquire locally	May 15 – Nov. 30	1	40 inches
Menominee River—From the Hattie Street Dam in the city of Marinette downstream to the eastern end of the breakwalls in Green Bay	May 15 – Nov. 30	1	50 inches

NORTHERN PIKE	May 4–March 1	5	none
YELLOW PERCH, WHITE BASS, YELLOW (STRIPED) BASS, CRAPPIE, BLUEGILL and PUMPKINSEED (SUNFISH)	open all year	25 in total	none
TROUT and SALMON			
Smoky Lake, Montreal and Menominee Rivers from their mouths upstream to the first dam	open all year	5 in total	10 inches
Brule River upstream from Hwy 2	April 27 – Sept. 30	5 in total	brook trout 8 inches brown trout 12 inches
Brule River downstream from Hwy 2 and other Wisconsin-Michigan Boundary Waters	April 27 – Sept. 30	5 in total	7 inches
LAKE STURGEON (Lake sturgeon taken with hook and line must be tagged and registered. See page 6 for more information.)			
Upstream from the Hattie Street Dam on the Menominee River.	Sept. 7 – Sept. 30	1 per season	60 inches
Downstream from the Hattie Street Dam on the Menominee River.	Sept. 7 – Sept. 30	0 (catch and release only)	
WALLEYE and SAUGER (INCLUDES HYBRIDS) Some waters may have lower bag limits. Look for signs and inquire locally.			
In lakes	May 4 – March 1	5 in total	15 inches
In rivers and their flowages	March 2 – May 3	1	15 inches
	May 4 – March 1	5 in total	15 inches
CISCO and WHITEFISH	open all year	10 in total	none
RUFFE	no open season—one may be killed and possessed for transport to a WDNR Service Center or Regional Office.		
CATFISH	open all year	10	none
ALL OTHER SPECIES (regulated by general inland regulations p. 56-57)			

WISCONSIN-MINNESOTA BOUNDARY WATERS

Applies to the stretch of the Mississippi River shared by Wisconsin and Minnesota lying between the Burlington Northern and Santa Fe railroad tracks on the Wisconsin side of the river and the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul, and Pacific railroad tracks on the Minnesota side of the river, including Lake Pepin and Lake St. Croix; the St. Croix River from the Burlington Northern railroad bridge at Prescott north to the point where the river is no longer a boundary between Wisconsin and Minnesota; and the St. Louis River, including St. Louis Bay, Superior Bay, Allouez Bay, Kimballs Bay, Little Pokegama Bay, and Pokegama Bay.

FISHING RESTRICTIONS ON WISCONSIN-MINNESOTA BOUNDARY WATERS

- **Goldfish and alewife may not be possessed or used for bait. Live crayfish may be used for bait on the Mississippi River ONLY**—not on other Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters. Live crayfish may not be used as bait within the federal zone of the St. Croix National Scenic Riverway.
- It is illegal to fish using any method other than hook and line within 200 feet of any fishway, lock or dam on the Mississippi River and within 200 feet of these structures on any other water.
- Motor trolling is permitted on Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters.
- Wisconsin residents need a Wisconsin fishing license and Minnesota residents need a Minnesota license to fish in these boundary waters. Residents of other states need a nonresident license from Wisconsin or Minnesota. **Regulations on these waters may differ between states. You must obey the regulations of the state in which you are fishing.**
- Fishing is prohibited within 300 feet below the Red Wing Dam and Alma Dam from March 1 through April 30 and within 300 feet below the Onalaska Dam from March 15 through April 25.
- Ice fishing: Angler name and address must be prominently displayed on ice fishing shelters (portable or otherwise) in the WI/MN boundary waters.

