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- ✓ Properly discard used fishing line and tackle
- ✓ Pack out your trash
- ✓ Do your part, and fill your net!





Director Jim Fredericks' letter to the anglers of Idaho

No matter how long you've been in Idaho, you probably love the great outdoor recreation the state offers, which includes amazing fishing. Idaho is graced with more than 26,000 miles of streams and rivers, 3,000 natural lakes, and a quarter-million acres of ponds and reservoirs teeming with over 40 species of game fish that range from 10-foot long sturgeon to palm-sized panfish.

I hope you, as an angler, appreciate the role you play in maintaining this treasure. Your fishing license dollars provide critical funding for fisheries management and research that allows the Fish and Game Commission to make science-based decisions when setting fishing seasons and bag limits.

It doesn't stop there. Fishing licenses also help fund fishing access sites, such as boat ramps and fishing docks, as well as aquatic habitat improvements and operating hatcheries. These are all important to maintaining great fishing.

Speaking of access, in recent years Fish and Game completed numerous fishing and boating access projects, and continues to acquire valuable river frontage that provides access to rivers where it can be lost as Idaho grows and river frontage becomes more developed.

While access is critical to anglers, abundant fish populations are equally important for a successful fishing trip.

A key to providing diverse fishing opportunities is maintaining wild and native fish populations. Fish and Game's habitat programs focus on improving waters for wild fish. A recent habitat success story was almost 20 years in the making and involves rebuilding wild Bear Lake cutthroat trout to levels that allow harvest for the first time in years.

On Lake Pend Oreille, science-based predation management led to the recovery of the lake's kokanee population, which are key prey for rainbow and bull trout in the lake. For example, a derby-winning 17.5-pound rainbow trout was weighed at a local tournament in 2021, and multiple fish over 25 pounds were also reported. Lake Pend Oreille also set a new catch-and-release record bull trout that nearly eclipsed the 32-pound, world-record bull trout caught from Lake Pend Oreille in 1949.

Fish and Game hatcheries continue to support tremendous diversity of fishing opportunity from cutthroat trout in high mountain lakes to rainbows in local ponds to salmon and steelhead in Idaho rivers. Annually, we release about 13 million trout and landlocked salmon, as well as another 16.5 million young salmon and steelhead that migrate to the ocean with many returning for anglers to catch as large, adult fish weighing up to 40 pounds.

With the increased number of hatchery and wild fall Chinook returning to Idaho, the Fish and Game Commission has provided more fishing opportunity on the Clearwater River. Recognizing the highly popular steelhead fishery, Fish and Game formed a citizen-based working group to help develop seasons and limits for steelhead fishery. The Commission is incorporating the new steelhead/salmon seasons enhance both the harvest and catch-and-release fisheries while providing increased harvest opportunity for fall Chinook anglers.

Idaho anglers enjoyed a record Coho salmon return in 2021, and the Commission approved Coho salmon seasons through 2024 in anticipation that returns will continue to be large enough to provide annual fishing opportunity.

Recent challenges with salmon and steelhead runs have been well documented, and I also know from experience because I've spent hundreds of hours on my boat fishing for salmon and steelhead in the Snake, Salmon and Clearwater rivers. I know how important these fish are to Idahoans, culturally, recreationally and economically, and I care deeply about restoring healthy runs of wild salmon and steelhead for future generations. I also strongly believe allowing anglers to fish for salmon and steelhead is vital to retaining the connection between people and the fish.

The causes, and the actions needed to reverse recent low salmon and steelhead returns, are many and complex. Fish and Game plays a direct role in managing part of the "4-Hs" (Hatcheries, Harvest, Habitat and Hydropower) that are often identified as causes of anadromous fish declines. Fish and Game will continue to provide science to decision makers to help develop policies that restore abundant, sustainable and well-distributed salmon and steelhead for present and future generations of Idahoans.

Regardless of what conditions or challenges we face, I assure you that the Commission and I, along with the entire Fish and Game staff, remain committed to keeping Idaho a great fishing state.

Thank you for supporting our fish and wildlife conservation because Fish and Game's ability to provide hunting and fishing opportunity depends on you!


Jim Fredericks, Director
Idaho Department of Fish and Game



Idaho Department of Fish and Game

Idaho Wildlife Policy

"All wildlife, including all wild animals, wild birds, and fish, within the state of Idaho, is hereby declared to be the property of the state of Idaho. It shall be preserved, protected, perpetuated, and managed. It shall be only captured or taken at such times or places, under such conditions, or by such means, or in such manner, as will preserve, protect, and perpetuate such wildlife, and provide for the citizens of this state and, as by law permitted to others, continued supplies of such wildlife for hunting, fishing and trapping."

— Idaho Code Section 36-103

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- Salmon Region..... 208-756-2271
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Idaho Fish and Game offices are open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday except state holidays. Offices in the Panhandle and Clearwater regions are in the Pacific Time Zone; all others are in the Mountain Time Zone.

To Buy a License, Tag or Permit:

- Go to Idaho Fish and Game's online licensing site at **GoOutdoorsIdaho.com**.
- Download our Go Outdoors Idaho app directly on your smartphone.
- In person, go to any Idaho Fish and Game office or license vendor.
- Dial 1-800-554-8685. Outside the U.S., use the Internet or mail.
- Commercial licenses and tags, duplicate tags, documents that require proof of disability, lifetime licenses, and bear baiting permits can only be purchased at Fish and Game offices.

*A credit card service fee is added for online and telephone transactions.

Other Resources

U. S. Forest Service:

- Southern Idaho fs.usda.gov/r4
- Northern Idaho fs.usda.gov/r1
- Hells Canyon..... fs.usda.gov/r6

Bureau of Land Management: blm.gov/idaho

Idaho Relay Service (TDD) 1-800-377-3529

To report wildlife crimes, call Citizens Against Poaching at 1-800-632-5999.

Emergency information can be relayed to Fish and Game personnel through any Idaho law enforcement agency.



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Information in this brochure summarizes rules and is an official proclamation of the Idaho Fish and Game Commission for the taking of wildlife. The official rules are available at **adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current** or from the Office of Administrative Rules, Department of Administration, Statehouse Mail, Boise, ID 83720, and may be reviewed in some libraries. Maps are for general reference only.

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WHAT'S NEW

- Panhandle Region: Pend Oreille River and Lake Pend Oreille boundary modifications (Pages 8-11)
- Southwest Region: several alpine lakes changed to general rules, Dick Knox Pond new trophy bass regulations (Pages 17-21)
- Magic Valley Region: Anderson Ranch Reservoir kokanee limit now 15/day, Baker Lake simplified 2-trout bag limit (Pages 22-28)
- Southeast Region: Blackfoot Reservoir - bass restrictions removed, Snake Reservoir, Edson Fichter, and Montpelier Reservoirs adopt general rules (Pages 22-28)
- Southeast Region: Bear Lake - harvest of wild (unmarked) cutthroat trout (adipose clipped) now allowed.
- Snake River - simplified seasons, limits, and gear restrictions from Eagle Rock to American Falls Dam. (Pages 29-32)
- Upper Snake Region: Henry's Lake harvest season and new catch-and-release season added (Pages 33-37)
- Salmon Region: Lemhi and Pahsimeroi rivers - trout length limits changed to general rules. Stanley Lake - trout limit may include only 2 Lake Trout per day (Pages 38-40)
- Clearwater River and Lower Snake River: new steelhead seasons and bag limits for 2022-2024 (Page 44)
- Fall Chinook and Coho salmon seasons and bag limits now included in this book (Page 45)

TO BE Updated

GETTING STARTED

Who needs a license to fish in Idaho?

Any person 14 years of age or older must buy a fishing license. Licenses can be bought at vendors and Fish and Game offices, online with a computer or mobile device at GoOutdoorsIdaho.com, or by phone at (800) 554-8685.

Anyone who fishes for salmon or steelhead must also have a permit for those species (See pages 51)

For a full menu of licenses and permits, see pages 80–83.

- Any license, tag or permit which is defaced, altered or tampered with shall be invalid from the date and time of issuance.
- Fishing on Indian reservations may require tribal licenses and following tribal regulations. Please consult respective tribes for fishing on reservations.

Fishing rules for children under age 14

Children under 14 **ARE NOT** required to buy a fishing license.

Idaho resident children under 14 may

- Catch and keep their own daily bag limit.
- Buy a salmon/steelhead permit to keep their own limit of salmon/steelhead.
- Buy a 2-pole permit.

Nonresident children under 14

- must be accompanied by the holder of a valid Idaho fishing license, and
- harvested fish must be included in the license holder's limit
- OR, a nonresident child may buy a nonresident license and salmon/steelhead permit to keep their own limit

Idaho Fish and Game Regions and Offices Map

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Información Importante

Este libro incluye información importante acerca de las leyes de pesca de Idaho. Usted puede ser multado o encarcelado si viola estas leyes. Por favor, encuentra alguien que lea inglés para explicar la información en este libro.

HOW TO USE THIS BOOKLET & WHAT YOU NEED TO START

How to use this booklet

1. Find the region where you plan to fish

2. Know the fish species and its daily bag limit

3. See if the water is listed under Special Rule Waters

- If so, turn the page to find the Special Rules for that water

General fishing season for the Panhandle Region

All Waters Open All Year
Except as modified in Panhandle Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 20-21
 Fishing is not allowed within the posted upstream and downstream boundary of any fish weir or trap.

Daily Bag Limits for the Panhandle Region

The following daily bag limits apply to all waters of the Panhandle Region except as modified in Panhandle Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 20-21. The possession limit is 3 times the daily bag limit.

<p>Basin (largemouth and smallmouth)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basin limit is 6, both species combined <p>Brook Trout</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basin limit is 25 <p>Bull Trout</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basin limit is 1 <p>Burbot</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basin limit is 6 <p>Chinook Salmon (landlocked)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chinook Salmon limit is 2, none under 20 inches <p>Kokanee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basin limit is 15 <p>Sturgeon</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fishing for or targeting sturgeon in the Snake River is illegal • Sturgeon – catch and release 	<p>Tiger Muskie</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tiger Muskie limit is 2, none under 40 inches <p>Trout (includes Brook Trout, Cutthroat Trout, Golden Trout, Lake Trout, Rainbow Trout, Splake, Brown Trout, and Hybrid Big Eye Trout)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trout limit is 6, all species combined <p>Does not include Bull Trout and Brook Trout which are listed separately</p> <p>Walleye (Lake Erie not stocked in western Idaho)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No bag limit or possession limit. Harvest is encouraged. <p>Whitefish</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Whitefish limit is 25 <p>All Other Fish Species (includes Bullhead and muskie)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No bag limit or possession limit
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Special Rule Waters for the Panhandle Region (see Pages 20-21 for details)

Anderson Lake Antelope Lake Arrowhead Lake Blue Lake (County of Blaine Drainage) Blue Lake (County of Adams Drainage) Bonner Lake Brush Lake Chase Lake Clear Fork River and tributaries Clearwater River, Little North Fork and tributaries County of Alaska Lake County of Blaine River and tributaries County of Apple River, Little North Fork and tributaries County of Blaine River, South Fork and tributaries County of Blaine Indian Reservation Dinosaur Lake	Green River and tributaries Fremont Lake Gardiner (Fossil) Lake Gold Creek Granite Creek and tributaries Granite Lake Hayden Canyon and tributaries Hayden Lake Jewel Lake Lewis Lake Acornal River Lake Idaho Outlet Lower Gleditsia Lake Miner Lake Molybdenum Park River and tributaries Park Snake River Paradise Lake Priest Lake and tributaries Priest River and tributaries	Robinson Lake Roman Nose Lake #1 Round Lake (Bonner County) St. Joe River and tributaries St. Marys River and tributaries Shepherd Lake Snake Lake South Lake Spirit Lake Spokane River and tributaries Postle Creek and tributaries Upper Priest Lake and tributaries
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What you need to start

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GENERAL STATEWIDE RULES

Please consult the Idaho Administrative Procedures Act webpage or Title 36 of the Idaho Code for more details at adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/13/index.html or idfg.idaho.gov/title36.

Unlawful Activities & Fishing Methods

Fishing Without a Valid License: Any person 14 years or older must have a valid Idaho fishing license or permit to fish for fish, bullfrogs or crayfish, except when fishing in a private pond where the owner has a valid Private Pond Permit from Fish and Game, or on Free Fishing Day. Anglers can buy a license at vendors, Fish and Game offices, by phone at 1 (800) 554-8685 or at GoOutdoorsIdaho.com.

Fishing Without Your License in Possession: You must have a printed license, or electronic version with you while fishing. Electronic versions that are allowed: accessing GoOutdoorsIdaho.com online, using Go Outdoors Idaho mobile app, a saved copy to your smartphone, or a saved photo of your printed license to your smartphone.

Fishing Closed or Out of Season Waterbodies: No person may fish any waterbodies that are labeled as closed or out of season.

Catch-and-Release Fish During Closed Season: Effort, by permitted methods, to catch or attempt to catch a fish or species of fish is legal, with the restriction that any fish or species of fish so caught must be released immediately, unharmed back to the water. Catch-and-release fishing is only allowed when a fishing season is open for that particular fish species.

Note: Species of fish not specifically listed as catch-and-release may be harvested under their appropriate limits.

Exceeding Limits For:

Bag Limits: Defined as the maximum number of fish that may be legally harvested by any one person in one day. The term “bag limit” shall be construed to be an individual, independent effort and shall not be interpreted in any manner as to allow one individual to harvest more fish than their “bag limit” or help the “bag limit” of another. Each region specifies the bag limits by species. It is illegal to fish in waters having special bag or species limits while in possession of fish in excess of those limits.

Possession Limits: Maximum number of fish that may be lawfully in possession of any person. Possession limit shall apply to fish while in the field or being transported. All fish hooked, landed and not immediately released shall be counted in the possession limit of the person hooking the fish. The possession limit is three (3) times the daily bag limit.

Season Limits: Exceeding the maximum number of fish that may be legally taken in any declared season.

Hook and Line Limits: Up to five (5) hooks per line may be used, except where specifically prohibited. It is illegal to exceed five (5) lines per angler when ice fishing. When fishing

for salmon, steelhead or sturgeon refer to pages 51– 56 for more details.

Pole/rod Limits: It is illegal to use more than one (1) handline or pole with a line attached, except for a person with a two-pole permit (see Two-Pole Permit below). Five rods or lines may be used when ice fishing.

Live Bait: It is illegal to use live fish, leeches, frogs, salamanders, waterdogs or shrimp as bait in Idaho, except that live crayfish may be used if caught on the body of water being fished. Bait of any kind may not be used with artificial lures when fishing artificial flies and lures-only waters.

Ignoring or Not Attending Fishing Gear: You must attend to your fishing gear while fishing. This means being able to watch your rod at all times and be able to react to a potential strike.

Waste Of Game Fish: Through carelessness, neglect or otherwise to allow or cause the waste of edible portions of any game fish including the fillets of fish and tails of crayfish.

Use Hands for Fishing: Harvesting any fish using only your hands, except when harvesting crayfish and bullfrogs. Anglers must use fishing gear to harvest all other fish species.

Using Motors in “No Motor” or “Electric Motor” Only Waters: Fishing waters listed in proclamation as “no motors,” no person may fish from a boat with a motor attached. When fishing waters listed “electric motors only,” gas (internal combustion) motors may be attached to the boat; but use of the gas motor is prohibited.

Use of Illegal Fishing Methods: Using chemicals, poisons, electric current, or explosives for fishing.

Illegally Transport Fish:

Head and Tail Removal: No person may have in the field or in transit any trout, kokanee, bass, tiger muskie, steelhead, or salmon from which the head or tail has been removed unless:

- The angler is ashore and done fishing for the day; and
- The fish is processed or packaged with the skin naturally attached to the flesh; and
- The fish is processed or packaged in a manner that the number of fish harvested can be readily determined; and
- Processed fish is not transported by boat.

Proxy Statement for Fish Transport or Gift:

Transporting legally taken game fish without a statement signed by the original taker accompanies the fish, showing the number and kinds, the date taken, the taker's name, address, and fishing license number.

Holding Live Fish: All fish must be killed or released prior to leaving the water body. However, anadromous salmon and steelhead must either be killed or released after landing. No permit is required to keep game fish alive that have legally been reduced to possession, in a live well, while at the body of water from which they were taken. **Possessing and transporting live crayfish for personal consumption without a permit is allowed, so long as they are not designated as invasive species in Idaho administrative code.**

Failure to Stop at Check Stations: Anyone hunting, fishing or trapping is required to stop if they encounter a check station that requires all hunters, anglers, and trappers to stop, even if the hunting, fishing or trapping activity occurred outside of Idaho and even if individuals do not possess any fish or wildlife. Idaho Law authorizes Idaho Fish and Game to use wildlife check stations to collect biological and harvest data from fish and wildlife, receive public input, and enforce Commission seasons and rules.

Tagging/Marking Fish: by mark, scar, tag or mutilate fish without a Scientific Collecting permit.

Molesting Fish: Molesting or violating any fish by shooting at it with a firearm or pellet gun, striking at it with a club, hands, rocks, or other objects, building obstructions for catching fish, or chasing fish up or downstream in any manner.

Disturbing Traps or Fishing Gear Belonging to Others: It is illegal to destroy, disturb, or remove any traps belonging to others.

Littering and Pollution: Deposit, throw, place, allow or cause to pass into any of the waters of this state any deleterious drugs, toxicants, chemicals, poisonous substances, explosives, electrical current, or other material which may tend to destroy, kill, disable, or drive away fish.

Fishing Private Property Without Written Permission: All persons must have written permission or other lawful form of permission to enter or remain on private land to shoot any weapon or hunt, fish, trap or retrieve game.

Remove or Possess Sturgeon: Removing sturgeon from the water or possessing sturgeon. It is illegal to use a barbed hook when fishing for sturgeon. Review page 56 for additional restrictions.

Refusal of License, Catch or Gear Check: Refusing to allow IDFG employees, peace officers or landowners to inspect license, catch and gear. By purchasing a license or tag a person consents to these inspections.

Falsifying Required Information: Knowingly provide false information to the Department or Commission on any report required by law.

Theft of Idaho Fish and Game Signs: Removal, alteration or possession of Idaho Fish and Game signs.

Trespassing On a Fishway, Weir Or Fish Trap: Fishing is not allowed within the posted upstream and downstream boundary of any fish weir or trap.

Gear And Bait Restrictions

Archery and Spear Fishing: Fishing with a bow and arrow, crossbow, spear or mechanical device (excluding firearms). This type of fishing is permitted only in the taking of bullfrogs and unprotected nongame fish and only in those waters during the season set for the taking of game fish.

Bait: Organic substances, other than rubber, wood feather, fiber, or plastic, attached to a hook to attract fish can be used. Bait includes insects, insect larvae, worms, dead fish, fish parts, any other animal or vegetable matter, or scented synthetic materials.

Catch-and-Release Fishing: Catch or attempt to catch a fish or species of fish is legal, with the restriction that any fish or species of fish so caught must be released immediately, unharmed back to the water.

Chumming: The use of any substance not attached to a hook that is intended to attract fishing. It is illegal to chum while fishing in Idaho.

Fishing Shelter: It is illegal to leave an enclosure or shelter used for fishing unattended overnight on the ice of any water statewide without having the owner's name, telephone number, and current address legibly marked on two (2) opposing sides of the enclosure or shelter.

Gaff Hook: A pointed device designed to pierce a fish for the purpose of reducing the fish to possession. It is illegal to land fish of any species except through a hole cut or broken in the ice in waters which have no length restrictions or harvest closures for that species, or when landing unprotected fish species taken with archery equipment, provided the angler does not intend to release fish so caught.

Ice Fishing: Fishing through an opening, broken or cut, through the ice. Anglers may fish with a maximum of five (5) lines per angler. The opening in the ice may not exceed 10 inches in diameter except on Bear Lake while fishing for cisco. Note: two-pole permits do not entitle the angler to exceed the five-pole limit for ice fishing.

Sliding Sinker for Sturgeon: A method of attaching a sinker to a device that slides freely on the main line. When fishing for sturgeon, a person must use a sliding sinker and a lighter test line to attach the weight to the main line (the line attached to the reel). See Sturgeon Fishing Rules on page 56.

Snagging: Taking or attempting to take a fish by use of a hook or lure in any manner or method other than enticing or attracting a fish to strike with, and become hooked in, its mouth or jaw. Game fish cannot be harvested unless hooked in the mouth or jaw. Snag fishing is illegal except where allowed by special rule. Snagging of unprotected nongame fish species is permitted.

Trapping or Seining Minnows and Crayfish: All game fish (except yellow perch) and protected nongame fish incidentally taken while trapping or seining must be immediately released alive. Unprotected nongame fish, yellow perch, and crayfish may be taken only in waters open to fishing; provided the seine or

net does not exceed ten (10) feet in length or width, and nets and seines must have three-eighths (3/8) inch square or smaller mesh; and the minnow or crayfish trap does not exceed two (2) feet in length, width or height. If the trap is of irregular dimension, but its volume does not exceed the volume of an eight (8) cubic foot trap, it is also legal to use. Nets and seines may not be left unattended. Traps must be checked at least every forty-eight (48) hours. All traps must have a tag attached bearing the owner's name and address.

All fish so taken must immediately be killed except where stated otherwise. Crayfish may be kept alive to be used as bait only on the water where captured. Nongame fish and crayfish may only be taken during the season set for the taking of game fish in those waters.

Only five (5) crayfish traps can be fished with a valid fishing license. If more than five traps are used at one time, you must obtain a Commercial Fishing License and trap tags.

Two-Pole Permit: Anglers with a valid resident or nonresident fishing license may purchase a two-pole permit. This permit authorizes the license holder to use two poles or rods at the same time on waters and during seasons specified by Commission Rule. Valid for all open water and salmon and steelhead fishing.

Salmon, Steelhead, and Sturgeon Restrictions: See Anadromous Steelhead and Salmon Rules and Information page 51.

Reasons for Special Size and Bag Limits

Harvest restrictions help maintain the overall numbers and size of fish in a lake or stream, and also ensure "fair share" so every angler has a chance to catch or harvest fish. Restrictive harvest rules are sometimes used simply to provide a different type of fishing experience or to maximize the size of fish available.

Idaho Fish and Game manages recreational fisheries to provide a variety of experiences using different combinations of size, gear, and bag limits. The range of harvest rules includes:

- General bag and size limits apply in typical harvest oriented fishing waters without gear or bait restrictions. Many of these waters are stocked with harvestable-sized hatchery trout.
- Wild trout management focuses on sustaining naturally-reproducing wild populations without hatchery stocking. In certain instances, lower bag limits, size limits, or gear and bait restrictions may be applied to keep populations healthy.
- Special size limits are used where the goal is to catch more and larger fish by giving up some harvest opportunity. A bag limit of two (2) fish (trout or bass) and various size limits such as a 14 or 16-inch minimum or a 12 to 16-inch protected range are common.
- Trophy fish or large trout management may require more restrictive limits. For example, this could include catch-and-release rules or a bag limit of two (2) (for

both trout and bass) combined with length restrictions. Gear or bait restrictions may apply.

- Special Cutthroat Trout rules are implemented across most of the state to protect our state fish. Cutthroat Trout are easily overfished, so various special rules are used to protect them from excess harvest. Many waters throughout the state have catch-and-release, restrictive bag or length limits, or other rules to protect Cutthroat Trout.

Salvage of Fish

Fish salvage may be authorized when fish populations are threatened by water shortages or other causes. No salvage of fish from public waters will be allowed without Fish and Game authorization. When salvage is allowed, fish may be taken by snagging, spearing, archery, dip netting, seining, or by hand. Bag limits are typically removed. Use of toxic chemicals explosives, firearms, or electric current is prohibited. A valid fishing license is required. Anglers are reminded that access along canal banks and salvage fishing in most canals and ditches requires prior permission from irrigation companies.

Transportation, Sale or Shipment of Fish

Sale of Fish: Fish harvested by anglers cannot be bought or sold without a commercial license except as provided by Idaho code.

Shipment of Fish: No person shall ship legally harvested fish unless the package is marked on the outside with: the name, address and fishing license number of the person who caught the fish, the name and address of the person to whom the fish are being shipped with or sent to, and the number of fish, by species, contained in the package.

Transport and Introduction of Live Fish: It is illegal to transport or allow the release of any species of live fish (including bullfrogs), or fish eggs, in the state of Idaho without a permit from the Department of Fish and Game. If you illegally introduce fish into a water body without a permit, you could be held financially liable for restoration costs. **Possessing and transporting live crayfish for personal consumption without a permit is allowed, so long as they are not designated as invasive species in Idaho administrative code.**

Fish Possessed from State and Federal Fish

Hatcheries: No person can transit state and federal fish from hatcheries without a written receipt for those fish or as allowed by posted signage.

Private Pond Permit: You are required to have a private pond permit from Fish and Game to own a private pond stocked with game fish. Permit applications are available on Fish and Game's website or at regional offices.

Placing Fish Racks or Traps: No person shall place racks or traps or any other obstruction across any of the streams or waters of the state of Idaho in order to take fish for any purpose without first obtaining a permit from the director. No unauthorized person shall tamper with, damage or destroy any such permitted rack, trap or other obstruction.

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FISH TRANSPORT PROXY STATEMENT

(To transport fish taken by another person)



Taker's Name _____ Taker's Signature _____

Taker's Address _____

License No. _____ Tag No. _____

Fish Species	Description & Number Taken	Water Caught	Date

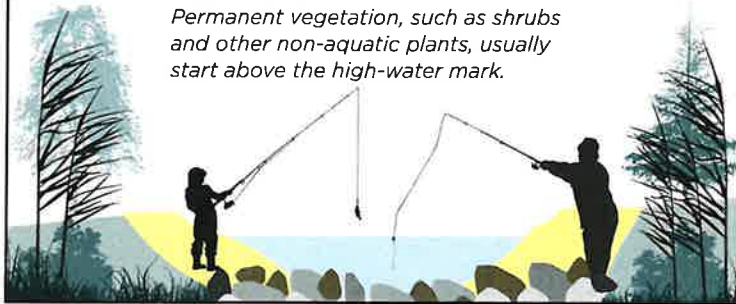
Other Game:
Species _____ #Taken _____ Date Killed _____

NAVIGABILITY AND PUBLIC ACCESS

(Refer to Idaho Code 36-1601)

WHEN FISHING IN NAVIGABLE STREAMS BORDERED BY PRIVATE PROPERTY

PUBLIC RIGHT OF WAY IS BELOW HIGH WATER MARK

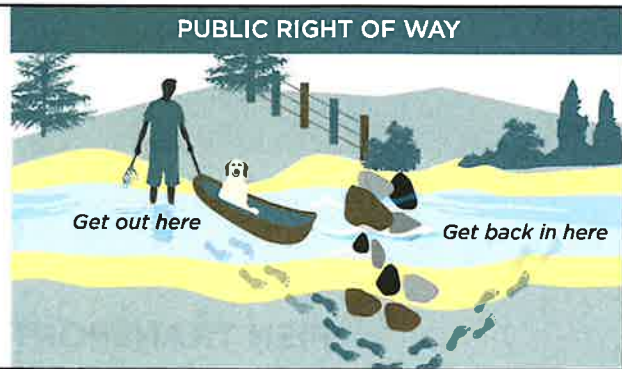


YOU MUST STAY BELOW THE NORMAL HIGH-WATER MARK

of the stream, unless you have landowners permission to get out on the bank or have no other means of getting around an obstruction in the stream (such as a fence or diversion dam). High-water area in yellow.

WHEN GETTING OUT OF A STREAM TO GO AROUND AN OBSTRUCTION

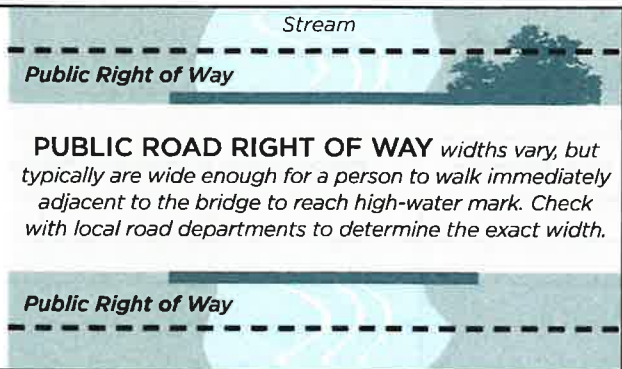
Take the shortest, most direct route around the obstruction to get back in the stream. Do not allow pets or children to trespass on adjacent private property without landowner permission.



