

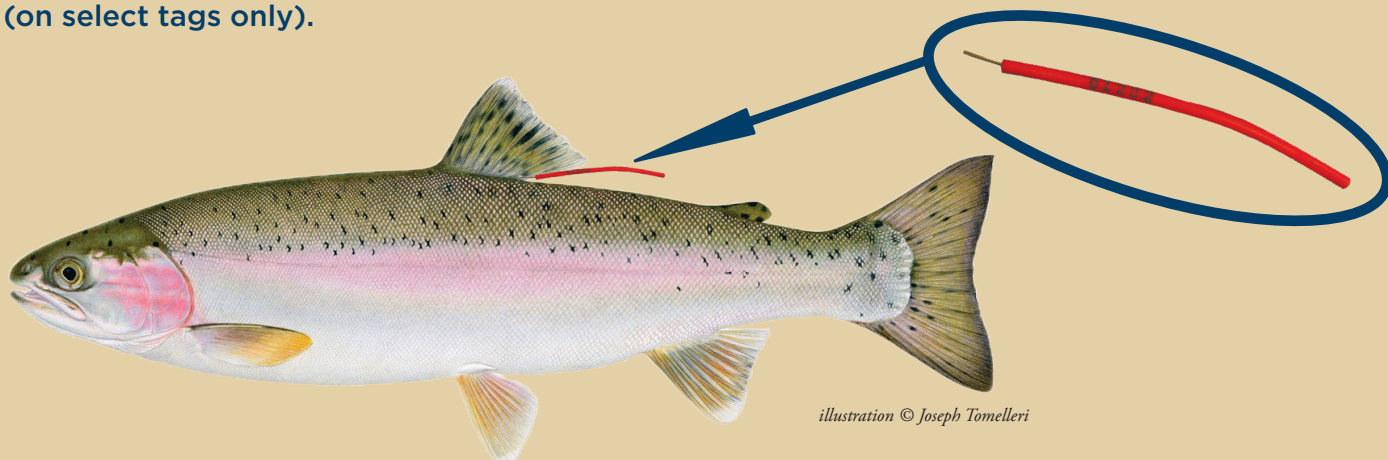
ATTENTION ANGLERS: LOOK OUT FOR TAGGED RAINBOW TROUT!

Gerrard rainbow trout (aka Kamloops) in Lake Pend Oreille (LPO) are known for reaching world-record size, and they have long-been important to the identity of LPO. With kokanee recovered and lake trout numbers declining, the trophy rainbow trout fishery in LPO is once again thriving. To help sustain this popular fishery, Idaho Fish and Game fisheries staff have launched a new study to learn more about rainbow trout.

The study will improve our understanding of rainbow trout catch rates, survival rates, and population size. Anglers are critical to the success of the project! You can help by reporting any tagged rainbow trout you catch, which helps biologists manage this great fishery.

How you can help: Check for a tag!

Carefully examine any rainbow trout you catch. Look for an orange piece of plastic tubing near the dorsal fin. Each tag has a unique number printed on it, as well as phone number, URL and reward value (on select tags only).



Report tagged fish!

If you catch a tagged rainbow trout, please report the tag number to Fish and Game! Report the tag number and where you caught the fish. Reporting a tagged fish is easy.

Please note that **harvest is not necessary** to report a tag or claim a reward. In fact, you only have to remove the tag if it has a reward value on it.

Whether you harvest or release the fish, you can still report the tag number one of the following ways:

1) Record the tag number in your phone or on paper (Consider taking a clear picture of the entire tag number).

OR

2) Remove the tag from the fish by cutting the tag off on the clear monofilament near the base of the dorsal fin. Be careful not to cut off part of the tag number.

**** If the tag has a reward value associated with it, you MUST REMOVE the tag and mail it to Idaho Fish and Game****

With any of these options, you can easily report your tag number online or over the phone.

Online: tag.idaho.gov
Phone: 1-866-258-0338

Mail Reward Tags to:
Fish Tag Returns
1414 E. Locust Lane
Nampa, ID 83686



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