FISH SPECIES Species not listed are governed by inland regulations (pages 56–57)	**OPEN SEASON** (all dates inclusive)	**DAILY LIMIT**	**MINIMUM LENGTH**
LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS			
St. Louis R. and the St. Croix R. downstream of the St. Croix Falls Dam	May 25 – March 1	5 in total	14 inches
St. Croix R. upstream of the St. Croix Falls Dam	May 25 - Sept. 8	5 in total	14 inches
	Sept. 9 - March 1	0 (catch and release only)	
Mississippi R.	open all year	5 in total	14 inches
CATFISH (CHANNEL and FLATHEAD)			
St. Louis R. and the St. Croix R. downstream to Hwy. 10 at Prescott	open all year	10 in total	none
Mississippi R.	open all year	25 in total	none

MUSKELLUNGE (INCLUDES HYBRIDS)			
St. Croix R. and Mississippi R. below Prescott	May 25 – March 1	1	40 inches
St. Louis River	May 25 – March 1	1	50 inches
NORTHERN PIKE			
St. Croix R. downstream to Hwy 10 at Prescott	May 4 – March 1	5	none
Mississippi R.	open all year		
St. Louis River	May 11 – March 1	2	none
YELLOW PERCH, ROCK BASS, CRAPPIE	open all year	25 of each	none
BLUEGILL and PUMPKINSEED (SUNFISH)	open all year	25 in total	none
WHITE BASS and YELLOW BASS	open all year	25 in total	none
LAKE STURGEON (Lake sturgeon taken with hook and line must be tagged and registered. See page 6 for more information.)			
Mississippi R., St. Louis R., and St. Croix R. upstream from the St. Croix Falls Dam	closed all year		
St. Croix R. downstream from the St. Croix Falls Dam	Sept. 7 – Sept. 30	1 per season	60 inches
	Oct. 1 - Oct. 15	0 (catch and release only)	
SHOVELNOSE STURGEON			
All Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters above the Red Wing Dam on the Mississippi River, St. Louis River, and St. Croix River.	closed all year		
All Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary waters below the Red Wing Dam on the Mississippi R.	open all year	10	none
WALLEYE and SAUGER (INCLUDES HYBRIDS)			
St. Croix R. downstream to Hwy. 10 at Prescott	May 4 – March 1	6 in total	none for sauger; 15 inches for walleye
St. Louis R.	May 11 – March 1	2 in total	
Mississippi R.	open all year	6 in total	
RUFFE, WHITE PERCH, and GOBIES (and other nonnative detrimental species)	No open season—one may be killed and possessed for transport to a WDNR Service Center or Regional Office.		
TROUT and SALMON—see ***Guide to Wisconsin Trout Fishing, 2013–2014***			

WISCONSIN-IOWA BOUNDARY WATERS (MISSISSIPPI RIVER)

Applies to the stretch of the Mississippi River shared by Wisconsin and Iowa lying between the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul, and Pacific railroad tracks on the Iowa side of the river and the Burlington Northern and Sante Fe railroad tracks lying on the Wisconsin side of the river including all sloughs, bays, and backwaters.

FISHING RESTRICTIONS ON WISCONSIN-IOWA BOUNDARY WATERS

- **Goldfish and alewife may not be possessed or used for bait** in the Mississippi River. **Live crayfish are legal to use.**
- It is illegal to fish using any method other than hook and line within 200 feet of any fishway, lock or dam on the Mississippi River.
- Motor trolling is permitted on the Mississippi River.
- Ice fishing: Angler name and address must be prominently displayed on ice fishing shelters (portable or otherwise).
- Wisconsin residents need a Wisconsin fishing license and Iowa residents need an Iowa fishing license to fish in these boundary waters. Residents of other states need a nonresident license from Wisconsin or Iowa. **Regulations on these waters may differ between states. You must obey the regulations of the state in which you are fishing.**

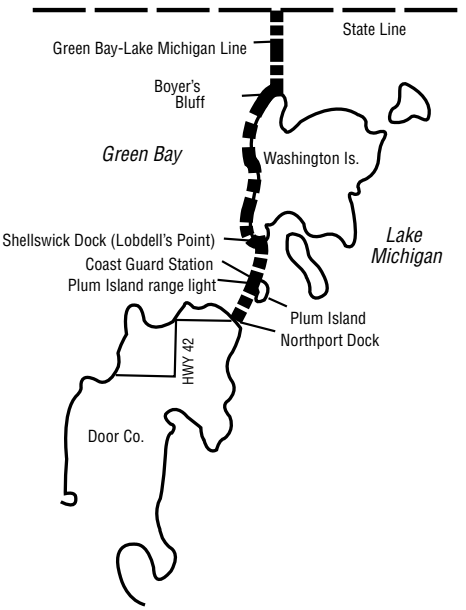
FISH SPECIES Species not listed governed by inland regulations (pages 56–57)	OPEN SEASON	DAILY LIMIT	MINIMUM LENGTH
LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS	open all year	5 in total	14 inches
CATFISH (CHANNEL and FLATHEAD)	open all year	none	none
NORTHERN PIKE	open all year	5	none
YELLOW PERCH, ROCK BASS, CRAPPIE	open all year	25 of each	none
BLUEGILL and PUMPKINSEED (SUNFISH)	open all year	25 in total	none
WHITE BASS and YELLOW BASS	open all year	25 in total	none
LAKE STURGEON	closed all year—there is no fishing for lake sturgeon		
SHOVELNOSE STURGEON	open all year	none	none
WALLEYE and SAUGER (INCLUDES HYBRIDS)	open all year	6 in total	none for sauger; 15 inches for walleye