YOU MAY ENTER AND EXIT A NAVIGABLE STREAM

at locations other than below the high-water mark, such as public right of way at county road bridges.

ASK FIRST Always get landowner permission before crossing private right of way.



Navigable streams are defined as any stream which, in its natural high-water condition, will float logs or any other commercial or float-able commodity, or is capable of being navigated by oar or motor propelled small craft for pleasure or commercial purposes. Navigable streams are recognized as public transportation corridors, thus members of the public have the right to use the corridor

provided they enter and exit the corridor at a public right of way, and remain within the corridor. Many navigable streams flow through private property thus it is important that anglers know their rights and responsibilities when fishing in navigable waters that flow through private property.

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Fishing in Boundary Waters

Bear Lake between Idaho and Utah: The holder of a valid Idaho or Utah fishing license may fish all of Bear Lake except in areas closed to all fishing by the respective states. Anglers are subject to the rules and regulations of the state in which they are fishing. See page 36 for map.

Snake River between Idaho and Oregon or Washington:

The holder of a valid Idaho fishing license may fish the Snake River where it forms the boundary between the states of Idaho and Oregon or Washington, subject to the fish and game laws of Idaho but may not fish from the shore including wading, and may not fish in sloughs or tributaries on the Oregon or Washington side. An Oregon or Washington license holder has the same rights and restrictions with reference to the Idaho side.

Any angler who fishes on the Snake River or any other water forming an Idaho boundary may not exercise the privileges of two licenses at the same time and is entitled to have in possession only the limit allowed by one license regardless of the number of licenses in possession

For Washington/Idaho boundary map and for Oregon/Idaho boundary map see page 20.

Idaho's Trespass Law

All persons must have written permission, or other lawful form of permission, to enter or remain on private land to shoot any weapon or hunt, fish, trap or retrieve game.

A person should know land is private and they are not allowed without permission if:

- The property is associated with a residence, business
- Or, it is cultivated
- Or, it is fenced or enclosed in a way that delineates the private property
- Or, it is unfenced and uncultivated, but is posted with conspicuous "no trespassing" signs or bright orange/fluorescent paint at all property corners and boundaries where the property intersects navigable streams, roads, gates and rights-of-way entering the land and posted in a way that people can see the postings.
- Any person must leave private property when asked to do so by the owner or agent.

Note— It is illegal for anyone to post public land that is not held under an exclusive control lease. Private posting at navigable streams shall not prohibit access to navigable streams below the high-water mark as allowed by Idaho law.

Please visit: idfg.idaho.gov/2018-trespass-law



IDAHO TRESPASS PERMISSION FORM

Permission given to (print): _____

Dates permission is valid:

from: _____

to: _____

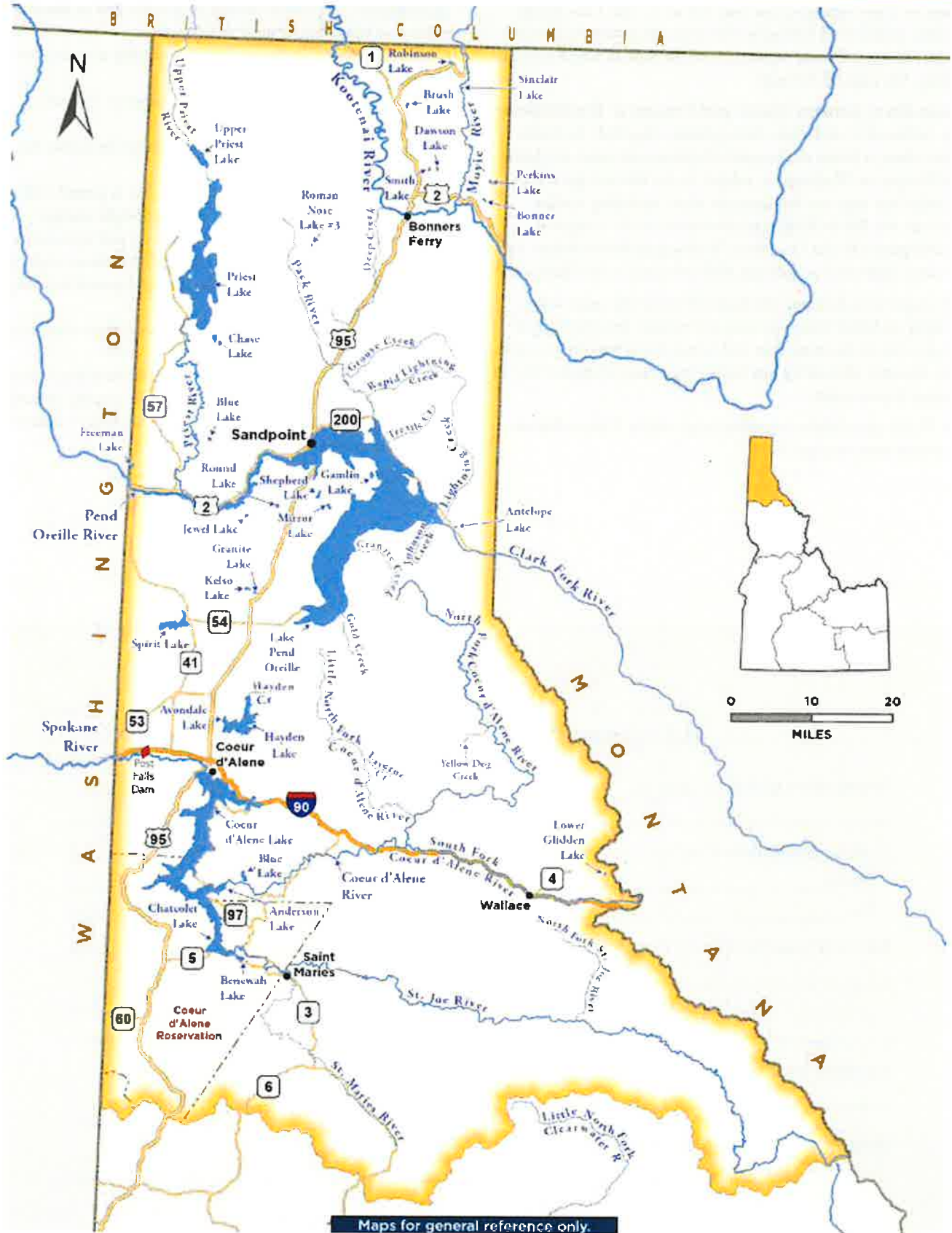
General Description of Property: _____

Landowner Name (print): _____

Owner or Agent Signature: _____

A property owner may revoke permission at any time.

PANHANDLE REGION



General fishing season for the Panhandle Region

All Waters Open All Year, except as modified in Panhandle Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 16-17.
Fishing is not allowed within the posted upstream and downstream boundary of any fish weir or trap.

Daily Bag Limits for the Panhandle Region

The following daily bag limits apply to all waters of the Panhandle Region except as modified in Panhandle Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 16-17. The possession limit is 3-times the daily bag limit.

Bass (*Largemouth and Smallmouth*)

- Bass limit is 6, both species combined

Brook Trout

- Brook Trout limit is 25

Bull Trout

- Bull Trout – catch-and-release

Burbot

- Burbot limit is 6

Chinook Salmon (*land-locked*)

- Chinook Salmon limit is 2, ~~none under 20 inches~~ **none under 24 inches**

Kokanee

- Kokanee limit is 15

Sturgeon

- Fishing for or targeting sturgeon in the Kootenai River is illegal

Tiger Muskie

- Tiger Muskie limit is 2, none under 40 inches

Trout includes *Brown Trout, Cutthroat Trout, Golden Trout, Lake Trout, Rainbow Trout, Splake, Arctic Grayling, trout hybrids (e.g. Tiger Trout)*

- Trout limit is 6, all species combined

Bull Trout and Brook Trout are listed separately

Walleye (*Have not been stocked intentionally in this Region. May be harmful to existing fisheries*)

- No bag, size or possession limits. Harvest is encouraged.

Whitefish

- Whitefish limit is 25

All Other Fish Species includes *bullfrogs and crayfish*

- No bag, size or possession limit

Special Rule Waters for the Panhandle Region (see Pages 16-17 for details)

Anderson Lake	Deep Creek and tributaries	Robinson Lake
Antelope Lake	Freeman Lake	Roman Nose Lake #3
Avondale Lake	Gamble (Gamlin) Lake	Round Lake (Bonner County)
Blue Lake (Priest River Drainage)	Gold Creek	St. Joe River and tributaries
Blue Lake (Coeur d' Alene Drainage)	Granite Creek and tributaries	St. Maries River and tributaries
Bonner Lake	Granite Lake	Shepherd Lake
Brush Lake	Hayden Creek and tributaries	Sinclair Lake
Chase Lake	Hayden Lake	Smith Lake
Clark Fork River and tributaries	Jewel Lake	Spirit Lake
Clearwater River, Little North Fork and tributaries	Kelso Lake	Spokane River and tributaries
Coeur d' Alene Lake	Kootenai River	Trestle Creek and tributaries
Coeur d'Alene River and tributaries	Lake Pend Oreille	Upper Priest Lake and tributaries
Coeur d' Alene River, Little North Fork and tributaries	Lower Glidden Lake	
Coeur d' Alene River, North Fork and tributaries	Mirror Lake	
Coeur d' Alene River, South Fork and tributaries	Moyie River	
Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation	Pack River and tributaries	
Dawson Lake	Pend Oreille River	
	Perkins Lake	
	Priest Lake and tributaries	
	Priest River and tributaries	

Special Rule Waters for the Panhandle Region

For waters not listed below, see Page 15 for fishing season, bag and possession limits, and rules that apply to all waters within the Panhandle Region.

Anderson Lake

(includes the channel to the Coeur d'Alene River)

- Bass limit is 6, only 2 may be Largemouth Bass, no Largemouth Bass under 16 inches

Antelope Lake - Electric motors only

Avondale Lake - Electric motors only

Blue Lake (Priest River drainage) - Electric motors only

Blue Lake (Coeur d'Alene drainage; includes the channel to the Coeur d'Alene River)

- Bass limit is 6, only 2 may be Largemouth Bass, no Largemouth Bass under 16 inches

Bonner Lake - Electric motors only

Brush Lake - Electric motors only

Chase Lake - Electric motors only

- Bass limit is 6, only 2 may be Largemouth Bass, no Largemouth Bass under 16 inches

Clark Fork River

Section: Entire river upstream of a straight line extending north of county boat dock (near mouth of Johnson Creek) to Bear Paw Point (southwest tip of Denton Slough)

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Rainbow Trout catch-and-release December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend
- No limit on lake trout

Clark Fork River tributaries

(includes Lightning Creek and tributaries)

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Rainbow Trout catch-and-release December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend
- No bait allowed Dec. 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend

Clearwater River, Little North Fork and tributaries

- Trout limit is 2

Coeur d'Alene Lake (includes Benewah and Chatcolet lakes, Coeur d'Alene River "Chain Lakes" and all tributaries to Coeur d'Alene Lake)

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Lake Creek and tributaries, closed to fishing

Coeur d'Alene River and tributaries

Section: From the mouth to the confluence of the North Fork and South Fork

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw

Coeur d'Alene River, Little North Fork and tributaries

Section: From the mouth upstream to Laverne Creek

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw

Section: From and including Laverne Creek upstream

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Coeur d'Alene River, North Fork and tributaries

Section: From the confluence of the North Fork and South Fork upstream to Yellow Dog Creek

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw

Section: From and including Yellow Dog Creek upstream

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Coeur d'Alene River, South Fork and tributaries

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw

Coeur d'Alene Indian Reservation - Contact the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Office

Dawson Lake - Electric motors only

Deep Creek and tributaries

- Rainbow Trout catch-and-release December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend

Freeman Lake - Electric motors only

Gamble (Gamlin) Lake - Electric motors only

Gold Creek (Pend Oreille Lake; includes North and South Gold creeks and tributaries)

- Closed to fishing

Granite Creek and tributaries (Pend Oreille Lake)

- Closed to fishing

Granite Lake - Electric motors only

Hayden Creek and tributaries

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend - closed to fishing

Hayden Lake

- Bass limit is 6, only 2 may be Largemouth Bass, no Largemouth Bass under 20 inches
- Crappie limit is 6, none under 10 inches

Jewel Lake - Electric motors only

Kelso Lake - Electric motors only

Kootenai River

- Trout limit is 2, no Rainbow or Cutthroat Trout under 16 inches
- Sturgeon - Fishing for or targeting sturgeon in the Kootenai River is illegal

Lake Pend Oreille *(includes Sand, Strong, Riser, Bayview, and Mirror creeks and their tributaries)*

- No limit on the number of fishing rods per angler while fishing from a boat
- Bass limit is 6, only 2 may be Largemouth Bass, no Largemouth Bass under 16 inches
- No limit on Lake Trout, Lake Trout can be possessed in the field or in transit with head removed
- No harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Rainbow Trout limit is 2, only 1 over 20 inches

Lower Glidden Lake - Electric motors only**Mirror Lake** - Electric motors only**Moyie River**

- Trout limit is 2

Pack River and tributaries *from the railroad bridge near the mouth upstream; includes Grouse Creek and tributaries and Rapid Lightning Creek and tributaries)*

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Rainbow Trout catch-and-release December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend
- No bait allowed December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend
- Fishing closed 100 yards upstream and downstream of Grouse Creek Falls (on Grouse Creek)

Pend Oreille River

(from Highway 95 bridge at Sandpoint downstream to Idaho-Washington border, including tributaries and sloughs to the edge of flat water)

- Bass limit is 6, only 2 may be Largemouth Bass, no Largemouth Bass under 16 inches
- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Perkins Lake - Electric motors only**Priest Lake and tributaries** *(including Thorofare)*

- Trout limit is 6, **no harvest of Cutthroat Trout only 2 may be Cutthroat Trout, no Cutthroat Trout under 16 inches**
- Kokanee limit is 6

Priest River and tributaries

(from its mouth to Priest Lake)

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Robinson Lake - Electric motors only

- Bass limit is 6, only 2 may be Largemouth Bass, no Largemouth Bass under 16 inches

Roman Nose Lake #3 - Electric motors only**Round Lake (Bonner County)** - Electric motors only**St. Joe River and tributaries** *(except St. Maries River)*

Section: From Coeur d'Alene Lake upstream to and including the North Fork St. Joe River

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw

Section: From the North Fork St. Joe River upstream

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of any trout with a red

or orange slash below jaw

- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

St. Maries River and tributaries

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – trout limit is 2, no harvest of any trout with a red or orange slash below jaw
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 2

Shepherd Lake - Electric motors only**Sinclair Lake** - Electric motors only**Smith Lake** - Electric motors only**Spirit Lake**

- Kokanee limit is 25

Spokane River and tributaries

Section: From state line upstream to Post Falls Dam

- Trout limit is 2

Section: From Post Falls Dam upstream to Coeur d'Alene Lake

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Trestle Creek and tributaries

- Closed to fishing

Upper Priest Lake and tributaries

- Trout limit is 6, **no harvest of Cutthroat Trout only 2 may be Cutthroat Trout, no Cutthroat Trout under 16 inches**
- No limit on Lake Trout
- Kokanee limit is 6



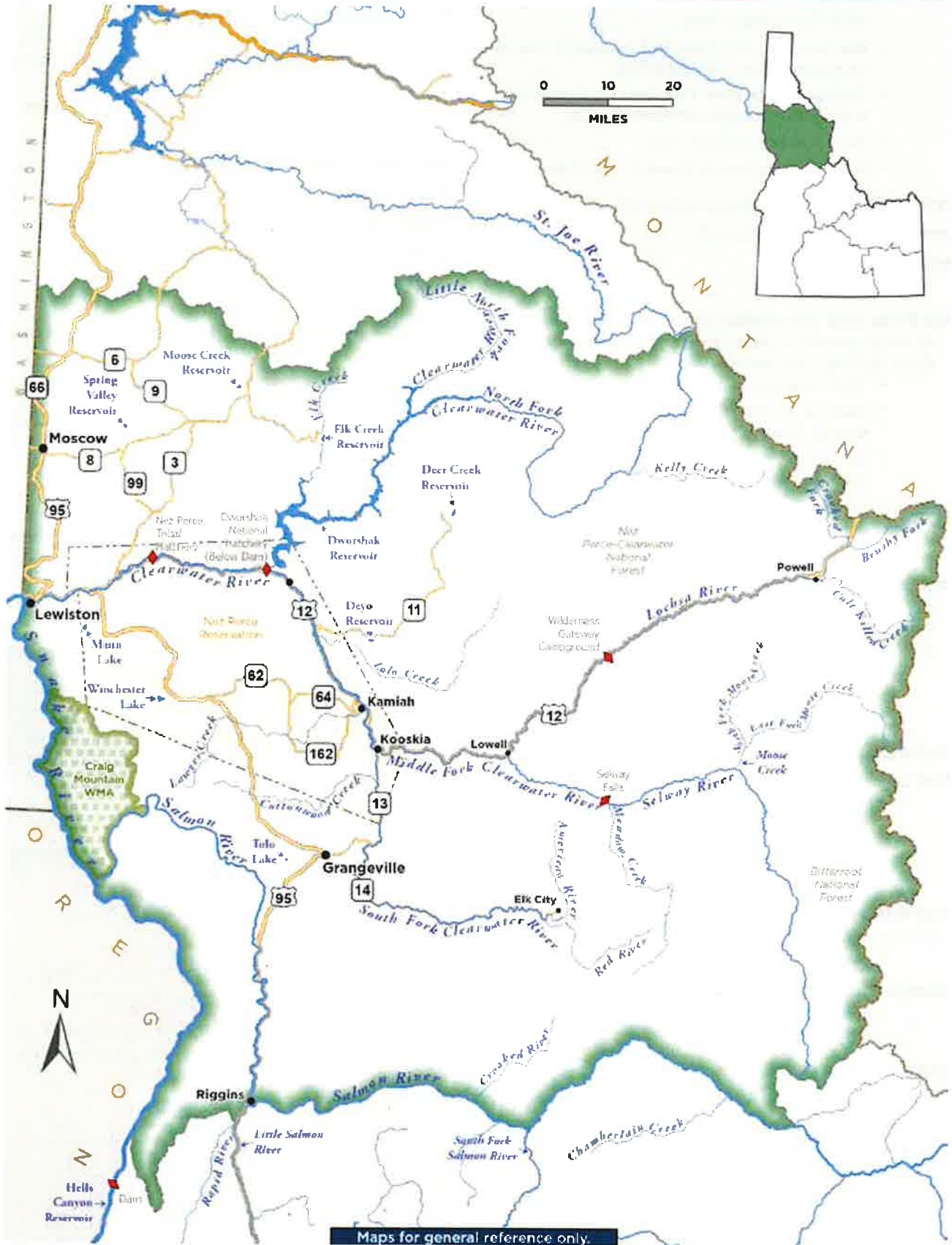
Fishing & Boating Access Sites

For a complete guide to Idaho Fish and Game's access sites and other resources for anglers go to:

idfg.idaho.gov/fish/access-guide or scan this QR code with your smart phone



CLEARWATER REGION



General fishing season for the Clearwater Region

All Waters Open All Year, except as modified in Clearwater Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 21-22. **Fishing is not allowed within the posted upstream and downstream boundary of any fish weir or trap.**

Daily Bag Limits for the Clearwater Region

The following daily bag limits apply to all waters of the Clearwater Region except as modified in Clearwater Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 21-22. The possession limit is 3-times the daily bag limit.

Bass (*Largemouth and Smallmouth*)

- In rivers and streams, no bag, size or possession limits
- In lakes and reservoirs, limit is 6, both species combined

Brook Trout

- Brook Trout limit is 25

Bull Trout

- Bull Trout – catch-and-release

Kokanee

- Kokanee limit is 25

Salmon (*ocean-run*)

- Spring and summer Chinook Salmon seasons and limits are set by the Idaho Fish and Game Commission and issued in separate brochures
- Seasons and limits for fall Chinook Salmon and Coho Salmon can be found on page 54 in this booklet
- ~~Sockeye Salmon limit is 0 and fishing for or targeting Sockeye Salmon is illegal~~ **Sockeye Salmon fishing is illegal. Defined as ocean-going *Oncorhynchus nerka* longer than 14 inches in the Snake River drainage below Hells Canyon Dam, the Salmon River drainage (excluding above Mosquito Flat Dam), and the Clearwater River drainage (excluding that portion above Dworshak Dam and lakes).**
- Fishing for or targeting salmon is prohibited unless a salmon season is specifically opened for that water

Steelhead (*ocean-run*)

- Defined as Rainbow Trout longer than 20 inches in the Snake River drainage below Hells Canyon Dam, the Salmon River drainage (excluding lakes and reservoirs), and the Clearwater River drainage (excluding that portion above Dworshak Dam and lakes)

- Fishing for or targeting steelhead is prohibited unless a steelhead season is specifically opened for that water (see steelhead seasons/limits on page 53)

Sturgeon

- Sturgeon – catch-and-release, barbless hooks are required
- Sturgeon must not be removed from the water and must be released upon landing
- Use of a sliding swivel device to secure a weight, and a lighter test line to secure weight to sliding swivel device is required. See Page 56 for details

Tiger Muskie

- Tiger Muskie limit is 2, none under 40 inches

Trout *includes Cutthroat Trout, Rainbow Trout, and trout hybrids (e.g. Tiger Trout)*

- In rivers and streams, trout limit is 2, all species combined
- In lakes, reservoirs, ditches and canals, trout limit is 6, all species combined

Bull Trout and Brook Trout are listed separately

Walleye (*Have not been stocked intentionally in this Region. May be harmful to existing fisheries*)

- No bag, size or possession limits. Harvest is encouraged.

Whitefish

- Whitefish limit is 25

Protected Nongame Fish *includes Pacific Lamprey and Sand Roller*

- May not be harvested or possessed

All Other Fish Species *includes bullfrogs and crayfish*

- No bag, size or possession limit

Special Rule Waters for the Clearwater Region (see Pages 21-22 for details)

Clearwater River

Clearwater River, Little North Fork and tributaries

Clearwater River, Middle Fork

Clearwater River, North Fork

Clearwater River, South Fork

Crooked Fork (tributary to Lochsa River)

Deer Creek Reservoir

Deyo Reservoir

Dworshak Reservoir

~~Elk Creek and tributaries (tributary to Dworshak Reservoir)~~

Elk Creek Reservoir

Kelly Creek and tributaries

Lochsa River

Mann Lake

Moose Creek Reservoir

Salmon River

Salmon River, Little

Salmon River tributaries

Selway River

Snake River

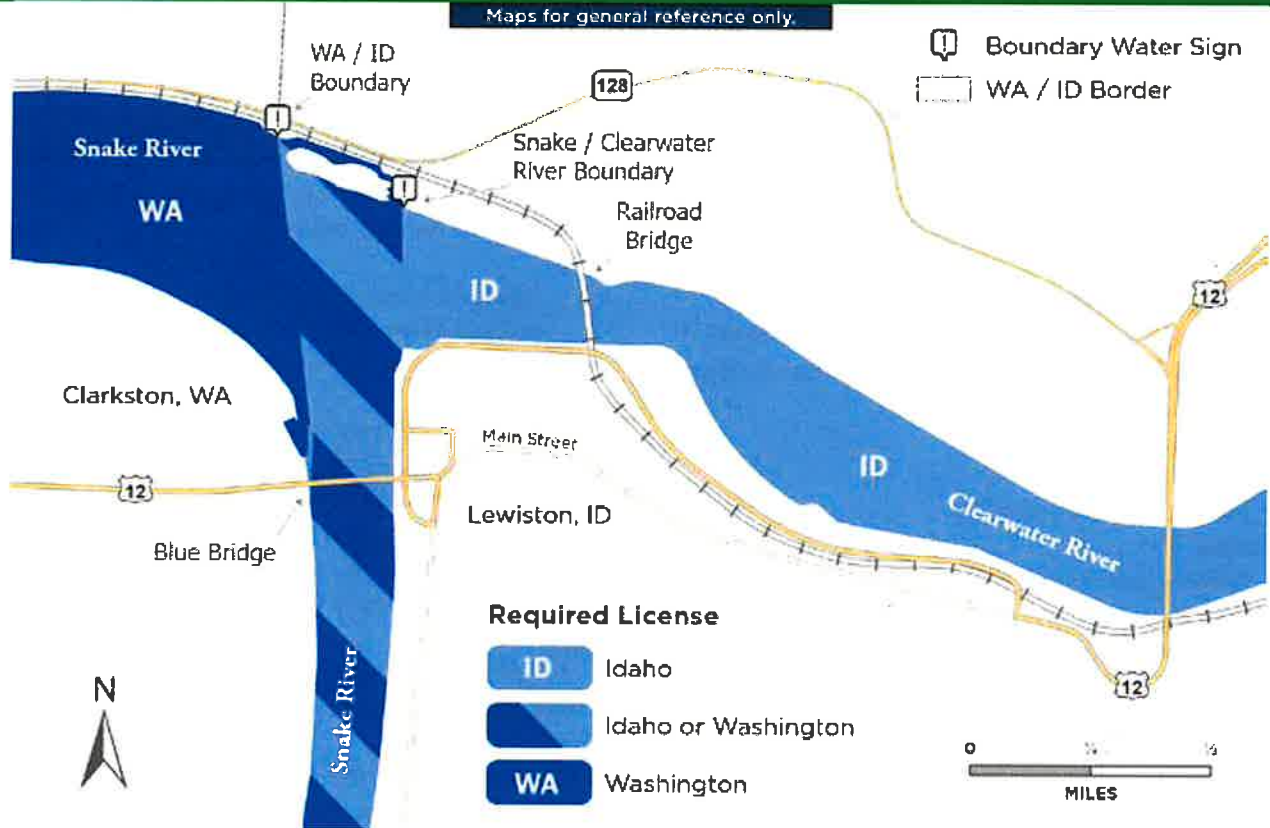
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Spring Valley Reservoir

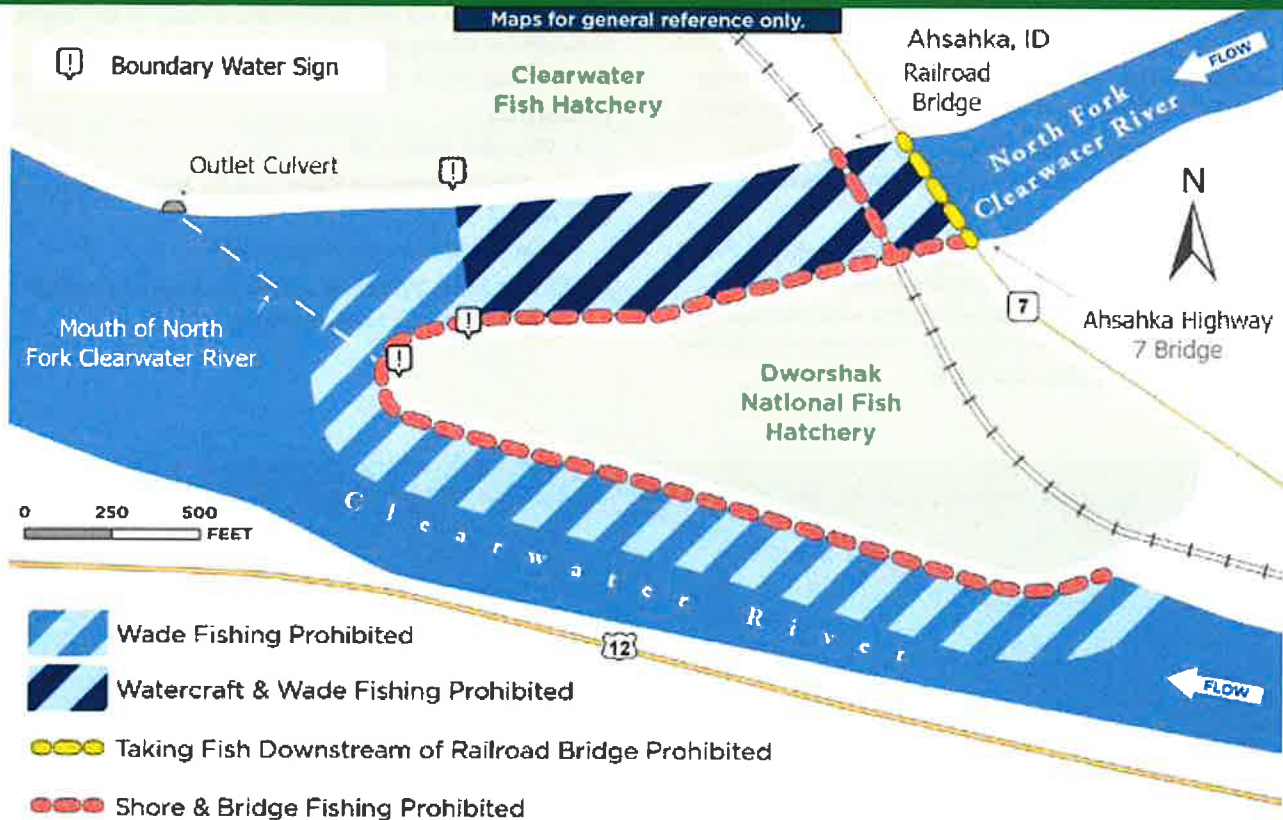
Winchester Lake

Washington/Idaho Fishing In Boundary Waters

Clearwater



Special Restrictions - North Fork Clearwater River



Special Rule Waters for the Clearwater Region

For waters not listed below, see Page 19 for fishing season, bag and possession limits, and rules that apply to all waters within the Clearwater Region.

