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SPORT FISHING REGULATIONS FOR THE WATERS OF ILLINOIS

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### **Section 810.5 Definitions**

Aquatic life – all fish, reptiles, amphibians, mollusks, crustaceans, algae, aquatic plants and aquatic invertebrates, and any other aquatic animals or plants that the Department identifies in administrative rules.

Catch and Release Fly Fishing – fly fishing with no harvest of target fish species permitted. Caught fish must be returned to the water immediately unharmed.

Fishing – taking or attempting to take aquatic life in any waters of the State, by any method, and all other acts such as placing, setting, drawing or using any device commonly used for the taking of aquatic life, whether resulting in taking or not. This also applies to the removal of dead and decaying aquatic life.

Harvest – any aquatic life taken into possession from any waters of the State by any method.

In the aggregate – combination of two or more species or hybrids that in total do not exceed the daily harvest limit.

Take – to lure, kill, destroy, capture, gig or spear, trap or ensnare, or attempt to do so.

Water of the State – any water within the jurisdiction of the State of Illinois.  
> – symbol means "greater than".

≥ – symbol means "greater than or equal to".

< – symbol means "less than".

≤ – symbol means "less than or equal to".

(Source: Amended at 40 Ill. Reg. 6000, effective March 25, 2016)

### **Section 810.10 Sale of Fish and Fishing Seasons – Statewide**

- a) No fish or parts thereof (including eggs) taken by sport fishing methods (including snagging) may be bought, sold or bartered.

- b) Lake Michigan – The sport fishing season for rainbow smelt shall be from March 1 to April 30.
- c) It is unlawful to fish within 250 yards of an occupied duck or goose blind on Department-owned or -managed sites during the migratory waterfowl season.
- d) Lake Michigan, Calumet River, and the Chicago River including its North Branch, South Branch, and the North Shore Channel – the sport fishing harvest for yellow perch shall not be permitted from May 1 through June 15 annually.

(Source: Amended at 39 Ill. Reg. 6517, effective April 27, 2015)

#### **Section 810.14 Wanton Waste – Fish Abandonment**

- a) Except as provided in this Section, it is unlawful for any person at any time to take or possess any fish authorized by this Part in Illinois waters by sportfishing methods and then intentionally leave or abandon such fish or portions thereof resulting in wanton or needless waste.
- b) "Wanton or needless waste" means to place, leave, dump or abandon any fish or fish parts protected by this Part along or upon any public right-of-way or highway, waterway or stream, or on any public or private property without the permission of the owner or tenant. No disposal of fish or fish portions shall be allowed on State owned or leased properties except at designated fish cleaning stations, where available.
- c) This section shall not apply to fish or fish parts used for the purposes of bait or other lawful purposes or to injurious species of fish that accidentally jump into a watercraft and are immediately returned to the water.

(Source: Added at 37 Ill. Reg. 6658, effective May 1, 2013)

#### **Section 810.15 Statewide and Site Specific Bowfishing (Archery/Spear Methods) Regulations**

- a) **Legal Methods of Taking**  
Carp, buffalo, suckers, gar, shad, drum and bowfin may be taken by means of a pitchfork, underwater spear gun, bow and arrow or bow and arrow device, spear or gig. Each person taking fish by these means shall possess a valid sport fishing license. Fish taken by these means shall not be sold or bartered. No other fish may be taken in this State by these means. *It is unlawful to discharge any gun or bow and arrow device along, upon, across or from any public right-of-way or highway in this State.* [520 ILCS 5/2.33(r)]
- b) **Species of Fish and Harvest Limit**

- 1) Only fish species listed may be taken by bowfishing and other legal methods and in accordance with harvest limits identified for each. Fish species permitted to be taken by bowfishing and other archery/spear fishing legal methods in Illinois waters include:

A) Order Lepisosteiformes

Family Lepisosteidae (Native Species):

Spotted gar – *Lepisosteus oculatus* (Winchell)

Longnose gar – *Lepisosteus osseus* (Linnaeus)

Shortnose gar – *Lepisosteus platostomus* (Rafinesque)

B) Order Amiiformes

Family Amiidae (Native Species):

Bowfin – *Amia calva* (Linnaeus)

C) Order Cypriniformes

Family Cyprinidae (Non-Native Species):

Grass carp – *Ctenopharyngodon idella* (Valenciennes)

Common carp – *Cyprinus carpio* (Linnaeus)

Silver carp – *Hypophthalmichthys molitrix* (Valenciennes)

Bighead carp – *Hypophthalmichthys nobilis* (Richardson)

Goldfish – *Carassius auratus* (Linnaeus)

Black Carp – *Mylopharyngodon piceus*

Family Catostomidae (Native Species):

River carpsucker – *Carpoides carpio* (Rafinesque)

Quillback carpsucker – *Carpoides cyprinus* (Lesueur)

Highfin carpsucker – *Carpoides velifer* (Rafinesque)

White sucker – *Catostomus commersoni* (Lacepede)

Blue sucker – *Cycleptus elongates* (Lesueur)

Smallmouth buffalo – *Ictiobus bubalus* (Rafinesque)

Bigmouth buffalo – *Ictiobus cyprinellus* (Valenciennes)

Black buffalo – *Ictiobus niger* (Rafinesque)

Spotted sucker – *Minytrema melanops* (Rafinesque)

Silver redhorse – *Moxostoma anisurum* (Rafinesque)

Black redhorse – *Moxostoma duquesnei* (Lesueur)

Golden redhorse – *Moxostoma erythrurum* (Rafinesque)

Shorthead redhorse – *Moxostoma macrolepidotum*  
(Lesueur)

Family Sciaenidae (Native Species):

Freshwater drum – *Aplodinotus grunniens* (Rafinesque)

Family Clupeidae (Native Species):

Gizzard shad – *Dorosoma cepedianum* (Lesueur)

- 2) All non-native fish species (legal to take with bowfishing methods) have an unlimited harvest limit.
- c) Asian Carp (Non-Native Species)  
No live possession of Asian carp species is permitted. Bowfishing and other legal methods are not permitted in waters listed in the Site Specific Regulations in Section 810.45 as "2 pole and line fishing only", unless otherwise stated in the Site Specific Regulations.
- d) Waters Open to Bowfishing and Other Legal Archery and Spearfishing Methods  
*It is unlawful to discharge any gun or bow and arrow device along, upon, across or from any public right-of-way or highway in this State [520 ILCS 5/2.33(r)].*

- 1) Illinois waters open to bowfishing and other legal methods include all public rivers and streams noted in 17 Ill. Adm. Code 3704. Appendix A, except as restricted by subsections (d)(3) through (14).
- 2) All public site specific waters as noted in Section 810.45.
- 3) Mississippi River connected public (wholly accessible by boat) backwaters, including that portion of the Kaskaskia River below the navigation lock and dam, except:
  - A) Quincy Bay, including Quincy Bay Waterfowl Management Area.
  - B) Spring Lake in the Upper Mississippi River Wildlife and Fish Refuge.
  - C) Mark Twain U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Wildlife Refuge Waters (except by special permit).
- 4) Illinois River and connected public (wholly accessible by boat) backwaters from Route 89 highway bridge downstream, except for:
  - A) U.S. Fish and Wildlife National Refuge Waters.
  - B) Donnelly/DePue Fish and Wildlife Area.
  - C) Rice Lake Complex, including all of Big Lake.
  - D) Meredosia Lake in Cass and Morgan Counties during the central zone duck season.
  - E) Clear Lake in Mason County 7 days prior to and during the central zone duck season.
  - F) Route 89 highway bridge to Starved Rock Dam for the commercial removal of Asian carp only by a limited number of restricted period contracts.
- 5) Wabash River.
- 6) Embarras River, except from Route 130 in Coles County upstream to the Harrison Street Bridge, including Lake Charleston.
- 7) Sangamon River, downstream of Belt Route 48 southwest of Decatur to mouth in Cass County.

- 8) Kaskaskia River south of Route U.S. 50 Bridge to mouth in Randolph County.
- 9) Little Wabash River.
- 10) Big Muddy River south of State Route 14 highway bridge in Franklin County to mouth in Jackson County.
- 11) Skillet Fork.
- 12) Cache River from Route 51 downstream to the Mississippi River via Cache Diversion Channel, but not including that portion of the Cache River between the Cache Diversion Channel Levee and the Ohio River.
- 13) Saline River in Gallatin and Saline Counties.
- 14) Ohio River, except for:
  - A) Lock and Dam 52 downstream to a line perpendicular with the end of the longest lock wall, including the circular cell portion.
  - B) Lock and Dam 53 downstream to a line perpendicular with the end of the longest lock wall, including the circular cell portion.
  - C) Smithland Dam downstream to a line perpendicular to the end of the outer lock wall.
  - D) Within 50 yards of the mouth of any tributary or stream.

(Source: Amended at 40 Ill. Reg. 6000, effective March 25, 2016)

### **Section 810.20 Snagging**

- a) Anglers are permitted only one pole and line device to which can be attached no more than two hooks. On the Mississippi River between Illinois and Iowa, the maximum treble hook size is 5/0; gaffs may not be used to land paddlefish.
- b) Species of Fish and Snagging Catch Limit.
  - 1) Only the following species of fish and harvest limit may be taken by snagging:

Asian Carp (no live possession) – no harvest limit

Carp – no harvest limit

Buffalo – no harvest limit

Freshwater Drum – no harvest limit

Salmon (coho and chinook only) – 5 fish in the aggregate daily harvest limit

Paddlefish – 2 per day; the maximum length limit for paddlefish taken from the Mississippi River between Illinois and Iowa is 33" eye-fork length (EFL) (all paddlefish greater than or equal to 33" EFL must be immediately released back to the Mississippi River)

Bowfin – no harvest limit

Gizzard shad – no harvest limit

Carp suckers – no harvest limit

Longnose gar – no harvest limit

Shortnose gar – no harvest limit

Suckers – no harvest limit

- 2) No sorting (i.e., catching more fish than is allowed and putting back some in order to keep larger ones) of snagged salmon and paddlefish is permitted, except for paddlefish taken from the Mississippi River between Illinois and Missouri where sorting is permitted. Every salmon 10 inches in total length or longer and paddlefish snagged must be taken into immediate possession and included in the daily harvest limit. Once the daily limit of salmon or paddlefish has been reached, snagging must cease.

c) Waters Open to Snagging and Snagging Season.

- 1) Snagging for fish is permitted from September 15 through December 15 and from March 15 through May 15 within a 300 yard downstream limit below all locks and dams of the Illinois River, except for the area below the Peoria Lock and Dam where snagging is permitted year round.
- 2) Snagging for fish is permitted from September 15 through December 15 and from March 15 through May 15 within a 300 yard downstream limit

below all locks and dams of the Mississippi River between Illinois and Missouri, except for the Chain of Rocks low water dam at Chouteau Island – Madison County, also known as Dam 27 at the Chain of Rocks – Madison County where no snagging is permitted. Snagging is permitted from ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset daily, March 1 through April 15 within a 500 yard downstream limit below locks and dams on the Mississippi River between Illinois and Iowa.

- 3) Snagging for fish is permitted year-round within a 100 yard limit upstream or downstream of the dam at Horseshoe Lake in Alexander County.
- 4) Snagging for chinook and coho salmon only is permitted from the following Lake Michigan shoreline areas from October 1 through December 31; however, no snagging is allowed at any time within 200 feet of a moored watercraft or as posted:
  - A) Lincoln Park Lagoon from the Fullerton Avenue Bridge to the southern end of the Lagoon.
  - B) Waukegan Harbor (in North Harbor basin only).
  - C) Winnetka Power Plant discharge area.
  - D) Jackson Harbor (Inner and Outer Harbors).
- d) Disposition of Snagged Salmon and Paddlefish. All snagged salmon and paddlefish must be removed from the area from which they are taken and disposed of properly, in accordance with Article 5, Section 5-5 of the Fish and Aquatic Life Code.

(Source: Amended at 40 Ill. Reg. 6000, effective March 25, 2016)

**Section 810.35 Statewide Sportfishing (Hook and Line and Other Non-Bowfishing or Non-Snagging Legal Methods Under a Sportfishing License) Regulations – Daily Harvest and Size Limits**

- a) Length is measured from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail with the fish laid flat on a ruler, with the mouth of the fish closed and the tail lobes pressed together.
- b) No fish species may be dressed (filleted or head and tail removed) on any waters to which length or bag limits are applicable. Regardless of where taken, no fish less than the specified minimum length or more than the daily harvest shall be possessed while taking from, or on, any waters to which length or bag limits

and/or daily harvest limits apply. While taking from areas designated as "Catch and Release Only", all harvest and release species must be immediately released back into the waters from which taken.

- c) Statewide limits by type of fish:
  - 1) Channel Catfish  
There are no daily harvest or size limits except in those waters listed under Site Specific Regulations.
  - 2) Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass, Spotted Bass
    - A) Daily harvest limit is 6 bass, either singly or in the aggregate, except as specified under Site Specific Regulations.
    - B) In streams and rivers (excluding the mainstem of the Mississippi, Ohio, including the Golconda Marina and Wabash Rivers) the daily harvest can contain no more than 3 smallmouth bass.
    - C) In rivers and their tributaries statewide, except for the Mississippi, Ohio, including the Golconda Marina, Wabash and Illinois Rivers, all smallmouth bass must be immediately released between April 1 and June 15.
    - D) There is no statewide size limit.
  - 3) Muskellunge, Northern Pike and Their Hybrids
    - A) All muskellunge and muskellunge hybrids (tiger muskie) taken must be 36" in total length or longer, except as specified under Site Specific Regulations.
    - B) No more than one muskellunge or muskellunge hybrid (tiger muskie) may be taken per day, except as specified under Site Specific Regulations.
    - C) All northern pike taken must be 24" in total length or longer, except in the Mississippi River and Ohio River where there is no size limit.
    - D) No more than 3 northern pike may be taken per day, except as specified under Site Specific Regulations.
  - 4) Crappie (White, Black or Hybrid Crappie)

There are no harvest or size limits except in those waters listed under Site Specific Regulations.

- 5) Bluegill and Redear Sunfish  
There are no harvest or size limits except in those waters listed under Site Specific Regulations.
- 6) Striped Bass (Ocean Rockfish), White Bass, Yellow Bass and Hybrids  
There are no daily harvest limits or minimum size limits for striped bass (ocean rockfish), white bass, yellow bass and their hybrids, which are less than 17" in total length, except in those waters listed under Site Specific Regulations. For those fish 17" in total length or longer, the daily limit is 3 fish, either singly or in the aggregate, except in the Mississippi River between Illinois and Missouri where there is a 30 fish daily harvest limit for all striped, white, yellow or hybrid striped bass. In the Mississippi River between Illinois and Iowa, there is a 25 fish daily harvest on striped bass, white bass, yellow bass and their hybrids, either singly or in the aggregate.
- 7) Trout and Salmon  
Daily harvest limit is 5 trout or salmon, either singly or in the aggregate.
- 8) Walleye, Sauger or their Hybrid
  - A) All walleye, sauger, or their hybrid (saugeye) taken must be 14" in total length or longer, except in the Mississippi River, Ohio River, Wabash River, or as specified under Site Specific Regulations.
  - B) Daily harvest limit is 6 walleye, sauger or their hybrid, either singly or in the aggregate, except in those waters listed under Site Specific Regulations.
- 9) Paddlefish  
Daily harvest limit is 2 paddlefish.
- 10) Injurious Species  
For injurious species, as described in 17 Ill. Adm. Code 805, there are no harvest or size limits. Possession of live specimens, progeny thereof, viable eggs, or gametes is prohibited.