MAJOR GREEN BAY TRIBUTARIES and TRIBUTARIES TO LAKE MICHIGAN

MAJOR GREEN BAY TRIBUTARIES - Brown County : Duck Creek upstream to the first dam above the Pamperin Park foot bridge in the Village of Howard excluding its tributaries; Suamico River upstream to CTH HS; East River upstream to Hoffman Rd (CTH XX) excluding its tributaries. **Marinette County:** Peshtigo River upstream to the Peshtigo Dam; Little River upstream to Radar Rd. **Oconto County :** Little Suamico River upstream to CTH J excluding tributaries; Pensaukee River upstream to CTH J excluding tributaries; Oconto River upstream to Stiles Dam excluding tributaries (except Little River); Little River upstream to Hwy 141 excluding tributaries.

TRIBUTARIES TO LAKE MICHIGAN - Kenosha & Racine counties: Pike river and its tributaries **Kewaunee County:** Kewaunee river and its tributaries excluding Little Scarboro, Scarboro, Roger and Casco creeks **Milwaukee & Ozaukee counties:** Milwaukee River upstream to the Grafton Dam in the Village of Grafton and its tributaries upstream to the first dam or lake **Milwaukee & Waukesha counties:** Menomonee River upstream to the Lepper Dam in the Village of Menomonee Falls and its tributaries upstream to the first dam or lake **All bordering counties:** All other tributaries to Lake Michigan upstream to the first dam or lake.

Please note: The Menominee River, Wisconsin/Michigan boundary waters, see page 58, and the Fox River upstream to the DePere Dam, Lake Michigan, see page 66, are not considered tributary streams.)



GREEN BAY includes Lake Michigan waters located to the west of the Green Bay-Lake Michigan Line (Green Bay, Sturgeon Bay, Sawyer Harbor, and the Sturgeon Bay Ship Canal located north and west of the center of the WPS power lines and the Fox River from its mouth up to the dam at DePere). That line runs from Northport Dock northeasterly to Plum Island range light to the Plum Is. Coast Guard Station to Shellswick Dock (Lobdell's Point.) on Washington Is. along the west shore of Washington Is. to Boyer's Bluff light then north to the State line.

TRIBUTARY STREAMS to GREEN BAY and LAKE MICHIGAN

- Major tributaries to Green Bay and tributaries to Lake Michigan are defined on page 63.
- Alewife may be used as bait in tributaries, rivers, and ditches upstream to the first dam or lake. Live crayfish may not be possessed while fishing on the tributaries.
- Motor trolling is not permitted on the tributaries except in Racine County.
- You must have a fishing license and a valid Great Lakes Trout and Salmon stamp privilege or a two-day Sports Fishing License to fish for trout and salmon in the tributaries (up to the first dam or lake).
- All other statewide general fishing restrictions apply (see pages 6–9).
- Smelt and suckers: See the *2013-2014 Wisconsin Spearing and Netting Regulations* for regulations on dipnetting smelt and suckers in the tributaries.
- From September 15 to the first Saturday of the following May, you may not use hooks that have a gap size larger than one-half inch from point to shank

The following special regulations apply to the following waters:

- The section of the Peshtigo River upstream from the railroad bridge at the NE 1/4 of the NE 1/4 section 30, township 30 north, range 23 east (Peshtigo City Garage) to the first dam
- The section of the Oconto River from the upstream side of Hwy 141 upstream to the first dam and the section of the Little River upstream from the Oconto River to Hwy 141;
- All Lake Michigan tributaries and all other Green Bay tributary streams, rivers, and ditches upstream to their first dam or lake, except this DOES NOT apply to the Menominee River (Marinette Co.). See page 58 for WI/MI boundary water regulations.