Clearwater River See map on page 13

Section: From the mouth upstream to the Clearwater River Bridge at Orofino

- Trout limit is 6; only trout with a clipped adipose fin, as evidenced by a healed scar, may be kept; no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Fishing between posted boundaries 100 yards upstream and downstream from the Nez Perce Tribal Hatchery Ladder (near Cherry Lane Bridge) and extending into the river channel 50 yards is prohibited
- Fishing from the shoreline or wading along the perimeter of Dworshak National Fish Hatchery is prohibited

Section: From the Clearwater River Bridge at Orofino upstream to the confluence of the South Fork and Middle Fork Clearwater rivers

- Trout limit is 6; only trout with a clipped adipose fin, as evidenced by a healed scar, may be kept; no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- September 1 through April 30 - No motors allowed

Clearwater River, Little North Fork and tributaries

- Trout limit is 2

Clearwater River, Middle Fork

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 - trout limit is 2, none under 14 inches
- September 1 through April 30 - No motors allowed

Clearwater River, North Fork See map on page 13

Section: From the mouth upstream to Dworshak Dam

- Trout limit is 6; only trout with a clipped adipose fin, as evidenced by a healed scar, may be kept; no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- When fishing from Ahsahka Highway 7 Bridge, it is illegal to take or attempt to take any fish downstream of the railroad bridge; fishing from the railroad bridge is prohibited
- Fishing from any watercraft or wading is prohibited between the posted line approximately 150 yards upstream from the mouth of the North Fork Clearwater River and the Ahsahka Highway 7 Bridge
- Fishing from the shoreline or wading along the perimeter of Dworshak National Fish Hatchery is prohibited

Section: From the upper end of flat water of Dworshak Reservoir upstream

- Barbless hooks required

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release, no bait allowed except maggots
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 - trout limit is 2, no Cutthroat Trout under 14 inches, no bait allowed

Clearwater River, South Fork

- Cutthroat Trout limit is 0, catch and release only
- Single-pointed barbless hooks are required while fishing for steelhead and salmon

Crooked Fork (tributary to Lochsa River)

Section: From the mouth to Brushy Fork

- Trout – catch-and-release
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Section: From Brushy Fork upstream - Clearwater Region general rules apply

Deer Creek Reservoir

- Trout limit is 6, only 2 may be Tiger Trout, no Tiger Trout under ~~14~~ inches **20 inches**

Deyo Reservoir

- Bass limit is 2, none under 16 inches

Dworshak Reservoir

- Trout limit is 6, only 2 may be Cutthroat Trout, no Cutthroat Trout under 14 inches

Elk Creek and tributaries (tributary to Dworshak Reservoir)

- Trout limit is 6; Brook Trout must be counted in trout limit (**This special rule is deleted, and reverts to Clearwater Region general bag limit: "Brook Trout limit is 25"**)

Elk Creek Reservoir

- Trout limit is 6; Brook Trout must be counted in trout limit (**This special rule is deleted, and reverts to Clearwater Region general bag limit: "Brook Trout limit is 25"**)

Kelly Creek and tributaries

- Trout – catch-and-release
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Lochsa River

Section: From the mouth upstream to Wilderness Gateway Campground Motor Bridge, near Highway 12 milepost 122

- Barbless hooks required
- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release, no bait allowed except maggots
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 2, none under 14 inches, no bait allowed

Section: From Wilderness Gateway Campground Motor

Bridge upstream to the confluence of Colt Killed Creek and Crooked Fork Creek

- Trout – catch-and-release
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Mann Lake - Electric motors only

- Bass limit is 2, none under 16 inches

Moose Creek Reservoir - Electric motors only

Salmon River

- Trout limit is 6; only trout with a clipped adipose fin, as evidenced by a healed scar, may be kept; no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Salmon River, Little

- Clearwater Region general rules apply
- No bag, size or possession limits on bass

Salmon River tributaries

Section: Those tributaries from the mouth of the Salmon River upstream to the Middle Fork Salmon River, except Little Salmon River (Page 20) and South Fork Salmon River (Page 21).

- Trout limit is 2

Section: Those tributaries upstream from the mouth of the Middle Fork Salmon River - See Page 48, Salmon River tributaries, Special Rule Waters

Selway River

Section: From the mouth upstream to Selway Falls cable car

- Barbless hooks required
- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release, no bait allowed except maggots
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 2, none under 14 inches, no bait allowed

Section: From Selway Falls cable car upstream to Selway Falls Bridge at Meadow Creek

- Closed to fishing

Section: From Selway Falls Bridge at Meadow Creek upstream

- Trout – catch-and-release
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required (This special rule is deleted, and reverts to Clearwater Region general bag limit for streams: “Trout limit is 2”)

Snake River (ID/WA border upstream to Hells Canyon Dam)

- Trout limit is 6; only trout with a clipped adipose fin, as evidenced by a healed scar, may be kept; no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Spring Valley Reservoir - Electric motors only

- Bass limit is 2, none under 16 inches

Winchester Lake - Electric motors only

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- How-to Clinics -
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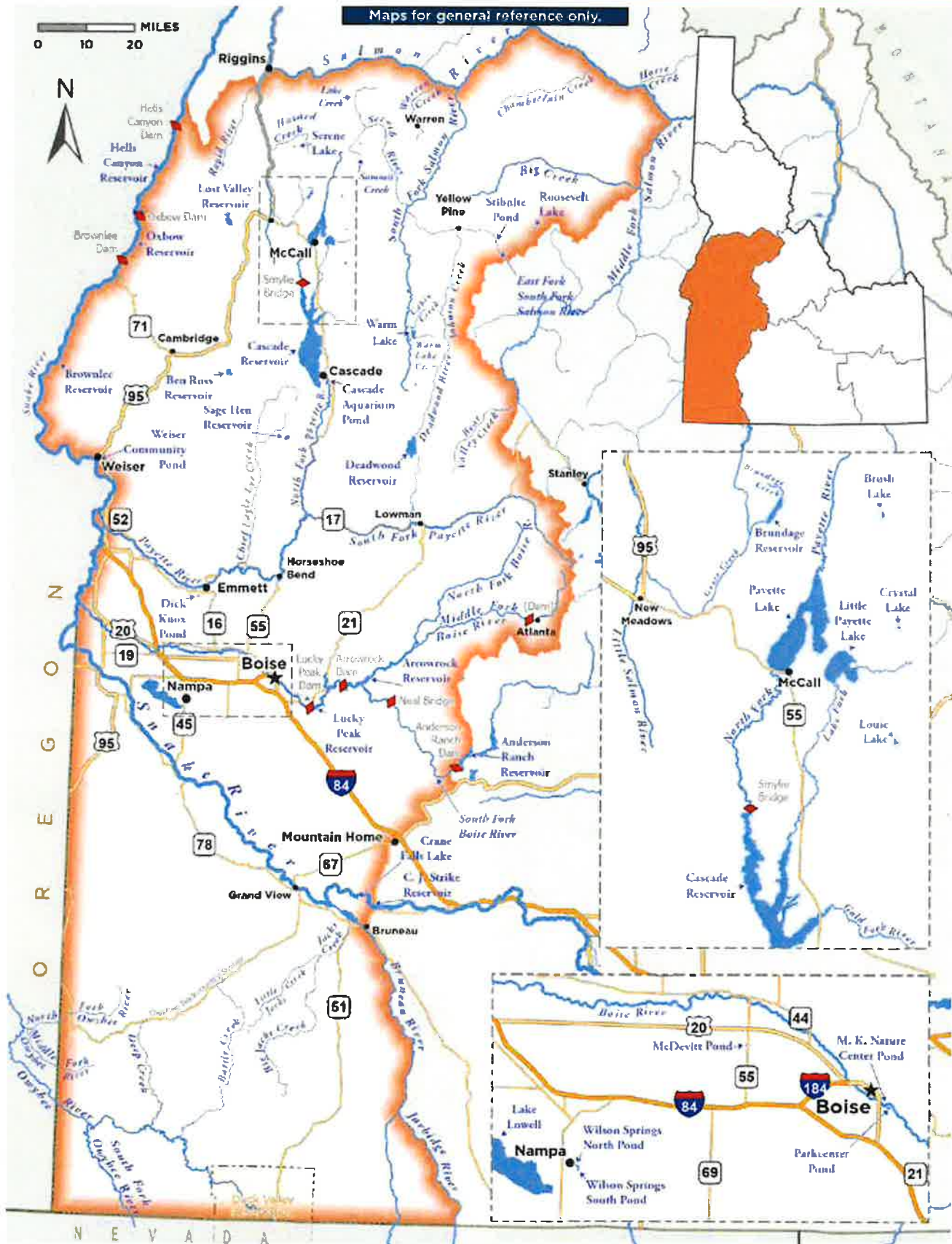


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For more information, contact the Fish and Game office nearest to you.

SOUTHWEST REGION



General fishing season for the Southwest Region

All Waters Open All Year, except as modified in Southwest Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 27-29.
Fishing is not allowed within the posted upstream and downstream boundary of any fish weir or trap.

Daily Bag Limits for the Southwest Region

The following daily bag limits apply to all waters of the Southwest Region except as modified in Southwest Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 27-29. The possession limit is 3-times the daily bag limit.

Bass (*Largemouth and Smallmouth*)

- Bass limit is 6, both species combined
- None under 12 inches

Brook Trout

- Brook Trout limit is 25
- Harvest allowed during any open season unless otherwise noted under Special Rules – if gear or bait restrictions are listed, they must be followed when fishing for Brook Trout

Bull Trout

- Bull Trout – catch-and-release

Kokanee

- Kokanee limit is 6

Salmon (*ocean-run*)

- Spring and summer Chinook Salmon seasons and limits are set by the Idaho Fish and Game Commission and issued in separate brochures
- Seasons and limits for fall Chinook Salmon and Coho Salmon can be found on page 54 in this booklet
- ~~Sockeye Salmon limit is 0 and fishing for or targeting Sockeye Salmon is illegal~~ **Sockeye Salmon fishing is illegal. Defined as ocean-going *Oncorhynchus nerka* longer than 14 inches in the Snake River drainage below Hells Canyon Dam and the Salmon River drainage (excluding above Mosquito Flat Dam).**
- Fishing for or targeting salmon is prohibited unless a salmon season is specifically opened for that water

Steelhead (*ocean-run*)

- Defined as Rainbow Trout longer than 20 inches in the Salmon River drainage (excluding lakes and reservoirs). Between Hells Canyon Dam and Oxbow Dam and the Boise River from its mouth upstream to Barber Dam during steelhead seasons, steelhead are Rainbow Trout over 20 inches with the adipose fin clipped (as evidenced by a healed scar)

- Fishing for or targeting steelhead is prohibited unless a steelhead season is specifically opened for that water (see steelhead seasons/limits on page 53)

Sturgeon

- Sturgeon – catch-and-release, barbless hooks are required
- Sturgeon must not be removed from the water and must be released upon landing
- Sliding swivel device and a lighter test line to secure weight is required. See page 56 for details.

Tiger Muskie

- Tiger Muskie limit is 2, none under 40 inches

Trout includes Brown Trout, Lake Trout, Golden Trout, Arctic Grayling, Cutthroat Trout, Rainbow Trout, land-locked Chinook and Coho Salmon, trout hybrids (e.g. Tiger Trout)

- Trout limit is 6, all species combined
- Chinook Salmon and steelhead placed in ponds are counted in the trout bag limit

Bull Trout and Brook Trout are listed separately

Walleye (*Have not been stocked intentionally in this Region. May be harmful to existing fisheries*)

- No bag, size or possession limits. Harvest is encouraged.

Whitefish

- Whitefish limit is 25
- Harvest allowed during any open season unless otherwise noted under Special Rules – if gear or bait restrictions are listed, they must be followed when fishing for whitefish

Protected Nongame Fish includes Pacific Lamprey

- May not be harvested or possessed

All Other Fish Species includes bullfrogs and crayfish

- No bag, size or possession limit

Special Rule Waters for the Southwest Region (See Pages 27-29 for details)

Southwest Region North - McCall

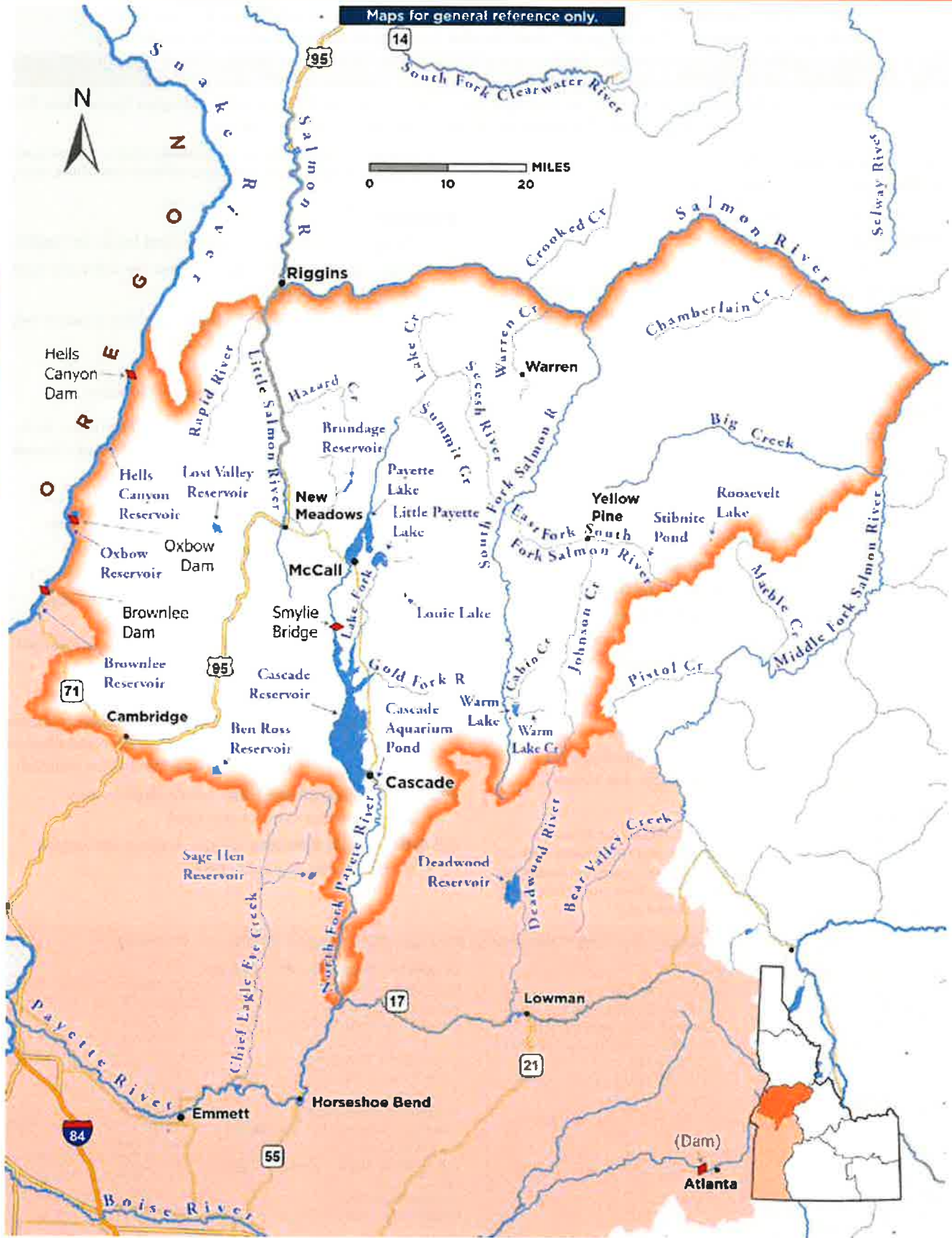
Ben Ross Reservoir	Salmon River
Big Creek	Salmon River, Little
Brundage Reservoir and tributaries	Salmon River tributaries
Cascade Aquarium Pond	Salmon River, South Fork and tributaries
Chamberlain Creek and tributaries	Stibnite Pond (Glory Hole)
Little Payette Lake	Warren Creek
Louie Lake	Add: Hells Canyon Reservoir
Oxbow Reservoir	
Payette River, North Fork	
Rapid River and tributaries	
Roosevelt Lake	

Southwest Region South - Nampa

Bear Valley Creek	M.K. Nature Center
Boise River	Owyhee River and tributaries
Boise River, Middle Fork	Parkcenter Pond
Boise River, South Fork	Payette River, South Fork and tributaries
Chief Eagle Eye Creek and tributaries	Sage Hen Reservoir tributaries
Crane Falls Lake	Salmon River, Middle Fork and tributaries
Deadwood Reservoir	Weiser Community Pond
Deadwood Reservoir tributaries	Wilson Springs Ponds
Dick Knox Pond	Add: Caldwell Gravel Ponds, CJ Strike Reservoir
Duck Valley Indian Reservation	
Lake Lowell	
McDevitt Pond	
Middle Fork Salmon River	

SOUTHWEST REGION NORTH - MCCALL

Southwest



Special Rule Waters for the Southwest Region North - McCall

For waters not listed below, see Page 25 for fishing seasons, bag and possession limits, and rules that apply to all waters within the Southwest Region.

Ben Ross Reservoir

- Bass limit is 2, none between 12 and 16 inches

Big Creek

- Trout – catch-and-release
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Brundage Reservoir and tributaries

- Trout limit is 2, none over 14 inches
- No bait allowed

Cascade Aquarium Pond

- Closed to fishing

Chamberlain Creek and tributaries

- Trout limit is 2

Hells Canyon Reservoir

- Bass limit is 6, both species combined

Little Payette Lake

- Bass limit is 2, none under 20 inches
- Kokanee limit is 25

Louie Lake (an alpine lake in the Boulder Creek drainage)

- Trout limit is 2, none under 20 inches
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Oxbow Reservoir

(between Brownlee Dam and Oxbow Dam)

- Bass limit is 2, none between 12 and 16 inches

Payette River, North Fork

Section: From Payette Lake upstream, including tributaries

- Kokanee limit is 0, catch-and-release

Section: From Smylie Bridge (Hartsell) to Payette Lake

- December 1 to Friday of Memorial Day weekend:
Trout – catch-and-release

All other sections of the Payette River, North Fork - Southwest Region general rules apply

Rapid River and tributaries

(tributary to the Little Salmon River)

- Trout limit is 2

Roosevelt Lake

- Trout – catch-and-release
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Salmon River

- Trout limit is 6; only trout with a clipped adipose fin, as evidenced by a healed scar, may be kept; no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- No bag, size or possession limits on bass

Salmon River, Little

- Southwest Region general rules apply
- No bag, size or possession limits on bass

Salmon River tributaries

- No bag, size or possession limits on bass

Section: Those tributaries from the mouth of the Salmon River upstream to the mouth of the Middle Fork Salmon River (except Little Salmon River and South Fork Salmon River)

- Trout limit is 2

Section: Those tributaries upstream of the mouth of Middle Fork Salmon River -See Page 48, Salmon River tributaries, Special Rule Waters.

Salmon River, South Fork and tributaries

(includes: Johnson Creek, East Fork South Fork Salmon River, Secesh River, Lake Creek, Summit Creek and tributaries)

- Trout – catch-and-release
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required
- No bag, size or possession limits on bass

Stibnite Pond (Glory Hole)

- Trout – catch-and-release
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Warren Creek

- Trout limit is 2



Special Rule Waters for the Southwest Region South – Nampa

For waters not listed below, see Page 25 for fishing seasons, bag and possession limits, and rules that apply to all waters within the Southwest Region.

Bear Valley Creek

- Trout – catch-and-release
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Boise River

from the mouth upstream to Lucky Peak Dam (lower Boise River)

Section: From the downstream side of the East Parkcenter Bridge to the upstream side of the West Parkcenter Bridge

- Trout limit is 2, none under 14 inches

All other sections of the lower Boise River - Southwest Region general rules apply

Boise River, Middle Fork

Section: From the confluence of the North Fork upstream to Atlanta Dam

- Trout limit is 2, none under 14 inches
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

All other sections of the Boise River, Middle Fork - Southwest Region general rules apply

Boise River, South Fork

Section: From Neal Bridge (Forest Road 189) upstream to Anderson Ranch Dam

- No bait allowed, one barbless hook per fly or lure
- December 1 through March 31: Trout – catch-and-release
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit 2, none under 20 inches

Section: Boise River, South Fork upstream of Anderson Ranch Dam; see Magic Valley Region rules (Page 33)

Caldwell Gravel Ponds

- Bass limit is 2, none under 16 inches

Chief Eagle Eye Creek and tributaries

- Trout limit is 2

CJ Strike Reservoir

- Bass limit is 6, only 1 over 16 inches

Crane Falls Lake - Electric motors only

- Bass limit is 2, none under 20 inches

Deadwood Reservoir

- Kokanee limit is ~~15~~ 6

Deadwood Reservoir tributaries

- Trout limit is 2
- Kokanee limit is ~~15~~ 6

Dick Knox Pond

- Bass limit is 2, none under 20 inches

Duck Valley Indian Reservation

contact the Duck Valley Indian Tribal Office

Lake Lowell

- January 1 to June 30 - bass limit is 0, catch-and-release
- July 1 to December 31 - bass limit is 2, none between 12 and 16 inches

McDevitt Pond

- Trout limit is 2

Middle Fork Salmon River

(see Salmon River, Middle Fork and tributaries)

M.K. Nature Center

- Closed to fishing

Owyhee River and tributaries

- Bass limit is 6, any size

Parkcenter Pond

- Trout limit is 2

Payette River, South Fork and tributaries

(except the Middle Fork Payette drainage)

- Trout limit is 2

Sage Hen Reservoir tributaries

- December 1 through June 15 - closed to fishing
- June 16 through November 30 - trout limit is 2

Salmon River, Middle Fork and tributaries

(includes: Bear Valley, Big, Camas, Elk, Loon, Marsh, Sulphur creeks, and tributaries)

- Trout – catch-and-release
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required
- No bag, size or possession limits on bass

Weiser Community Pond

- Trout limit is 2

Wilson Springs Ponds *(all waters within the Wilson Springs access area including Wilson Drain)*

- Trout limit is 2



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General fishing season for the Magic Valley Region

All Waters Open All Year, except as modified in the Magic Valley Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 33-35.
Fishing is not allowed within the posted upstream and downstream boundary of any fish weir or trap.

Daily Bag Limits for the Magic Valley Region

The following daily bag limits apply to all waters of the Magic Valley Region except as modified in Magic Valley Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 33-35. The possession limit is 3-times the daily bag limit.

Bass (*Largemouth and Smallmouth*)

- Bass limit is 6, both species combined
- None under 12 inches

Brook Trout

- Brook Trout limit is 25
- Harvest allowed during any open season unless otherwise noted under Special Rules – if gear or bait restrictions are listed, they must be followed when fishing for Brook Trout

Bull Trout

- Bull Trout – catch-and-release

Kokanee

- Kokanee limit is 6

Sturgeon

- Sturgeon – catch-and-release, barbless hooks are required
- Sturgeon must not be removed from the water and must be released upon landing
- Use of a sliding swivel device to secure a weight, and a lighter test line to secure weight to sliding swivel device is required. See page 56 for details

Tiger Muskie

- Tiger Muskie limit is 2, none under 40 inches

Trout includes *Brown Trout, Lake Trout, Golden Trout, Arctic Grayling, Cutthroat Trout, Rainbow Trout, land-locked Chinook and Coho Salmon, trout hybrids (e.g. Tiger Trout)*

- Trout limit is 6, all species combined
- In rivers and streams, only 2 of the 6 trout may be Cutthroat Trout

Bull Trout and Brook Trout are listed separately

Walleye

- Walleye limit is 6

Whitefish

- Whitefish limit is 25
- Harvest allowed during any open season unless otherwise noted under Special Rules – if gear or bait restrictions are listed, they must be followed when fishing for whitefish

Protected Nongame Fish includes *Northern Leatherside Chub, Shoshone Sculpin, Wood River Sculpin, and Bluehead Sucker (also known as Green Sucker)*

- May not be harvested or possessed

All Other Fish Species includes *bullfrogs and crayfish*

- No bag, size or possession limit

Special Rule Waters for the Magic Valley Region (See Pages 33-35 for details)

Anderson Ranch Reservoir

Baker Lake

Bell Rapids (See Snake River)

Big Wood River

Big Wood River tributaries
(upstream of Magic Reservoir)

Billingsley Creek

Boise River, South Fork
(upstream of Anderson Ranch Dam)

Box Canyon Creek

Bruneau Dunes State Park

Carey Lake

Devils Corral Creek

Empire Rapids Ponds
(Clear Lakes Grade-Niagara
Springs WMA)

Sixmile Reservoir (Gunnel)

Hagerman Wildlife Management Area

Jarbidge River and tributaries

Little Wood River

Magic Reservoir

Malad River

Niagara Springs Creek

Niagara Springs Wildlife
Management Area

Riley Creek (see Hagerman Wildlife
Management Area)

Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir

Silver Creek

Silver Creek tributaries

Snake River

South Fork Boise River
(see Boise River, South Fork)

Sublett Reservoir

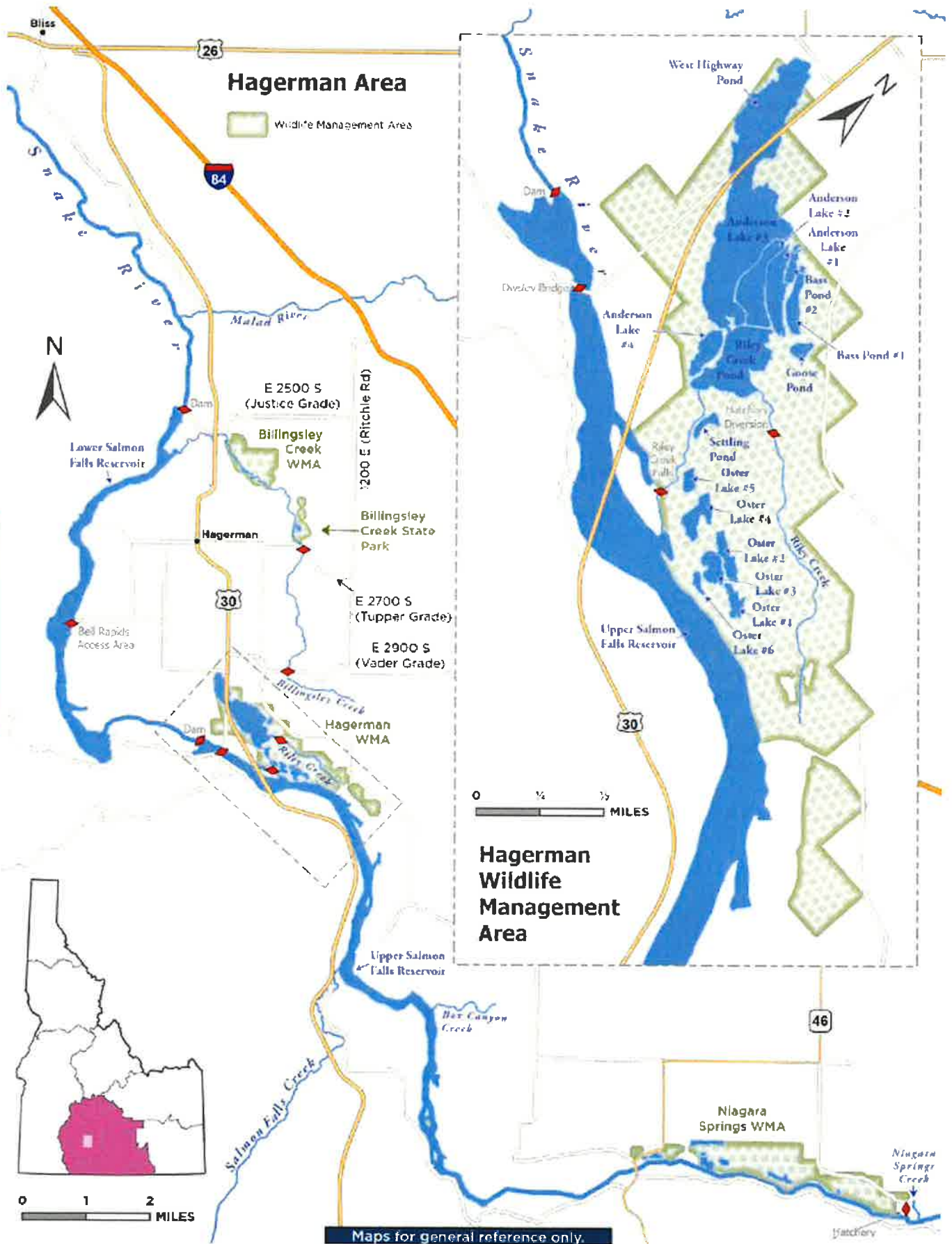
Sublett Reservoir tributaries

Trinity Lakes

Vineyard Creek

Willow Creek

(tributary to Camas Creek)



Maps for general reference only.