(Source: Amended at 40 Ill. Reg. 6000, effective March 25, 2016)

### **Section 810.37 Definitions for Site Specific Sportfishing Regulations**

- a) Site Specific Regulations are listed by water area affected. The coverage of the regulation is dictated by the extent of the water area listed and not by the county. In some cases, regulations for a given water area or site may extend beyond the counties listed. The counties listed refer to the location of the dam or outfall for impoundments or mouths of small streams. Since large rivers or streams usually flow through many counties, the term "Multiple" is used rather than listing all counties where the large stream or river flows.
- b) The following subsections are referred to by number in Section 810.45. Each water area listed in Section 810.45 has numbers in parentheses that explain all of the restrictions or special provisions in this Section that apply to that water area.
  - 1) Anglers must not use more than 2 poles and each pole must not have more than 2 hooks or lures attached (Alabama rigs not allowed) while fishing, except that legal size cast nets (in accordance with Section 810.50(a)(1)), shad scoops, and minnow seines may be used to obtain shad, minnows and crayfish to use as bait, provided that they are not sold, and except that bullfrogs may be taken by hand, gig, pitchfork, spear, landing net and hook and line during bullfrog season.
  - 2) All jugs set in a body of water shall be under the immediate supervision of the fisherman. Immediate supervision shall be defined as the fisherman being on the water where the jugs are set and readily available to identify jugs to law enforcement officers.
  - 3) All largemouth and smallmouth bass taken must be less than 12" in total length or greater than or equal to 15" in total length.
  - 4) Sport fishermen shall be allowed to use trotlines, jugs, and by hand, except that anglers may not submerge any pole or similar object to take or locate any fish and the use and aid of underwater breathing devices is prohibited. West of Wolf Creek Road, fishing from boats is permitted all year. Trotlines/jugs must be removed from sunrise until sunset from Memorial Day through Labor Day. East of Wolf Creek Road, fishing from boats is permitted from March 15 through September 30. Fishing from the bank is permitted all year only at the Wolf Creek and Route 148 causeways. On the entire lake, jugs and trotlines must be checked daily and must be removed on the last day they are used. It is illegal to use stakes to anchor any trotlines; they must be anchored only with portable weights and must be removed on the last day they are used. The taking of carp, carpsuckers, shad, drum, buffalo, gar, bowfin and suckers with spear, gig, bow and arrow or archery device is permissible.
  - 5) Sport fishermen may take carp, carpsuckers, buffalo, gar, bowfin and

suckers by pitchfork, gigs, bow and arrow or bow and arrow devices.

- 6) Sport fishing is allowed in the Fox River south of the Illinois-Wisconsin line to the Algonquin Dam and the Nippersink Creek upstream to the Wilmot Road Bridge.
- 7) Sport fishermen may take carp, buffalo, suckers and gar by bow and arrow or bow and arrow devices, gigs or spears during May and June.
- 8) Daily harvest limit includes striped bass, white bass, yellow bass and hybrid striped bass either singly or in the aggregate.
- 9) Catch and Release Fishing Only means that fish (all or identified species) caught must be immediately released alive and in good condition back into the water from which they came.
- 10) It shall be illegal to possess trout during the period of October 1 to 5 a.m. on the third Saturday in October (both dates inclusive) that were caught during that period.
- 11) It shall be illegal to possess trout during the period of March 15 to 5 a.m. on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday in April (both dates inclusive) that were caught during that period.
- 12) Daily harvest limit for largemouth or smallmouth bass, singly or in the aggregate, shall not exceed 6 fish per day, no more than one of which shall be greater than or equal to 15" in length and none of which shall be greater than or equal to 12" and less than or equal to 15" in length.
- 13) Jug fishing is permitted from the hours of sunset to sunrise and carp and buffalo may be taken by bow and arrow devices from May 1 through September 30. All jugs must have owner's/user's name and complete address affixed.
- 14) Daily harvest limit includes all fish species (either singly or in the aggregate) caught within each of the following fish groupings.
  - A) Largemouth or smallmouth bass
  - B) Walleye, sauger, or their hybrid
  - C) Bluegill, redear sunfish or pumpkinseed
  - D) Channel or blue catfish

- 15) Daily harvest limit includes white, black or hybrid crappie either singly or in the aggregate.
- 16) Daily harvest limit includes striped bass, white bass and hybrid striped bass either singly or in the aggregate.
- 17) Daily harvest limit shall not exceed 10 fish, no more than 3 of which may be greater than or equal to 17" total in length.
- 18) Clinton Lake – Sport fishermen shall be allowed to use trotlines, jugs and bank poles in the portions of the lake that lie north of the Route 54 Railroad Bridge and northeast of the Route 48 Bridge. Sport fishermen may take carp, carpsuckers and buffalo by bow and arrow, bow and arrow devices, gigs and spears on the entire lake, but not within 150 feet of any boat ramp, dock, beach or other developed recreation areas. All jugs and trotlines set in a body of water shall be under the immediate supervision of the angler.
- 19) It shall be unlawful to enter upon a designated duck hunting area between sunset of the Sunday immediately preceding opening day of regular duck season through the day before regular duck season and Canada goose season as posted at the site, or to fish on such areas during the regular duck season except in areas posted as open to fishing. It shall be unlawful to enter upon areas designated as waterfowl rest areas or refuges from two weeks prior to the start of the regular duck season through the end of duck and Canada goose season.
- 20) Carlyle Lake (including its tributary streams and those portions of the Kaskaskia River and Hurricane Creek up to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Carlyle Lake Project boundaries), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Bond, Clinton and Fayette Counties. Does not include the tailwaters. Sport fishermen may not use a minnow seine, cast net or shad scoop for bait collecting between U.S. Route 50 and the Carlyle Lake dam and spillway.
- 21) Lake Shelbyville (including its tributary streams and those portions of the West Okaw and Kaskaskia Rivers up to Lake Shelbyville Project boundaries – including parts of the Lake Shelbyville Fish and Wildlife Management Area), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Shelby and Moultrie Counties. Does not include the tailwater except for the 48" total length and live bait rig requirement for muskellunge (see subsections (b)(40) and (43)).

- 22) Rend Lake (including its tributary streams and those portions of the Big Muddy and Casey Fork Rivers up to the Rend Lake Project boundaries), Rend Lake Project Ponds, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Franklin and Jefferson Counties. Does not include tailwaters. Sport fishermen may not use a minnow seine, cast net, or shad scoop for bait collecting within 1,000 yards downstream of the Rend Lake Dam and Spillway.
- 23) Daily harvest limit for black, white or hybrid crappies, singly or in the aggregate, shall not exceed 20 fish, no more than 10 of which may be less than 10" in total length and no more than 10 of which may be greater than or equal to 10" in total length.
- 24) 15" minimum length limit for walleye with no possession of walleye greater than or equal to 20" and less than 27" in total length – protected slot limit.
- 25) Daily harvest limit for largemouth or smallmouth bass, singly or in the aggregate, shall not exceed 3 fish, no more than one of which may be greater than or equal to 15" in total length and no more than 2 of which may be less than 15" in total length.
- 26) Lake Vermilion – Trotline and jug fishing allowed north of Boiling Springs Road.
- 27) Bank fishing is prohibited. Boat fishing is permitted May 1 through August 31 during the hours of 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. See site for additional regulations and exact opening and closing dates.
- 28) Trotlines may be set within 300 feet from shore.
- 29) Carp, buffalo, suckers and carpsuckers may be taken by means of pitchfork and gigs (no bow and arrow devices).
- 30) Fishing is permitted from March 15 through September 30, both dates inclusive, from sunrise to sunset. Fishing during all other times of the year is illegal and not permitted.
- 31) Daily harvest limit for largemouth or smallmouth bass, singly or in the aggregate, shall not exceed 3 fish per day, no more than one of which may be greater than or equal to 15" in total length and no more than 2 of which may be less than 12" in total length.
- 32) Daily harvest limit of striped bass, white bass, yellow bass and hybrid striped bass, singly or in the aggregate, shall not exceed 4 fish per day that

must be greater than or equal to 15" in length.

- 33) It shall be unlawful to trespass upon a designated waterfowl hunting area during the 7 days prior to the regular duck season, or to fish on such areas during the regular duck and Canada goose season except in areas posted as open to fishing. It shall be unlawful to trespass upon areas designated as waterfowl rest areas or refuges from 2 weeks prior to the start of the regular duck season through the end of duck and Canada goose season.
- 34) Sport fishermen may harvest carp, buffalo, suckers and gar by bow and arrow or bow and arrow devices, gigs or spears from May 1 through August 31.
- 35) 14" minimum length limit for walleye, sauger or hybrid walleye, either singly or in the aggregate, with no possession of fish greater than or equal to 18" and less than 24" in total length. There is a 4 fish daily harvest limit of which only one can be greater than or equal to 24" in total length.
- 36) Sport fishermen may not use a minnow seine, minnow trap, cast net or shad scoop for bait collecting in the following water areas:
  - Charleston Lower Channel Lake tailwaters from that portion of the Embarras River from the Charleston Lower Channel Lake Dam downstream to the Route 130 Bridge.
  - Clinton Lake tailwaters from that portion of Salt Creek from the Clinton Dam downstream to the Route 10 Bridge
  - Cook County Forest Preserve District Waters (except in the Des Plaines River)
  - Lake Decatur tailwaters from that portion of the Sangamon River from the Lake Decatur Dam downstream to the Route 48 Bridge.
- 37) Daily harvest limit for smallmouth bass shall not exceed 3 fish, no more than one of which may be greater than or equal to 18" in total length and 2 may be less than 12" in total length.
- 38) Daily harvest limit for largemouth and smallmouth bass, either singly or in the aggregate, shall not exceed 6 fish per day, no more than one of which may be greater than or equal to 18" in total length and 5 may be less than 14".
- 39) Powerton Lake shall be closed to boat traffic, except for legal waterfowl

hunters, from one week prior to regular waterfowl season to February 15, and closed to all unauthorized entry during the regular goose and duck season.

- 40) The 48 inch total length limit on pure muskellunge applies to that body of water listed as well as any tailwaters as defined below:

Evergreen Lake (McLean County) – including the portion of Six Mile Creek below the Evergreen Lake Dam downstream to its confluence with the Mackinaw River.

Fox Chain O' Lakes (Lake/McHenry Counties) – including the Fox River south of the Wisconsin-Illinois boundary to the Algonquin Dam and the Nippersink Creek upstream to the Wilmot Road Bridge.

Kinkaid Lake (Jackson County) – including the portion of Kinkaid Creek below the Kinkaid Lake Dam downstream to the Route 149 Bridge.

Lake Shelbyville (Moultrie/Shelby Counties) – including the portion of the Kaskaskia River below the Lake Shelbyville Dam downstream to the State Route 128 Road Bridge near Cowden.

Otter Lake (Macoupin County) – including the portion of Otter Creek below Otter Lake Dam downstream to its confluence with East Otter Creek.

Pierce Lake (Winnebago County) – including the portion of Willow Creek below the Pierce Lake Dam downstream to Forest Hills Road.

Spring Lakes (North and South) (Tazewell County) – no tailwaters.

- 41) It shall be unlawful to enter upon areas designated as waterfowl hunting areas during the 10 days prior to the start of the regular duck season, or to fish on such areas during the regular duck season except in areas posted as open to fishing. It shall be unlawful to enter upon areas designated as waterfowl rest areas or refuges from 10 days prior to the start of the regular duck season through the end of duck and Canada goose season.
- 42) During duck season, walk-in only access for fishing from the bank is permitted after 1:00 p.m.
- 43) When using live bait, all live bait in excess of 8" in total length shall be rigged with a quick set rig. The hook shall be immediately set upon the strike. A quick set rig is defined as follows: a live bait rig with up to 2

treble hooks attached anywhere on the live bait; single hooks are prohibited. This subsection (b)(43) does not apply to trotlines, jug lines, etc., if allowed on the lake.

- 44) Sport fishermen may take carp from boat by bow and arrow and bow and arrow devices, but not within 150 feet of any developed recreation areas.
- 45) Sport fishermen may take carp, buffalo, suckers and gar by bow and arrow devices, gigs or spears (except during waterfowl season) but not within 200 yards of any developed recreational areas.
- 46) Daily harvest limit for largemouth and smallmouth bass, either singly or in the aggregate, shall not exceed 3 fish, no more than 1 of which may be greater than or equal to 18" in total length and 2 may be less than 12" in total length.
- 47) 14" minimum length limit for walleye, sauger or hybrid walleye, either singly or in the aggregate, with no possession of fish greater than or equal to 18" or less than 26" in total length. There is a 3 fish daily harvest limit of which only 1 fish can be greater than or equal to 26" in total length.
- 48) Sport fishermen may take carp, buffalo, suckers and gar by bow and arrow or bow and arrow devices, gigs or spears, except when closed under site regulations (17 Ill. Adm. Code 110) and posted on site.
- 49) Length limit regulation exemptions for fishing tournaments may be allowed for any fish species found in water body.
- 50) Daily harvest limit for largemouth or smallmouth bass, singly or in the aggregate, shall not exceed 3 fish daily, no more than one of which may be greater than or equal to 18" in total length and no more than 2 of which may be less than 14" in total length.
- 51) Lake Decatur, (including all boundaries within the City of Decatur) from the dam to the Sangamon River at Macon County Highway 25 (North Oakley Road) and the area west of Baltimore Ave. Does not include the tailwater.

(Source: Amended at 40 Ill. Reg. 6000, effective March 25, 2016)

### **Section 810.45 Site Specific Water Area Regulations**

Fishing regulations, including species of fish, fishing methods and Daily Harvest Limits are listed for each water area. The numbers in parenthesis refer to the corresponding numbered

definitions in Section 810.37. If a water area is not listed or if a specific species is not listed, then statewide restrictions apply. Check the bulletin boards and regulation signs at the specific site for any emergency changes to regulations.

