

# Resolution 680420

Title: *50" Minimum Length Limit for Muskellunge in Waukesha County.*

Proposal: Increase the current minimum length limit for muskellunge in Waukesha County from 40" to 50". Maintain the current daily bag limit of one fish per angler.

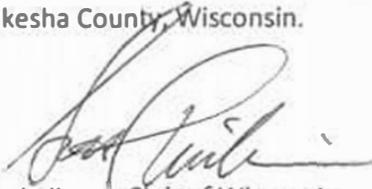
Present situation: In Waukesha County, Wisconsin, the minimum length limit for muskellunge harvest is 40". The waterbodies in Waukesha County (Lakes and Rivers) have shown excellent growth potential with numerous 50" fish caught annually. Increasing the minimum length limit to 50" will increase muskellunge trophy angling opportunities.

Advantages in enacting a 50" minimum length for harvest of Muskellunge in Waukesha County:

- Protecting the muskellunge to grow to 50" length resulting in increased trophy potential.
- This regulation, clearly defined as county wide, would simplify fishing regulations and assist DNR law enforcement.
- Waukesha County would potentially become known as a trophy muskellunge fishery location, and would attract notoriety, additional angler traffic, and recreational dollars to the local economy.
- Get more value for the general public for \$100,000 plus spent by the two area muskellunge Clubs in stocking muskies since 2012 through donations and grants.

Be it resolved at the Wisconsin Conservation Congress annual meeting for Waukesha County on April 13, 2020, the Muskellunge Club of Wisconsin recommends to the Conservation Congress that it work with the Wisconsin DNR to establish enacting a 50" minimum length for harvest of muskellunge in all waters of Waukesha County, Wisconsin.

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