Special Rule Waters for the Magic Valley Region

For waters not listed below, see Page 31 for fishing seasons, bag and possession limits, and rules that apply to all waters within the Magic Valley Region.

Anderson Ranch Reservoir

- Kokanee limit is 15 per day

Baker Lake (an alpine lake in Blaine County)

- Trout limit is 2

Bell Rapids (See Snake River)

Big Wood River

- Bass - no bag, size or possession limits

Section: From the Richfield Canal Diversion upstream to Magic Dam

- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through March 31 – trout limit is 6
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Bass limit is 6, any size

Section: From the posted boundary about 700 yards east of Hot Springs Landing upstream to Glendale Road Bridge

- December 1 through March 31: Trout – catch-and-release
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6

Section: From Glendale Road Bridge upstream to the Highway 75 Bridge near milepost 122.2

- December 1 through March 31 – Trout – catch and release
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 2, none between 12 and 16 inches

Section: From Highway 75 Bridge near milepost 122.2 upstream to Highway 75 Bridge near milepost 136.2

- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through March 31: Trout – catch-and-release, no bait allowed, one barbless hook per fly or lure
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing

Section: From the Highway 75 Bridge near milepost 136.2 upstream to the headwaters of the Big Wood River

- December 1 through March 31: Trout – catch-and-release
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6

All other sections of the Big Wood River – Magic Valley Region general rules apply

Big Wood River Tributaries

(upstream of Magic Reservoir)

- Bass - no bag, size or possession limits
- December 1 through March 31: Trout – catch-and-release
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6

Billingsley Creek

Section: From Tupper Grade upstream to Vader Grade (see map Page 23)

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend - closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 - trout limit is 6, fly-fishing only, no bait allowed

All other sections of Billingsley Creek - Magic Valley Region general rules apply

Boise River, South Fork (upstream of Anderson Ranch Reservoir, see Southwest Region for information downstream from Anderson Ranch Dam)

Section: From the mouth of Beaver Creek upstream to the mouth of Big Smoky Creek

- Trout limit is 2, none under 14 inches
- No bait allowed, one barbless hook per fly or lure

All other sections of the Boise River, South Fork upstream Anderson Ranch Dam - Magic Valley Region general rules apply

Box Canyon Creek

- Trout limit is 2

Bruneau Dunes State Park - Electric motors only

- Bass limit is 2, none under 20 inches

Carey Lake - Electric motors only

Devils Corral Creek

- Trout limit is 2

Empire Rapids Ponds

(Clear Lakes Grade-Niagara Springs WMA)

- Trout limit is 2

Sixmile Reservoir (Gunnel)

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend - closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 2

Hagerman Wildlife Management Area - No motors

Section: The four Anderson Ponds, the Bass Ponds, Goose Pond, and the West Highway Pond (Highway 30) (see map Page 23)

- November 1 through June 30 – closed to fishing

Section: Oster Lakes, Riley Pond, and the Settling Pond

- November 1 through the last day of February – closed to fishing

Section: The four Anderson Ponds, the Bass Ponds, Goose Pond, and the West Highway Pond, Oster Lakes, Riley Pond, and the Settling Pond

- November 1 through the last day of February – closed to fishing

Section: Riley Creek from the Falls upstream to the State Fish Hatchery Diversion

- November 1 through the last day of February – closed to fishing

All other sections of Riley Creek - Magic Valley Region general rules apply

Jarbidge River and tributaries

- Trout limit is 2

Lake Walcott

Section: From the downstream side of the Gifford Springs boat fishing zone (western boundary in Minnidoka NWR) upstream to Eagle Rock

- Bass limit is 2, any size
- Trout limit is 6, only 2 may be Cutthroat Trout

Little Wood River

Section: From the downstream end of the Taylor “Bear Tracks” Williams State Recreation Area near Highway 93 milepost 190, to the upstream end of the Recreation Area near Highway 93 milepost 192.5, as posted

- Trout – catch-and-release
- Fly-fishing only, barbless hooks required

Section: From Baugh Creek upstream (including tributaries)

- Trout limit is 2

All other sections of the Little Wood River - Magic Valley Region general rules apply

Magic Reservoir (from Magic Dam to the posted boundary about 700 yards east of Hot Springs Landing)

- Bass limit is 6, any size – no bag, size or possession limits

Malad River

Section: From its mouth upstream to the Interstate 84 bridge at Malad Gorge

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release

Niagara Springs Creek

Section: From the Niagara Springs Steelhead Hatchery intake pool (above the lowest fall) upstream to the spring sources as posted

- Closed to fishing

All other sections of Niagara Springs Creek - Magic Valley Region general rules apply

Niagara Springs Wildlife Management Area – *except Snake River*

- Trout limit is 2

Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir

- Walleye limit is 6, only 1 over 20 inches (This special rule is deleted, and reverts to general bag limit: Walleye limit is 6)

Silver Creek - No motors. All diversion ponds have the same rules as the connected stream:

Section: From its mouth upstream to Highway 93 – Magic Valley Region general rules apply

Section: From its mouth upstream to the bridge near milepost 187.2 on Highway 20 west of Picabo (See Page 30, Section 1)

- Open all year
- Trout limit is 2, none between 12 and 16 inches

Section: From Highway 93 upstream to the North Picabo Road bridge (See Page 30, Section 1)

- December 1 through March 31: Trout – catch-and-release
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6 (This section is removed, as it is combined with Section 1 above)

Section: From the North Picabo Road bridge upstream to the bridge near milepost 187.2 on Highway 20 west of Picabo (See Page 30, Section 2)

- December 1 through March 31: Trout – catch-and-release
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 2, none between 12 and 16 inches (This section is removed, as it is combined with Section 1 above)

Section: From the bridge near milepost 187.2 on Highway 20 west of Picabo upstream to the road right-of-way fence on the west side of Kilpatrick Bridge (See Page 30, Section 3) upstream to the confluence of Grove Creek and Stalker Creek (See Page 30, Section 2, does not include Kilpatrick Pond listed separately below)

- No fishing from rafts or boats; float tubes are allowed
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- December 1 through the Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through March 31: Trout – catch-and-release, fly-fishing only, no bait allowed, one barbless hook per fly
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30: Trout – catch-and-release, flyfishing only, no bait allowed, one barbless hook per fly

Section: Kilpatrick Pond, from the Kilpatrick Pond diversion dam upstream to Kilpatrick Bridge (See Page 30)

- No fishing from rafts or boats; float tubes are allowed
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend - closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through March 31: Trout – catch-and-release, fly-fishing only, no bait allowed, one barbless hook per fly

Section: From the road right-of-way on the west side of Kilpatrick Bridge upstream to the confluence of Grove Creek and Stalker Creek (See Page 30, Section 4):

- No fishing from rafts or boats; float tubes are allowed
- December 1 through the Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30: Trout – catch-and-release, fly-fishing only, no bait allowed, one barbless hook per fly

Silver Creek tributaries - No motors. All diversion ponds have the same rules as the connected stream

Section: All tributaries within the Nature Conservancy Silver Creek Preserve property (See Page 30, Section 5 Section 2)

- No fishing from rafts or boats; float tubes are allowed
- December 1 through the Friday before Memorial Day weekend—closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30: Trout – catch-and-release, fly-fishing only, no bait allowed, one barbless hook per fly

Section: All tributaries except those within the Nature Conservancy Silver Creek Preserve and posted Hayspur Fish Hatchery waters (See Page 30, Section 6) outside the Nature Conservancy Silver Creek Preserve (See Page 30, Section 3)

- December 1 through the Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 2, **none under 20 inches**

Section: The posted sections of Loving and Butte creeks on Hayspur Fish Hatchery property (See Page 30, Section 7)

- December 1 through the Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 2, none under 20 inches (This section is removed, as it is combined with Section 3 above)

Snake River

Section: From Lower Salmon Falls Dam (Bell Rapids area) upstream to Upper Salmon Falls Dam (0.3 miles below Owsley Bridge)

- January 1 through June 30 - bass catch-and-release

- July 1 through December 31 - bass limit is 2, none between 12 and 16 inches

Section: From the downstream side of the Gifford Springs boat fishing zone (western boundary in Minnidoka NWR) upstream to Eagle Rock

- Bass limit is 2, any size
- Trout limit is 6, only 2 may be Cutthroat Trout

All other sections of the Snake River including reservoirs within the Magic Valley Region - Magic Valley Region general rules apply

Sublett Reservoir (see also Sublett Reservoir tributaries)

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend - closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 - trout limit is 6

Sublett Reservoir tributaries

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend - closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 - trout limit is 2

Trinity Lakes - No motors

Vineyard Creek

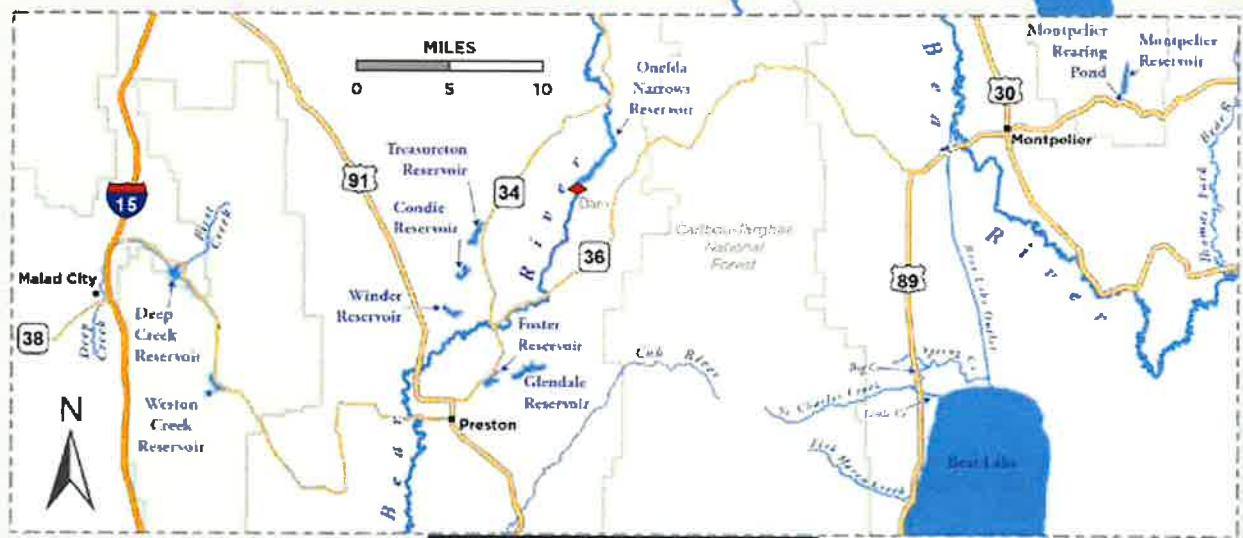
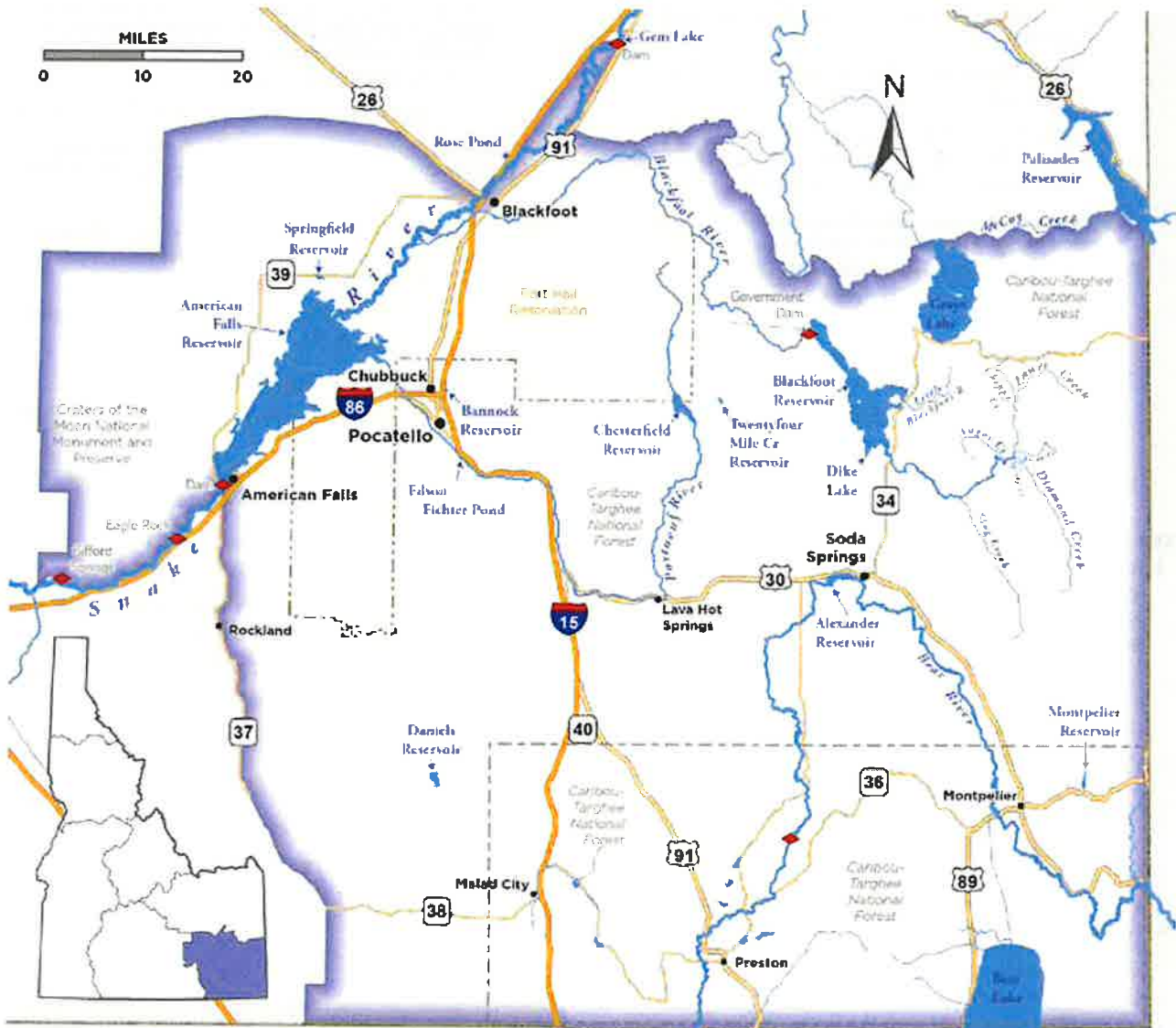
- November 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through October 31 - trout limit is 2

Willow Creek (tributary to Camas Creek)

- Trout limit is 2



SOUTHEAST REGION



Maps for general reference only.

General fishing season for the Southeast Region

All Waters Open All Year, except as modified in Southeast Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 38-39.
Fishing is not allowed within the posted upstream and downstream boundary of any fish weir or trap.

Daily Bag Limits for the Southeast Region

The following daily bag limits apply to all waters of the Southeast Region except as modified in Southeast Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 38-39. The possession limit is 3-times the daily bag limit.

Bass (*Largemouth and Smallmouth*)

- Bass limit is 6, both species combined
- None under 14 inches

Brook Trout

- Brook Trout limit is 25
- Harvest allowed during any open season unless otherwise noted under Special Rules – if gear or bait restrictions are listed, they must be followed when fishing for Brook Trout

Cisco (*Bear Lake only*)

- Cisco limit is 30

Kokanee

- Kokanee limit is 6

Sturgeon

- Sturgeon – catch-and-release, barbless hooks are required
- Sturgeon must not be removed from the water and must be released upon landing
- Use of a sliding swivel device to secure a weight, and a lighter test line to secure weight to sliding swivel device is required. See page 56 for details

Tiger Muskie

- Tiger Muskie limit is 2, none under 40 inches

Trout includes *Brown Trout, Lake Trout, Cutthroat Trout, Rainbow Trout, and trout hybrids (e.g. Tiger Trout).*

- Trout limit is 6, all species combined
- In rivers and streams, only 2 of the 6 trout may be Cutthroat Trout

Bull Trout and Brook Trout are listed separately

Whitefish

- Whitefish limit is 25
- Harvest allowed during any open season unless otherwise noted under Special Rules – if gear or bait restrictions are listed, they must be followed when fishing for whitefish

Protected Nongame Fish includes *Northern Leatherside Chub, Bear Lake Sculpin, and Bluehead Sucker (also known as Green Sucker)*

- May not be harvested or possessed

All Other Fish Species includes *bullfrogs and crayfish*

- No bag, size or possession limit

Special Rule Waters for the Southeast Region (see Pages 38-39 for details)

American Falls Reservoir

Bear Lake

Bear River

Bear River tributaries

Blackfoot Reservoir

Blackfoot River and tributaries

Chesterfield Reservoir

Condie Reservoir

Daniels Reservoir

Deep Creek Reservoir

Fish Haven Creek

First Creek

Fort Hall Indian Reservation

Glendale Reservoir

Little Blackfoot River and tributaries

McCoy Creek and tributaries

Montpelier Reservoir

Oneida Narrows Reservoir

Portneuf River

St. Charles Creek

Snake River

Springfield Reservoir

Treasureton Reservoir

Twenty-Four Mile Reservoir

Special Rule Waters for the Southeast Region

For waters not listed below, see page 37 for fishing seasons, bag and possession limits, and rules that apply to all waters within the Southeast Region.

American Falls Reservoir

- Bass limit is 2, any size

Bear Lake

- From the mouth of St. Charles Creek (Little Creek) for a radius of 300 yards into the lake is closed to fishing from April 16 through June 30
- Not more than 2 baited hooks, flies, or lures per line
- One line only when ice fishing. Two lines permitted when ice fishing with a two-pole permit
- Trout limit is 2
- Cisco limit is 30; dip-netting permitted January 1 through February 15. Dip nets may not exceed 18 inches in any dimension. Any size hole may be cut through the ice to catch cisco
- Whitefish limit is 10

Bear River

Section: From the Utah state line upstream to Oneida Narrows Dam

- Trout limit is 2, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Bass limit is 6, any size

Section: From the confluence with Oneida Narrows Reservoir upstream to the Wyoming state line

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Bear River tributaries (all tributaries including the Cub River and Thomas Fork Bear River)

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Blackfoot Reservoir

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- No size, bag, or possession limits on bass

Blackfoot River and tributaries

Section: From the confluence with the Snake River upstream to Blackfoot Dam (Government Dam) **including tributaries - Southeast Region general rules apply**

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Section: Upstream from Blackfoot Reservoir (includes: Diamond Creek, Lanes Creek, Slug Creek and tributaries. Does not include Little Blackfoot River)

- December 1 through June 30 - closed to fishing
- May 1 through June 30 - closed to fishing
- July 1 through November 30 April 30 - trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout, no bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Chesterfield Reservoir

- Trout limit is 2

Condie Reservoir

- Bass limit is 2, none under 20 inches

Daniels Reservoir

- Trout limit is 2, none under 20 inches
- One line only when ice fishing
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Deep Creek Reservoir

- Trout limit is 6, only 2 may be Cutthroat Trout
- No size, bag or possession limits on Bass

Fish Haven Creek

- December 1 through June 30 - closed to fishing

First Creek (tributary to Deep Creek Reservoir)

- December 1 through June 14 - closed to fishing

Fort Hall Indian Reservation - contact Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Office

Glendale Reservoir

- Bass limit is 2, none under 16 inches

Little Blackfoot River and tributaries

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

McCoy Creek and tributaries

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Montpelier Reservoir - Electric motors only

Oneida Narrows Reservoir

- Walleye limit is 6
- Bass limit is 6, any size

Portneuf River

Section: From above the East Main Street bridge in Lava Hot Springs upstream to Chesterfield Reservoir

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout - catch-and-release, no bait allowed, barbless hooks required
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 - trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Section: From the Fort Hall Indian Reservation boundary upstream to the East Main Street bridge in Lava Hot Springs

- Southeast Region general rules apply

All sections within the Fort Hall Indian Reservation - contact Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Office.

St. Charles Creek

Section: St. Charles Creek (including both lower forks) upstream to the Caribou-Targhee National Forest boundary

- December 1 through June 30 - closed to fishing

Snake River

Section: From the downstream side of the Gifford Springs boat fishing zone (western boundary in Minnidoka NWR) upstream to Eagle Rock

- Bass limit is 2, any size
- Trout limit is 6, only 2 may be Cutthroat Trout

Section: From Eagle Rock upstream to American Falls Dam

- October 16 – Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend – October 15 – trout limit is 2

Section: From American Falls Reservoir upstream to Gem Lake dam

- Trout limit is 6, only 2 may be Cutthroat Trout
- Bass limit is 2, any size

Springfield Reservoir

- Trout limit is 2, none under 20 inches
- One line only when ice fishing
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Treasureton Reservoir

- Trout limit is 2, none under 20 inches
- Bass - no size, bag or possession limits
- One line only when ice fishing
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Twenty-Four Mile Reservoir - No motors

- Trout limit is 2, none under 20 inches
- One line only when ice fishing
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required



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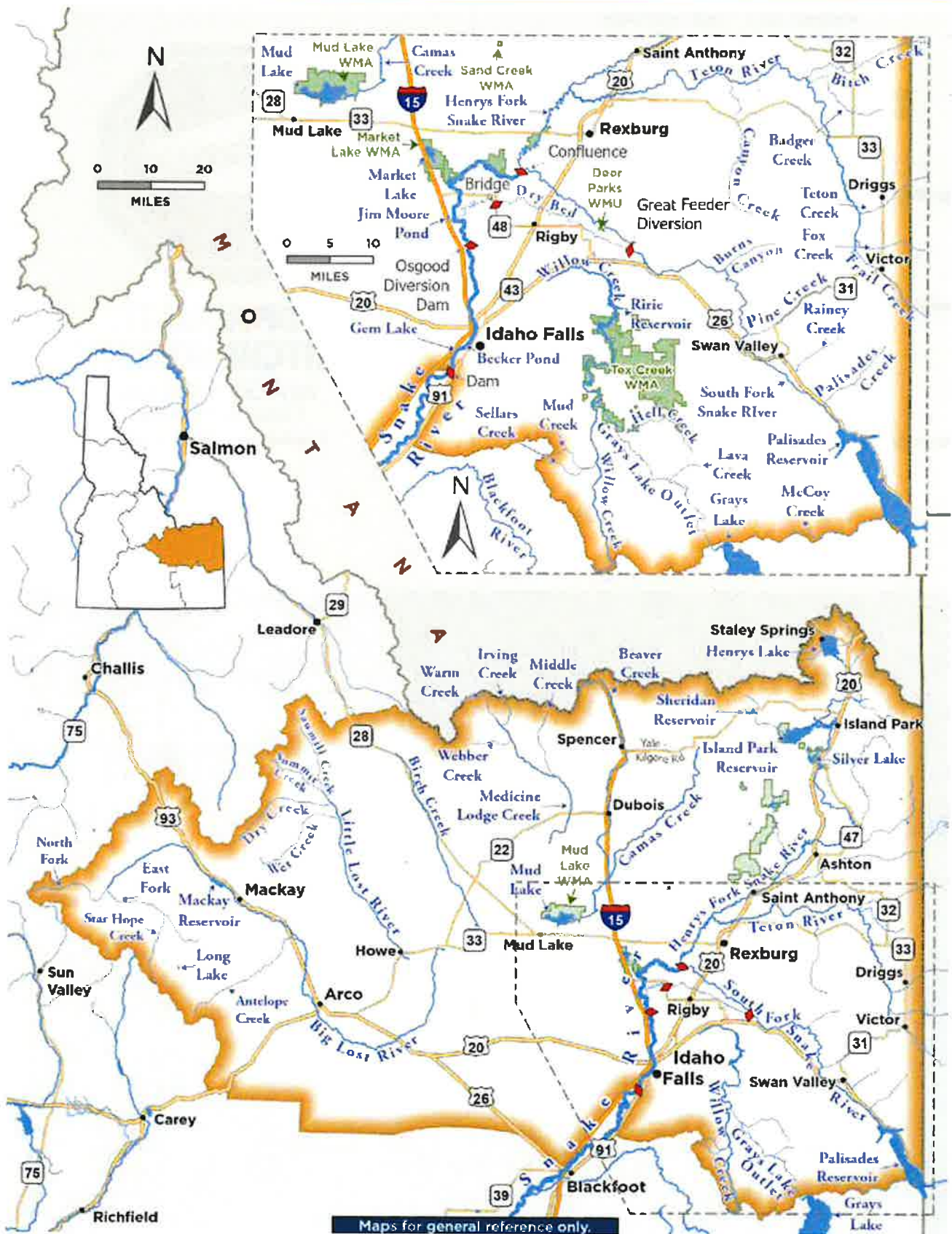
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UPPER SNAKE REGION



General fishing season for the Upper Snake Region

All Waters Open All Year, except as modified in Upper Snake Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 43-44.
Fishing is not allowed within the posted upstream and downstream boundary of any fish weir or trap.

Daily Bag Limits for the Upper Snake Region

The following daily bag limits apply to all waters of the Upper Snake Region except as modified in Upper Snake Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 43-44. The possession limit is 3-times the daily bag limit.