**Altamont Reservoir**, City of Altamont  
Effingham County

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Anderson Lake Fish and Wildlife Area** (33)  
Fulton County

**Andover Lake**, City of Andover  
Henry County

All Fish  
Channel Catfish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Anna City Lake**, City of Anna  
Union County

All Fish  
Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)  
  
Channel Catfish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 8" Minimum Length Limit
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Apple River** (within Apple River Canyon State Park and Satellite Boundaries), State of Illinois  
Jo Daviess County

All Fish  
Smallmouth Bass  
Trout

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Catch and Release Fishing Only (9)
- Spring Closed Season (11). No harvest with Hook and Line Fishing. Catch and Release Fishing permitted. (9)
- Fall Closed Season (10) No harvest with Hook and Line Fishing; Catch and Release Fishing permitted. (9)

**Argyle Lake**, Argyle Lake State Park  
McDonough County

Recreational Use Restrictions

All Fish  
Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)

- All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

- Channel Catfish
- Hybrid Walleye
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- Trout
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 1 Fish ≥ 15" and/or 5 fish < 12" (12)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Fall Closed Season (10)
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 9" Minimum Length Limit

**Arrowhead Heights Lake, Village of Camp Point**

Adams County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Arrowhead Lake, City of Johnston City**

Williamson County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Protected Slot Length Limit With 1 Fish greater than or equal to 15" and/or 2 Fish less than 12" Daily Harvest (31)
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Ashland City Old Reservoir, City of Ashland**

Morgan County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Ashland City Reservoir, City of Ashland**

Morgan County

- All Fish
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
- Channel Catfish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Auburn Park Lagoon, Chicago Park District**

Cook County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 4 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Axehead Lake, Cook County Forest Preserve**

Cook County

- All Fish
- Bluegill, Redear, or Pumpkinseed
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (36)
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

- Sunfish (14)
  - Large or Smallmouth Bass
  - Trout
  - White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
  - Fall Closed Season (10)
  - Spring Closed Season (11)
  - 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Bakers Lake, City of Peru**

LaSalle County

- All Fish
  - Channel Catfish
  - Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 14" Minimum Length Limit
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Baldwin Lake, Baldwin Lake Conservation Area**

Randolph County

- All Fish
  - Large or Smallmouth Bass
  - Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16)
  - White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
  - 18" Minimum Length Limit
  - 17" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 9" Minimum Length Limit

**Banana Lake, Lake County Forest Preserve District**

Lake County

- All Fish
  - Channel Catfish
  - Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - Trout
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - Fall Closed Season (10)
  - Spring Closed Season (11)

**Banner Marsh Lake & Ponds, Banner Marsh State Fish and Wildlife Area (33)**

Peoria/Fulton Counties

- Recreational Use Restrictions
  - All Fish
  - Channel Catfish
  - Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - Pure Muskellunge
  - White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (34)
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - Protected Slot Length Limit with one Fish greater than or equal to 18" and/or 2 Fish less than 12" (46)
  - 42" Minimum Length Limit
  - 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

- 9" Minimum Length Limit

**Bass Lake, DuPage County Forest Preserve District**  
DuPage County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 12" Minimum Length Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 9" Minimum Length Limit
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Batchtown Wildlife Management Area (19)**  
Calhoun County

**Baumann Park Lake, City of Cherry Valley**  
Winnebago County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Beall Woods Lake, Beall Woods Conservation Area**  
Wabash County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- Trout • Spring Closed Season (11)
- Fall Closed Season (10)

**Beaver Dam Lake, Beaver Dam State Park**  
Macoupin County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- Trout • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • Fall Closed Season (10)
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 9" Minimum Length Limit

**Beck Lake, Cook County Forest Preserve District**  
Cook County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (36)

- Bluegill, Redear, or Pumpkinseed Sunfish (14) • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit
- Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye • 18" Minimum Length Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Belk Park Pond**, City of Wood River

Madison County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Belleau Lake**, Cook County Forest Preserve District

Cook County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (36)
- Bluegill, Redear, or Pumpkinseed Sunfish (14) • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit
- Trout • Fall Closed Season (10)
- Spring Closed Season (11)
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Belvidere Ponds**, City of Belvidere

Boone County

- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Bevier Lagoon**, Waukegan Park District

Lake County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Bird Park Quarry**, City of Kankakee

Kankakee County

- Trout • Fall Closed Season (10)
- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Bloomington Park District Lakes** (Anglers Lake, Holiday Lake, Miller Park Lake, Tipton Lake and White Oaks Lake), City of Bloomington

McLean County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit

- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Blue Pond**, Boone County Conservation District

Boone County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Borah Lake**, City of Olney

Richland County

All Fish

Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)

Channel Catfish

Large or Smallmouth Bass

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Boston Pond**, Stephen A. Forbes State Park

Marion County

Trout

- Fall Closed Season (10)
- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Bowen Lake**, City of Washington

Tazewell County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Protected Slot Length Limit with no possession of Fish less than 15" or greater than or equal to 12" (3)
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Boyd-Wesley Park Pond**, Village of Towanda

McLean County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Braidwood Lake**, Braidwood State Fish and Wildlife Area (41)

Will County

Recreational Use Restrictions

- Braidwood Lake is closed to all fishing and boat traffic, except for legal waterfowl hunters, from 10 days prior to duck season through the day before duck season and is

- closed to all fishing during waterfowl season commencing with regular duck season through the close of the Canada goose and regular duck season
- All Fish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- Striped, White or Hybrid Striped Bass (16)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest with no more than 3 Fish > 17" (17)

**Breese JC's Park Pond, City of Breese**  
Clinton County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Buckner City Reservoir, City of Buckner**  
Franklin County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Buffalo Prairie Pheasant Habitat Area Lakes and Ponds** (Buffalo Lake South, Buffalo Lake North, Buffalo Pond Northwest, Buffalo Wetland) State of Illinois

Knox County

- Recreational Use Restrictions
- All Fish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
- Buffalo Prairie Pheasant Habitat Area is closed to all fishing during the northern zone upland hunting season
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 1 Fish ≥ 15" and/or 2 Fish < 15" Daily Harvest Limit (25)
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Bullfrog Lake, Cook County Forest Preserve District**  
Cook County

- All Fish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- Bluegill, Redear, or Pumpkinseed Sunfish (14)
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (36)
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Bunker Hill Lake, City of Bunker Hill**

## Macoupin County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Burning Star 5 State Fish and Wildlife Area – All lakes and ponds**

## Jackson County

Recreation Use Restrictions

- Waterfowl Refuge or Hunting Area (all use other than waterfowl hunting from November 1 through the last day in February)

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- Protected Slot Length Limit with 1 Fish greater than or equal to 18" and 5 Fish less than 14" (38)

Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)

- 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)

- 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Burrells Wood Park Pond**

## White County

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Busse Lake, Cook County Forest Preserve**

## Cook County

Recreational Use Restrictions

- All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (36)

Bluegill, Redear, or Pumpkinseed Sunfish (14)

- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass

- 14" Minimum Length Limit

Trout

- Fall Closed Season (10)

Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye

- 18" Minimum Length Limit

White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)

- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Cache River State Natural Area**

## Pulaski/Johnson Counties

Recreational Use Restrictions

- Waterfowl Refuge or Hunting Area; no fishing in Nature Preserves – Section 8 Woods, Heron Pond/Little Black Slough

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)

- No Seines

**Calhoun Point Wildlife Management Area (19)**

## Calhoun County

**Calumet River**

Cook County

Yellow Perch

- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Closed May 1 through June 15

**Campbell Pond Wildlife Management Area (19)**

Jackson County

**Campus Lake – Southern Illinois University, State of Illinois**

Jackson County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Campus Pond – Eastern Illinois University, State of Illinois**

Coles County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Trout

- Fall Closed Season (10)
- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Canton Lake, City of Canton**

Fulton County

Recreational Use Restrictions

- All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel or Blue Catfish (14)

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 15" Minimum Length Limit

- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Pure Muskellunge

- 42" Minimum Length Limit

**Carbondale City Reservoir, City of Carbondale**

Jackson County

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 15" Minimum Length Limit

- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Carlinville Lake #1, City of Carlinville**

Macoupin County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Carlinville Lake #2, City of Carlinville**

Macoupin County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Carlton Silt Basin**, State of Illinois

Whiteside County

- All Fish
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 8" Minimum Length Limit
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Catch and Release Fishing Only (9)

**Carlyle Lake**, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (20) (33)

Clinton/Bond/Fayette Counties

- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 10" Minimum Length Limit

**Carthage Lake**, City of Carthage

Hancock County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Casey Park Pond**, City of Casey

Clark County

- All Fish
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit of which only 5 fish  $\geq$  8"
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Casters Pond**, Boone County Conservation District

Boone County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Cedar Lake and Little Cedar Lake**, U.S. Forest Service and City of Carbondale

Jackson County

- All Fish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Protected Slot Length Limit with 1 Fish greater than or equal to 18" and 5 Fish less than 14" (38)

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16) • 17" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Centennial Park Pond**, Coloma Township Park District

Whiteside County

- Trout • Fall Closed Season (10)
- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Centralia Foundation Park Catfish Pond**, Centralia Park Foundation

Marion County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Centralia Lake**, City of Centralia

Marion County

- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Cermack Quarry**, Cook County Forest Preserve District

Cook County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (36)
- Bluegill, Redear, or Pumpkinseed • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Sunfish (14)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Champaign Park District Lakes** (Kaufman Lake, Heritage Lake, Porter Lake and Mattis Lake),

Champaign Park District

Champaign County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Charleston Lower Channel Lake**, City of Charleston

Coles County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5) (36)

**Charleston Side Channel Lake**, City of Charleston

Coles County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit
- Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass • 17" Minimum Length Limit
- (16) • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- White, Black or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit for Fish < 10"; 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit for Fish ≥ 10" (23)

**Charlie Brown Lake & Pond, City of Flora**

Clay County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Charter Oak North – Peoria Park District Lake, Peoria Park District**

Peoria County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Charter Oak South – Peoria Park District Pond, Peoria Park District**

Peoria County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Chautauqua Lake North and South Pools, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service**

Mason County

- Recreational Use Restrictions • Lake Chautauqua North and South Pools will be closed to boat fishing from October 6 through January 31
- Bank fishing will be allowed in selected areas only
- Ice fishing will be allowed following the February 1 reopening
- Largemouth Bass • 12" Minimum Length Limit

**Chenoa City Lake, City of Chenoa**

McLean County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Chicago River** (including its North Branch, South Branch, and the North Shore Channel)

Cook County

Yellow Perch

- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Closed May 1 through June 15

**Christopher Old City Lake**, City of Christopher

Franklin County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Citizen's Lake**, City of Monmouth

Warren County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)

- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- Protected Slot Limit with 1 Fish greater than or equal to 15" and/or 5 Fish less than 12"

Trout

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Fall Closed Season (10)

**Clear Lake**, Kickapoo State Park

Vermilion County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)

- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 1 Fish  $\geq$  15" and 2 Fish  $<$  15" (25)

Trout

- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Fall Closed Season (10)
- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Clinton Lake**, Clinton Lake State Recreation Area

DeWitt County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (2) (18) (36)

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 16" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16)

- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit, with no more than 3 Fish  $\geq$  17" (17)

- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
  - 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 9" Minimum Length Limit

**Coffeen Lake, Coffeen Lake State Fish and Wildlife Area**

Montgomery County

- Channel Catfish
  - All jugs must be attended at all times while fishing (2)
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie
  - 10" Minimum Length Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
  - 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Coles County Airport Lake, Coles County Airport**

Coles County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
  - Protected Slot Length Limit with only 1 Fish greater than or equal to 18" and 2 Fish less than 14"
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit (50)

**Columbus Park Lagoon, Chicago Park District**

Cook County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
  - 4 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Commissioners Park Pond, Alsip Park District**

Cook County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Conservation World Ponds, Illinois State Fairgrounds**

Sangamon County

Fishing by special permit only for senior groups, children's groups or group guests of the Director. Apply for permit by writing to: Department of Natural Resources, Division of Fisheries, One Natural Resources Way, Springfield IL 62702

**Cook Co. Forest Preserve District Lakes, Cook County Forest Preserve District**

Cook County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (36)
- Bluegill, Redear, or Pumpkinseed
  - 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Sunfish (14)
  - 14" Minimum Length Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
  - 14" Minimum Length Limit

- Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Coulterville City Lake, City of Coulterville**  
 Randolph County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge – Crab Orchard Lake, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service**

Williamson County

- All Fish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (4)
- 16" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge – Devil's Kitchen Lake, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service**

Williamson County

- All Fish
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 8" Minimum Length Limit
- 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge – Little Grassy Lake, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service**

Williamson County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass(14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Protected Slot Length Limit with no possession of Fish less than 15" and greater than or equal to 12" (3)
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge – Visitors Pond**

Williamson County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge – Restricted Use Area Ponds (30), except Visitor Pond, and Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge – All Other Ponds, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service**

Williamson County

- All Fish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 16" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Crawford County State Fish and Wildlife Area – Picnic Pond, Crawford County**

Conservation Area

Crawford County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- Trout
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- Fall Closed Season (10)

**Crawford County State Fish and Wildlife Area Ponds, Crawford County**

Conservation Area

Crawford County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Crull Impoundment Wildlife Management Area (33)**

Jersey County

**Crystal Lake, Urbana Park District**

Champaign County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Cypress Creek National Wildlife Refuge – All Ponds, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service**

Johnson/Pulaski/Union Counties

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Cypress Creek National Wildlife Refuge – Cache River**

Fish and Wildlife Service

Johnson/Pulaski Counties

- All Fish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- No Seines

**Dawson Lake & Park Ponds, Moraine View State Park**

McLean County

- All Fish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (44)

- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
  - 20 Fish, singly or in the aggregate, Daily Harvest Limit with no more than 5 Fish  $\geq$  8"
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - 1 Fish  $\geq$  15" and 2 Fish < 15" (25)
- Walleye, Sauger or Hybrid Walleye
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit with no more than 1 Fish  $\geq$  20"
- White, Black or Hybrid Crappie (15)
  - 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Decatur Park District Pond**

Macon County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit (except for Fairview Park – Dreamland Pond, which has a 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit)
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
  - 14" Minimum Length Limit
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Deep Quarry Lake, DuPage County Forest Preserve District**

DuPage County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 12" Minimum Length Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - 18" Minimum Length Limit
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye (14)
  - 16" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
  - 9" Minimum Length Limit
  - 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Defiance Lake, Moraine Hills State Park**

McHenry County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - 14" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Des Plaines River Basin** (former Hoffman Dam site to 47<sup>th</sup> Street Bridge, including tributaries)

Cook County

- Channel Catfish
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

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|---|-------------------------------|
| Large or Smallmouth Bass                | • Catch and Release Only (9)  |
| Northern Pike                           | • 30" Minimum Length Limit    |
|   | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit  |
| White, Black or Hybrid Crappie (15)     | • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit |
| Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye (14) | • 18" Minimum Length Limit    |
|   | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit  |

**Diamond Lake**, City of Mundelein

Lake County

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|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                      | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish               | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) | • 15" Minimum Length Limit         |
|                               | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

**Dieterich Park Pond**, City of Dieterich

Effingham County

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| All Fish                      | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish               | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) | • 15" Minimum Length Limit         |
|                               | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

**Dolan Lake**, Hamilton County Conservation Area

Hamilton County

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|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                        | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish                 | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) | • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit      |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)   | • 18" Minimum Length Limit         |
|                                 | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