- From September 15 to December 31, **fishing by any method** is prohibited from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise.
- January 1 to the first Saturday in May, **hook and line fishing** is prohibited from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunriset.

FISH SPECIES	OPEN SEASON (all dates inclusive)	DAILY LIMIT	MIN. LENGTH
ROUGH FISH (including suckers), ROCK BASS, WHITE BASS, YELLOW BASS and BULLHEADS			
All other tributaries to Green Bay upstream to the first dam or lake	May 4 – March 2	none; except 600 suckers	none
Tributaries to Lake Michigan and major Green Bay tributaries	open all year	none; except 600 suckers	none
LARGEMOUTH BASS and SMALLMOUTH BASS			
All tributaries to Green Bay	May 4 – March 2	5 in total	14 inches
Tributaries to Lake Michigan north of Hwy. 29 (Door & Kewaunee Co.)	May 4 – June 14	Catch & Release only	
	June 15 – March 2	5 in total	14 inches
Tributaries to Lake Michigan south of Hwy. 29	May 4 – March 2	5 in total	14 inches
WALLEYE and SAUGER (INCLUDES HYBRIDS)			
Major Green Bay tributaries and tributaries to Lake Michigan north of Waldo Blvd, Manitowoc	May 4– March 2	5 in total	15 inches
Major Green Bay tributaries and tributaries to Lake Michigan north of Waldo Blvd, Manitowoc	March 3 – May 2	1	15 inches
All other tributaries and ditches to Green Bay upstream to first dam/lake	May 4 - March 2	5 in total	15 inches
Tributaries to Lake Michigan south of Waldo Blvd, Manitowoc	open all year	5 in total	15 inches
MUSKELLUNGE (INCLUDES HYBRIDS)			
Lake Michigan tributaries north of Hwy. 10 (located in the counties of Marinette, Oconto, Brown, Door, Kewaunee and Manitowoc). All Green Bay tributaries upstream to the first dam or lake	May 25 – Nov. 30	1	50 inches
Lake Michigan tributaries south of Hwy. 10 (located in the counties of Manitowoc, Sheboygan, Ozaukee, Milwaukee, Racine and Kenosha)	May 4 – Dec. 31	1	40 inches

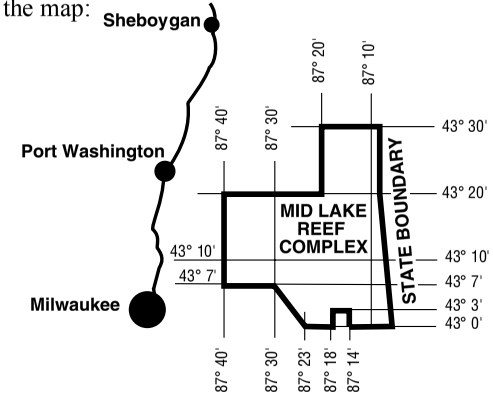
BLUEGILL, PUMPKINSEED, SUNFISH, YELLOW PERCH, and CRAPPIE			
Tributaries to Lake Michigan	open all year except yellow perch which is open June 16 –April 30	25 in total but only 5 may be yellow perch	none
Major Green Bay tributaries	Open all year except yellow perch which is open May 20 – March 15	25 in total but only 15 may be yellow perch	none
All other tributaries to Green Bay upstream to the first dam or lake.	May 4 -- March 2 except yellow perch which is open May 20 - March 15	25 in total but only 15 may be yellow perch	none
NORTHERN PIKE			
Tributaries to Green Bay, (except major tributaries), tributaries to Lake Michigan North of US Hwy. 10 (except Kewaunee, East and West Twin, and Ahnapee rivers) up to the first dam or lake.	May 4 – March 2	5	none
Major Green Bay tribs, Kewaunee, East/West Twin, and Ahnapee rivers up to the first dam/lake.	open all year	5	none
Lake Michigan tributaries south of US Hwy. 10 (including the Manitowoc River)	open all year	2	26 inches
LAKE STURGEON	No open season		
RUFFE and GOBIES	No open season—one may be killed and taken to a WDNR office.		
CISCO AND WHITEFISH			
Major Green Bay and Lake Michigan tributaries	open all year	10 in total	none
All other tributaries and ditches to Green Bay upstream to first dam or lake	May 4 - March 2	10 in total	none
WHITE PERCH			
Tributaries to Lake Michigan and major Green Bay tributaries	open all year	none	none
All other tributaries and ditches to Green Bay upstream to the first dam or lake	May 4 – March 2	none	none
CATFISH (CHANNEL and FLATHEAD)			
Tributaries to Lake Michigan	open all year	10	none
Duck Creek upstream to the first dam located on the Oneida Golf and Riding Club property excluding its tributaries, Suamico River upstream to CTH HS, and the East River from the Fox River upstream to Hoffman Rd (CTH XX), Brown Co.	open all year,	25	none
All other tributaries to Green Bay in Brown County	May 4 - March 2	25	none
All other tributaries to Green Bay	May 4 – March 2	10	none
TROUT and SALMON			
Tributaries to Lake Michigan and major Green Bay tributaries	open all year, except lake trout which is open March 1 to Oct. 31	5 in total; only 2 may be lake trout	10 inches
All other tributaries and ditches to Green Bay upstream to first dam or lake	May 4 – March 2		