Bass (*Largemouth and Smallmouth*)

- Bass limit is 6, both species combined Bass - **no bag, size or possession limits**

Brook Trout

- Brook Trout limit is 25
- Harvest allowed during any open season unless otherwise noted under Special Rules – if gear or bait restrictions are listed, they must be followed when fishing for Brook Trout

Bull Trout

- Bull Trout – catch-and-release

Kokanee

- Kokanee limit is 15

Sturgeon

- Sturgeon – catch-and-release, barbless hooks are required
- Sturgeon must not be removed from the water and must be released upon landing
- Use of a sliding swivel device to secure a weight, and a lighter test line to secure weight to sliding swivel device are required, see Page 56 for details

Tiger Muskie

- Tiger Muskie limit is 2, none under 40 inches

Trout includes Brown Trout, Golden Trout, Lake Trout, Splake, Arctic Grayling, Cutthroat Trout, Rainbow Trout, and trout hybrids (e.g. Tiger Trout)

- Trout limit is 6, all species combined

Bull Trout and Brook Trout are listed separately

Walleye (*Have not been stocked intentionally in this Region. May be harmful to existing fisheries*)

- No bag, size or possession limits. Harvest is encouraged.

Whitefish

- Whitefish limit is 25 – see Big Lost River exception
- Harvest allowed during any open season unless otherwise noted under Special Rules – if gear or bait restrictions are listed, they must be followed when fishing for whitefish

Protected Nongame Fish including Northern Leatherside Chub and Bluehead Sucker (also know as Green Sucker)

- May not be harvested or possessed

All Other Fish Species includes bullfrogs and crayfish

- No bag, size or possession limit

Special Rule Waters for the Upper Snake Region (see Pages 43-44 for details)

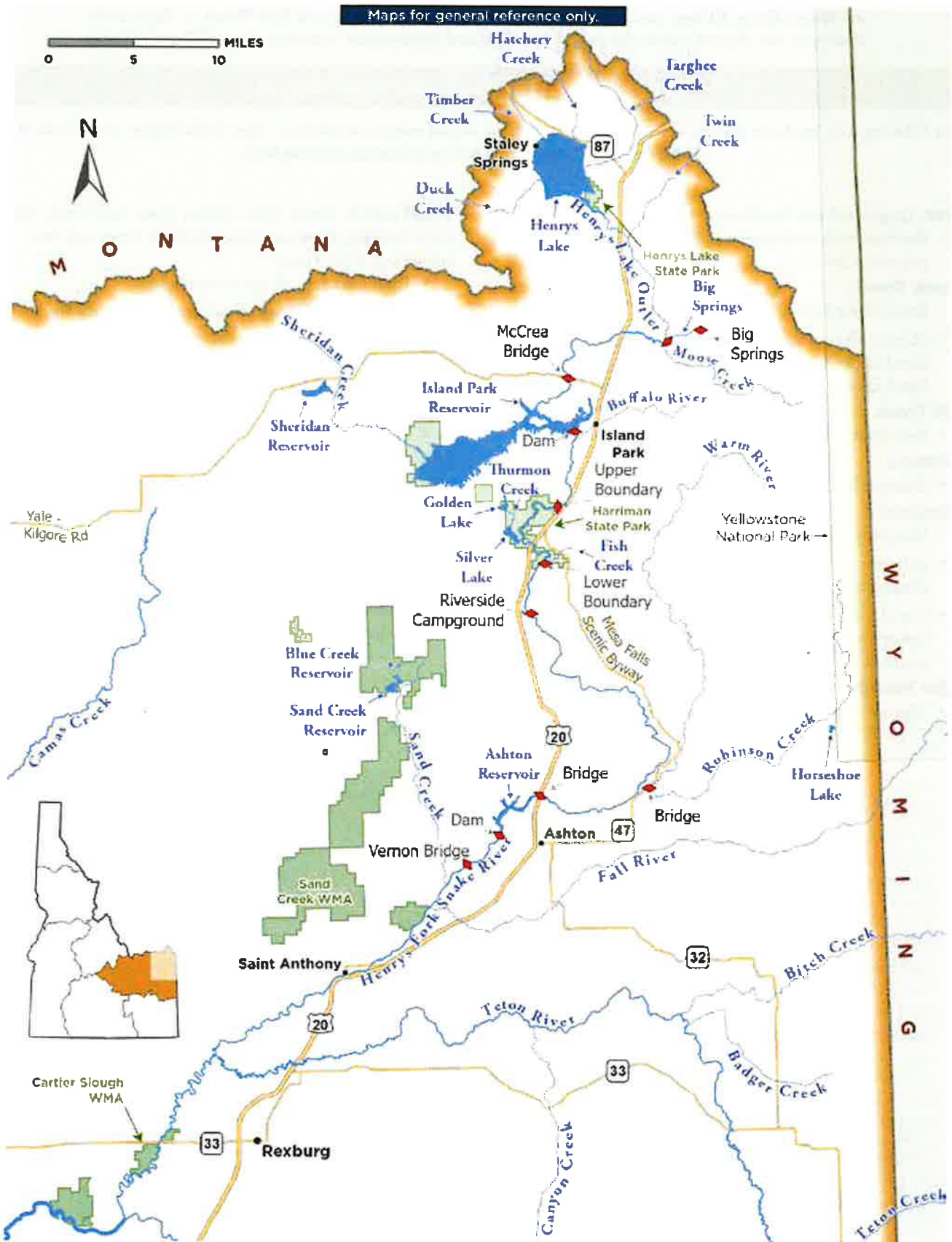
Beaver Creek and tributaries
Becker Pond (Ryder Park Pond)
Big Lost River and tributaries
Burns Creek (see South Fork Snake River tributaries)
Dry Beds (Snake River)
Fall River and tributaries
Fish Creek (Harriman State Park)
Fox Creek (see Teton River tributaries)
Golden Lake (Harriman State Park)
Hell Creek (see Willow Creek tributaries)
Henrys Fork (Snake River, North Fork)
Henrys Fork tributaries (excluding Thurmon Creek, Warm River and the Fall River)
Henrys Lake
Henrys Lake Outlet

Henrys Lake tributaries
Horseshoe Lake (Fremont County)
Jim Moore Pond
Lava Creek (see Willow Creek tributaries)
Little Lost River and tributaries
Long Lake (Custer County)
Market Lake Wildlife Management Area
McCoy Creek and tributaries
Medicine Lodge Creek and tributaries
Mud Lake
Palisades Creek (see South Fork Snake River tributaries)
Palisades Reservoir tributaries
Pine Creek (see South Fork Snake River tributaries)
Rainey Creek (see South Fork Snake River tributaries)
Sand Creek Wildlife Management Area

Sellars Creek (see Willow Creek tributaries)
Silver Lake (Harriman State Park)
Snake River
South Fork Snake River
South Fork Snake River tributaries
Teardrop Lake (Snow Creek Pond)
Teton Creek (see Teton River tributaries)
Teton River
Teton River tributaries
Thurmon Creek (Harriman State Park)
Trail Creek (see Teton River tributaries)
Warm River and tributaries
Willow Creek
Willow Creek tributaries

HENRYS FORK FISHING MAP

See Page 43 for specific boundaries



Upper Snake

Special Rule Waters for the Upper Snake Region

For waters not listed below, see page 41 for fishing seasons, bag and possession limits, and rules that apply to all waters within the Upper Snake Region.

Beaver Creek and tributaries

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Becker Pond (Ryder Park Pond)

- 2 fish any species

Big Lost River and tributaries

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release; whitefish limit is 0, catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6; whitefish limit is 0, catch-and-release

Dry Beds (Snake River)

Section: From the Highway 48 bridge upstream to the Great Feeder irrigation diversion headgate

- May 1 through March 31 – Upper Snake Region general rules apply
- April 1 through April 30 – it is legal to take fish with dip nets, by snagging or by hand – Upper Snake Region bag limits apply

Fall River and tributaries

- Limit is 2 trout, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Fish Creek (Harriman State Park)

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Fly-fishing only

Golden Lake (Harriman State Park)

- Closed to fishing

Henrys Fork (Snake River, North Fork) (see map on page 42)

Section: South Fork Snake River/Henrys Fork confluence upstream to Vernon Bridge

- Trout limit is 2, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Section: From Vernon Bridge upstream to Ashton Dam

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch and release (except Brook Trout)
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 2, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Section: From Highway 20 bridge upstream to the posted boundary upstream of Riverside Campground

- Trout limit is 2, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Section: From the posted boundary upstream of the Riverside Campground upstream to the lower Harriman State Park boundary

- Trout – catch and release (except Brook Trout)
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Section: From the lower Harriman State Park boundary upstream to the upper Harriman State Park boundary (Harriman Ranch)

- December 1 through June 14 – closed to fishing

- June 15 through November 30: Trout – catch-and-release, fly fishing only, barbless hooks required

Section: From the upper Harriman State Park boundary to Island Park Dam

- Trout – catch and release (except Brook Trout)
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Section: From McCrea Bridge upstream to the Henrys Lake Outlet

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch and release (except Brook Trout)
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30: Trout limit is 6, only 2 may be Cutthroat Trout, no Cutthroat Trout under 16 inches

Section: From Henrys Lake Outlet upstream to the head of Big Springs

- Closed to fishing

All other sections of Henrys Fork including Ashton and Island Park Reservoirs – Upper Snake Region general rules apply

Henrys Fork tributaries (except Warm River, Fall River, and Thurmon Creek)

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Henrys Lake

Section: Those portions of the lake within the posted boundaries of Staley Springs and within 100 yards of Hatchery Creek

- Closed to fishing

Remainder of Henrys Lake

- February 15 through Friday before Memorial Day Weekend: Trout – catch-and-release, including Brook Trout.
- Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend through February 14 - trout limit is 2, Brook Trout counted in the trout limit
- Fishing must cease after the 2-trout daily bag limit has been reduced to possession

Henrys Lake Outlet

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6, only 2 may be Cutthroat Trout, no Cutthroat Trout under 16 inches

Henrys Lake tributaries

- July 1 through March 31 – no harvest of Cutthroat Trout; Brook Trout limit is 25, only 2 Brook Trout over 16 inches
- April 1 through June 30 – closed to fishing
- Hatchery Creek – closed to fishing

Horseshoe Lake (*Fremont County*) - no motors

- Trout limit is 2

Jim Moore Pond

- Trout limit is 2

Little Lost River and tributaries

- Trout limit is 2

Long Lake (*an alpine lake in Custer County*)

- Trout limit is 2, none under 20 inches

Market Lake Wildlife Management Area

- March 1 through July 15 – no boats, rafts or float tubes

McCoy Creek and tributaries

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Medicine Lodge Creek and tributaries

- Trout limit is 2, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Mud Lake (*west of the posted boundary which runs north and south from McKenzie Point*)

- March 1 through July 15 – no boats, rafts or float tubes
- Bass limit is 6, both species combined

Palisades Reservoir tributaries

- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- No harvest of kokanee

Sand Creek Wildlife Management Area

- Motorized watercraft prohibited
- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through July 15 – no boats, rafts or float tubes
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – motorized watercraft prohibited

Blue Creek Reservoir, Sand Creek Pond #1, and Sand Creek Pond #2

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30: trout limit is 6; no boats, rafts, or float tubes allowed prior to July 16

Sand Creek Pond #3 and Sand Creek Pond #4

- December 16 through June 30 – closed to fishing
- July 1 through December 15: trout limit is 6; no boats, rafts, or float tubes allowed before July 16

Additional closures to protect wildlife may be in effect. Call the Upper Snake Regional Office at 208-525-7290 for the latest information.

Silver Lake (*Harriman State Park*)

- Closed to fishing

Snake River

Section: Gem Lake Dam to Osgood Diversion Dam

- Trout limit is 6, only 2 may be Cutthroat Trout

Section: Osgood Diversion Dam upstream to the confluence of Henrys Fork (North and South Fork)

- Trout limit is 2, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

South Fork Snake River

- No harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Brown Trout limit is 2
- No limit on Rainbow Trout or trout hybrids

South Fork Snake River tributaries

- No harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- No limit on Rainbow Trout or trout hybrids
- June 1 through June 30 – closed to fishing

Teardrop Lake (*Snow Creek Pond*)

- Trout limit is 2

Teton River

- No limit on Rainbow Trout or hybrids
- No harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Teton River tributaries

- No harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- No limit on Rainbow Trout or hybrids
- June 1 through June 30 – closed to fishing

Thurmon Creek (*Harriman State Park*)

- Closed to fishing

Warm River and tributaries

Section: Within the posted boundaries from the state highway 47 bridge downstream (approx. 350 yards) to the next bridge near the mouth of Robinson Creek

- Closed to fishing

All other sections of the Warm River

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release
- Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Willow Creek

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Willow Creek tributaries

- No harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- No limit on Rainbow Trout or hybrids
- June 1 through June 30 – closed to fishing


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- ▶ Non-native Rainbow Trout are a serious threat to native Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout in the South Fork Snake and Teton rivers
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SALMON REGION



General fishing season for the Salmon Region

All Waters Open All Year, except as modified in Salmon Region Special Rule Waters on Page 48.
Fishing is not allowed within the posted upstream and downstream boundary of any fish weir or trap.

Daily Bag Limits for the Salmon Region

The following daily bag limits apply to all waters of the Salmon Region except as modified in Salmon Region Special Rule Waters on Page 48. The possession limit is 3-times the daily bag limit.

Bass (*Largemouth and Smallmouth*)

- No bag, size or possession limits

Brook Trout

- Brook Trout limit is 25
- Harvest allowed during any open season unless otherwise noted under Special Rules – if gear or bait restrictions are listed, they must be followed when fishing for Brook Trout

Bull Trout

- Bull Trout – catch-and-release

Kokanee

- Kokanee limit is 25

Salmon (*ocean-run*)

- Spring and summer Chinook Salmon seasons and limits are set by the Idaho Fish and Game Commission and issued in separate brochures
- Seasons and limits for fall Chinook Salmon and Coho Salmon can be found on page 54 in this booklet
- Sockeye Salmon limit is 0 and fishing for or targeting Sockeye Salmon is illegal. **Sockeye Salmon fishing is illegal. Defined as ocean-going *Oncorhynchus nerka* longer than 14 inches in the Salmon River drainage (excluding above Mosquito Flat Dam).**
- Fishing for or targeting salmon is prohibited unless a salmon season is specifically opened for that water

Steelhead (*ocean-run*)

- Defined as Rainbow Trout longer than 20 inches in the Salmon River drainage (excluding the Lemhi and Pahsimeroi rivers, lakes and reservoirs, and ponds)
- Fishing for or targeting steelhead is prohibited unless a

steelhead season is specifically opened for that water (see steelhead seasons/limits on page 53)

Sturgeon

- Sturgeon – catch-and-release, barbless hooks are required
- Sturgeon must not be removed from the water and must be released upon landing
- Use of a sliding swivel device to secure a weight, and a lighter test line to secure weight to sliding swivel device is required. See page 56 for details

Tiger Muskie

- Tiger Muskie limit is 2, none under 40 inches

Trout includes Lake Trout, Golden Trout, Arctic Grayling, Cutthroat Trout, Rainbow Trout, Sunapee Trout and trout hybrids (e.g. Tiger Trout)

- Trout limit is 6, all species combined
- Chinook Salmon and steelhead placed in ponds are counted in the trout bag limit

Bull Trout and Brook Trout are listed separately

Whitefish

- Whitefish limit is 25
- Harvest allowed during any open season unless otherwise noted under Special Rules – if gear or bait restrictions are listed, they must be followed when fishing for whitefish

Protected Nongame Fish including Pacific Lamprey

- May not be harvested or possessed

All Other Fish Species includes bullfrogs and crayfish

- No bag, size or possession limit

Special Rule Waters for the Salmon Region (see Page 48 for details)

East Fork Salmon River, see Salmon River
East Fork
Herd Lake
Jimmy Smith Lake
Lake Creek and tributaries (Lemhi County)
Lemhi River
Middle Fork Salmon River see Salmon River, Middle Fork

North Fork Salmon River see Salmon River, North Fork
Pahsimeroi River
Redfish Lake
Salmon River
Salmon River tributaries
Salmon River, East Fork
Salmon River, Middle Fork and tributaries

Salmon River, North Fork
Salmon River, Yankee Fork and West Fork
Yankee Fork
Stanley Lake
Wallace Lake
Yankee Fork Salmon River Dredge Ponds
Yankee Fork Salmon River see Salmon River, Yankee Fork
Add: Pettit Lake

Special Rule Waters for the Salmon Region

For waters not listed below, see Page 47 for fishing seasons, bag and possession limits, and rules that apply to all waters within the Salmon Region.

East Fork Salmon River (see Salmon River, East Fork)

Herd Lake

- Trout limit is 25

Jimmy Smith Lake

- Trout limit is 25

Lake Creek and tributaries (above Williams Lake)

- December 1 through June 30 - closed to fishing upstream from the posted boundary at Williams Lake
- July 1 through November 30 - Salmon Region general rules apply

Lemhi River

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 - trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Lemhi River tributaries

- Salmon Region general rules apply

Middle Fork Salmon River (see Salmon River, Middle Fork and tributaries)

North Fork Salmon River (see Salmon River, North Fork)

Pahsimeroi River

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 - trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Pahsimeroi River tributaries

- Salmon Region general rules apply

Pettit Lake

- January 1 through August 7 - Salmon Region general rules apply
- August 8 through December 31 - kokanee - catch-and-release

Redfish Lake

- January 1 through August 7 - Salmon Region general rules apply
- August 8 through December 31 - kokanee - catch-and-release

Salmon River

- Trout limit is 6; only trout with a clipped adipose fin, as evidenced by a healed scar, may be kept, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Salmon River tributaries

Section: Those tributaries from the mouth of the Salmon River upstream to the Middle Fork Salmon River, except Little Salmon River (Page 20) and South Fork Salmon River (Page 21).

- Trout limit is 2

Section: Those tributaries from the mouth of the Middle Fork Salmon River upstream (except: North Fork Salmon River, Lemhi, Pahsimeroi, East Fork Salmon River, and Yankee Fork Salmon River)

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 - Salmon Region general rules apply

Salmon River, East Fork

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Salmon River, East Fork tributaries

- Salmon Region general rules apply

Salmon River, Middle Fork and all tributaries

(includes: Bear Valley, Big, Camas, Elk, Loon, Marsh, Sulphur creeks, and tributaries)

- Trout – catch-and-release
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Salmon River, North Fork

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Salmon River, North Fork tributaries

- Salmon Region general rules apply

Salmon River, Yankee Fork and West Fork Yankee Fork

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend: Trout – catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Salmon River, Yankee Fork tributaries

- Salmon Region general rules apply

Stanley Lake

- Trout limit is 6, only 2 may be Lake Trout

Wallace Lake

- Trout limit is 2

Yankee Fork Salmon River Dredge Ponds

- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend - closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 - Salmon Region general rules apply

Yankee Fork Salmon River (see Salmon River, Yankee Fork)

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RELEASING WILD SALMON AND STEELHEAD



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- Using proper-sized gear and keeping fight time to a minimum
- Not pulling fish onto rock, sand, or dirt banks—instead, use a net or "tail" the fish
- Minimizing the time out of water
- Not handling the fish by the gills
- Reviving the fish by gently holding it in the water, if necessary



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River Location Codes

Old River Location Codes for Salmon/steelhead tagging	Drainage	Description	New River Location Codes for Salmon/steelhead tagging	Drainage	Description
01	Snake River	Downstream from Salmon River	01(A) 01(B)	Snake River Snake River	ID/WA line to Blue Bridge Blue Bridge to Salmon River
02	Snake River	Snake River, Salmon River to Hells Canyon Dam	02	Snake River	Snake River, Salmon River to Hells Canyon Dam
27	Snake River	Snake River, Hells Canyon Dam to Oxbow Dam	27	Snake River	Snake River, Hells Canyon Dam to Oxbow Dam
03	Clearwater River	Downstream of Orofino Bridge	03(A)	Clearwater River	Clearwater River, downstream of Memorial Bridge
			03(B)	Clearwater River	Clearwater River, Memorial Bridge to Cherrylane Bridge
			03(C)	Clearwater River	Clearwater River, Cherrylane Bridge to Orofino Bridge
04	Clearwater River	Clearwater River, upstream from Orofino Bridge	04	Clearwater River	Clearwater River, upstream from Orofino Bridge
05	Clearwater River	North Fork Clearwater River	05	Clearwater River	North Fork Clearwater River
06	Clearwater River	Middle Fork Clearwater River	06	Clearwater River	Middle Fork Clearwater River
07	Clearwater River	South Fork Clearwater River	07	Clearwater River	South Fork Clearwater River
08	Clearwater River	Lochsa River	08	Clearwater River	Lochsa River
10	Salmon River	Downstream of Whitebird Creek	10	Salmon River	Salmon River, mouth to Upper Twin Bridge
11	Salmon River	Whitebird Creek to Little Salmon	11(A) 11(B)	Salmon River Salmon River	Salmon River, Upper Twin Bridge to Timezone Bridge Salmon River, Timezone Bridge to Shorts Creek
12	Salmon River	Little Salmon to Vinegar Creek	12	Salmon River	Salmon River, Shorts Creek to Vinegar Creek
13	Salmon River	Salmon River, Vinegar Creek to South Fork	13	Salmon River	Salmon River, Vinegar Creek to South Fork
14	Salmon River	Salmon River, South Fork to Middle Fork	14	Salmon River	Salmon River, South Fork to Middle Fork
15	Salmon River	Salmon River, Middle Fork to North Fork	15	Salmon River	Salmon River, Middle Fork to North Fork
16	Salmon River	Salmon River, North Fork to Lemhi River	16	Salmon River	Salmon River, North Fork to Lemhi River
17	Salmon River	Salmon River, Lemhi River to Pahsimeroi River	17	Salmon River	Salmon River, Lemhi River to Pahsimeroi River
18	Salmon River	Salmon River, Pahsimeroi River to East Fork	18	Salmon River	Salmon River, Pahsimeroi River to East Fork
19	Salmon River	Salmon River, upstream from the East Fork	19	Salmon River	Salmon River, upstream from the East Fork
20	Salmon River	Little Salmon River	20	Salmon River	Little Salmon River
21	Salmon River	South Fork Salmon River	21	Salmon River	South Fork Salmon River
24	Salmon River	Panther Creek	24	Salmon River	Panther Creek
28	Boise River	Boise River	28	Boise River	Boise River

ANADROMOUS STEELHEAD AND SALMON RULES AND INFORMATION

SPRING AND SUMMER CHINOOK SALMON SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS WILL BE SET ANNUALLY BY THE IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME COMMISSION.

NOTE: Salmon and steelhead seasons and bag limits may be changed by Commission or Director action. Please see idfg.idaho.gov, license vendors, or regional offices for changes to rules published in this document.



Chinook Salmon
Black mouth, black gums
Spots on entire tail fin



Steelhead
White mouth, white gums
Spots on entire tail fin



Coho Salmon
Black mouth, white gums
Spots only on upper half of tail fin



Sockeye
Non-spawning color is silver to steel blue
NO HARVEST ALLOWED

Anadromous (ocean-run) Fish

Salmon, Chinook: An anadromous (ocean-run) species of salmon in the Snake River drainage below Hells Canyon Dam, the Salmon River drainage, and the Clearwater drainage (excluding lakes, reservoirs and the North Fork of the Clearwater River above Dworshak Dam), and the Boise River, when stocked.

Salmon, Coho: An anadromous (ocean-run) species of salmon in the Snake River drainage below Hells Canyon Dam, the Salmon River drainage, and Clearwater River drainage (excluding lakes, reservoirs and the North Fork of the Clearwater River above Dworshak Dam).

Steelhead: Rainbow trout longer than 20 inches in length in the Snake River drainage below Hells Canyon Dam, the Salmon River drainage (excluding lakes and the Lemhi and Pahsimeroi rivers), and the Clearwater river drainage (excluding that portion above Dworshak Dam, and lakes). Rainbow trout longer than 20 inches in length with a clipped adipose fin (as evidenced by a healed scar) are defined as steelhead in the Snake River from Hells Canyon Dam upstream to Oxbow Dam, and in the Boise River from its mouth upstream to Barber Dam.

Sockeye: Defined as ocean-going *Oncorhynchus nerka* longer than 14 inches in the Snake River drainage below Hells Canyon Dam, the Salmon River drainage (excluding above Mosquito Flat Dam), and the Clearwater River drainage (excluding that portion above Dworshak Dam). Sockeye Salmon fishing is illegal.

License/Permit Requirements

Anyone fishing for anadromous (ocean-run) salmon and/or steelhead, except those expressly exempt, must have a valid fishing license and salmon and/or steelhead permit(s) on their person. These license and permit requirements also apply when fishing for hatchery salmon or steelhead stocked by Idaho Fish and Game in the Boise River or Hells Canyon Reservoir.

Any person who does not qualify as a resident (see Page 63) must purchase either a nonresident season fishing license and a full-season salmon and/or steelhead permit or a nonresident 3-day salmon/steelhead license/permit.

Children (including nonresident children) under the age of 14 are exempt from purchasing salmon and steelhead permits. They may fish without permits if they are accompanied by a valid permit holder, provided that any fish caught must be recorded on the permit holder's card and counted in the permit holder's legal bag, possession and season limits. A resident child under 14 may purchase permits without a license so that they may catch their own limit(s) of salmon and/or steelhead.

Any nonresident under the age of 18 may purchase a junior nonresident fishing license and appropriate permit so they may catch their own limit of salmon or steelhead.

Fishing Rules

- Any angler, who has attained the bag, possession, or season limit on those waters with salmon or steelhead limits, must cease fishing for salmon or steelhead including catch-and-release fishing.
- Only single-pointed barbless hooks are allowed when fishing for salmon or steelhead in the South Fork Clearwater River.
- Only barbless hooks with a maximum 5/8 inch gap between shank and point may be used when fishing for salmon or steelhead in the Salmon and Clearwater river drainages and the Snake River below Hells Canyon Dam. Bending the barb(s) down to the shank of a single, double, or treble hook will meet this requirement.



Barbless Hook
Up to 3 points
on one shank.



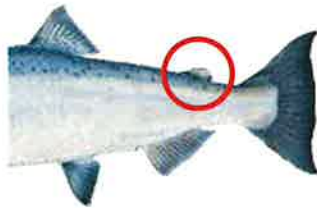
Single-Pointed Hook
One point on one
shank

Barbless hook

- Salmon and steelhead may be taken with barbed hooks in the Boise River and the Snake River between Hells Canyon and Oxbow dams.
- No person shall kill or retain in possession any salmon or steelhead which has been hooked other than in the mouth or jaw. Any salmon or steelhead hooked other than in the mouth or jaw must be released. See snagging definition on Page 65.
- Fishing for or targeting salmon or steelhead is prohibited unless a season is specifically opened for the species on that water.
- Any anadromous (ocean-run) salmon or steelhead that is being reduced to possession must be killed immediately. Otherwise, the fish must be released upon landing.
- All fish that are hooked, landed, and reduced to possession shall be counted in the limit of the person hooking the fish.
- No person shall have in the field or in transit any salmon or steelhead from which the head or tail has been removed unless: 1) the angler is ashore and done fishing for the day; 2) the salmon or steelhead is properly recorded on the anglers permit; and 3) the fish is processed or packaged with the skin naturally attached to the flesh including a portion with a healed, clipped adipose fin scar or the adipose fin. The fish must be processed or packaged in a manner that the number of fish harvested can be readily determined. Processed salmon and steelhead cannot be transported by boat.
- Steelhead harvest and angler participation are estimated by surveys conducted within three months after the season closes. You may be contacted and asked about your effort and success. Please save your permit until three months after the season has closed or until you are contacted by Idaho Fish and Game.

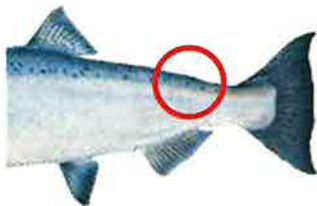
Unclipped Adipose Fin

Steelhead with an unclipped adipose fin must be released. Fall Chinook Salmon and Coho Salmon with an unclipped adipose fish can be kept. Spring and summer Chinook Salmon seasons are set annually and anglers should refer to season proclamations to determine if spring and summer Chinook Salmon with an unclipped adipose fin can be retained.



Clipped Adipose Fin

Hatchery steelhead or salmon may be kept if the adipose fin has been clipped as evidenced by a healed scar.



Electronic Tagging (e-tagging)

New for 2024 - Idaho Fish and Game has implemented electronic verification of Salmon and Steelhead permits to allow anglers to validate their salmon or steelhead permit through the GoOutdoorsIdaho mobile app.