**Donnelley State Wildlife Area** (33)

Bureau County

**Double "T" State Fish and Wildlife Area**, State of Illinois

Fulton County

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| Recreational Use Restrictions   | • Waterfowl Refuge or Hunting Area (all use other than waterfowl hunting is prohibited from October 1 through the end of the central zone Canada goose season) |
|                                 | • All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)  |
| All Fish                        | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)   |
| Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) | • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit  |
| Channel or Blue Catfish         | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit   |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)   | • 21" Minimum Length Limit   |

- Pure Muskellunge
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 42" Minimum Length Limit
- 10" Minimum Length Limit
- 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Douglas Park Lagoon**, Chicago Park District  
Cook County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 4 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**DuPage County Forest Preserve District Lakes and Ponds** (excluding Bass Lake, Deep Quarry Lake, and Grove Lake), DuPage County Forest Preserve District

DuPage County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye (14)
- White, Black or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 12" Minimum Length Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 16" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 9" Minimum Length Limit
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**DuPage River – West Branch** (between the former dam sites located in the McDowell Grove Forest Preserve and the Warrenville Grove Forest Preserve)

DuPage County

- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- Catch and Release Fishing Only (9)

**DuQuoin City Lake**, City of DuQuoin

Perry County

- Channel Catfish
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 14"-18" Protected Slot Length Limit with only 1 Fish greater than or equal to 18 inches and 5 Fish less than 14 inches (38)

- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**East Fork Lake**, City of Olney

Richland County

- All Fish
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

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| Channel Catfish                      | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit  |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass             | • 15" Minimum Length Limit    |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) | • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit |

**Eldon Hazlet State Park** (See Also Carlyle Lake)  
Clinton County

**Elliott Lake**, Wheaton Park District  
DuPage County

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| All Fish                      | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish               | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) | • 15" Minimum Length Limit         |

**Emiquon Preserve – Thompson Lake**  
Fulton County

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| All Fish   | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish  | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Black, White, or Hybrid Crappie (15)   | • 9" Minimum Length Limit          |
|  | • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit      |
| Bluegill, Redear, Pumpkin Seed, Green,<br>or Orange Spotted Sunfish and Hybrid<br>Sunfish (14) | • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit      |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)  | • 18" Minimum Length Limit         |
|  | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye (14)  | • 14" Minimum Length Limit         |
|  | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

**Evergreen Lake**, City of Bloomington  
McLean County

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| Recreational Use Restrictions        | • All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43) |
| All Fish                             | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)                        |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass             | • 15" Minimum Length Limit                                    |
|                                      | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit                                  |
| Pure Muskellunge                     | • 48" Minimum Length Limit (40)                               |
| Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye   | • 18" Minimum Length Limit                                    |
|                                      | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit                                  |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) | • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit                                 |

**Fairgrounds Pond** – Fort Massac State Park, State of Illinois  
Massac County

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| Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass | • 18" Minimum Length Limit   |
|                                | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit |

Trout

- Fall Closed Season (10)
- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Fairview Park – Dreamland Pond**, Decatur Park District

Macon County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Ferne Clyffe Lake**, Ferne Clyffe State Park

Johnson County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

Trout

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Fall Closed Season (10)
- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Flatfoot Lake**, Cook County Forest Preserve District

Cook County

All Fish

Bluegill, Redear, or Pumpkinseed  
Sunfish (14)

Channel Catfish

Large or Smallmouth Bass

White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (36)
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Fletcher Park Pond**, City of Mt. Zion

Macon County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 5 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Foli Park Pond**, Village of Plano

Kendall County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Forbes State Lake**, Stephen A. Forbes State Park (including Forbes State Lake tailwaters and that portion of Lost Fork Creek within Stephen A. Forbes State Park)

Marion County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - Protected Slot Length Limit; 14-18 inches
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16)
  - 17" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Forbes State Park Ponds, Stephen A. Forbes State Park**

Marion County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Forest Park Lagoon, City of Shelbyville**

Shelby County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Trout
  - Fall Closed Season (10)
  - Spring Closed Season (11)

**Four Lakes, Winnebago County Forest Preserve**

Winnebago County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - 14" Minimum Length Limit
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Trout
  - Spring Closed Season (11)
  - Fall Closed Season (10)

**Fox Chain O'Lakes** (including the Fox River south of the Wisconsin-Illinois boundary to the Algonquin Dam and the Nippersink Creek upstream to the Wilmot Road Bridge) (6) (Applies to Grass Lake and Nippersink Lake State Managed Blind Areas Only), State of Illinois

Lake and McHenry Counties

- Recreational Use Restrictions
  - All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) on State Park property bordering the Fox River and Grass Lake
- Flathead Catfish
  - 1 Fish ≥ 28" and/or 2 Fish ≤ 28" per day
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 14" Minimum Length Limit (6)
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit of which no more than 3 can be Smallmouth Bass
- Pure Muskellunge
  - 48" Minimum Length Limit (40)

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|---|---|
| Smallmouth Bass                         | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All Fish must be immediately released between April 1 and June 15</li> </ul>   |
| Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye (14) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 14" Minimum Length Limit with a Protected Slot Length Limit with no possession of Fish less than 24" and greater than or equal to 18" (6)</li> <li>• 4 Fish Daily Harvest Limit of which only 1 can be <math>\geq</math> 24" (35)</li> </ul> |

**Fox Ridge State Park** (see also Hurricane Pond, Wilderness Pond and Ridge Lake)  
Coles County

**Fox River**, Algonquin Dam to confluence with the Illinois River, including tributaries, State of Illinois

Multiple Counties

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| Flathead Catfish | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 Fish <math>\geq</math> 28" and/or 2 Fish &lt; 28"</li> </ul>  |
| Smallmouth Bass  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit</li> <li>• 1 Fish <math>\geq</math> 12" and 2 Fish &lt; 12"</li> <li>• 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit</li> </ul> |

**Fox River** (at Moraine Hills State Park and Dam and on Bolger Lock and Dam Properties), State of Illinois

McHenry County

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| All Fish | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) on Moraine Hills State Park and Dam property and on property at the Bolger Lock and Dam along the Fox River</li> </ul> |
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**Fox River Marina**, Lake County Forest Preserve

Lake County

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| All Fish | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only; Bank Fishing Only (in areas designated by Lake County Forest Preserve District)</li> </ul> |
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**Fox Valley Park District Lakes and Ponds** (except Jericho Lake and Lake Gregory), Fox Valley Park District

Kane and DuPage Counties

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| All Fish                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)</li> </ul>                               |
| Channel Catfish               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit</li> </ul>                                     |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15" Minimum Length Limit</li> <li>• 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit</li> </ul> |

**Frank Holten Lakes**, Frank Holten State Park

St. Clair County

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|--------------------------|--|
| All Fish                 | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5) |
| Channel Catfish          | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit           |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass | • 14" Minimum Length Limit             |
| Trout                    | • Fall Closed Season (10)              |
|                          | • Spring Closed Season (11)            |

**Franklin Creek** (within the boundaries of Franklin Creek State Natural Area)

Lee County

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| All Fish | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
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**Franklin Creek Mill Pond** – Franklin Creek State Park, State of Illinois

Lee County

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| All Fish                      | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) | • 15" Minimum Length Limit         |
|                               | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

**Fuller Lake** (19)

Calhoun County

**Fulton County Camping and Recreation Area Waters**, Fulton County Board

Fulton County

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|---------------------------------|---|
| Recreational Use Restrictions   | • All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)   |
| All Fish                        | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)  |
| Channel Catfish                 | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit  |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)   | • Protected Slot Length Limit with no possession of Fish less than 15 inches and greater than or equal to 12 inches (3) |
|                                 | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit  |
| Pure Muskellunge                | • 42" Minimum Length Limit  |
| Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) | • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit   |

**Gages Lake**, Wildwood Park District

Lake County

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|---|------------------------------|
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)           | • 15" Minimum Length Limit   |
|   | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit |
| Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye (14) | • 16" Minimum Length Limit   |
|   | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit |

**Garfield Park Lagoon**, Chicago Park District

Cook County

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| All Fish | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
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Channel Catfish

- 4 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Gebhard Woods Pond**, Gebhard Woods State Park

Grundy County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass

- 15" Minimum Length Limit

Trout

- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Germantown Lake**, City of Germantown

Clinton County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)

- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 18" Minimum Length Limit

- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Giant City Park Ponds**, Giant City State Park

Jackson and Union Counties

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Largemouth and Spotted Bass

- 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Gillespie New City Lake**, City of Gillespie

Macoupin County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- Protected Slot Length Limit with no possession of Fish less than 15" and greater than or equal to 12" (3)

- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Gillespie Old City Lake**, City of Gillespie

Macoupin County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 15" Minimum Length Limit

- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Glades – 12 Mile Island Wildlife Management Area** (19)

Jersey County

**Gladstone Lake**, Henderson County Conservation Area

Henderson County

- All Fish
  - Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
  - Channel or Blue Catfish (14)
  - Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
  - 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 1 Fish  $\geq$  15" and/or 2 Fish  $<$  12"
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Glen Oak Park Lagoon, Peoria Park District**

Peoria County

- All Fish
  - Channel Catfish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Glen Shoals Lake, City of Hillsboro**

Montgomery County

- All Fish
  - Channel Catfish
  - Large or Smallmouth Bass
  - Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 17" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Godar-Diamond/Hurricane Island Wildlife Management Area (19)**

Calhoun County

**Gompers Park Lagoon, Chicago Park District**

Cook County

- All Fish
  - Channel Catfish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
  - 4 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Gordon F. More Park Lake, City of Alton**

Madison County

- All Fish
  - Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
  - Channel Catfish
  - Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
  - 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Governor Bond Lake, City of Greenville**

Bond County

- Channel Catfish
  - Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- All jugs must be attended at all times while fishing (2)
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16) • 17" Minimum Length Limit

White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit  
• 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Grayslake Park District (Grayslake and Park Ponds), City of Grayslake**

Lake County

All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)  
Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit  
Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit  
• 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Green Lake, Cook County Forest Preserve

Cook County

Trout • Fall Closed Season (10)  
• Spring Closed Season (11)

**Greenfield City Lake, City of Greenfield**

Greene County

All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)  
Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit  
Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit  
Large or Smallmouth Bass (12) • 1 Fish  $\geq$  to 15" and/or 5 Fish  $<$  12"  
• 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Greenville Old City Lake, Kingsbury Park District**

Bond County

All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)  
Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit  
Trout • Fall Closed Season (10)  
Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit  
• 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Grove Lake, DuPage County Forest Preserve District**

DuPage County

All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)  
Channel Catfish • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit  
• 12" Minimum Length Limit  
Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 18" Minimum Length Limit  
• 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit  
White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 9" Minimum Length Limit  
• 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Hanover Lake – Apple River Canyon State Park, State of Illinois**

Jo Daviess County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Harrisburg New City Reservoir, City of Harrisburg**

Saline County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16) • 17" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Heidecke Lake, Heidecke Lake State Fish and Wildlife Area**

Grundy County (41)

- Recreational Use Restrictions • Heidecke Lake shall be closed to all fishing and boat traffic except for legal waterfowl hunters from 10 days prior to duck season through the day before duck season and is closed to all fishing during waterfowl season commencing with regular duck season through the close of the Canada goose and regular duck season
- All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Black, White, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • Protected Slot Length Limit with only 1 Fish greater than or equal to 18" and 2 Fish less than 12" (46)
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Pure Muskellunge • 48" Minimum Length Limit
- Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16) • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit with no more than 3 Fish greater than or equal to 17" (17)
- Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye (14) • 16" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Helmbold Slough (19)**

Calhoun County

**Henderson Creek State Fish and Wildlife Area**

Henderson County

Recreational Use Restrictions

- It shall be unlawful to trespass upon a designated waterfowl hunting area during the 7 days prior to regular duck season or to fish on such areas during the regular duck season except in areas posted as open to fishing; it shall be unlawful to trespass upon areas designated as waterfowl rest areas or refuges from 2 weeks prior to the start of the regular duck season through the end of duck and Canada Goose season (33)

**Hennepin Canal – Mainline & Feeder, Hennepin Canal Parkway State Park**

Multiple Counties

All Fish

Large or Smallmouth Bass

Trout

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (13)
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- Fall Closed Season (10)
- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Hennepin-Hopper Lakes, The Wetlands Initiative**

Putnam County

Recreational Use Restrictions

All Fish

Black, White or Hybrid Crappie (15)

Channel Catfish

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

Pure Muskellunge

Walleye, Sauger or Hybrid Walleye (14)

- All live bait greater than 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 9" Minimum Length Limit
- 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 42" Minimum Length Limit
- 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Herrin Lake #1, City of Herrin**

Williamson County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Herrin Lake #2, City of Herrin**

Williamson County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Heyworth Centennial Lake, City of Heyworth**

McLean County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 16" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Hidden Springs State Forest Pond, Hidden Springs State Forest**

Shelby County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Highland Old City Lake, City of Highland**

Madison County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Trout • Fall Closed Season (10)

**Hillsboro Old City Lake, City of Hillsboro**

Montgomery County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • Protected Slot Length Limit with no possession of Fish less than 15" and greater than or equal to 12" (3)
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Homer Guthrie Pond – Eldon Hazlet State Park, State of Illinois**

Clinton County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 18" Minimum Length Limit
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Homer Lake**, Champaign County Forest Preserve District

## Champaign County

- All Fish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Hormel Pond**, Donnelly State Fish and Wildlife Area

## Bureau County

- All Fish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Channel Catfish
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Horseshoe Lake – Alexander Co.**, Horseshoe Lake Conservation Area

## Alexander County

- Recreational Use Restrictions
- Only trolling motors in refuge from October 15-March 1
- All Fish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Channel Catfish
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Horseshoe Lake – Madison County**, Horseshoe Lake State Park (19)

## Madison County

- All Fish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5) (28)
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- White, Black or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Horsetail Lake**, Cook County Forest Preserve District

## Cook County

- All Fish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (36)
- Bluegill, Redear, or Pumpkinseed Sunfish (14)
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- Trout
- Fall Closed Season (10)
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Horton Lake**, Nauvoo State Park

## Hancock County

- All Fish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Trout
- Fall Closed Season (10)

- No harvest with Hook and Line; Catch and Release Fly Fishing is permitted (9)
- Spring Closed Season (11)
- No harvest with Hook and Line; Catch and Release Fly Fishing is permitted (9)

**Humbolt Park Lagoon**, Chicago Park District  
Cook County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 4 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Hurricane Pond**, Fox Ridge State Park  
Coles County

- All Fish
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 5 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Illinois & Michigan Canal**, State of Illinois  
Grundy/LaSalle/ Will Counties

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- Trout
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- Spring Closed Season (11)
- Fall Closed Season (10)

**Illinois Beach State Park Ponds**, Illinois Beach State Park  
Lake County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Illinois Department of Transportation Lake**, State of Illinois  
Sangamon County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- Trout
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- Fall Closed Season (10)
- No harvest with Hook and Line, Fly Fishing is permitted (9)
- Spring Closed Season (11)
- No harvest with Hook and Line, Fly Fishing is permitted (9)

**Illinois River – Pool 26 (19)**

Calhoun County

**Illinois River – Starved Rock Pool**

LaSalle and Grundy Counties

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|-------------------------------------|---|
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 18" Minimum Length Limit</li><li>• 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit</li></ul> |
| White, Black or Hybrid Crappie (15) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit</li></ul>                                   |