LAKE MICHIGAN

Includes the Bay of Green Bay, the Fox River upstream to the DePere dam, Sturgeon Bay, other bays to Lake Michigan and Green Bay. See pages 63–65 for regulations for the tributary streams to Green Bay and Lake Michigan.

Fishing Restrictions on Lake Michigan Waters

- Lake trout may not be possessed while fishing within the area indicated on the map:



- Goldfish may not be possessed or used for bait. Alewife and live crayfish may be used for bait on Lake Michigan.
- All ice fishing shelters must be removed daily and when not in use after the first Sunday following March 12 on Green Bay and Lake Michigan.
- Motor trolling is permitted on Lake Michigan.
- You must have a fishing license and a Great Lakes trout and salmon stamp privilege or a valid two-day Sports Fishing License to fish for trout and salmon in Lake Michigan.
- Smelt and suckers: See the *2*013–2014 **Wisconsin Spearing and Netting Regulations** for regulations on taking smelt and suckers with nets and spears.
- All other statewide fishing restrictions apply (see pages 6–10).

See map on page 63 for Green Bay-Lake Michigan Line.

FISH SPECIES Species not listed are governed by inland fishing regulations (pages 56–57).	**OPEN SEASON** (all dates inclusive)	**DAILY LIMIT**	**MIN. LENGTH**
LARGEMOUTH BASS and SMALLMOUTH BASS			
Within one-fourth mile of all islands in the Town of Washington Island	July 1 – March 2	5 in total	12 inches
Other L. Michigan waters	May 4 – March 2	5 in total	14 inches
MUSKELLUNGE (INCLUDES HYBRIDS)			
North of Waldo Boulevard, Manitowoc	May 25 – Nov. 30	1	50 inches
South of Waldo Boulevard, Manitowoc	May 4 – Dec. 31	1	40 inches