For more details go to idfg.idaho.gov/licenses/e-tagging.

Permit Validation

When an adult Chinook Salmon (24 or more inches in length), adult Coho Salmon (20 or more inches in length), or steelhead has been hooked, landed, and reduced to possession (must be killed immediately), the angler hooking the fish must immediately:

1. Validate their salmon or steelhead permit electronically using the GoOutdoorsID application (if using e-tagging).
- OR if using a paper permit,
2. Write in the space provided, the month and day the fish was harvested; and
3. Look up the location code number from the River Location Code list (page 54, or your permit) and write it in the space provided.

For example, a Chinook Salmon equal to or greater than 24 inches in length kept from the Snake River on May 22 would be entered as:

FISH	MONTH		LOCATION CODE	MONTH		LOCATION CODE	FISH
	DAY	DAY					
1	05/22		02				21
2							22

Note:

- When a Chinook Salmon is released unharmed, as in catch-and-release fishing, the angler is not required to make an entry on their permit.
- Anglers may retain jack salmon less than 24 inches in length as part of their bag and possession limit but they are not required to record them on their permit.

When a salmon or steelhead is released rather than reduced to possession, the angler should not make an entry on the permit.

Unless otherwise stipulated by the Idaho Department of Fish and Game Commission, jack Chinook Salmon (less than 24 inches in length) and jack Coho Salmon (less than 20 inches in length) are not included in an angler's season limit and need not be entered on their permit. Even though Coho Salmon and Chinook Salmon must be tagged on the same salmon permit, anglers are still allowed to keep daily and possession limits for each species.

Note: Salmon and steelhead seasons and bag limits may be changed by Commission or Director action. Please see idfg.idaho.gov, license vendors, regional offices or scan this QR code for changes to rules published in this document.



Coho Salmon Seasons and Limits

River Section	Bag/Possession Limits			
	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
<p>Clearwater River: Mouth to confluence of South Fork and Middle Fork Clearwater rivers</p> <p>North Fork Clearwater River: Mouth to Dworshak Dam</p> <p>Middle Fork Clearwater River: Mouth to Clear Creek</p> <p>South Fork Clearwater River: Mouth to Red River</p> <p>Snake River: ID/WA border to Hells Canyon Dam</p>	<p>Daily limit is 2 adult Coho Salmon (greater than or equal to 20 inches length), no limit on jacks (less than 20 inches length). Adipose clipped or unclipped fish may be kept. Possession limit is 3-times daily bag limit.</p> <p>Sep 1 - Dec 31</p>			

Fall Chinook Salmon Seasons and Limits

River Section	Bag/Possession Limits		
	Aug	Sept	Oct
Clearwater River: Mouth to Memorial Bridge	Closed	Aug 18 - Oct 31	
Clearwater River: Memorial Bridge to Orofino Bridge		Aug 18 - Oct 14	Closed Oct 15
Clearwater River: Orofino Bridge to South Fork Clearwater River		Aug 18 - Oct 31	
North Fork Clearwater River: Mouth to Dworshak Dam	Closed	Sept 1 - Oct 31	
<p>Middle Fork Clearwater River: Mouth to Clear Creek</p> <p>South Fork Clearwater River: Mouth to Red River</p> <p>Snake River: ID/WA border to Hells Canyon Dam</p> <p>Salmon River: Mouth to Little Salmon River Vinegar Creek Boat Ramp</p>	Closed	Aug 18 - Oct 31	

Wild about Salmon and Steelhead?

To find out about Idaho's wild salmon and steelhead

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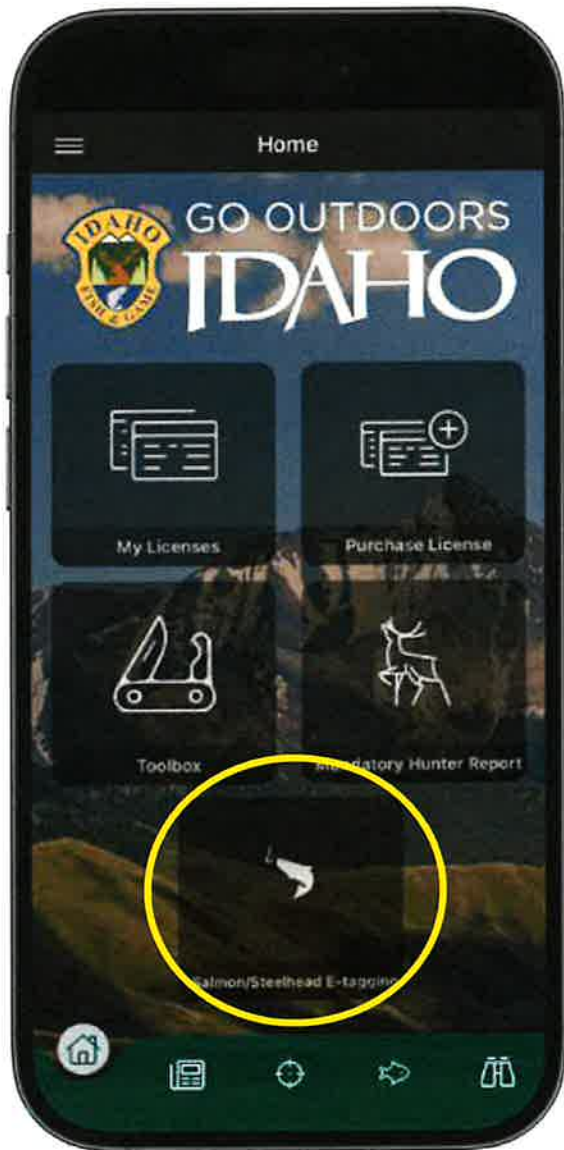
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STURGEON FISHING RULES

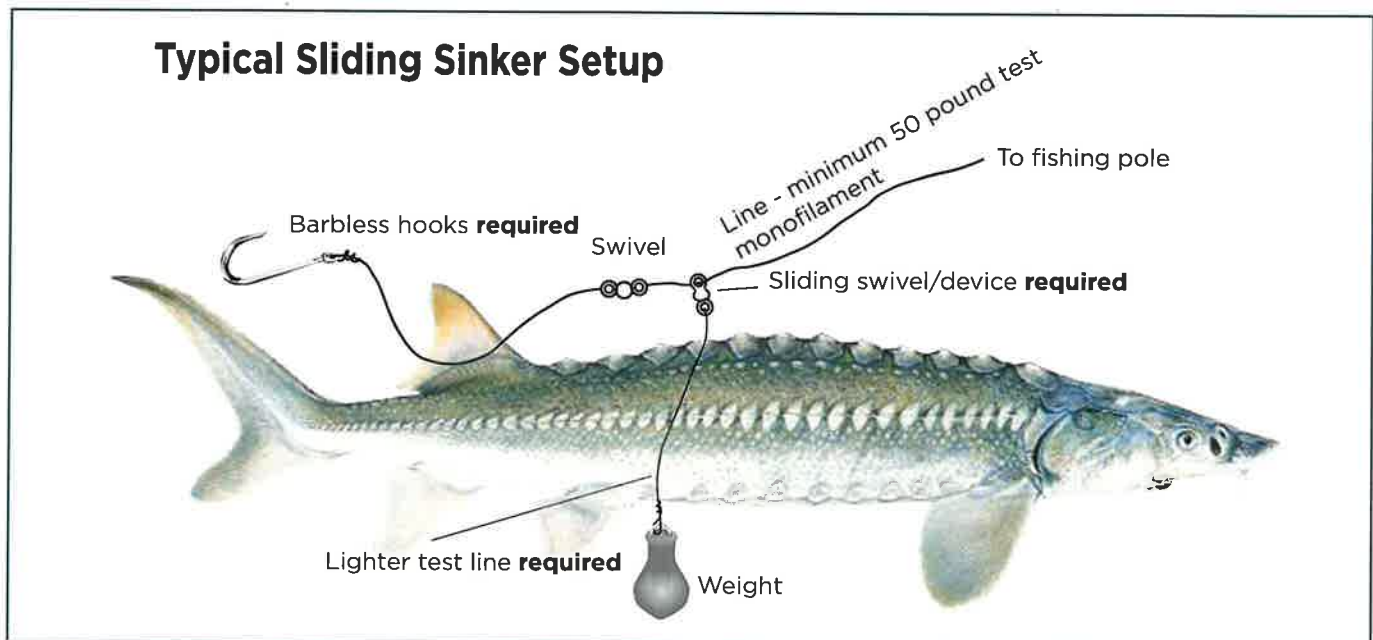
The White Sturgeon is the largest freshwater fish in North America. To reach their maximum adult size of 8 to 10 feet or more, sturgeon must survive for many years. Unintentional deaths result in fewer fish living the 25-65 years of age necessary to reach large sizes. Research has found that baited hooks, fishing line and swivels, broken off by anglers, may be ingested by sturgeon, and in rare instances cause death. Because of this, IDFG adopted rules designed to reduce the amount of tackle lost by anglers (see diagram below) with the overarching goal of reducing unintentional sturgeon deaths. Specifically, these rules increase an angler's chance of retrieving their hook, leader and swivel when snagged (in most instances the weight breaks off and the rig is retrieved). If the hook does break off, these rules will help increase the likelihood that the weight and hook separate, reducing the chance of "ghost gear". In addition, the following tips were developed for sturgeon anglers to assist them in catching fish and releasing them successfully.

Fishing Rules

- **Sturgeon must not be removed from the water and must be released upon landing.**
- When fishing for White Sturgeon, anglers are **required** to use barbless hooks, a sliding swivel device to secure a weight, and a lighter test line to secure a weight to the sliding swivel or other device.
- Sliding Sinker for Sturgeon: A method of attaching a sinker to a device that slides freely on the main line. When fishing for sturgeon, a person must use a sliding sinker and a lighter test line to attach the weight to the main line (the line attached to the reel).
- It is illegal to mark, scar, or put a tail rope on sturgeon.

Tips

- We **recommend** a minimum of 50 pound test monofilament line on your reel. This greatly reduces the chances of breaking off your main line either with a fish on or when snagged.
- Sturgeon can be rolled onto their backs in the water before removing the hook. This generally calms the fish down making it easier to remove the hook.
- Do not grasp a sturgeon by the gills. Gills are the lungs of a fish and can be easily damaged. If you need to keep a sturgeon in place, you can easily hold onto its lower lip while it is upside down.
- If fishing from a boat and you snag the bottom, back over the snagged hook/weight and pull from different angles to try and dislodge them. This will increase your odds of retrieving your setup/rigging.
- If fishing from shore and you become snagged try repeatedly giving the line slack and then quickly pull back. If this does not work, retrieve as much line as possible and pull from different angles to try and dislodge your hook/weight.
- Do not leave discarded line on shore or in the water. It is a hazard to both fish and wildlife.





To Be Updated

Tag You're It!

If you catch a tagged fish



- Write down or photograph tag number(s). Some fish have 2 tags.
- Call hotline or report via IDFG website
- Provide additional information as prompted
- Some tags offer a cash reward. Simply cut or remove the tag whether you keep or release the fish. To receive the reward you MUST report the tag AND mail or bring it to:



Report your tags
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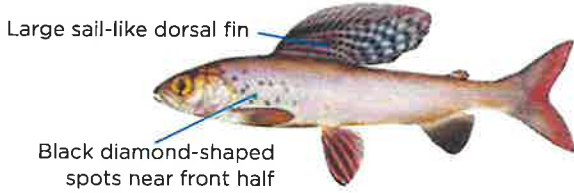
Thanks for your help!



GAME SPECIES

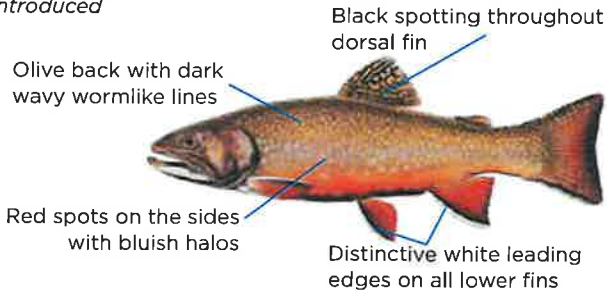
Arctic Grayling

Large scales compared to other trout. *Introduced*



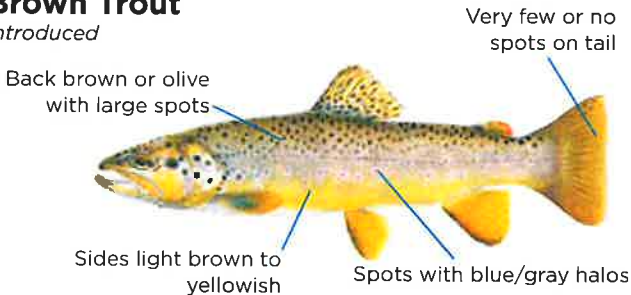
Brook Trout

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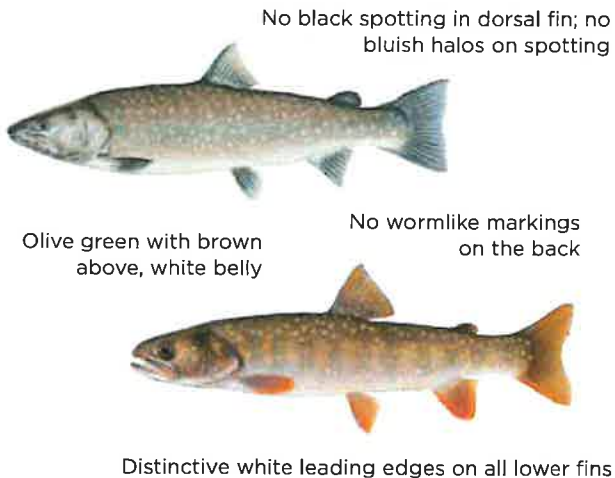
Brown Trout

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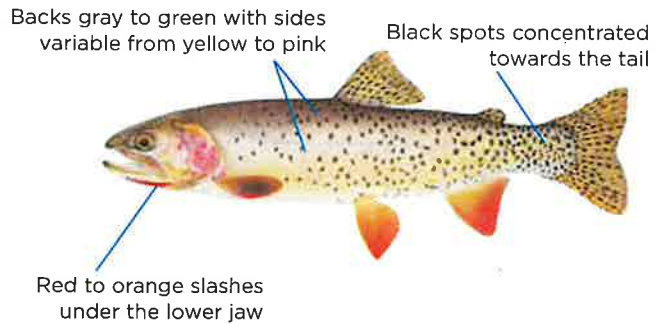
Bull Trout

Native / **NO HARVEST**



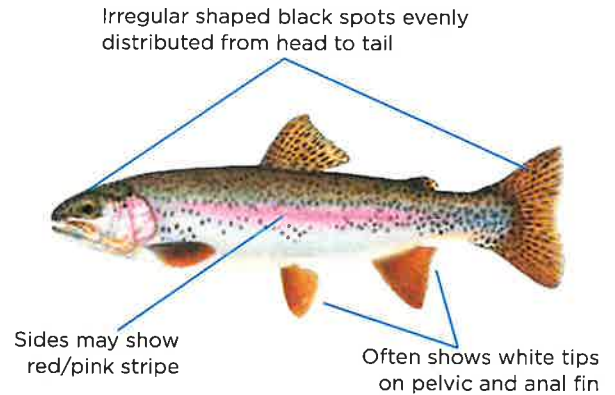
Cutthroat Trout

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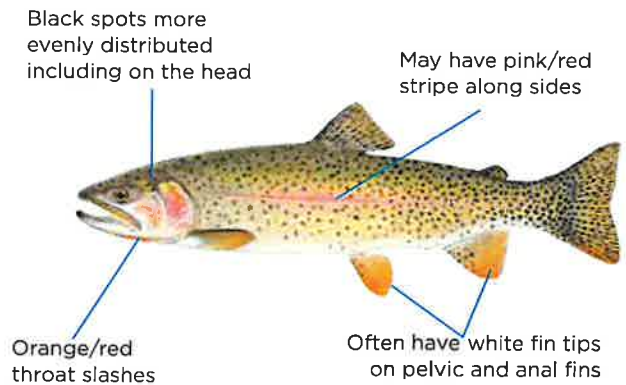
Rainbow Trout

Color highly variable, often silvery in lakes. Back olive to greenish blue.



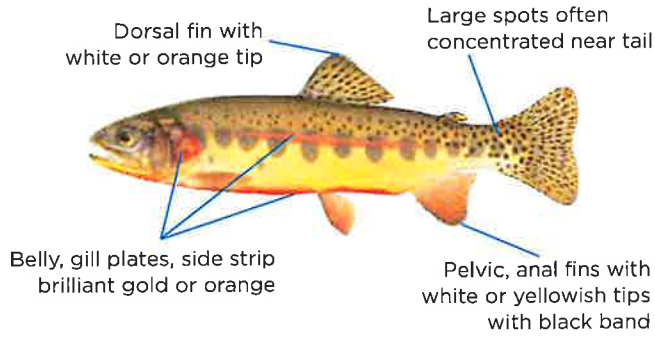
Cuttbow Trout (Rainbow/Cutthroat Trout Hybrid)

Color and spotting similar to Rainbow and Cutthroat trout. *Native*



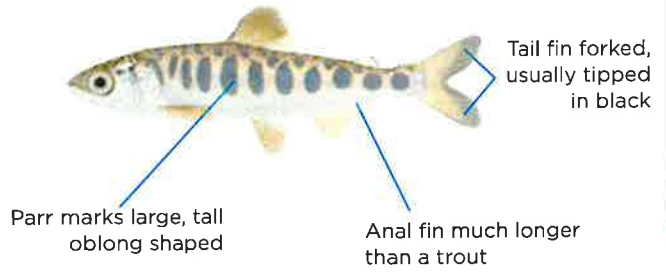
Golden Trout

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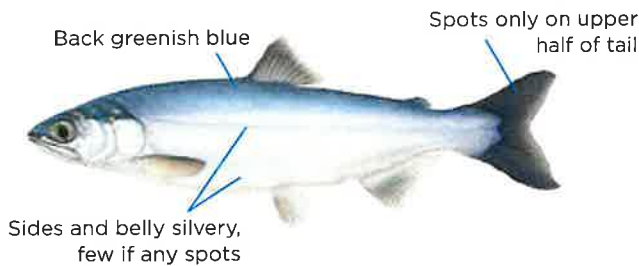
Juvenile Chinook Salmon

Native | **NO HARVEST ALLOWED** - In waters with ocean-going salmon or steelhead



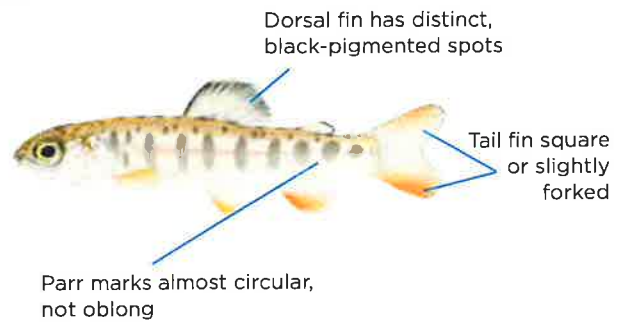
Kokanee

Bright red sides and green heads while spawning. Native to Payette Lakes and Stanley basin. *Introduced statewide*



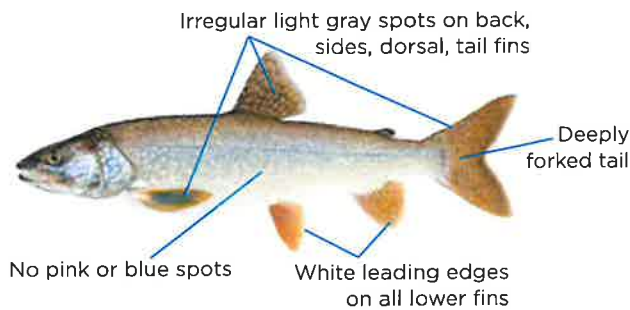
Juvenile Redband Rainbow Trout/Steelhead

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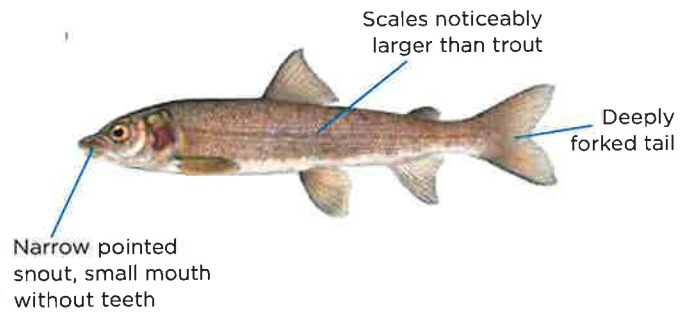
Lake Trout

Lives in large, deep lakes. *Introduced*



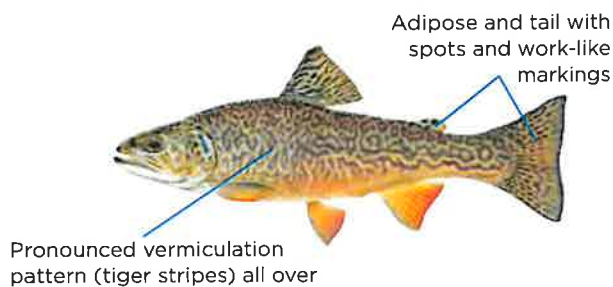
Mountain Whitefish

Sides silvery white with no spots, back brown to grayish blue. Often lives in rivers with trout. *Native*



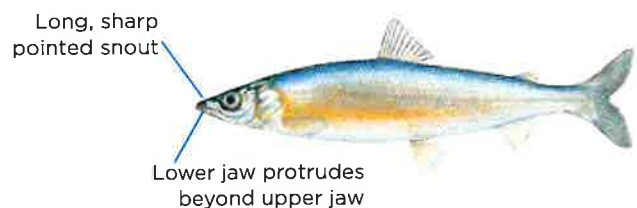
Tiger Trout (Brown and Brook Trout Hybrid)

Introduced



Bonneville Cisco

Back is green to blue, sides silvery with white belly, large eyes. Golden streak along sides during spawning. Typically, less than 8 inches, found only in Bear Lake. *Native*



SALMON, STEELHEAD

Chinook Salmon

Adults 24-40 inches, irregularly shaped black spots on back, dorsal fin and tail. *Native*



Black inside mouth and black gum line

Spots on entire tail fin

See page 51 for salmon fishing information

Coho Salmon

Looks similar to kokanee with spotting on back, dorsal and upper lobe tail fin. *Native*

Spots only on upper half of tail, with heavy spotting on dorsal and tail fins



Black mouth, white gums

14-16 anal fin rays

See page 51 for salmon fishing information

Steelhead

Adults typically 20-40 inches. Irregularly shaped black spots on back, dorsal fin and tail. *Native*



Spots on entire tail fin

White mouth, white gums

See page 51 for steelhead fishing information

Sockeye Salmon

An ocean-run form of kokanee. Spawning adults turn bright red with greenish heads. *Native* / **NO HARVEST**



BASS, WALLEYE, PERCH, PIKE

Largemouth Bass

Dark green on back and sides, white belly. *Introduced*



Upper jaw when closed extends past eye

Dark, irregular horizontal band along sides

Smallmouth Bass

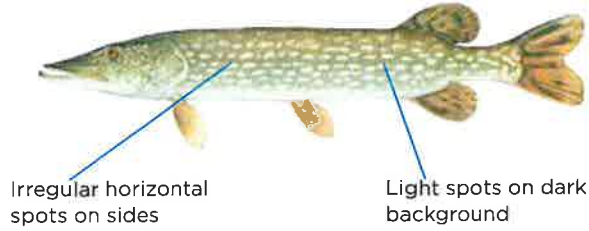
Dark olive to brown on back, sides bronze, white belly. Dark vertical bands on sides. *Introduced*



Upper jaw when closed doesn't extend beyond eye

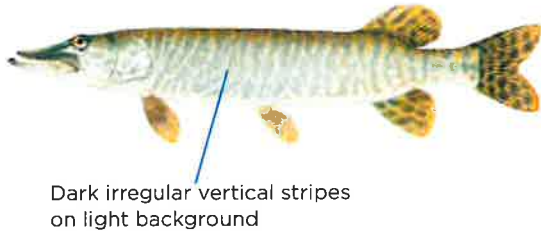
Northern Pike

Long slender body, duck-billed shaped mouth with many teeth. *Introduced*



Tiger Muskie

Northern Pike and Muskellunge hybrid. *Introduced*



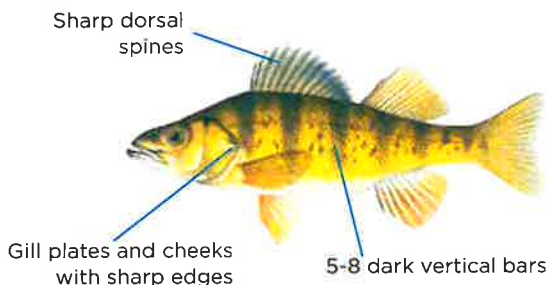
Walleye

Dark green backs white belly with sharp dorsal spines. Similar shape to Yellow Perch, without vertical barring. *Introduced*



Yellow Perch

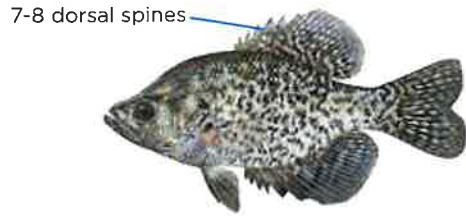
Dark green back with yellow sides. *Introduced*



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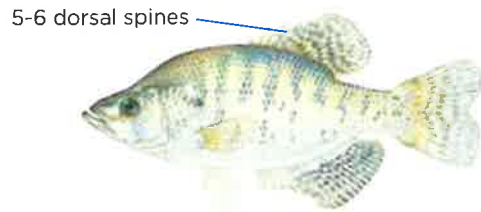
Black Crappie

Heavy black spotting, no vertical bars. *Introduced*



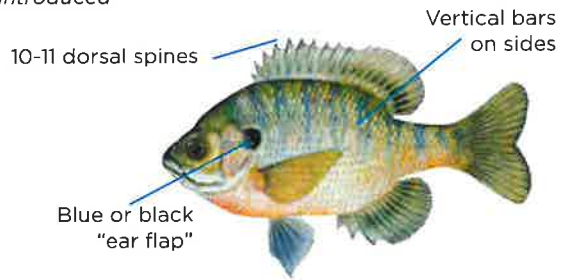
White Crappie

Silvery white sides with faint vertical bars. *Introduced*



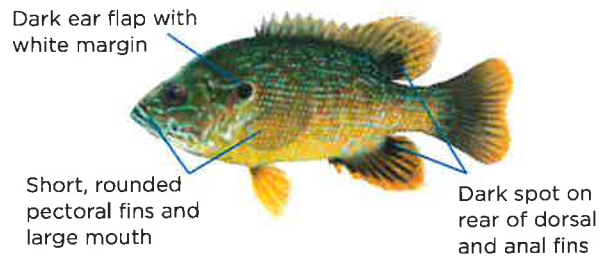
Bluegill

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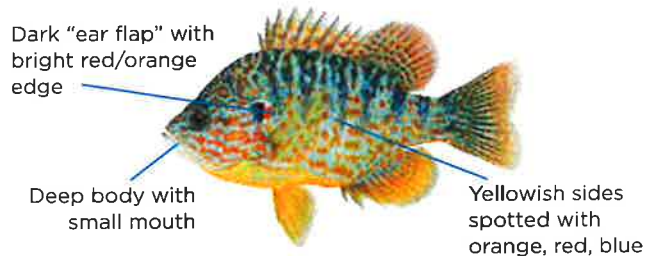
Green Sunfish

Back and sides bluish green, yellow or white belly. *Introduced*



Pumpkinseed

Yellowish sides spotted with orange, red, blue. Bright orange and blue streaks side of head. *Introduced*



CATFISH

Bullhead

Solid brown coloration with lighter belly. Typically, less than 14" long. Very smooth skin with no scales. *Introduced*