**Illinois River – State of Illinois**

Multiple Counties

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|--------------------------|--|
| Large or Smallmouth Bass | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 12" Minimum Length Limit</li></ul> |
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**Indian Boundary South Pond, Frankfort Square Park District**

Will County

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|-----------------|--|
| All Fish        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)</li></ul> |
| Channel Catfish | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit</li></ul>       |

**Iroquois & Kankakee Rivers and their Tributaries, State of Illinois**

Multiple Counties

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|---|--|
| Walleye, Sauger and Hybrid Walleye (14) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 14" Minimum Length Limit</li><li>• Protected Slot Length Limit with no possession of Fish less than 26" and greater than or equal to 18"</li><li>• 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit of which only 1 Fish can be <math>\geq</math> 26" (47)</li></ul> |
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**Island Pond, Boone County Conservation District**

Boone County

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|-------------------------------|---|
| All Fish                      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)</li></ul>                              |
| Channel Catfish               | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit</li></ul>                                    |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 14" Minimum Length Limit</li><li>• 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit</li></ul> |

**Jackson Park (Columbia Basin) Lagoon, Chicago Park District**

Cook County

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|-----------------|--|
| All Fish        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)</li></ul> |
| Channel Catfish | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 4 Fish Daily Harvest Limit</li></ul>       |

**Jericho Lake, Fox Valley Park District**

Kane County

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|-----------------|--|
| All Fish        | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)</li></ul> |
| Channel Catfish | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit</li></ul>       |

- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Black, White, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
  - 9" Minimum Length Limit
  - 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Jim Edgar/Panther Creek Fish and Wildlife Area, All Lakes and Ponds, Jim Edgar/Panther Creek Fish and Wildlife Area**

Cass County

- Recreational Use Restrictions
  - All live bait  $\geq$  8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Pure Muskellunge
  - 48" Minimum Length Limit

**Jim Edgar/Panther Creek Fish and Wildlife Area – Drake Lake, Jim Edgar/Panther Creek Fish and Wildlife Area**

Cass County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
  - 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Jim Edgar/Panther Creek Fish and Wildlife Area – Gridley Road Lake, Jim Edgar/Panther Creek Fish and Wildlife Area**

Cass County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Trout
  - Spring Closed Season (11)  
No harvest with Hook and Line; Catch and Release Fly Fishing permitted (9)
  - Fall Closed Season (10)  
No harvest with Hook and Line; Catch and Release Fly Fishing permitted (9)

**Johnson Sauk Trail Lake & Pond, Johnson Sauk Trail State Park**

Henry County

- Recreational Use Restrictions
  - All live bait  $>$  8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass

- 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Jones Lake Trout Pond, Saline County Conservation Area**

Saline County

Trout

- Fall Closed Season (10)

**Jones Park Lake, City of East St. Louis**

St. Clair County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

Trout

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Fall Closed Season (10)
- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Jones State Lake, Saline County Conservation Area**

Saline County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Protected Slot Length Limit with only 1 Fish greater than or equal to 18" and 5 Fish less than 14" (38)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Jubilee College State Park Pond, Jubilee College State Park**

Peoria County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Kankakee-Iroquois Rivers and their Tributaries, State of Illinois**

Multiple Counties

Walleye, Sauger, and Hybrid Walleye  
(14)

- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- Protected Slot Length Limit with no possession of Fish less than 26" and greater than or equal to 18"
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit of which only 1 Fish can be  $\geq 26$ " (47)

**Kankakee River, from the Kankakee Dam to the Wilmington Dam on the Kankakee River, including tributaries, State of Illinois**

Multiple Counties

Smallmouth Bass

- Protected Slot Length Limit with only 1

Fish greater than or equal to 18" and 2 Fish less than 12"

- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit (37)

**Kaskaskia River Fish and Wildlife Area – Doza Creek Wildlife Management Area (33)**  
St. Clair County

**Kendall Co. Lake #1, Kendall County Forest Preserve District**

Kendall County

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|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                        | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) | • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit      |
| Channel Catfish                 | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)   | • 14" Minimum Length Limit         |
|                                 | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

**Kent Creek**

Winnebago County

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| Trout | • Catch and Release Fishing Only |
|       | • Fly Fishing is permitted (9)   |

**Kickapoo State Park Lakes & Pond, Kickapoo State Park**

Vermilion County

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|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| All Fish                        | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)   |
| Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) | • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit        |
| Channel Catfish                 | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit         |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)   | • 1 Fish ≥ 15" and 2 Fish < 15" (25) |
|                                 | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit         |

**Kincaid City Reservoir, City of Kincaid**

Christian County

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|--------------------------|--|
| All Fish                 | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5) |
| Channel Catfish          | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit           |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass | • 15" Minimum Length Limit             |

**King Park Lagoon, City of Pittsfield**

Pike County

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|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish        | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Trout           | • Spring Closed Season (11)        |

**Kinkaid Lake, Kinkaid Lake State Fish and Wildlife Area**

Jackson County

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|-------------------------------|--|
| Recreational Use Restrictions | • All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a |
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- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - quick set rig (43)
  - 16" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Pure Muskellunge
  - 48" Minimum Length Limit (40)
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
  - 9" Minimum Length Limit
  - 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Kinmundy Reservoir, City of Kinmundy**

Marion County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Kishwaukee River and South Branch of Kishwaukee River and Tributaries, State of Illinois**

Multiple Counties

- Smallmouth Bass
  - 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Lake Atwood, McHenry County Conservation District**

McHenry County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Trout
  - Spring Closed Season (11)

**Lake Bloomington, City of Bloomington**

McLean County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
  - 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16)
  - 17" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
  - 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Lake Carlton, Morrison-Rockwood State Park**

Whiteside County

- Recreational Use Restrictions
  - All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 14" Minimum Length Limit

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|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Pure Muskellunge                     | • 36" Minimum Length Limit    |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) | • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit |

**Lake Chaminwood**, Will County Forest Preserve District

## Will County

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|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                             | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)      | • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit      |
| Channel Catfish                      | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)        | • 18" Minimum Length Limit         |
|                                      | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) | • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit      |

**Lake Co. Forest Preserve District Lakes** (except Independence Grove Lake), Lake County Forest Preserve District

## Lake County

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|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                           | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish                    | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large Smallmouth Bass (14)         | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
|                                    | • 15" Minimum Length Limit         |
| Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye | • 16" Minimum Length Limit         |

**Lake Decatur**, City of Decatur

## Macon County

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|--------------------------------------|--|
| All Fish                             | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (29) (36) |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) | • 10" Minimum Length Limit                   |
|                                      | • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit                |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass             | • 14" Minimum Length Limit                   |

**Lake Depue Fish and Wildlife Area** (33)

## Bureau County

**Lake Eureka**, City of Eureka

## Woodford County

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|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                      | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish               | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) | • 15" Minimum Length Limit         |
|                               | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

**Lake George**, Loud Thunder Forest Preserve

## Rock Island County

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|-------------------------------|---|
| Recreational Use Restrictions | • All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43) |
| All Fish                      | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)                            |
| Channel Catfish               | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit                                  |

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| Large or Smallmouth Bass                       | • 14" Minimum Length Limit    |
| Pure Muskellunge                               | • 36" Minimum Length Limit    |
| Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass<br>(16) | • 17" Minimum Length Limit    |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)           | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit  |
|  | • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit |

**Lake Jacksonville, City of Jacksonville**

## Morgan County

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|--|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                                       | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish                                | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass                       | • 15" Minimum Length Limit         |
| Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass<br>(16) | • 17" Minimum Length Limit         |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)           | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
|  | • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit      |
|  | • 9" Minimum Length Limit          |

**Lake Kakusha, City of Mendota**

## LaSalle County

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|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                             | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish                      | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)        | • 14" Minimum Length Limit         |
|                                      | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) | • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit      |

**Lake Le-Aqua-Na Kids Only Fishing Pond, Lake Le-Aqua-Na State Park**

## Stephenson County

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| Recreational Use Restrictions                | • Only kids under 16 years of age permitted to fish |
| Channel Catfish                              | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit                        |
| Bluegill or Redear Sunfish and Their Hybrids | • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit                       |

**Lake Le-Aqua-Na, Lake Le-Aqua-Na State Park**

## Stephenson County

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|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                             | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish                      | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)        | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
|                                      | • 14" Minimum Length Limit         |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) | • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit      |

**Lake Mendota, City of Mendota**

## LaSalle County

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|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish        | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- Protected Slot Length Limit with only 1 Fish greater than or equal to 15" and/or 2 less than 12" (31)
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Lake Michigan** (Illinois Portion) (49), State of Illinois

Lake/Cook Counties

Trout and Salmon

- 10" Minimum Length Limit
- No more than 5 fish of any one species daily, except for Lake Trout

Lake Trout

- 2 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Yellow Perch

- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- Closed May 1 through June 15

- 21" Minimum Length Limit

- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Lake Whitefish and Round Whitefish

- 12 Fish (in the aggregate) Daily Harvest Limit

**Lake Milliken**, Des Plaines Conservation Area

Will County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass

- Catch and Release Fishing Only

Trout

- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Lake Mingo & Kennekuk Cove Park Ponds**, Vermilion County Conservation Area

Vermilion County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (44)

Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)

- 20 Fish Daily Harvest Limit with no more than 5 Fish  $\geq$  8"

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass

- 1 Fish  $>$  15" and 2 Fish  $<$  15" (25)

Pure Muskellunge

- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)

- 36" Minimum Length Limit (40)

- 9" Minimum Length Limit

- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Lake Murphysboro**, Lake Murphysboro State Park

Jackson County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Lake Nellie**, City of St. Elmo

Fayette County

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| All Fish                      | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5) |
| Channel Catfish               | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit           |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit           |
|                               | • 14" Minimum Length Limit             |

**Lake of the Woods & Elk's Pond**, Champaign County Forest Preserve District

Champaign County

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| Recreational Use Restrictions   | • All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)                    |
| All Fish                        | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)   |
| Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) | • No more than 5 Fish $\geq$ 7" permitted; unlimited Daily Harvest for Fish < 7" |
| Channel Catfish                 | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit   |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)   | • 15" Minimum Length Limit   |
|                                 | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit   |
| Trout                           | • Spring Closed Season (11)  |

**Lake Owen**, Hazel Crest Park District

Cook County

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|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish        | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

**Lake Paradise**, City of Mattoon

Coles County

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|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                 | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish          | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass | • 14" Minimum Length Limit         |

**Lake Sara**, City of Effingham

Effingham County

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| Large or Smallmouth Bass             | • 14" Minimum Length Limit    |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) | • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit |

**Lake Shelbyville** (21), U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Moultrie/Shelby Counties

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| Recreational Use Restrictions | • During the regular waterfowl season, no bank or boat fishing shall be permitted on the Kaskaskia River from the Strickland Boat Access north to the Illinois Central Railroad Bridge from one-half hour before sunrise to 1 p.m. |
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Large or Smallmouth Bass  
Pure Muskellunge  
White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)

- All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 48" Minimum Length Limit (40)
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit with only 5 Fish < 10" and 10 Fish ≥ 10" permitted

**Lake Shelbyville – U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Project Ponds (except Woods Lake), and Lake Shelbyville State Fish and Wildlife Management Area Ponds (33)**

Moultrie/Shelby Counties

All Fish  
Channel Catfish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass  
White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit with only 5 Fish < 10" and 10 Fish ≥ 10" permitted

**Lake Shermerville, Northbrook Park District**  
Cook County

All Fish  
Bluegill and Redear Sunfish (14)  
Channel Catfish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass  
  
White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Lake Sinnissippi (33)**  
Whiteside County

**Lake Springfield, City of Springfield**  
Sangamon County

All Fish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass  
White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 10" Minimum Length Limit

**Lake Storey, City of Galesburg**  
Knox County

Recreational Use Restrictions  
  
All Fish  
Bluegill and Redear Sunfish (14)  
Channel or Blue Catfish (14)  
Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 1 Fish ≥ 15" and/or 5 Fish < 12" Daily Harvest (12)

- Pure Muskellunge
- Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye (14)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 42" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Lake Strini**, Village of Romeoville  
Will County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Trout
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Fall Closed Season (10)

**Lake Sule**, Flagg-Rochelle Park District  
Ogle County

- Recreational Use Restrictions
- All Fish
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- Pure Muskellunge
- White, Black or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 5 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 36" Minimum Length Limit
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Lake Taylorville**, City of Taylorville  
Christian County

- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 9" Minimum Length Limit
- 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Lake Vandalia**, City of Vandalia  
Fayette County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
- Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 17" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Lake Vermilion**, Vermilion County Conservation District  
Vermilion County

- All Fish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (26)  
(except that sport fishermen may take carp, carpsuckers, buffalo, gar, bowfin, and suckers by pitchfork, gigs, bow and arrow)

- Large or Smallmouth Bass  
White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- or bow and arrow devices north of Boiling Springs Road, but not within 300 feet around the wetland boardwalk)
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit for Fish < 10"; 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit for Fish  $\geq$  10" (23)

**Lake Victoria**, City of South Beloit  
Winnebago County

- All Fish  
Channel Catfish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 14" Minimum Length Limit
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Lake Williamsville**, City of Williamsville  
Sangamon County

- All Fish  
Channel Catfish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**LaSalle Lake**, LaSalle Lake State Fish and Wildlife Area  
LaSalle County

- Recreational Use Restrictions
- All Fish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16)
- Waterfowl refuge or hunting area; site regulations apply
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 18" Minimum Length Limit
  - 10 Fish Harvest Limit with no more than 3 Fish  $\geq$  17" Daily Harvest (17)

**Levings Lake**, Rockford Park District  
Winnebago County

- All Fish  
Channel Catfish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 14" Minimum Length Limit
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Lincoln Log Cabin Pond**, Lincoln Log Cabin Historical Site  
Coles County

- All Fish  
Channel Catfish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Lincoln Park North Lagoon**, Chicago Park District

Cook County

All Fish

- Closed to Fishing

**Lincoln Park South Lagoon**, Chicago Park District

Cook County

All Fish

- Closed to Fishing

**Lincoln Trail Lake**, Lincoln Trail State Park

Clark County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Protected Slot Length Limit with 1 Fish greater than or equal to 18" and/or 4 Fish less than 14" (38)
- 4 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Litchfield City Lake**, City of Litchfield

Montgomery County

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit with 1 Fish  $\geq$  15" and 2 Fish  $<$  15" (25)

White, Black or Hybrid Crappie (15)

- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Loami Reservoir**, City of Loami

Sangamon County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

Large or Smallmouth Bass

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Lou Yeager Lake**, City of Litchfield

Montgomery County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Mackinaw Ponds 1 and 2**, Mackinaw State Fish and Wildlife Area

Tazewell County

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Macon County Conservation District Ponds** (see also Rock Springs Pond and Rock Springs Bike Trail Pond), Macon County Conservation District

