2027 SPRING STEELHEAD FISHERIES BAG LIMIT REDUCTIONS
November 18, 2026

I. BAG LIMITS

A. Snake, Salmon, and Little Salmon rivers and Hells Canyon Reservoir

1. The daily bag limit is reduced to two (2) steelhead per day for the spring 2027 steelhead seasons.

B. Clearwater, North Fork Clearwater, South Fork Clearwater, and Middle Fork Clearwater rivers

1. The daily bag limit is reduced to zero (0) steelhead and the fisheries are catch-and-release only for the spring 2027 steelhead seasons.

Steelhead Seasons and Limits

River Section	Spring Season (Season limit: 20 fish) Possession limit: 3-times daily bag limit						Fall Season (Season limit: 20 fish) Possession limit: 3-times daily bag limit					
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Snake River	Jan 1 - Apr 30 ~~3~~ 2 fish per day				Closed		Jul 1 - Aug 31 catch-and-release		Sep 1 - Dec 31 3 fish per day			
Clearwater River - lower	Jan 1 - Apr 30 ~~3 fish per day~~ catch-and-release only				Closed		Jul 1 - Aug 31 catch-and-release		Sep 1 - Dec 31 2 fish per day			
Clearwater River - upper*	Jan 1 - Apr 30 ~~3 fish per day~~ catch-and-release only				Closed		Jul 1 - Sep 9 catch-and-release		Sep 10 - Oct 14 2 fish per day	Oct 15 - Nov 9 catch-and-release	Nov 10 - Dec 31 2 fish per day	
North Fork Clearwater River*	Jan 1 - Apr 30 ~~3 fish per day~~ catch-and-release only				Closed				Sep 1 - Dec 31 2 fish per day			
South Fork Clearwater River*	Jan 1 - Apr 30 ~~3 fish per day~~ catch-and-release only				Closed		Jul 1 - Sep 9 catch-and-release		Sep 10 - Oct 14 2 fish per day	Oct 15 - Nov 9 catch-and-release	Nov 10 - Dec 31 2 fish per day	
Salmon River - lower	Jan 1 - Apr 30 ~~3~~ 2 fish per day				Closed		Aug 1 - Aug 31 catch-and-release		Sep 1 - Dec 31 3 fish per day			
Salmon River - middle	Jan 1 - Mar 31 ~~3~~ 2 fish per day				Closed				Sep 1 - Dec 31 3 fish per day			
Salmon River - upper	Jan 1 - Apr 30 ~~3~~ 2 fish per day				Closed				Sep 1 - Dec 31 3 fish per day			
Little Salmon River	Jan 1 - May 15 ~~3~~ 2 fish per day				Closed				Sep 1 - Dec 31 3 fish per day			
Hells Canyon Reservoir	Jan 1 - May 31 ~~3~~ 2 fish per day				Closed				Sep 1 - Dec 31 3 fish per day			
Boise River	Open when steelhead are present 2 fish per day											