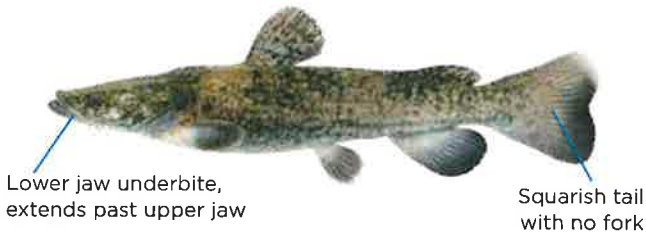
Channel Catfish

Very smooth skin with no scales. Coloration variable, olive brown to gray. *Introduced*



Flathead Catfish

Mottled brown and gray across body. *Introduced*



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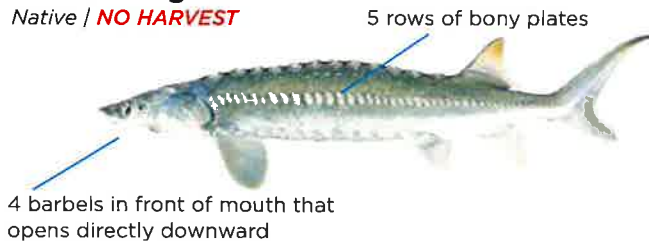
Burbot (Ling)

Long streamlined body with wide flat head, dark brown lace patterning. *Native*



White Sturgeon

Native / **NO HARVEST**



See page 56 for sturgeon fishing information

COMMON NONGAME SPECIES

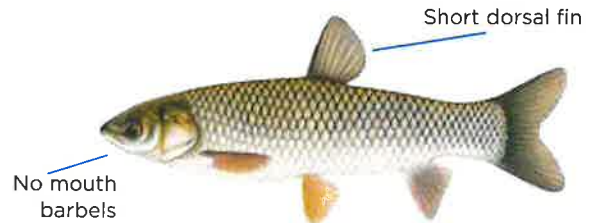
Northern Pikeminnow

Dark green back, sides silvery gray, belly yellowish white. Fins without spots or spines. *Native*



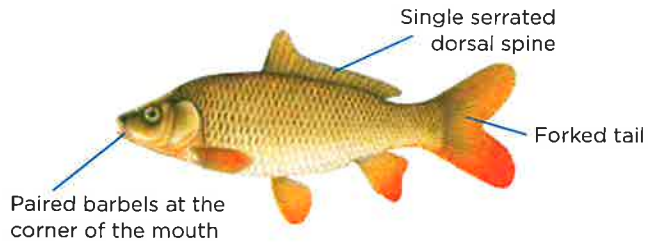
Grass Carp

Elongated, slightly flattened head. Silvery to olive coloration with large scales. *Introduced*



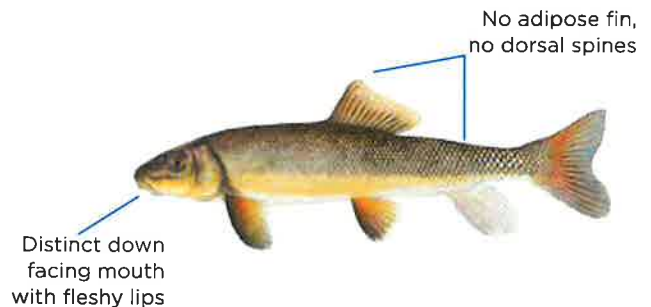
Common Carp

Olive green to gold with large scales. Resembles large goldfish. *Introduced*



Sucker

Bronze, green, or grayish on back with cream or yellowish belly. Spawning males have dark stripe along sides. *Native*



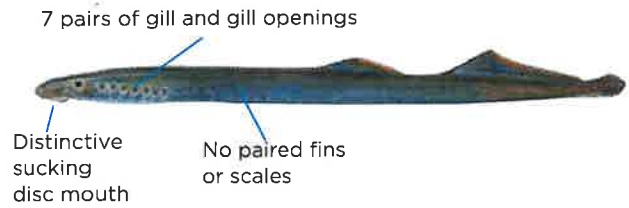
Peamouth

Dark brown or green on back; silvery white or yellowish sides and belly. Red stripe along sides during spawning time. Adults typically 6-12" long. *Native*



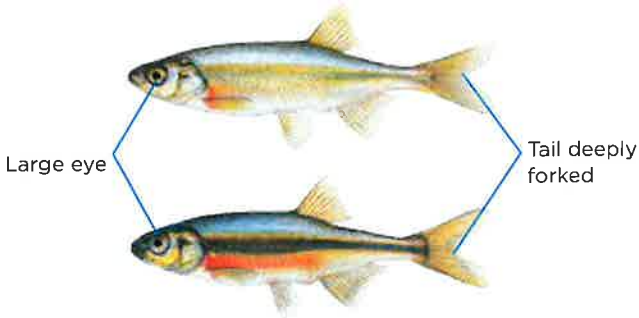
Pacific Lamprey

Cylindrical, shaped like an eel. Coloration varies from bluish gray to brown and green. *Native*



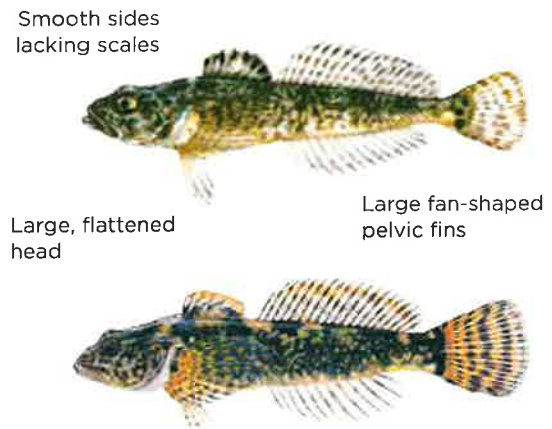
Redside Shiner

Steely blue, green or brown on back, silvery sides. Yellow and red band along side. Typically, less than 6 inches long. *Native*



Sculpin

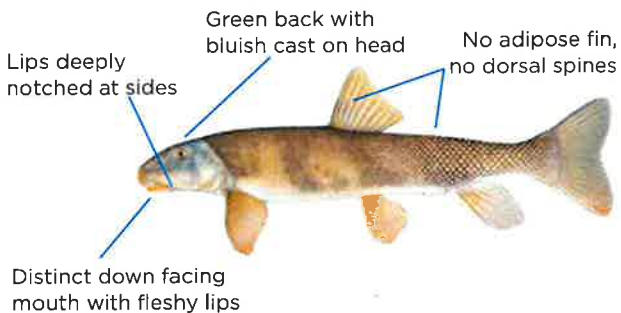
Small, bottom-oriented fish typically less than 5 inches. *Native*



PROTECTED NONGAME SPECIES WITH NO HARVEST

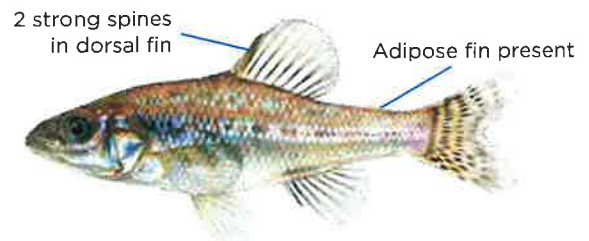
Green Sucker (also referred to as Blue Sucker)

Found only in rivers above Shoshone Falls. *Native*



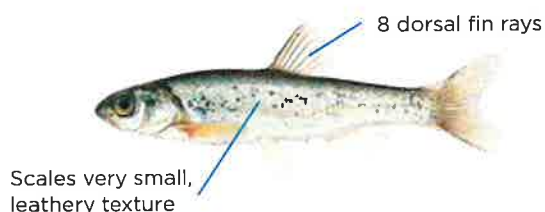
Sand Roller

Green back with grayish sides, white belly. Oblong dark blotches along sides. Typically, 3-4 inches. Found only in the lower Clearwater and Snake rivers. *Native*



Northern Leatherside Chub

Back bluish or greenish gray, silvery sides and belly. Typically 3-7 inches. *Native*



GENERAL FISHING INFORMATION

Below are several terms, rules, and definitions used in this booklet. Please consult the Idaho Administrative Procedures Act webpage or Title 36 of the Idaho Code for more detail at adminrules.idaho.gov/rules/current/13/index.html or idfg.idaho.gov/title36.

Methods of Fishing and Equipment

Archery and Spear Fishing: Fishing with a bow and arrow, crossbow, spear or mechanical device, excluding firearms. This type of fishing is permitted only in the taking of bullfrogs and unprotected nongame fish and only in those waters during the season set for the taking of game fish.

Artificial Fly: Any fly made entirely of rubber, wood, metal, glass, feather, fiber or plastic by the method known as fly tying.

Artificial Lure: Any device made entirely of rubber, wood, metal, glass, feather, fiber, or plastic with hook or hooks attached. Bait of any kind may not be used with artificial lures when fishing artificial flies and lures-only waters.

Attendance of Fishing Gear: You must attend to your fishing gear while fishing. This means being able to watch your rod at all times and be able to react to a potential strike.

Bait: Organic substances, other than rubber, wood feather, fiber, or plastic, attached to a hook to attract fish. Bait includes insects, insect larvae, worms, dead fish, fish parts, any other animal or vegetable matter, or scented synthetic materials.

Note: Use of live fish, leeches, frogs, salamanders, waterdogs or shrimp as bait is prohibited in Idaho, except that live crayfish may be used if caught on the body of water being fished.

Bait Fishing: Fishing with any organic substance defined as "bait."

Barbless Hook: A fish hook without barbs or on which barbs have been bent completely closed (point of barbed area touches the body of the hook).

Catch-and-Release Fishing: Effort, by permitted methods, to catch fish, provided that any fish so caught is released immediately back to the water after landing and not reduced to possession. Catch-and-release fishing is only allowed when a fishing season is open for that particular fish species.

Note: Species of fish not specifically listed as catch-and-release may be harvested under their appropriate limits.

Chumming: The use of any substance not attached to a hook that is intended to attract fish. It is illegal to chum while fishing in Idaho.

Closed to Fishing: No fishing of any type is allowed in the water body.

Disturbing Traps or Fishing Gear Belonging to Others: It is illegal to destroy, disturb, or remove any traps belonging to others.

Electric Motor Only: When fishing waters listed "electric motors only," gas (internal combustion) motors may be attached to the boat; but use of the gas motor is prohibited.

Fishing: Any effort made to take, kill, injure, capture, or catch any fish, crayfish, or bullfrog. All fishing in Idaho requires a valid fishing license except fishing in a private pond where the owner has a valid Private Pond Permit from Fish and Game.

Fishing Gear: It is unlawful to fish in any waters of Idaho with more than one (1) handline or pole with a line attached, except a person with a two (2) pole permit may use two (2) poles; or with more than five (5) lines while ice fishing; or by archery, spearfishing, snagging, hands, and netting except as permitted. Not more than five (5) hooks may be attached per line. The line or lines must be attended by the person fishing.

Fishing License: You must have in your possession a valid Idaho fishing license to fish in Idaho. You must produce your license or fish upon request of an agent of the Idaho Department of Fish and Game.

Fishing Shelter: Any enclosure or shelter used for fishing. If left unattended overnight on the ice of any water statewide, it shall have the owners' name, telephone number, and current address legibly marked on two opposing sides of the enclosure or shelter.

Fly-Fishing: Fishing with a fly rod, fly reel, fly line, and artificial flies.

Float Tube: A floating device which suspends a single occupant, from the seat down, in the water, and is not propelled by oars, paddles or motor.

Gaff Hook: A pointed device designed to pierce a fish for the purpose of reducing the fish to possession. It is illegal to land fish of any species with a gaff hook except through a hole cut or broken in the ice in waters which have no length restrictions or harvest closures for that species or when landing non-game fish taken with archery equipment.

Hands, Use of for Fishing: The only fish you can legally catch and harvest using your hands are crayfish and bullfrogs. You must use fishing gear to harvest all other fish species.

Hook: A bent wire device, for the catching of fish, to which one, two, or three points may be attached to a single shank. Up to five (5) hooks per line may be used, except where specifically prohibited. When fishing for salmon or steelhead, the gap between the point and shank cannot be greater than 5/8 inch. A single-pointed hook has one shank and one point.

Ice Fishing: Fishing through an opening, broken or cut, through the ice. You may fish with a maximum of five (5) lines per angler. The opening in the ice may not exceed 10 inches in diameter except on Bear Lake while fishing for cisco. Note: two-pole permits do not entitle the angler to exceed the five pole limit for ice fishing.

Illegal Fishing Methods: It is illegal to use chemicals, poisons, electric current, or explosives for fishing.

Maggot: An unhatched fly larva.

Molesting Fish: It is illegal to molest any fish by shooting at it with a firearm or pellet gun, striking at it with a club, hands, rocks, or other objects, building obstructions for catching fish, or chasing fish up or downstream in any manner.

Motor: Includes electric and internal combustion motors.

No Motor: Fishing from a watercraft with a motor attached is prohibited.

Sliding Sinker for Sturgeon: A method of attaching a sinker to a device that slides freely on the main line. When fishing for sturgeon, a person must use a sliding sinker and a lighter test line to attach the weight to the main line (the line attached to the reel). See Sturgeon Fishing Rules on page 56.

Snagging: Taking or attempting to take a fish by use of a hook or lure in any manner or method other than enticing or attracting a fish to strike with, and become hooked in, its mouth or jaw. Game fish cannot be harvested unless hooked in the mouth or jaw. Snag fishing is illegal except where allowed by special rule. Snagging of unprotected nongame fish species is permitted.

Tagging/Marking Fish It is illegal to mark, scar, tag or mutilate fish without a Scientific Collecting permit.

Trapping or Seining Minnows and Crayfish: All game fish (except yellow perch) and protected nongame fish incidentally taken while trapping or seining must be immediately released alive. Unprotected nongame fish, yellow perch, and crayfish may be taken only in waters open to fishing; provided the seine or net does not exceed ten (10) feet in length or width, and nets and seines must have three-eighths (3/8) inch square or smaller mesh; and the minnow or crayfish trap does not exceed two (2) feet in length, width or height. If the trap is of irregular dimension, but its volume does not exceed the volume of an eight (8) cubic foot trap, it is also legal to use. Nets and seines may not be left unattended. Traps must be checked at least every forty-eight (48) hours. All traps must have a tag attached bearing the owner's name and address.

All fish so taken must immediately be killed except where stated otherwise. Crayfish may be kept alive to be used as bait only on the water where captured. Nongame fish and crayfish may only be taken during the season set for the taking of game fish in those waters.

Only five (5) crayfish traps can be fished with a valid fishing license. If more than five traps are used at one time, you must obtain a Commercial Fishing License and trap tags.

It is illegal to destroy, disturb, or remove any traps belonging to others.

Two-Pole Permit: A person who has a valid resident or nonresident fishing license may purchase a two-pole permit. This permit authorizes the license holder to use two poles or rods at the same time on waters and during seasons specified by

Commission Rule. Valid for all open water and salmon and steelhead fishing.

Watercraft: Those devices designed as a means of transportation on water.

Tournament/ Fishing Contests

An organized event based on the capture of individual fish where there is: a) a live fish weigh-in; or b) awards cash or prizes valued at \$1,000 or more based on number, size or species of fish captured; or c) is expected to draw 20 or more anglers. Contests for participants under the age of 14 are exempt. Any person or entity that participates or conducts a fishing contest must first obtain a fishing contest permit from IDFG. The Department will not issue a permit for a harvest contest for wild native trout or sturgeon in rivers or streams. The Director may issue a permit for a catch-and-release contest for these species if he determines there will be no harm to that fishery resource in the particular water where the contest is to take place. No harvest tournaments on native fish will be allowed. Applications can be obtained at any IDFG Office or from our website at idfg.idaho.gov/fish/tournaments. Allow a minimum of 30 days for processing.

Transport, Release, and Possession of Fish

Check Stations: Idaho Law authorizes IDFG to use wildlife check stations to collect biological and harvest data from fish and wildlife, receive public input, and enforce Commission seasons and rules. Anyone hunting, fishing or trapping is required to stop if they encounter a check station that requires all hunters, anglers, and trappers to stop, even if the hunting, fishing or trapping activity occurred outside of Idaho and even if individuals do not possess any fish or wildlife.

Fish Possessed from State and Federal Fish

Hatcheries: Fish can only be taken from a state or federal fish hatchery when given a written receipt for those fish or as allowed by posted signage.

Head and Tail Removal: While in transit it is illegal to remove heads or tails from any trout, kokanee, bass, tiger muskie, steelhead or salmon unless the following conditions are met: 1) the angler is ashore and done fishing for the day; 2) the fish is processed or packaged with the skin naturally attached to the flesh; 3) the fish must be processed or packaged in a manner that the number of fish harvested can be readily determined. Processed fish species listed above cannot be transported by boat.

Holding Live Fish: No permit is required to keep game fish alive that have legally been reduced to possession, in a livewell, while at the body of water from which they were taken. All fish must be killed or released prior to leaving the water body. However, anadromous salmon and steelhead must either be killed or released after landing. **Possessing and transporting live crayfish for personal consumption without a permit is allowed, so long as they are not designated as invasive species in Idaho administrative code.**

Private Fish Pond: You are required to have a private pond permit from Fish and Game to own a private pond stocked with game fish. Permit applications are available on Fish and Game’s website or at regional offices.

Proxy Statement for Fish Transport or Gift: You must have a proxy statement to transport fish for another person or accept as a gift any game fish. See page 7 for a proxy statement form. It must be signed by the taker, show the number and kind of fish, the date taken, the taker’s address, and fishing license number. No person may claim ownership of more fish than allowed by the possession limit.

Sale of Fish: Fish harvested by anglers cannot be bought or sold without a commercial license except as provided by Idaho code.

Shipment of Fish: No person shall ship legally harvested fish unless the package is marked on the outside with: the name, address and fishing license number of the person who caught the fish, the name and address of the person to whom the fish are being shipped with or sent to, and the number of fish, by species, contained in the package.

Waste of Game Fish: It is illegal through carelessness, neglect or otherwise to allow or cause the waste of edible portions of any game fish including the fillets of fish and tails of crayfish.

Releasing Fish

Releasing fish may be a good way to help maintain healthy populations and quality fisheries where angling effort is high. To ensure released fish survive, we recommend the following practices:

You can do your part to increase fish survival by following these stress reducing practices:

- Use the proper size tackle to land the fish quickly, which can help minimize stress.
- Use barbless hooks to ease hook removal and minimize damage to the fish.
- Do not squeeze the fish.
- Do not touch or hold fish by the gills, gill covers, or the eyes.
- Be cognizant of the amount of time fish are held out of water while removing the hook; holding fish upside down in the water often makes them easier to handle.
- If the hook is too deep to be easily removed, cut the line. This will give the fish the best chance to survive.

Taking Photographs

Photographs of a trophy catch can provide priceless memories of a great fishing trip, but anglers should use care to take the photo responsibly. Here are things you can do to capture that special image and allow the fish to fight another day (remember – sturgeon can’t be removed from the water):

- Have the camera ready and the shot framed before removing the fish from the water.

- When lifting a fish from the water, support the fish with both hands as you gently lift it from the water.
- Strive to hold the fish over the water so if it struggles from your hands it will fall back in the water and not onto a hard surface such as a rock or a boat floor.
- Hold the fish out of the water only as long as it takes to take a picture.

Reasons for Special Size and Bag Limits

Harvest restrictions help maintain the overall numbers and size of fish in a lake or stream, and also ensure “fair share” so every angler has a chance to catch or harvest fish. Restrictive harvest rules are sometimes used simply to provide a different type of fishing experience or to maximize the size of fish available.

Idaho Fish and Game manages recreational fisheries to provide a variety of experiences using different combinations of size, gear, and bag limits. The range of harvest rules includes:

- General bag and size limits apply in typical harvest oriented fishing waters without gear or bait restrictions. Many of these waters are stocked with harvestable-sized hatchery trout.
- Wild trout management focuses on sustaining naturally-reproducing wild populations without hatchery stocking. In certain instances, lower bag limits, size limits, or gear and bait restrictions may be applied to keep populations healthy.
- Special size limits are used where the goal is to catch more and larger fish by giving up some harvest opportunity. A bag limit of 2 fish (trout or bass) and various size limits such as a 14 or 16–inch minimum or a 12 to 16–inch protected range are common.
- Trophy fish or large trout management may require more restrictive limits. For example, this could include catch-and-release rules or a bag limit of 2 fish (for both trout and bass) combined with length restrictions. Gear or bait restrictions may apply.
- Special Cutthroat Trout rules are implemented across most of the state to protect our state fish. Cutthroat Trout are easily overfished, so various special rules are used to protect them from excess harvest. Many waters throughout the state have catch-and-release, restrictive bag or length limits, or other rules to protect Cutthroat Trout.

How to Avoid Fishing Violations

Idaho Fish and Game reminds all anglers to review Idaho’s fishing seasons and rules and act within the law. Here are common fishing violations, and how to avoid them:

- **Fishing without a valid license:** Any person 14 years or older must have a valid Idaho fishing license or permit to fish for fish, bullfrogs or crayfish. Anglers can buy a license at vendors, Fish and Game offices, by phone at (800) 554-8685 or at gooutdoorsidaho.com.
- **Fishing with a barbed hook where prohibited:** Barbless hook may be required for certain waters and for certain species, including salmon, steelhead, sturgeon and some trout fishing. Check the Special Rule Waters for each region.

- **Exceeding the legal number of poles:** Anglers are limited to one pole per person unless a person has a two-pole permit. Anglers may fish up to five lines while ice fishing.
- **Fishing without your license in possession:** You must have a printed license, or electronic version with you while fishing. If you buy online, save a copy to your smartphone, and you can also use a photo of your printed license. But you must possess printed copies of salmon/steelhead tags.
- **Fishing during a closed season:** Many waters, or fish species, are closed part of the year. Check the General Fishing Seasons for the region you are fishing in, and also check the Special Rule Waters for that region. Salmon and steelhead seasons frequently change, so check idfg.idaho.gov for their current status.



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FISHING THE BACKCOUNTRY?

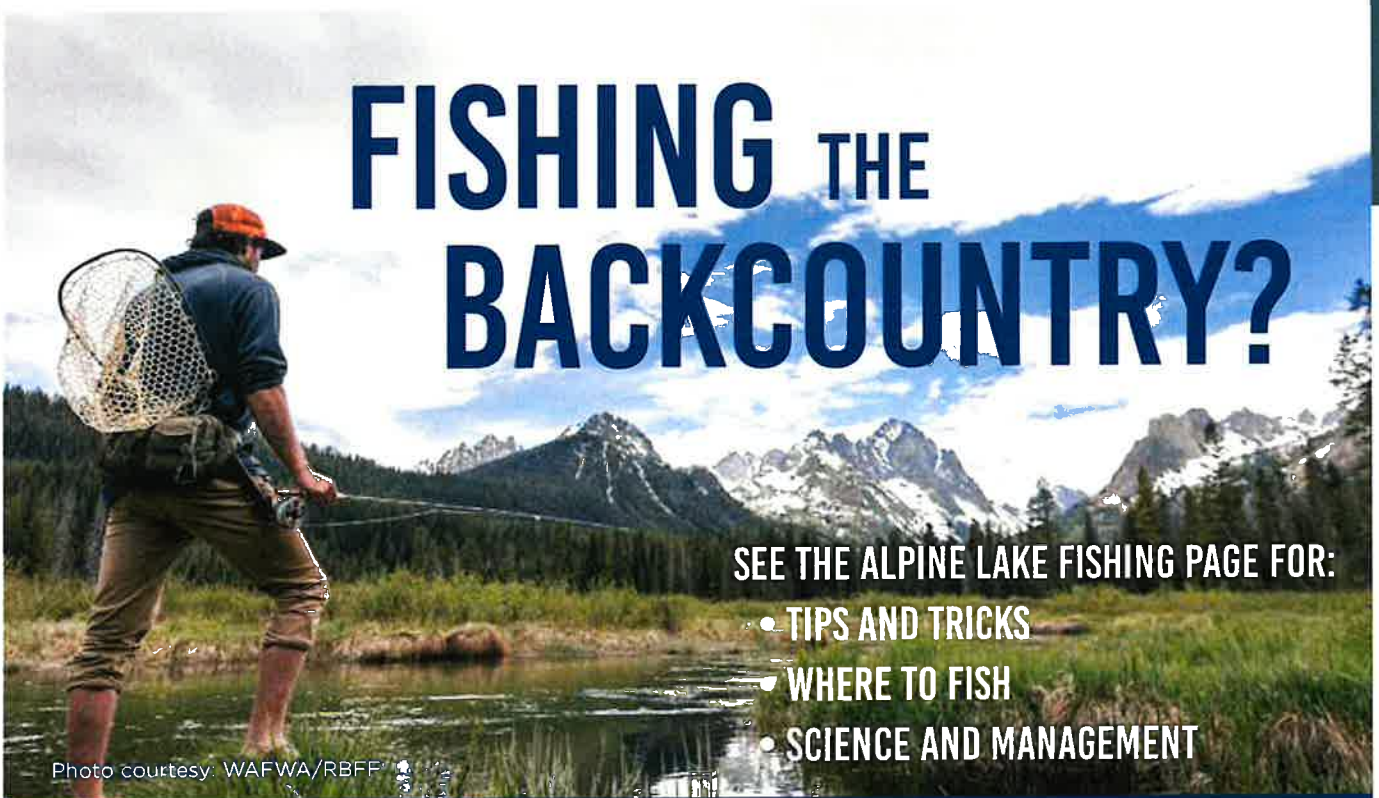


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SEE THE ALPINE LAKE FISHING PAGE FOR:

- TIPS AND TRICKS
- WHERE TO FISH
- SCIENCE AND MANAGEMENT



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STATE RECORD FISH PROGRAM



Record Fish Program Guidelines

Only fish caught in publicly accessible waters with legal fishing methods during an open season are eligible for State Records. All applicants must have a valid Idaho fishing license at the time the fish was caught. No records will be awarded for fish caught during salvage seasons or at private pay-to-fish facilities. Catch/release records must be released. See tips on safely releasing fish in this booklet!

- Catch/release White Sturgeon records (Catch and Release only) must be broken by a minimum of 2 inches. Catch/Release records for all other species must be broken by a minimum of ½ inch.
- All applications must be submitted within 30 days of the catch date.

How to Apply For a Record

Complete program information and the Record Fish Application form are available online at: idfg.idaho.gov/fish/record

Certified Weight Records applications need:

- A receipt from the certified scale documenting the weight (typically be found at grocery stores or US Post Offices), verification of species from an IDFG office.
- At least one photo of the fish and a witness to the weight.