Macon County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

**Mallard Lake**, DuPage County Forest Preserve District

DuPage County

- Recreational Use Restrictions • All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 12" Minimum Length Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- Pure Muskellunge • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 48" Minimum Length Limit (40)
- Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye (14) • 16" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 9" Minimum Length Limit
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Maple Lake**, Cook County Preserve District

Cook County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (36)
- Bluegill, Redear, or Pumpkinseed • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Sunfish (14)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Marine Heritage Lake**, Village of Marine

Madison County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Marissa City Lake**, City of Marissa

St. Clair County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Marquette Park Lagoon**, Chicago Park District

## Cook County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 4 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Marshall County Conservation Area (Fishing Ditch)**, Marshall County Conservation Area (33)

## Marshall County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

**Marshall County Conservation Area – Sparland Unit** (33)

## Marshall County

**Mascoutah Reservoir**, City of Mascoutah

## St. Clair County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Matthiessen Lake**, Matthiessen State Park

## LaSalle County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Mattoon Lake**, City of Mattoon

## Coles County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Mautino Fish and Wildlife Area**, Mautino Fish and Wildlife Area

## Bureau County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (34)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Mauvaise Terre/Morgan Lake**, City of Jacksonville

## Morgan County

- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- Trout • Fall Closed Season (10)
- No Harvest with Hook and Line. Catch

- and Release Fly Fishing Permitted (9)
- Spring Closed Season (11)
- No Harvest with Hook and Line. Catch and Release Fly Fishing Permitted (9)

**Mazonia Lakes & Ponds (excluding Ponderosa Lake), Mazonia State Fish and Wildlife Area (33)**

Grundy/Kankakee/Will Counties

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- White, Black or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**McCullom Lake, City of McHenry**

McHenry County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**McKinley Park Lagoon, Chicago Park District**

Cook County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 4 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**McLeansboro City Lakes, City of McLeansboro**

Hamilton County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Mechanicsburg Park Pond, City of Mechanicsburg**

Sangamon County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Meredosia Lake – Cass County Portion Only (meandered waters only) (33)**

Cass County

**Meredosia Lake, Cass County Portion**

## Cass County

## Recreational Use Restrictions

- Meandered waters only; All boat traffic is prohibited from operating on meandered waters (except non-motorized boats may be used to assist in the retrieval of waterfowl shot from private land) from the period from one week before waterfowl season opens until the season closes; hunting and/or any other activity is prohibited during the period from one week before waterfowl season opens until the season closes

**Mermet State Lake**, Mermet Lake Conservation Area (33)

## Massac County

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| All Fish                             | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5) |
| Channel Catfish                      | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit           |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass             | • 16" Minimum Length Limit             |
|                                      | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit           |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) | • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit          |

**Middle Fork Forest Preserve Pond**, Champaign County Forest Preserve

## Champaign County

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|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                        | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) | • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit      |
| Channel Catfish                 | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass        | • 14" Minimum Length Limit         |

**Middle Fork of the Vermilion River**, Kickapoo State Park and Middle Fork Fish and Wildlife Area

## Vermilion County

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|----------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
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**Mill Creek Lake**, Clark County Park District

## Clark County

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| Recreational Use Restrictions        | • All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)            |
| All Fish                             | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)                                       |
| Channel Catfish                      | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit   |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)        | • 4 Fish < 15" and 1 fish ≥ 15" daily                                    |
|                                      | • 5 Fish Daily Harvest Limit   |
| Pure Muskellunge                     | • 42" Minimum Length Limit   |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) | • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit, of which only 2 fish can be 12" or longer |

**Mill Pond**, Pearl City Park District

Stephenson County

All Fish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Mill Race Ponds**, Belvidere Park District

Boone County

All Fish  
Channel Catfish  
Trout

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Miller Park Lake**, Bloomington Park District

McLean County

All Fish  
Channel Catfish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)  
  
Trout

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Mineral Springs Park Lagoon**, City of Pekin

Tazewell County

All Fish  
Channel Catfish  
Trout

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Fall Closed Season (10)

**Mississippi River Pools 16, 17, 18, 21, 22, 24** (33)

Multiple Counties

**Mississippi River Pools 25 and 26** (19)

Multiple Counties

**Mississippi River (between IL & IA)**, State of Illinois

Multiple Counties

Recreational Use Restrictions

- Any tagged sport fishing device may not be left unattended for more than 24 hours or must be completely removed
- Maximum treble hook size is 5/0; gaffs may not be used to land paddlefish
- Anglers must not use more than 2 poles and each pole must not have more than 2 hooks or lures while trolling
- 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit singly or in

All Fish

Bluegill or Pumpkinseed Sunfish

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| <p>Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)</p> <p>Northern Pike</p> <p>Paddlefish</p> | <p>the aggregate</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 14" Minimum Length Limit</li> <li>• 5 Fish Daily Harvest Limit</li> <li>• 5 Fish Daily Harvest Limit</li> <li>• Snagging for paddlefish is permitted from ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset daily, March 1 through April 15 within a 500 yard downstream limit below locks and dams on the Mississippi River between Illinois and Iowa; Daily Harvest Limit is 2 fish; the maximum length limit for paddlefish taken from the Mississippi River between Illinois and Iowa is 33" eye-to-fork length (all paddlefish ≥ to 33" must be immediately released back to the Mississippi River); no sorting allowed; once the daily limit of paddlefish has been reached, snagging must cease</li> </ul> |
| <p>Rock Bass</p> <p>Striped, White, Yellow or Hybrid Striped Bass</p>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit</li> <li>• 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit singly or in the aggregate – statewide regulation limiting Daily Harvest to 3 fish ≥ 17" is not in effect on the Mississippi River between Illinois and Iowa</li> </ul>  |
| <p>Walleye and Sauger (14)</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit with no more than 1 Walleye ≥ 27" in total length</li> </ul>   |
| <p>Walleye</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 15" Minimum Length Limit with no possession of Fish greater than or equal to 20" and less than 27" Protected Slot Length Limit (24)</li> </ul>  |
| <p>White, Black or Hybrid Crappie (15)</p>                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit singly or in the aggregate</li> </ul>   |
| <p>Yellow Perch</p>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit</li> </ul>  |

**Mississippi River (between IL & MO), State of Illinois**

Multiple Counties

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| <p>Recreational Use Restrictions</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boating prohibited on refuge area (Ellis Bay) immediately upstream of Melvin Price Lock and Dam 26 overflow dike from October 15-April 15</li> <li>• Any tagged sport fishing device may not be left unattended for more than 24 hours or must be completely removed</li> </ul> |
| <p>All Nongame Species Combined</p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 100 Total Fish Daily Harvest Limit</li> </ul>   |

(Excludes endangered and threatened species and the following game species: Crappie, Channel/Blue/ Flathead Catfish, Rock Bass, Warmouth, White/Yellow/Striped/ Hybrid Striped Bass, Trout, Largemouth/Smallmouth/Spotted Bass, Muskellunge, Northern Pike, Chain/Grass Pickerel, Walleye, Sauger, Paddlefish)

Channel or Blue Catfish (14)

Flathead Catfish

Largemouth, Smallmouth, Spotted Bass

Northern Pike

Paddlefish

- 20 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 12" Minimum Length Limit or
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 24" Eye-to-Fork Minimum Length Limit
- Snagging for paddlefish is permitted from September 15 through December 15 and March 15 through May 15 within a 300 yard downstream limit below locks and dams on the Mississippi River between Illinois and Missouri except for the Chain of Rocks low water dam at Chouteau Island, also known as Dam 27 at the Chain of Rocks (Madison County) where no snagging is permitted; Daily Harvest Limit is 2 fish; sorting is permitted; every paddlefish  $\geq 24$ " in eye-to-fork length must be taken into immediate possession and included in the Daily Harvest Limit; paddlefish  $< 24$ " eye to fork length must be returned immediately to the water; once the daily limit of paddlefish has been reached, snagging must cease

Striped, White, Yellow or Hybrid Striped Bass

- 30 Fish Daily Harvest Limit singly or in the aggregate – statewide regulation limiting daily harvest to 3 fish  $\geq 17$ " is not in effect on the Mississippi River between Illinois and Missouri

Walleye and Sauger (14)

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 14" Minimum Length Limit

White, Black or Hybrid Crappie (15)

- 30 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Monee Reservoir, Will County Forest Preserve District**

Will County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Montrose Lake, City of Montrose**

Cumberland County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit
- Bluegill and Redear Sunfish • 15 Fish, singly or in the aggregate, Daily Harvest Limit

**Mt. Olive City Lakes (Old and New), City of Mt. Olive**

Macoupin County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Mt. Pulaski Park District Lake, Mt. Pulaski Park District**

Logan County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Mt. Sterling Lake, City of Mt. Sterling**

Brown County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • Protected Slot Length Limit with no possession of Fish less than 15" and greater than or equal to 12" (3)

**Mt. Vernon City Park Lake, City of Mt. Vernon**

Jefferson County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Mt. Vernon Game Farm Pond, Mt. Vernon Game Farm**

Jefferson County

All Fish  
Trout

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Fall Closed Season (10)
- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Mundelein Park District Ponds, City of Mundelein**

Lake County

All Fish  
Channel Catfish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Nashville City Lake, City of Nashville**

Washington County

All Fish  
Channel Catfish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Newton Lake, Newton Lake State Fish and Wildlife Area (41) (33)**

Jasper County

Recreational Use Restrictions

- The cold water arm of Newton Lake shall be closed daily from one-half hour before sunrise until 1:00 p.m. to all fishing and boat traffic except for legal waterfowl hunters during waterfowl season commencing with regular duck season through the close of the Canada goose and regular duck season; fishing tournaments prohibited from June 1 through August 31

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Closed for Regular Shotgun Deer Season

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)

- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 10" Minimum Length Limit

**Norris City Reservoir, City of Norris City**

White County

All Fish  
Channel Catfish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Oakland City Lake, City of Oakland**

Coles County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Oblong Lake**, City of Oblong

Crawford County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Ohio River (between IL & KY)**, State of Illinois

Multiple Counties

- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 12" Minimum Length Limit
- Northern Pike • 24" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Muskie or Tiger Muskie • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 36" Minimum Length Limit
- Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye (14) • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 30 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Striped, White, Yellow or Hybrid Striped Bass • 30 Fish Daily Harvest Limit, singly or in the aggregate, of which no more than 4 Fish ≥ 15" Daily (32)

**Ohio River (between IL & KY)**, State of Illinois and **Wabash River**, various counties (between IL and IN)

- Channel Catfish • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit for Fish ≥ 28"
- No Daily Harvest Limit for Fish ≥ 13" and < 28"
- No harvest < 13"
- Blue and Flathead Catfish • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit for Fish ≥ 35"
- No Daily Harvest Limit for Fish ≥ 13" and < 35"
- No harvest < 13"

**Ohio River – Smithland Pool Tributary Streams** (in Pope/Hardin/Gallatin Counties, excluding Wabash River and Saline River Above Route 1 Bridge)

Multiple Counties

- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 12" Minimum Length Limit

**Old Kinmundy Reservoir, City of Kinmundy**

Marion County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Olsen Lake, Rock Cut State Park**

Winnebago County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Omaha City Reservoir, City of Omaha**

Gallatin County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Omaha Township Reservoir, City of Omaha**

Gallatin County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Otter Lake, Otter Lake Water Commission**

Macoupin County

- Recreational Use Restrictions • All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16) • 10 Fish Daily Harvest, singly or in the aggregate, of which only 3 Fish may be  $\geq$  17" (17)
- Pure Muskellunge • 48" Minimum Length Limit (40)

**Palmissano Pond (Stern's Park Quarry), Chicago Park District**

Cook County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Catch and Release Fishing Only (9)

**Palmyra – Modesto Water Commission Lake, Palmyra/Modesto Water Commission**

Macoupin County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Pana Lake**, City of Pana

Shelby and Christian Counties

- Recreational Use Restrictions • All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit
- Pure Muskellunge • 48" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Paris East & West Lakes**, City of Paris

Edgar County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Peabody River King, Pit #3 Lakes and Ponds**, River King State Conservation Area (see also Willow Lake for additional regulations)

St Clair County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 9" Minimum Length Limit

**Pecatonica River and Tributaries**, State of Illinois

Winnebago/Stephenson Counties

- Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Perry Farm Pond**, Bourbonnais Park District

Kankakee County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Piasa** (19)

Madison/Jersey Counties

**Pierce Lake, Rock Cut State Park**

Winnebago County

Recreational Use Restrictions

All Fish

Channel Catfish

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

Pure Muskellunge

White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)

- All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (7)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 48" Minimum Length Limit (40)
- 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Pinckneyville Lake, City of Pinckneyville**

Perry County

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Pine Creek** (within the boundaries of White Pines Forest State Park)

Ogle County

All Fish

Trout

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Spring Closed Season (11)
- No harvest with Hook and Line; Catch and Release Fly Fishing permitted (9)
- Fall Closed Season (10)
- No harvest with Hook and Line; Catch and Release Fly Fishing permitted (9)

**Piscasaw Creek**

McHenry County

Trout

- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Pittsfield City Lake, City of Pittsfield**

Pike County

All Fish

Large or Smallmouth Bass

Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass  
(16)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (7)
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 17" Minimum Length
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Pocahontas Park Ponds, City of Pocahontas**

Bond County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Ponderosa Lake, Mazonia State Fish and Wildlife Area (33)**

Kankakee County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- White, Black or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Powerton Lake, Powerton Lake Fish and Wildlife Area (39)**

Tazewell County

- Recreational Use Restrictions • Powerton Lake shall be closed to boat traffic except for legal waterfowl hunters from one week prior to regular waterfowl season to February 15, and closed to all unauthorized entry during regular Canada goose and duck season

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel or Blue Catfish (14) • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16) • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit, singly or in the aggregate, with no more than 3 Fish  $\geq$  17" (17)
- Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye (14) • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 18" Minimum Length Limit

**Prospect Pond, City of Moline**

Rock Island County

- Trout • Fall Closed Season (10)

**Pyramid State Park – Blue Wing Lake, Green Wing Lake and Goldeneye Lake, Pyramid State Park**

State Park

Perry County

- Recreational Use Restrictions • Waterfowl Hunting Area (from November 1 through the last day in February, fishing is permitted in designated areas only, and fishing hours are from ½ hour before sunrise to 2 p.m.)
- All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - Protected Slot Length Limit with 1 Fish greater than or equal to 18" and/or 5 fish less than 14" (38)
- Pure Muskellunge
  - 48" Minimum Length Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
  - 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Pyramid State Park – Captain, Denmark, Galum and East Conant Areas** – All Lakes and Ponds except Blue Wing Lake, Green Wing Lake and Goldeneye Lake, Pyramid State Park Perry County

- Recreational Use Restrictions
  - Waterfowl Refuge or Hunting Area (all use other than waterfowl hunting prohibited from November 1 through the last day in February)
  - All live bait > 8 inches must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
  - 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - Protected Slot Length Limit with only 1 Fish greater than or equal to 18" and/or 5 Fish less than 14" (38)
- Pure Muskellunge
  - 48" Minimum Length Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
  - 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Pyramid State Park Lakes & Ponds (excluding Captain, Denmark, Gallum and East Conant Areas), Pyramid State Park Perry County**