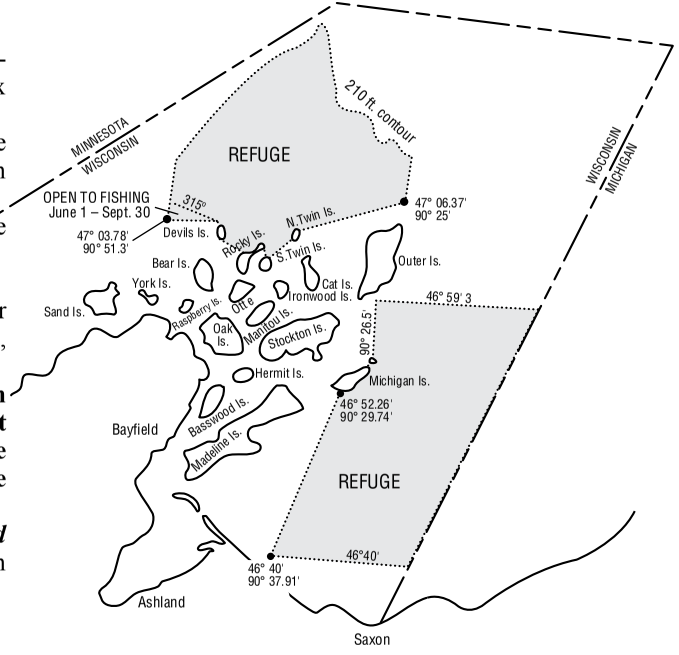
NORTHERN PIKE			
North of Waldo Boulevard, Manitowoc	open all year	5	none
South of Waldo Boulevard, Manitowoc	open all year	2	26 inches
BLUEGILL, PUMPKINSEED, SUNFISH, YELLOW PERCH, and CRAPPIE	open all year for bluegill, sunfish and crappie	25 in total; includes yellow perch limit	none
YELLOW PERCH in Green Bay and the Fox River	May 20 – March 15	15	
YELLOW PERCH in Lake Michigan	June 16 – April 30	5	
LAKE STURGEON	closed all year		
WALLEYE and SAUGER (INCLUDES HYBRIDS)			
Fox River from its mouth upstream to the dam at DePere	March 3 – May 3	1	28 inches
	May 4 – March 2	3 in total	none
Lake Michigan Waters North of Waldo Boulevard, Manitowoc	March 4, 2013– May 3 , 2013	1 in total	15 inches
	May 4, 2013 – March 2 , 2014	5 in total	15 inches
	March 3, 2014 – May 2 , 2014	1 in total	15 inches
Lake Michigan Waters South of Waldo Boulevard, Manitowoc	open all year	5 in total	15 inches
RUFFE and GOBIES	Closed all year-one may be killed and possessed for transport to a WDNR Service Center or Regional Office.		
WHITE PERCH	open all year	none	none
CISCO and WHITEFISH	open all year	10 in total	none
LAKE TROUT			
Mid Lake Reef Complex (see page 66)	No open season		
Other L. Michigan Waters	March 1–Oct 31	2	10 inches
OTHER TROUT and SALMON	open all year	5 in total; only 2 may be lake trout during the lake trout open season	10 inches

LAKE SUPERIOR

Includes bays and harbors (except Allouez Bay,Superior Bay, St. Louis Bay Little Pokegama Bay, Pokegama Bay, and Kimballs Bay are considered boundary waters and are regulated by Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary water regulations). See the trout regulation pamphlet for regulations that apply to trout (including steelhead) and salmon caught from streams flowing into Lake Superior. Fish species not listed here are governed by general inland fishing regulations (pages 56–57) except for the St. Louis River, which is governed by Wisconsin-Minnesota boundary water regulations (pages 60–61).

Fishing Restrictions on Lake Superior Waters

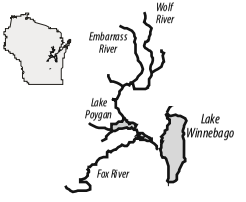
- No fishing is allowed in the refuge indicated on the map. Specific descriptions of refuge boundaries are available at the Bayfield DNR Office, Box 589, 141 S. Third, Bayfield, WI 54814 (715/779-4035 ext. 15 or 16).
- **Goldfish and alewife may not be possessed or used for bait** in Lake Superior. **Live crayfish** may be used for bait on Lake Superior, but not on streams that flow into the lake.
- All ice fishing shelters must be removed from Lake Superior waters by the first Sunday after March 12.
- Motor trolling is permitted on Lake Superior.
- If you fish in Lake Superior waters that are under the jurisdiction of other states or Canada, make sure you have the appropriate fishing license first, and obey the fishing regulations issued by those states or provinces.
- **You must have a fishing license and a Great Lakes trout and salmon stamp privilege or a two-day Sports Fishing License to fish for trout and salmon in Lake Superior. You need an inland trout stamp privilege to fish for trout, including steelhead, in streams that flow into Lake Superior.**
- Smelt and other fish: See the 2*013–2014 Wisconsin Spearing, Netting, and Bait Harvest Regulations* for regulations on taking smelt and other fish with nets and spears.