Catch and Release Record applications need:

- Fish length - from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail. Sturgeon should be measured upside down along the belly from the snout to tip of the upper lobe of the tail.
- Salmon, Steelhead, Bull Trout and White Sturgeon must be measured and photographed in the water.
- Photos: (1) of the fish directly next to a ruler/tape measure or object of known verifiable length and (2) a photo of the angler with the fish.
- At least one witness to the measurement and release

The current list of Catch and Release Records is available at idfg.idaho.gov/fish/record OR scan the QR code below:



STATE RECORD FISH - CERTIFIED WEIGHT

- Certified Weight Records are based on the weight of a fish legally harvested. Application forms require a receipt from a certified scale.
- Application forms and complete information on State Record Fish are available online: idfg.idaho.gov/fish/record

Game Fish

Species	Weight (lbs.)	Length (in.)	Girth (in.)	Location	Angler	Date
Atlantic Salmon	13.25	29.75	17.75	Deadwood Reservoir	Garrett Buffington	10/15/1995
Black Crappie	3.56	17.5	15	Brownlee Reservoir	Jason Monson	06/08/2003
Bluegill	3.5	-	-	C.J. Strike Reservoir	Darrell Grim	1966
Bluegill/P-seed Hybrid	1.00	9.88	10.25	Star Lane Pond	Kevin Graveline	05/08/2001
Bonneville Cutthroat Trout	18.94	-	-	Bear Lake	Roger Grunig	04/30/1970
Bonneville Whitefish	3.16	19.5	11.5	Bear Lake	Gaylon Newbold	12/05/2014
Brook Trout	7.06	23.5	15.5	Henrys Lake	DeVere Stratton	08/16/1978
Brown Trout	27.31	37	24	Ashton Reservoir	Wes Case	11/06/2007
*Bull Trout	32	-	-	Pend Orielle Lake	Nelson Higgins	1949
Bullhead Catfish	3.88	20.5	11.88	Brownlee Reservoir	James Winter	05/25/1986
Burbot (Ling)	14	-	-	Kootenai River	P.A. Dayton	1954
Channel Catfish	32.9	36.5	23.5	C.J. Strike Reservoir	Cody Kastner	06/16/2022
Chinook Salmon (fresh water)	42	41.25	29.75	CdA Lake	Jane Clifford	09/13/1987
Chinook Salmon (ocean run)	54	-	-	Salmon River	Merrold Gold	1956
Coho Salmon (fresh water)	6	23.5	-	Cascade Reservoir	Ted Bowers	09/19/1992
Coho Salmon (ocean-run)	11.75	33	17	Clearwater River	Steve Micek	11/08/2014
Cutthroat Trout -Bonneville	18.94	-	-	Bear Lake	Roger Grunig	04/30/1970
Cutthroat Trout -Lahontan	3.14	21	9.5	Grasmere Reservoir	Hayleigh Urban	10/05/2022
Cutthroat Trout -Westslope		OPEN				
Cutthroat Trout -Yellowstone		OPEN				
Flathead Catfish	58.5	48	31	Brownlee Reservoir	J. Newberry/K. McCormick	08/23/1994
Golden Trout	5.13	-	-	White Sands Lake	George Wolverton	1958
Arctic Grayling	2.44	18.13	-	Wes Hamlet Lake	Velma Mahaffey	06/21/1992
Green Sunfish	0.67	9	9	Fern Lake	John Moore	06/25/2019
Kokanee Salmon	6.59	15	14.5	West Lake	Jerry Verge	06/09/1975
Lake Trout	57.5	49	32.5	Triest Lake	Lyle McClure	11/14/1971
Lake Whitefish	6.5	26	23.75	Orielle Lake	Dale Hofmann	08/06/2010
Largemouth Bass	10.94	-	-	Anderson Lake	Mrs. M.W. Taylor	-
Mountain Whitefish	5.9	22.5	14	Island Park Reservoir	Robert Hall	1997
Northern Pike	40.13	31.5	22.75	Lower Twin Lake	Kim Fleming	08/06/2010
Pumpkinseed	0.88	9.75	10	Chase Lake	Russ Adams	1977
Rainbow Trout	20.00	34.25	22.75	Snake River	Wes Hamlet	07/29/2009
Rainbow Trout-Gerrard	37	-	-	Lake	Wes Hamlet	1947
Rainbow/Cutt. Trout Hybrid	34.74	41.13	-	Amoroso Reservoir	Russ Adams	07/25/2011
Smallmouth Bass	9.72	23.75	20.5	Orishak Reservoir	Dan Steigers	10/28/2006
*Sockeye Salmon		-	-		June McCray	08/08/1970
Splake		5	-	Ririe Reservoir	Brian Allison	05/12/2006
Steelhead	3	-	-	Clearwater River	Keith Powell	11/23/1973
Tiger Muskie	44	32	25	Little Payette Lake	Edward Kalinowski	08/06/2013
Tiger Trout	4.8	2	-	Becker Pond	Gatlynn Mayes	12/16/2020
Walleye	17.88	34.5	21.88	Oakley Reservoir	Damon Rush	09/10/2011
Warmouth	0.60	8.75	8.5	Snake River	Marvin Stevens	06/23/1988
White Crappie	3.80	17.5	15.75	Crane Creek Reservoir	Trenten Smith	07/16/2012
* White Sturgeon (Rod & Reel)	394	-	-	Snake River	Glenn Howard	1956
* White Sturgeon (Set Line)	675	-	-	Snake River	Unknown	1908
Yellow Perch	3.22	16.25	-	Cascade Reservoir	Adam Mann	03/09/2021

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Nongame

Species	Weight (lbs.)	Length (in.)	Girth (in.)	Location	Angler	Date
Bridgelip Sucker	2.2	17.75	-	Lemhi River	Eric Geisthardt	05/18/2021
Chiselmouth	1.16	14.25	8.38	Salmon River	Justin Powell	04/15/2003
Common Carp (Archery)	67.65	47	34.5	C.J. Strike Reservoir	Scott Frazier II	07/23/2011
Common Carp (Rod & Reel)	34	38	-	Snake River	Henry Charlier	05/03/2021
Goldfish (Archery)	3.4	-	-	Snake River	Kyle Stevens	03/13/2021
Grass Carp (Archery)	39.5	40.63	36	Snake River	Saige Wilkerson	07/16/2012
Grass Carp (Rod & Reel)	46.7	50	-	Snake River	Cris Endicott	10/10/2021
Largescale Sucker	9.04	27	-	Cascade Reservoir	Dave Gassel	12/17/2017
Northern Pikeminnow	7.89	25.25	16	Snake River	Emil Nowoj	05/07/2004
Peamouth Chub (Rod & Reel)	1.14	14.5	-	Snake River	Benjamin Fahnholz	03/08/2022
Peamouth Chub (Archery)	1.12	14.5	-	Snake River	Matthew Carlson	09/13/2022
Redside Shiner	0.08	4.7	-	Blackfoot River	Raiden Schnelder	07/23/2022
Tench	5.32	20.5	-	Lake Pend Orielle	Phillip Biggerstaff	06/19/2022
Tilapia	4.28	16	-	Swan Falls Reservoir	Jason Arneson	08/03/2008
Utah Chub	2.81	16.7	11.2	Lake Walcott	Alfred E. Woolstenhulme	02/07/2010
Utah Sucker	7.86	25.5	-	South Fork Snake River	Rick Thompson	08/20/2011

IDAHO FISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORY FOR SELECTED WATERS



A fish advisory means that you should monitor the amount of certain kinds of fish that you eat because of the possibility of consuming contaminants (e.g., mercury). Pregnant or nursing women and children are most at risk from contaminants in fish.

There is a statewide consumption advisory for both Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass because of mercury contamination. The waters shown on this map also have consumption advisories for the following fish species:

To Be Updated

1. Rainbow Trout
2. Cutthroat Trout
3. Brown Trout
4. Lake Trout
5. Kokanee
6. Whitefish
7. Bluegill
8. Crappie
9. Walleye
10. Catfish
11. Bullhead
12. Perch
13. Carp
14. Sucker
15. Northern Pike
16. Brook Trout

For fish meal consumption information visit the Department of Health and Welfare's Environmental Health Program website: healthandwelfare.idaho.gov/environmentalhealth or call 1-800-445-8647



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BEWARE OF HARMFUL ALGAL BLOOMS



WHAT ARE HARMFUL ALGAE BLOOMS (HABS)?

HABs can be dangerous to people and animals. Some can produce chemicals toxic to humans and animals if ingested, inhaled, or if contacted by skin or mucous membranes

WHAT TO LOOK FOR

Keep people and pets away from water that is pea-soup green, scummy, foamy, blue-green, brownish-red, or thick like paint

HARMFUL ALGAL BLOOMS AND FISHING

When a bloom is present, avoid fishing, swimming and drinking contaminated water

EATING FISH CAUGHT IN AFFECTED WATERS

Risks from eating fish caught in waters with harmful algal blooms are uncertain.

Algal bloom toxins accumulate in the organs and may be present in the fillet.

If you decide to eat fish, remove the fat, skin, and organs before cooking and wash hands and equipment. Cooking fish will not remove toxins that might be in the fillet.

WHEN IN DOUBT, STAY OUT!



For more information, see the websites for Idaho Department of Environmental Quality at deq.idaho.gov, or the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare at healthandwelfare.idaho.gov.

YOU CAN HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF NOXIOUS WEEDS IN IDAHO!

1. Cleaning boats, trailers and watercraft after leaving a water body
2. Pumping the bilge of your boat before entering a water body
3. Cleaning boating and fishing gear from any plant material
4. Reporting infestations to your County Weed Superintendent



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TERMS & DEFINITIONS

Fish/Fishing Terms and Limits

Artificial Fly: Any fly made entirely of rubber, wood, metal, glass, feather, fiber or plastic by the method known as fly tying.

Artificial Lure: Any device made entirely of rubber, wood, metal, glass, feather, fiber, or plastic with hook or hooks attached. Bait of any kind may not be used with artificial lures when fishing artificial flies and lures-only waters.

Bag Limit: The maximum number of fish that may be legally harvested by any one person in one day. The term “bag limit” shall be construed to be an individual, independent effort and shall not be interpreted in any manner as to allow one individual to harvest more fish than their “bag limit” or help the “bag limit” of another.

It is illegal to fish in waters having special bag or species limits while in possession of fish in excess of those limits.

Bait Fishing: Fishing with any organic substance defined as “bait.”

Bait: Organic substances, other than rubber, wood feather, fiber, or plastic, attached to a hook to attract fish. Bait includes insects, insect larvae, worms, dead fish, fish parts, any other animal or vegetable matter, or scented synthetic materials.

Barbless Hook: A fishhook without barbs or on which barbs have been bent completely closed (point of barbed area touches the shank).

Clipped Adipose Fin: See diagram page 52. The adipose fin must be missing or nearly missing with a healed scar where the adipose fin is supposed to be located.

Closed to Fishing: No fishing of any type is allowed in the water body.

Fish Length: The length as measured from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail.

Float Tube: A floating device which suspends a single occupant, from the seat down, in the water, and is not propelled by oars, paddles or motor.

Fly-Fishing: Fishing with a fly rod, fly reel, fly line, and artificial flies.

Game Fish: Brook, Brown, Bull, Cutthroat, Golden, Lake (Mackinaw), Rainbow (including Steelhead), Splake and Sunapee Trout; trout hybrids (e.g. Tiger Trout); Atlantic, Chinook, Coho, Kokanee, and Sockeye Salmon; Arctic Grayling; Whitefish; Cisco; Crappie; Perch; Bass; Catfish; Bullhead; Sunfish; White Sturgeon; Northern Pike; Tiger Muskie; Walleye and Sauger; and Burbot (Ling). Crayfish are also defined as game fish.

General Rules: The seasons, gear, and bag limits adopted for the region where you are fishing.

Harvest: Reduce a fish to possession.

Hybrid Fish: The offspring of two different species.

Limit is 0: Catch-and-release fishing is allowed but the fish species listed in the rule must be released after landing and may not be reduced to possession.

Maggot: An unhatched fly larva.

Motor: Includes electric and internal combustion motors on watercraft.

“No Motor” fishing regulation: Fishing from a watercraft with a motor attached is prohibited.

Nongame Fish: Any fish not specifically defined as a “game fish.” **Protected nongame fish are** Bear Lake, Shoshone and Wood River Sculpin; Sand Roller, Northern Leatherside Chub, Bluehead Sucker (also referred to as Green Sucker), and Pacific lamprey.

Possession Limit: Maximum number of fish that may be lawfully in possession of any person. Possession limit shall apply to fish while in the field or being transported. All fish hooked, landed and not immediately released shall be counted in the possession limit of the person hooking the fish. The possession limit is 3-times the daily bag limit.

Salmon, Chinook: Anadromous (ocean-run) salmon of the species *Oncorhynchus tshawytscha* in the Snake River drainage below Hells Canyon Dam, the Salmon River drainage, and the Clearwater drainage (excluding lakes, reservoirs and the North Fork of the Clearwater River above Dworshak Dam), and the Boise River, when stocked.

Salmon, Coho: Anadromous (ocean run) salmon of the species *Oncorhynchus kisutch* in the Snake River drainage below Hells Canyon Dam, the Salmon River drainage, and Clearwater River drainage (excluding lakes, reservoirs and the North Fork of the Clearwater River above Dworshak Dam).

Season Limit: The maximum number of fish that may be legally taken in any declared season.

Special Rule Waters: Any water with a gear, season, or bag limit rule that is different from the general rule.

Steelhead: Rainbow trout longer than 20 inches in length in the Snake River drainage below Hells Canyon Dam, the Salmon River drainage (excluding lakes and the Lemhi and Pahsimeroi rivers), and the Clearwater river drainage (excluding that portion above Dworshak Dam, and lakes). Rainbow trout longer than 20 inches in length with a clipped adipose fin (as evidenced by a healed scar) are defined as steelhead in the Snake River from Hells Canyon Dam upstream to Oxbow Dam, and in the Boise River from its mouth upstream to Barber Dam.

Fish Length: The length as measured from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail.

Watercraft: Those devices designed as a means of transportation on water.

Boundary and Water Definitions

Confluence of a River or Stream: The point where two rivers or streams come together.

Diversion: A man-made structure designed to change the direction of flowing water in a stream.

Diversion Pond: A man-made pond holding water taken from a stream or reservoir. The diversion pond may be connected to the stream or reservoir by an open ditch or pipe.

Drainage: All water flowing into a common river or stream system, either above or below ground, due to area geography.

Fish Trap: Any man-made structure designed to capture fish.

Fish Weir: Any man-made structure placed in a water body to delay or divert migrating fish.

Flat Water: Water where there is no observable direction of flow.

Milepost: An official state highway marker which denotes a mile location. Milepost markers are typically found at one-mile intervals on Idaho highways.

Mouth of a River or Stream: The place where a river or stream enters a larger body of water.

Private Pond: A man-made, off-channel pond on private property. The owner may only stock the pond with fish after obtaining a private Pond Permit from Fish and Game.

Reservoir: The flat water level existing at any time within a reservoir basin. Unless noted otherwise, a stream flowing through the drawn down portion of a reservoir is not considered part of the reservoir.

Section: An area of river, stream, or reservoir between specific boundary locations.

Special Rule Waters: Any waters with a gear, season, or bag limits rules that are different from general seasons/limits.

Tributary: A stream flowing into a larger stream or lake.

Upstream: Moving from a lower elevation point in a stream towards a higher elevation point in the same stream.



If you have information about a wildlife violation,

**Make The Call:
1-800-632-5999**

- The Citizen's Against Poaching (CAP) Hotline is open 24/7/365.
- Callers can remain anonymous, and may be eligible for a cash reward.
- The more details a caller can provide, the better! Examples: License plates, suspect descriptions, dates/times, locations, and wildlife involved.

Licenses, Tags and Permits

Information on the following pages apply to fishing licenses and permits. For details on licenses, permits, and tags for hunting or trapping, please visit our website at idfg.idaho.gov/licenses, or review the Seasons and Rules brochure for the species you are interested in.

To Buy a License, Tag or Permit

- Visit an Idaho Fish and Game office or license vendor.
- Download the “GoOutdoorsIdaho” mobile application from the Google Play store or Apple Appstore.
- From your computer or mobile device, go to **GoOutdoorsidaho.com**
- Within the United States call 1-800-554-8685.
- For an overview of all license buying options, visit idfg.idaho.gov/buy
- Commercial licenses, duplicate permits or tags, documents that require proof of disability, and lifetime certificates, may be purchased only at Fish and Game offices.

Licenses purchased online or over the phone must be printed from the buyer’s computer; they will not be mailed. However, all tags and notchable permits will be mailed, unless e-tagging is selected. A confirmation number may not be used in lieu of a tag or salmon/steelhead permit. Items sent in the mail will arrive within 7-10 business days, so customers should be mindful when placing their order for mailed items.

The charge for phone-in purchases is three percent of the transaction plus \$6.50; the charge for online purchases is three percent of the transaction plus \$3.50.

Any license, tag or permit that is defaced or altered is invalid from the date and time of issue. It is unlawful to use or attempt to use any license that has been defaced or altered.

Refund Policy

No refunds will be made on resident licenses, tags or permits. No refunds will be made on fishing licenses.

Idaho Residency Requirements

Proof of residency is required to buy any resident license. A previous year’s license is not proof of residency.

1. **Drivers must present:** A valid Idaho driver’s license and must have been domiciled in the state of Idaho for the last six months immediately prior to purchasing a resident license, tag or permit. Owning real property or paying property taxes within the state of Idaho does not in itself establish residency. You cannot claim resident privileges in any other state or country if you intend to claim residency and purchase resident licenses in the state of Idaho.
2. **Non-drivers must present:** An Idaho identification card issued by the Department of Transportation; or a combination of two documents bearing your name and address but not issued by yourself.

Examples include:

- Home utility bills for the previous six months.

- Rent receipts or mortgage statements for the previous six months.
 - Notarized statement from an employer on business letterhead.
 - Proof of voter registration dated six months prior.
 - For a minor child under 18, identification from a parent.
3. **Military members:** A nonresident member of the Armed Forces of the United States or a foreign country, which includes state National Guard or Air National Guard, may obtain a resident license provided the service member presents a copy of assignment orders appropriate for the branch of service, such as “Request for Authorization for Permanent Change of Station-Military” that indicate the member is on active duty with permanent duty station in Idaho at the time of license application. The nonresident active duty member’s spouse and dependent children less than 18 years of age may obtain a resident license, provided they present a copy of the service member’s assignment orders and documentation they are a member of the active duty members household. Authorized documentation includes a marriage certificate, identification issued by the Idaho Department of Transportation indicating the same address as the active duty service member, or a current signed “Military Status and Residency Affidavit”. Members of the Armed Forces who are not residents of Idaho, and who are stationed or domiciled in Idaho fewer than 30 days immediately preceding application are not eligible for a resident license military furlough license and must purchase nonresident licenses and tags.

This is a summary of residency requirements, for additional details see Idaho Code 36-202(S) and 36-405; online at idfg.idaho.gov/title36 and idfg.idaho.gov/idapa13 or contact your local Fish and game office. Persons who do not qualify as residents must purchase a nonresident license.

Resident Price Lock

Price Lock is a win-win for Idahoans and Idaho Fish and Game. We are keeping resident costs to fish, hunt and trap among the lowest in the West, and each license purchased directly funds wildlife conservation, management, and enforcement. Once enrolled, residents will need to continue to purchase an annual license each year to continue receiving discounted pricing. Some exceptions apply with certain Resident license holders and life events. Learn more at idfg.idaho.gov/licenses/pricelock or contact your local Fish and Game office.

How To Enroll in Price Lock

- Residents who had a license in 2017 and kept purchasing one every year since or have purchased a three-year license are automatically enrolled in Price Lock.
- Residents who have not purchased a license each year since 2017 can enroll by purchasing a three-year license. Then, as long as they buy a license each year, they’ll keep receiving the discounted pricing.

Resident Disabled Licenses

Any resident certified as permanently disabled or eligible for federal supplemental income (SSI), social security disability income (SSDI), railroad retirement board disability, a nonservice-connected veteran’s pension, or a service-connected veteran’s disability benefit with 40 percent or more combined/overall disability rating, may qualify for a “disabled” license. An applicant must provide either a benefit verification letter from the Social Security Administration in their name showing they are receiving SSI or SSDI benefits for the current year, or a letter from the Railroad Retirement board verifying disability status and being dated within 3 years preceding application for a license, or an official identification card issued by the U.S. Department of Defense, or a letter of any date from the U.S Department of Veterans Affairs verifying a service-connected disability rating of 40% or greater, or a current year’s letter from the Veteran Affairs office showing the applicant is receiving a nonservice-connected pension, or a form prescribed by the department that certifies permanent physical disability. A physically disabled person means a person who has lost the use of one (1) or both lower extremities or both hands, or is unable to walk 200 feet or more unassisted by another person or without the aid of a walker, cane, crutches, braces, prosthetic device or a wheelchair, or is unable to walk 200 feet or more without great difficulty or discomfort due to one or more of the following impairments: neurological, orthopedic, respiratory, cardiac, arthritic disorder, blindness (a medically documented loss or impairment of vision and includes any person whose visual acuity with correcting lens does not

exceed 20/200 in the better eye, or whose vision in the better eye is restricted to a field which subtends an angle of not greater than 20 degrees), or the loss of function or absence of a limb.

An applicant may present a valid Idaho driver's license if the holder meets disability requirements or section 49-117(7)(b), Idaho Code, and license is marked as disabled.

Disabled licenses may be purchased at Fish and Game offices, selected license vendors (see website for list), and through the mail.

Resident Lifetime License Certificates

The purchase of a lifetime certificate could be the best investment you ever make. Lifetime certificates authorize all privileges associated with a corresponding annual license, are valid for the life of the certificate holder and are available to Idaho residents. The lifetime certificate does not include tags and permits. If a lifetime certificate holder moves out of Idaho, they will continue to receive an annual license, but will pay nonresident tag and permit fees. Lifetime certificates can be purchased at IDFG offices only. Details on hunting and trapping lifetime certificates can be found at idfg.idaho.gov/licenses/lifetime.

Applicant	Combination	Hunting	Fishing	Trapping
0 - 1 year	\$795.50	\$276.75	\$601.75	\$701.75
2 - 50 years	\$1,113.00	\$386.75	\$841.75	\$981.75
51 and older	\$636.75	\$221.75	\$481.75	\$561.75





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Set your license to auto-renew
online or through our app.

Resident Fishing License, Tag and Permit Fees

Prices listed below are as of December 1, 2024. Prices may change without notice. Licenses, tags and permits are valid through December 31, except where noted. All tags, permits and applications require the purchase of a license.

For a complete list of license, tags and permit fees available to purchase, please visit: idfg.idaho.gov/licenses

DAILY LICENSES	DAILY PRICE	DAILY WITH PRICE LOCK ¹
Daily Fishing (first day) ² - 14 years or older	\$13.50	\$11.50
Each consecutive day at initial time of purchase	\$6.00	\$5.00

YOUTH DAILY LICENSES		
Youth Fishing - 0-13 years ³	No license required. Must observe all limits and regulations.	

ANNUAL AND MULTI-YEAR LICENSES	PRICE		WITH PRICE LOCK ¹	
	ANNUAL	3-YEAR ⁴	ANNUAL	3-YEAR ⁴
ADULT LICENSES: 18 YEARS OR OLDER				
Fishing	\$30.50	\$73.75	\$25.75	\$73.75
Disabled Fishing ⁵	\$5.75	\$11.50	\$5.00	\$11.50
Military Furlough Fishing	\$20.50	N/A	\$17.50	N/A
Combination (Hunting & Fishing)	\$38.75	\$97.00	\$33.50	\$97.00
Disabled Combination ⁵	\$5.75	\$11.50	\$5.00	\$11.50
Military Furlough Combination	\$20.50	N/A	\$17.50	N/A
Sportsman's Package - includes adult combination license plus deer, elk, turkey, bear, gray wolf and mountain lion tags, and archery, muzzleloader, salmon and steelhead permits.	\$144.60	N/A	\$124.25	N/A
SENIOR LICENSES: 65 YEARS OR OLDER				
Senior Combination (Hunting & Fishing)	\$13.75	\$31.75	\$11.75	\$31.75
YOUTH LICENSES				
Youth Fishing - 0-13 years ³	No license required. Must observe all limits and regulations.			
Junior Fishing - 14-17 years	\$16.00	\$37.75	\$13.75	\$37.75
Junior Combination (Hunting & Fishing) - 14-17 years	\$19.75	\$49.00	\$17.50	\$49.00
Sportsman's Package - includes adult combination license plus deer, elk, turkey, bear, gray wolf and mountain lion tags, and archery, muzzleloader, salmon and steelhead permits.	\$144.60	N/A	\$124.25	N/A

ANNUAL ACCESS-DEPREDAATION FEE ⁶ <i>Required one-time fee for annual and 3-year license holders</i>	PRICE		WITH PRICE LOCK ¹	
	ANNUAL	3-YEAR ⁴	ANNUAL	3-YEAR ⁴
Adults - 18 years or older	\$5.00	\$10.00	\$5.00	\$10.00
Jr./Sr./DAV/Furlough	\$2.00	\$4.00	\$2.00	\$4.00

PERMITS <i>Requires a valid license before purchasing</i>	PRICE		WITH PRICE LOCK ¹	
	ANNUAL	3-YEAR ⁴	ANNUAL	3-YEAR ⁴
Salmon or Steelhead Permit	\$15.25	N/A	\$12.75	N/A
Two-Pole Permit	\$15.00	N/A	\$13.75	N/A

Resident Notes:

- ¹ Customers who held a license in 2017 and have consistently purchased a license each year are currently in Price Lock. This includes 3-year license holders. Resident customers that are not currently in Price Lock, can opt-in by purchasing a 3-year license and then continue to purchase a license each year following the expiration date of their current license. Price lock is only available to Idaho residents.
- ² Price Lock on daily fishing is only available as long as the customer has a current year annual or a valid multiyear license. Otherwise customer must pay fees in column 1.
- ³ Resident children from 0-13 years of age, do NOT need to purchase a daily or annual fishing license. They can keep their own daily bag limit, can purchase a salmon/steelhead permit to keep their own limit of salmon/steelhead, and purchase a 2-pole permits.
- ⁴ If a 3-year resident hunting, fishing or combination license holder moves out of Idaho, the license will remain valid, but the holder will be required to purchase nonresident tags and permits.
- ⁵ Disability must be certified by a medical doctor on a Fish and Game form.
- ⁶ A license buyer is required to pay this annual fee when purchasing their first annual license of the year. It will not apply to any additional annual licenses purchased later in the year, nor is it required to purchase a daily license. This fee helps improve hunting and fishing access and provides more resources to manage big game and depredation impacts.



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Enjoy your season and remember...

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- **Be a mentor.** Pass on the heritage and traditions of hunting, fishing and trapping in Idaho.
- Fishing on private land is a privilege. Always get permission and thank the landowner.

Nonresident Fishing License, Tag and Permit Fees

Prices listed below are as of December 1, 2024. Prices may change without notice. Licenses, tags and permits are valid through December 31, except where noted. All tags, permits and applications require the purchase of a license.

For a complete list of license, tags and permit fees available to purchase, please visit: idfg.idaho.gov/licenses

DAILY LICENSES	DAILY PRICE
Daily Fishing (first day) ² - 14 years or older	\$22.75
Each consecutive day at initial time of purchase	\$7.00
Three-day Salmon/Steelhead	\$44.75
YOUTH DAILY LICENSES	
Youth Fishing - 0-13 years ¹	No license required. Must fish with an adult Idaho license holder, and their harvested catch must be included in the adult license holder's limit.

Nonresident Notes:

¹ Nonresident children from 0-13 years of age, do NOT need to purchase a fishing license and must be accompanied by the holder of a valid Idaho fishing license, and their harvested catch must be included in the adult license holder's limit OR, they may purchase a nonresident license and have their own limit.

² Disability must be certified by the U.S. Department of Defense or by Veterans Affairs on their official letterhead showing combined service-connected disability rating of 40% or more.

³ Anyone hunting with this license must be accompanied in the field by an adult license holder close enough to be within normal conversation or hearing range without shouting or the aid of electronic devices.

⁴ A license buyer is required to pay this annual fee when purchasing their first annual license of the year. It will not apply to any additional annual licenses purchased later in the year, nor is it required to purchase a daily license. This fee helps improve hunting and fishing access and provides more resources to manage big game and depredation impacts.

ANNUAL AND MULTI-YEAR LICENSES	ANNUAL PRICE	3-YEAR PRICE
ADULT LICENSES: 18 YEARS OR OLDER		
Fishing	\$108.00	\$291.25
Combination (Hunting & Fishing)	\$264.00	\$788.50
Hunting - includes three-day fishing license each year of license	\$185.00	\$551.50
Disabled American Veteran Hunting (DAV) ² - includes three-day fishing license	\$31.75	N/A
YOUTH LICENSES		
Youth Fishing - 0-13 years ¹	No license required. Must fish with an adult Idaho license holder, and their harvested catch must be included in the adult license holder's limit.	
Junior Fishing - 14-17 years	\$23.75	\$67.75
Junior Mentored Hunting ³ - 10-17 years - includes three-day fishing license	\$91.75	\$271.75

ANNUAL ACCESS-DEPREDAATION FEE ⁴ <i>Required one-time fee for annual and 3-year license holders</i>	ANNUAL PRICE	3-YEAR PRICE
Adults - 18 years or older	\$10.00	\$20.00
Jr./Sr./DAV/Furlough	\$4.00	\$8.00

PERMITS <i>Requires a valid license before purchasing</i>	ANNUAL PRICE
Salmon or Steelhead Permit	\$28.25
Two-Pole Permit	\$17.00