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - Protected Slot Length Limit with only 1 Fish greater than or equal to 18" and/or 5 Fish less than 14" (38)

**Raccoon Lake, City of Centralia Marion County**

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Ramsey Lake, Ramsey Lake State Park Fayette County**

- |                                      |                                    |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                             | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)      | • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit      |
| Channel Catfish                      | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass             | • 14" Minimum Length Limit         |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) | • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit      |
|                                      | • 9" Minimum Length Limit          |

**Ramsey Lake State Park Ponds, Ramsey Lake State Park**

## Fayette County

- |                          |                                    |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                 | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish          | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass | • 14" Minimum Length Limit         |

**Randolph County Lake, Randolph County Conservation Area**

## Randolph County

- |                               |                                    |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                      | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish               | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) | • 14" Minimum Length Limit         |
|                               | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Trout                         | • Fall Closed Season (10)          |

**Red Hills Lake, Red Hills State Park**

## Lawrence County

- |                          |                                    |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                 | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish          | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass | • 15" Minimum Length Limit         |

**Red's Landing Wildlife Management Area (19)**

## Calhoun County

(Walk-in area closed to trespassing 7 days prior to duck season)

**Redwing Slough/Deer Lake (33)**

## Lake County

**Rend Lake, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (22) (33)**

## Franklin and Jefferson Counties

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| Channel Catfish                                    | • All jugs must be attended at all times while fishing (2)                                     |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass                           | • 14" Minimum Length Limit   |
| Striped, White, Yellow, or Hybrid Striped Bass (8) | • 20 Fish Daily Harvest Limit, singly or in the aggregate, with no more than 3 Fish $\geq$ 17" |
| White, Black or Hybrid Crappie (15)                | • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit, singly or in the aggregate, with no more than 10 Fish $\geq$    |

10"

**Rend Lake Project Ponds – Jackie Branch Pond**, Ina N. Borrow Pit, Green Heron Pond, North Marcum Campground Pond, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers  
Franklin and Jefferson Counties

- |                                 |                                    |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                        | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) | • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit      |
| Channel Catfish                 | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)   | • 14" Minimum Length Limit         |
|                                 | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

**Rice Lake Fish and Wildlife Area (33)**  
Fulton County

**Ridge Lake**, Fox Ridge State Park  
Coles County

- |                          |   |
|--------------------------|---|
| All Fish                 | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (27) |
| Channel Catfish          | • 14" Minimum Length Limit              |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass | • 14" Minimum Length Limit              |

**Riis Park Lagoon**, Chicago Park District  
Cook County

- |                 |                                    |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish        | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish | • 4 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

**Riprap Landing (19)**  
Calhoun County

**River Bend Forest Preserve Lakes (Sunset Lake and Shadow Lake)**, Champaign County Forest Preserve District

Champaign County

- |                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| All Fish                             | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)          |
| Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)      | • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit               |
| Channel Catfish                      | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit                |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass             | • 1 Fish $\geq$ 15" and 2 Fish $<$ 15" (25) |
|                                      | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit                |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) | • 9" Minimum Length Limit                   |
|                                      | • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit               |

**Riverside Park Lagoon**, Moline Park District  
Rock Island County

- |                 |                                    |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish        | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

**Rochester Park Pond, City of Rochester**

Sangamon County

- All Fish
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Rock Creek, State of Illinois**

Kankakee County

- All Fish
- Trout

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Spring Closed Season (11)
- No Harvest with Hook and Line. Catch and Release Fly Fishing permitted. (9)
- Fall Closed Season (10)
- No Harvest with Hook and Line. Catch and Release Fly Fishing permitted. (9)

**Rock River, from the Sears and Steel Dam downstream to confluence of the Mississippi River, State of Illinois**

Rock Island County

- Walleye
- Walleye and Sauger (14)

- 15" Minimum Length Limit with a 20-27" Protected Slot Length Limit (24)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit with no more than 1 Fish  $\geq 27"$

**Rock River, Wisconsin State Line downstream to confluence of the Mississippi River, including tributaries, State of Illinois**

Multiple Counties

- Smallmouth Bass

- 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Rock Springs Bike Trail Pond, Macon County Conservation District**

Macon County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Rock Springs Pond, Macon County Conservation District**

Macon County

- All Fish
- Channel Catfish
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Trout

- Fall Closed Season (10)

**Roodhouse Park Lake**, City of Roodhouse

Green County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Route 6 Quarries (East and West)**, Will County Forest Preserve District

Will County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)

- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Channel Catfish

- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 18" Minimum Length Limit

- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Route 154 Day Use Pond**, State of Illinois

Randolph County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 15" Minimum Length Limit

- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Sag Quarry East**, Cook County Forest Preserve District

Cook County

Bluegill, Redear, or Pumpkinseed  
Sunfish (14)

- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Trout

- Spring Closed Season (11)

White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)

- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Sahara Woods Fish and Wildlife Area**, State of Illinois

Saline County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)

- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 18" Minimum Length Limit

- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)

- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**St. Elmo South Lake**, City of St. Elmo

Fayette County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass

- 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Salem Reservoir, City of Salem**

Marion County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Sam Dale Lake, Sam Dale Conservation Area**

Wayne County

- Recreational Use Restrictions • All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit
- Pure Muskellunge • 48" Minimum Length Limit

**Sam Dale Trout Pond, Sam Dale Conservation Area**

Wayne County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit
- Trout • Fall Closed Season (10)
- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Sam Parr Lake, Sam Parr State Park**

Jasper County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Sand Lake, Illinois Beach State Park**

Lake County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Trout • Fall Closed Season (10)
- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Sanganois Conservation Area (33) (42)**

Mason/Cass/Schuyler/Menard Counties

- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 12" Minimum Length Limit

**Sangchris Lake, Sangchris Lake State Park**

Christian/Sangamon Counties

Recreational Use Restrictions

- Posted waterfowl refuge closed to all boat traffic during waterfowl season. Bank fishing along the dam shall be permitted. Fishing shall be prohibited in the east and west arms of the lake during the period from 10 days prior to the duck season through the end of the duck season. Fishing shall be prohibited in the west arm of the lake and the east arm of the lake south of the power lines during that portion of the Canada goose season that follows the duck season (41)
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (45)
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 10" Minimum Length Limit

All Fish

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)

**Schiller Pond**, Cook County Forest Preserve District  
Cook County

All Fish

Bluegill, Redear, or Pumpkinseed  
Sunfish (14)

Channel Catfish

Large or Smallmouth Bass

White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (36)
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 14" Minimum Length Limit
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Schuy-Rush Lake**, City of Rushville  
Schuyler County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

White, Black or Hybrid Crappie

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 9" Minimum Length Limit

**Sesser City Lake**, City of Sesser  
Franklin County

All Fish

Channel Catfish

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Shabbona Lake**, Shabbona Lake State Park  
DeKalb County

Recreational Use Restrictions

- All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)

- All Fish
  - Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
  - Channel Catfish
  - Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - Pure Muskellunge
  - Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16)
  - Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye
  - White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
- No sport fishing below dam to fence
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (48)
  - 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 14" Minimum Length Limit
  - 48" Minimum Length Limit (40)
  - 17" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 18" Minimum Length Limit
  - 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Shawnee National Forest – Lakes and Ponds less than 10 acres, U.S. Forest Service**

Multiple Counties

- All Fish
  - Channel Catfish
  - Largemouth, Smallmouth or Spotted Bass
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Shawnee National Forest – Bay Creek Lake #5 and #8 (Sugar Creek Lake), U.S. Forest Service**

Pope County

- All Fish
  - Channel Catfish
  - Largemouth, Smallmouth and Spotted Bass
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Shawnee National Forest – Dutchman Lake, U.S. Forest Service**

Johnson County

- All Fish
  - Channel Catfish
  - Largemouth, Smallmouth or Spotted Bass
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Shawnee National Forest – Lake Glendale, U.S. Forest Service**

Pope County

- All Fish
  - Channel Catfish
  - Largemouth, Smallmouth or Spotted Bass
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Shawnee National Forest – Little Cache #1, U.S. Forest Service**

Johnson County

- All Fish
- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Largemouth or Smallmouth Bass • 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Shawnee National Forest – Little Cedar Lake, U.S. Forest Service**

Jackson County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • Protected Slot Length Limit with 1 Fish greater than or equal to 18" and/or 5 Fish less than 14" (38)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit (38)
- Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16) • 17" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Shawnee National Forest – One Horse Gap Lake, U.S. Forest Service**

Pope County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Largemouth, Smallmouth or Spotted Bass • 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Shawnee National Forest – Pounds Hollow Lake, U.S. Forest Service**

Gallatin County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Largemouth, Smallmouth or Spotted Bass • 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Shawnee National Forest – Tecumseh Lake, U.S. Forest Service**

Hardin County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Largemouth, Smallmouth or Spotted Bass • 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Shawnee National Forest – Turkey Bayou, U.S. Forest Service**

Jackson County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Largemouth, Smallmouth or Spotted Bass • 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Shawnee National Forest – Whoopie Cat Lake, U.S. Forest Service**

Hardin Counties

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Largemouth, Smallmouth or Spotted Bass • 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Sherman Park Lagoon, Chicago Park District**  
Cook County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 4 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Siloam Springs Lake, Siloam Springs State Park**  
Adams County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (7)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • Protected Slot Length Limit with no possession of fish less than 15" or greater than or equal to 12" (3)
- Trout • Fall Closed Season (10)  
No harvest with Hook and Line, Catch and Release Fly Fishing is permitted (9)
- Spring Closed Season (11)  
No harvest with Hook and Line, Catch and Release Fly Fishing is permitted (9)

**Siloam Springs State Park – Buckhorn Unit Waters, Siloam Springs State Park**  
Brown County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 8" Minimum Length Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Silver Lake, City of Highland**  
Madison County

- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Silver Lake, DuPage County Forest Preserve District**  
DuPage County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 12" Minimum Length Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit

- Trout
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - Spring Closed Season (11)
  - Fall Closed Season (10)
- Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye (14)
  - 16" Minimum Length Limit
- White, Black or Hybrid Crappie (15)
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 9" Minimum Length Limit
  - 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Silver Springs State Park – Big Lake & Ponds, Silver Springs State Fish and Wildlife Area**  
Kendall County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit
- Trout
  - Fall Closed Season (10)
  - Spring Closed Season (11)

**Skokie Lagoons, Cook County Forest Preserve District**  
Cook County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (36)
- Bluegill, Redear, or Pumpkinseed Sunfish (14)
  - 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
  - 14" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye
  - 18" Minimum Length Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)
  - 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Snakeden Hollow State Fish and Wildlife Area – McMaster Lake & Other Site Waters,**  
State of Illinois

Knox County

- Recreational Use Restrictions
  - Waterfowl Refuge or Hunting Area (all use other than waterfowl hunting prohibited from 14 days prior to duck season through the end of the central zone Canada goose season)
  - All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)
- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
  - 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit with only one fish ≥ 15"
- Pure Muskellunge
  - 42" Minimum Length Limit

- Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye (14) • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 5 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Southwind Pond**, Springfield Park District  
Sangamon County

- Trout
- Spring Closed Season (11)
  - Fall Closed Season (10)

**Sparta City Lakes**, City of Sparta  
Randolph County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Sparta City Reservoir (South)**, City of Sparta  
Randolph County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Sparta "T" Lake**, City of Sparta  
Randolph County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 8" Minimum Length Limit
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 9" Minimum Length Limit
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Sparta World Shooting and Recreational Complex – Derby Lake**, State of Illinois  
Randolph County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill and Redear Sunfish (14) • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large and Smallmouth Bass (14) • 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 10" Minimum Length Limit
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Trout • Fall Closed Season (10)
- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Sparta World Shooting and Recreational Complex Lakes**, State of Illinois

## Randolph County

- |                                      |                                    |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                             | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Bluegill and Redear Sunfish (14)     | • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit      |
| Channel Catfish                      | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large and Smallmouth Bass (14)       | • 18" Minimum Length Limit         |
|                                      | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) | • 10" Minimum Length Limit         |
|                                      | • 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit      |

**Spencer Lake**, Boone County Conservation District

## Boone County

- |                               |                                    |
|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                      | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish               | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) | • 14" Minimum Length Limit         |
|                               | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

**Sportsmans' Club Pond**, Macon County Conservation District

## Macon County

- |          |                                    |
|----------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Trout    | • Spring Closed Season (11)        |

**Spring Grove Hatchery Pond**, City of Spring Grove

## McHenry County

- |       |                           |
|-------|---------------------------|
| Trout | • Fall Closed Season (10) |
|-------|---------------------------|

**Spring Lake**, City of Macomb

## McDonough County

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| Recreational Use Restrictions               | • All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43) |
| All Fish                                    | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)                        |
| Channel Catfish                             | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit                                  |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)               | • 15" Minimum Length Limit                                    |
|   | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit                                  |
| Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16) | • 17" Minimum Length Limit                                    |
|   | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit                                  |

**Spring Lakes (North & South)**, Spring Lake Conservation Area (33)

## Tazewell County

- |                               |   |
|-------------------------------|---|
| Recreational Use Restrictions | • All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43) |
| All Fish                      | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)                        |
| Channel Catfish               | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit                                  |

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 15" Minimum Length Limit

Pure Muskellunge

- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)

- 48" Minimum Length Limit (40)

- 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

- 9" Minimum Length Limit

**Spring Pond**, Flagg-Rochelle Park District  
Ogle County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 14" Minimum Length Limit

- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Starved Rock State Park** (33)

LaSalle County

**Staunton City Lake**, City of Staunton

Macoupin County

Recreational Use Restrictions

- All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 15" Minimum Length Limit

- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Pure Muskellunge

- 36" Minimum Length Limit

**Stephen A. Forbes State Park** (33) (see also Forbes State Lake and Forbes State Park Ponds)

Marion County

**Sterling Lake**, Lake County Forest Preserve District

Lake County

Recreational Use Restrictions

- All live bait > 8" must be rigged with a quick set rig (43)

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

- 15" Minimum Length Limit

Pure Muskellunge

- 48" Minimum Length Limit

Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye

- 16" Minimum Length Limit

**Storm Lake**, DeKalb Park District

DeKalb County

All Fish

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

Channel Catfish

- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 14" Minimum Length Limit

- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Stump Lake Wildlife Management Area (19)**

Jersey County

**Tampier Lake, Cook County Forest Preserve District**

Cook County

- |   |                                     |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| All Fish                                      | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (36) |
| Bluegill, Redear, or Pumpkinseed Sunfish (14) | • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Channel Catfish                               | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit        |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass                      | • 14" Minimum Length Limit          |
| Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye            | • 18" Minimum Length Limit          |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)          | • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

**Taylorville Park District Pond, Taylorville Park District**

Christian County

- |          |                                    |
|----------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Trout    | • Spring Closed Season (11)        |
|          | • Fall Closed Season (10)          |