FISH SPECIES Species not listed governed by inland fishing regulations (pages 56–57)	**OPEN SEASON** (all dates inclusive)	**DAILY LIMIT**	**MIN. LENGTH**
LARGEMOUTH BASS and SMALLMOUTH BASS			
(includes Kakagon River and Slough)	May 4 – June 14	0 (catch and release)	
	June 15 – March 2	1	22 inches
NORTHERN PIKE (may also be speared through the ice on Lake Superior)			
Lake Superior	open all year	2	26 inches
Tributaries and connected sloughs upstream to first dam or lake	May 4 – March 2	2	26 inches
PANFISH: BLUEGILL, PUMPKINSEED, SUNFISH, YELLOW PERCH, and CRAPPIE	open all year	25	none
ROCK BASS	open all year	none	none
LAKE STURGEON (Lake sturgeon taken with hook and line must be tagged and registered. See page 6 for more information.)	open all year	1 per year	50 inches
WALLEYE and SAUGER (INCLUDES HYBRIDS)	open all year	5 in total, only 1 over 20 inches	15 inches
Tributaries and connected sloughs	May 4 – March 2		15 inches
RUFFE, WHITE PERCH and GOBIES	closed all year—one may be killed and possessed for transport to a WDNR office		
CISCO and WHITEFISH (INCLUDES HYBRIDS)	open all year	10 in total	none
TROUT (RAINBOW, BROWN, BROOK, SPLAKE, and LAKE)	Lake trout—December 1 through September 30; Other trout—open all year	5 in total of which only 1 may be rainbow trout, 1 may be brook trout, and only 3 may be lake trout with only 1 lake trout longer than 25 inches	rainbow trout—26 inches; Brook trout—20"; other trout—15"
SALMON (COHO, CHINOOK, PINK, and ATLANTIC)	open all year	5	none

WINNEBAGO SYSTEM WATERS

Includes Poygan, Winneconne, Butte des Morts, and Winnebago and all their tributaries from their mouths upstream to the first dam including the Fox river from Lake Winnebago upstream to the dam above Princeton and all its tributaries from their mouths upstream to the first dam; the Wolf river from its mouth upstream to the dam in the city of Shawano and all its tributaries from their mouths upstream to the first dam including Cincoe lake, Partridge Crop lake and Partridge lake in Calumet, Fond du Lac, Green Lake, Marquette, Outagamie, Shawano, Waupaca, Waushara and Winnebago counties.



Fishing Restrictions on Winnebago System Waters

- Motor trolling is not permitted on the Wolf River from its mouth at Lake Poygan upstream to the dam in the city of Shawano, and all its tributaries upstream to the first dam in Winnebago, Waupaca, Outagamie and Shawano counties, including Cincoe and Partridge Crop Lakes. Motor trolling is allowed on Lakes Winnebago, Butte des Morts, Winneconne, and Poygan, the upper Fox River up to the Princeton dam, and Partridge Lake (near Fremont).
- Minnows may not be harvested for personal use from Winnebago System waters. Suckers may be harvested, but can not be taken away alive.

FISH SPECIES (for species not listed, see General Inland Waters table on p. 56)	**OPEN SEASON** (all dates inclusive)	**DAILY LIMIT**	**MIN. LENGTH**
LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS	Open all year	5 in total	14"
ROCK, YELLOW (STRIPED) and WHITE BASS	Open all year	none	none
PANFISH: BLUEGILL, PUMPKINSEED, SUNFISH, CRAPPIE, and YELLOW PERCH	Open all year	25 in total	none
BULLHEADS (Brown, Black, and Yellow)	Open all year	none	none
ROUGH FISH (see definition on page 15)	Open all year	none	none
CHANNEL CATFISH	Open all year	25 in total, but only 24 if one flathead catfish is possessed	none
FLATHEAD CATFISH	May 4 - Sep. 30	1	30" and flathead catfish from 36" to 42" may not be possessed
MUSKELLUNGE	May 4 - Dec. 31	1	50"
NORTHERN PIKE	May 4 - March 2	2	26"
LAKE STURGEON (see the Winnebago System Sturgeon Spearing regulations for spearing season and spearing license purchasing information).	Hook and line fishing closed all year	-	-
WALLEYE and SAUGER (INCLUDES HYBRIDS)	Open all year	5 in total; only 1 may be a sauger or hybrid	none

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		Fitchburg		Milwaukee		Spooner
DNR Satellite Centers Monday-Friday 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Open during lunch hour		Antigo		La Crosse		Sturgeon Bay
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		Black River Falls		Oshkosh		Waukesha
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