**Ten Mile Creek Lakes, Ten Mile Creek State Fish and Wildlife Area**

Hamilton/Jefferson Counties

(Areas designated as waterfowl rest areas are closed to all access during the Canada goose season only)

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|-------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                      | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish               | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

**Three Oaks North and South Lakes, City of Crystal Lake**

McHenry County

- |          |                                      |
|----------|--------------------------------------|
| All Fish | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)   |
|          | • Catch and Release Fishing Only (9) |

**Tilton City Lake, City of Tilton**

Vermilion County

- |                                 |                                    |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                        | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish                 | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) | • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit      |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)   | • 15" Minimum Length Limit         |
|                                 | • 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

**Toledo Reservoir, City of Toledo**

Cumberland County

All Fish  
Channel Catfish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Protected Slot Length Limit with 1 Fish greater than or equal to 15" and 2 Fish less than 12"
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Tri-Township Park Pond**, City of Troy  
Madison County

All Fish  
Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)  
Channel Catfish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Turkey Bluff Ponds**, State of Illinois  
Randolph County

All Fish  
Channel Catfish  
Large and Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Turner Lake**, Chain O'Lakes State Park  
Lake County

All Fish  
Channel Catfish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit

**Turtle Lake (East Lake Renwick)**, Will County Forest Preserve District  
Will County

All Fish  
Channel Catfish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)  
  
Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Tuscola City Lake**, City of Tuscola  
Douglas County

All Fish  
Channel Catfish  
Large or Smallmouth Bass

- 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Union County Fish and Wildlife Area – All lakes and ponds**

Union County

(All fishing and boat traffic prohibited from October 15 through the last day of February)

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Valley Lake**, Wildwood Park District

Lake County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Valmeyer Lake**, City of Valmeyer

Monroe County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Vanhorn Woods Pond**, Plainfield Park District

Will County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Trout • Fall Closed Season (10)

**Vernor Lake**, City of Olney

Richland County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Villa Grove East Lake**, City of Villa Grove

Douglas County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Villa Grove West Lake**, City of Villa Grove

Douglas County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 18" Minimum Length Limit

- Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16)
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - 17" Minimum Length Limit
- Trout
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
  - Fall Closed Season (10)

**Wabash River**, various counties (between IL and IN) and **Ohio River** (between IL & KY), State of Illinois

Multiple Counties

- Channel Catfish
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit for Fish  $\geq$  28"
  - No Daily Harvest Limit for Fish  $\geq$  13" and  $<$  28"
  - No harvest  $<$  13"
- Blue and Flathead Catfish
  - 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit for Fish  $\geq$  35"
  - No Daily Harvest Limit for Fish  $\geq$  13" and  $<$  35"
  - No harvest  $<$  13"

**Waddams Creek**

Stephenson County

- Trout
  - Spring Closed Season (11)

**Walnut Point Lake**, Walnut Point State Fish and Wildlife Area

Douglas County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14)
  - 20 Fish, either singly or in aggregate, Daily Harvest Limit, of which only 5 Fish may be  $\geq$  8"
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass
  - Protected Slot Length Limit with no possession of Fish less than 15" or greater than or equal to 12" (3)

**Walton Park Lake**, City of Litchfield

Montgomery County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish
  - 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)
  - 15" Minimum Length Limit
  - 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Wampum Lake**, Cook County Forest Preserve District

Cook County

- All Fish
  - 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (36)

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|---|-------------------------------|
| Bluegill, Redear, or Pumpkinseed Sunfish (14) | • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass                      | • 14" Minimum Length Limit    |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15)          | • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit |

**Washington County Lake, Washington County Conservation Area**

## Washington County

- |   |   |
|---|---|
| All Fish                                    | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)  |
| Channel Catfish                             | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit  |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass                    | • Protected Slot Length Limit with 1 Fish greater than or equal to 18" and 2 fish less than 14" |
| Striped, White, or Hybrid Striped Bass (16) | • 17" Minimum Length Limit<br>• 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit                                      |

**Washington Park Lagoon, Chicago Park District**

## Cook County

- |                 |                                    |
|-----------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish        | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish | • 4 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |

**Washington Park Pond, Springfield Park District**

## Sangamon County

- |                 |  |
|-----------------|--|
| All Fish        | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)                       |
| Channel Catfish | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit                             |
| Trout           | • Fall Closed Season (10)<br>• Spring Closed Season (11) |

**Watseka City Ponds (Clements Pond, Kapers Pond and Municipal Center Pond), City of**

## Watseka

## Iroquois County

- |                                      |  |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| All Fish                             | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)                         |
| Channel Catfish                      | • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit                               |
| White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) | • 9" Minimum Length Limit<br>• 10 Fish Daily Harvest Limit |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass (14)        | • 15" Minimum Length Limit<br>• 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit |

**Waverly Lake, City of Waverly**

## Morgan County

- |                          |                                    |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| All Fish                 | • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) |
| Channel Catfish          | • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit       |
| Large or Smallmouth Bass | • 15" Minimum Length Limit         |

**Weinberg-King Pond, Weinberg-King State Park**

## Schuyler County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Weldon Springs Lake**, Weldon Springs State Park

## DeWitt County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Walleye, Sauger, and Hybrid Walleye • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 15" Minimum Length Limit with no more than 1 Fish  $\geq$  20"

**West Frankfort New City Lake**, City of West Frankfort

## Franklin County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**West Frankfort Old City Lake**, City of West Frankfort

## Franklin County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**West Salem Reservoir**, City of West Salem

## Edwards County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 14" Minimum Length Limit

**Whalon Lake**, Forest Preserve District of Will County

## Will County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Walleye, Sauger, or Hybrid Walleye • 16" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**White Hall City Lake**, City of White Hall

Greene County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1) (5)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Wilderness Pond**, Fox Ridge State Park

Coles County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Bluegill or Redear Sunfish (14) • 5 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 18" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**William W. Powers Conservation Area** (33)

Cook County

- Trout • Fall Closed Season (10)
- Spring Closed Season (11)

**Willow Lake**, Peabody River King State Conservation Area

St. Clair County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 3 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie (15) • 25 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- 9" Minimum Length Limit
- Trout • Fall Closed Season (10)
- No Harvest with Hook and Line. Catch and Release Fly Fishing permitted. (9)
- Spring Closed Season (11)
- No Harvest with Hook and Line. Catch and Release Fly Fishing permitted. (9)

**Wolf Lake**, William W. Powers Conservation Area (33)

Cook County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass • 14" Minimum Length Limit
- Trout • Spring Closed Season (11)
- Fall Closed Season (10)

**Woodford Co. Cons. Area (Fishing Ditch)**, Woodford County Conservation Area (33)

Woodford County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)

**Woodlawn Pond**, Frankfort Square Park District

Will County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit

**Woods Lake**, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Moultrie County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • Protected Slot Length Limit with only 1 Fish greater than or equal to 18" and 2 Fish less than 14"
- Bluegill and Readear Sunfish • 15 Fish, either singly or in the aggregate, Daily Harvest Limit, of which only 5 Fish may be greater than or equal to 8"
- White, Black, or Hybrid Crappie • 15 Fish Daily Harvest Limit with only 5 Fish less than 10" and 10 Fish greater than or equal to 10"

**Wyman Lake**, City of Sullivan

Moultrie County

- All Fish • 2 Pole and Line Fishing Only (1)
- Channel Catfish • 6 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Large or Smallmouth Bass (14) • 15" Minimum Length Limit
- 1 Fish Daily Harvest Limit
- Trout • Spring Closed Season (11)

**Yellow Creek**

Stephenson County

- Trout • Spring Closed Season (11)

(Source: Amended at 40 Ill. Reg. 6000, effective March 25, 2016)

**Section 810.50 Bait Fishing**

- a) Statewide Regulations
  - 1) Legal sized cast nets, shad scoops, and minnow seines may be used to obtain shad, minnows and crayfish to use as bait, provided that they are not sold or bartered. All cast nets shall be not larger than 24 feet in

diameter or of a mesh size not larger than  $\frac{3}{8}$  inch bar measurement. All shad scoops shall be not larger than 30 inches in diameter or of a mesh size not larger than  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch bar measurement or longer than 4 feet in length. Minnow seines shall not be longer than 20 feet, deeper than 6 feet or contain mesh size larger than  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch bar measurement.

- 2) Minnows and crayfish may be collected with traps of metal screen or hardware cloth, plastic, or nylon mesh or netting. Such traps may not be more than 24 inches in width or diameter or more than 36 inches in length nor use a mesh of more than  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch bar measurement. Each entrance aperture may not exceed 1.5 inches in diameter. If unattended, such devices must be tagged with the name and mailing address of the person operating the device. Minnows and crayfish collected in such devices may only be taken for personal use and may not be sold or bartered.
  - 3) Persons possessing a valid sport fishing license or combination hunting and fishing license may not take mussel.
  - 4) Aquatic life protected under 17 Ill. Adm. Code 1010 – Illinois List of Endangered and Threatened Fauna may not be taken for any purpose including bait fishing.
  - 5) Injurious Species: The use of live injurious species (as described in 17 Ill. Adm. Code 805) as bait is prohibited. Possession of live specimens, progeny thereof, viable eggs, or gametes is prohibited.
  - 6) Collected live bait, including crayfish, shall not be transported between water bodies. Bait shall not be transported from spillway tailwaters to the impounded lake.
- b) Site Specific Regulations  
None.

(Source: Amended at 40 Ill. Reg. 6000, effective March 25, 2016)

### **Section 810.70 Free Fishing Days**

During the period of June 17, 18, 19 and 20, 2016, it shall be legal for any person to fish in waters wholly or in part within the jurisdiction of the State, including the Illinois portion of Lake Michigan, without possessing a sport fishing license, salmon stamp or inland trout stamp.

(Source: Amended at 40 Ill. Reg. 6000, effective March 25, 2016)

### **Section 810.80 Emergency Protective Procedures**

- a) Emergency procedures will be utilized to protect the sport fisheries resources of the State and the general health, safety and welfare of the general public under the following criteria:
  - 1) Conditions
    - A) When data analysis based upon biological surveys demonstrates that one or more fish species in a fishery is likely to suffer severe deleterious effects due to angling pressure without the procedure; or
    - B) When the Department identifies a water of the State where a fish kill (manmade, natural, or unknown origin) occurs and determines that fishing or the removal of a dead and decaying aquatic life resulting from these conditions poses a threat to public health or safety.
  - 2) The information upon which the procedure is based was not available prior to the time frame required for normal rulemaking procedures.
  - 3) The emergency procedure must have the approval of the Chief, Division of Fisheries.
- b) Emergency procedures will be posted on the Department's website: [www.dnr.illinois.gov](http://www.dnr.illinois.gov) and at all lake road entrances, boat launching ramps or other heavily used bank fishing areas. A news release explaining the emergency procedures will be given to relevant State agencies, local emergency management agencies and local news media (television, newspaper, radio) prior to the effective date. These procedures will remain in effect until the Director of the Department of Natural Resources determines that the relevant conditions listed in Section 810.80(a)(1)(A) and (B) are mitigated. Rescission of the emergency procedures shall be posted on the Department's website and announced to local news media. Emergency procedures that will remain in effect longer than 7 days will result in the Department filing an emergency rule.

(Source: Amended at 37 Ill. Reg. 6658, effective May 1, 2013)

### **Section 810.90 Fishing Tournament Permit**

- a) A Fishing Tournament Permit from the Department is required for any fishing tournament event, which includes Hook and Line Fishing Tournaments and Bowfishing Tournaments, that is held in any of the waters listed in Section 810.45 or Section 810.15(d) and in any public owned or Department-managed lake, river or stream in Illinois.

- b) The Fishing Tournament Permit serves as the IDNR Site Activity Permit (17 Ill. Adm. Code 110.90).
- c) Definitions
  - 1) "Fishing Derby" – An organized event conducted for children under the age of 16 who are attending primary school, senior citizens (65 years old and older), anglers with disabilities, or other school-sanctioned groups when the principal purpose is education or enjoyment, rather than competition among anglers. Tournament Permits are not required for a fishing derby.
  - 2) "Fishing Tournament" – An organized, competitive fishing event, other than a fishing derby, in which two or more individuals fish during a specified time period. An event will be considered a fishing tournament when the following criteria are present:
    - A) the event is sponsored or promoted by an individual or organization;
    - B) participants compete for trophies, cash, prizes, citation or other recognition for participation in the event; and
    - C) the event is conducted during a specified time period.
- d) Department sites require that the tournament director or organizer either:
  - 1) provide proof of liability insurance of \$1,000,000; or
  - 2) require each individual who participates in the event to sign a liability waiver, obtained from the site office, prior to the event.
- e) A copy of the Fishing Tournament Permit must be in the possession of the director or organizer at all times during the event.
- f) Special Length Limit and/or Daily Harvest Limit exemptions to Site Specific Regulations are allowed (if they do not exceed the statewide limits) when requested on the Fishing Tournament Permit application, approved by the Department, and stated on the Fishing Tournament Permit. However, Special Length Limit and Daily Harvest Limit exemptions will only be approved for:
  - 1) any Black Bass Fishing Tournament in Lake Michigan (Illinois Portion) (see Section 810.45);

- 2) Illinois High School Association (IHSA) or other youth-only sanctioned catch and release tournaments, for which the Special Length Limit will be the statewide minimum (i.e., 12 inches); and
  - 3) catch, hold for weigh-in, and release Muskie Fishing Tournaments (all waters), provided all fish are released unharmed immediately after a quick weigh-in.
- g) The statewide Daily Harvest Limit of no more than 6 largemouth, smallmouth or spotted bass (black bass) may be in possession while participating in a Hook and Line Fishing Tournament, except:
- 1) as specified by Site Specific Regulations in Section 810.45;
  - 2) In streams and rivers (including the mainstem of the Mississippi, Ohio (including the Golconda Marina) and Wabash Rivers), the daily possession can contain no more than 3 smallmouth bass; and
  - 3) In rivers and streams and their tributaries (excluding the Mississippi; Ohio, including the Golconda Marina, and Wabash and Illinois Rivers), all smallmouth bass must be immediately released between April 1 and June 15.
- h) The Mississippi, Ohio and Wabash Rivers are not eligible for permits that exempt participants from daily harvest and size limits due to regulatory agreements with neighboring states.
- i) Requests for a Fishing Tournament Permit shall be made on applications provided by the Department of Natural Resources, Division of Fisheries, available on the IDNR and IFishIllinois websites.
- 1) If applications are submitted online, the Fishing Tournament Permit will also serve as the IDNR Site Activity Permit for tournaments held at IDNR sites.
  - 2) If the Fishing Tournament Permit request is made by paper application, the applicant will need to contact the IDNR site for a separate paper Site Activity Permit application.
  - 3) Applications must be received not less than 30 days prior to the first tournament date and must be completely filled out before submitted.

- 4) Within 30 days after the tournament event, a summary report containing catch data that may include the sizes (length and/or weight), numbers of each size fish caught, the length of the tournament (fishing hours), number of participants, number of boats, the number of participants that brought in their limit, and the number of fish killed during the handling must be provided to the Division of Fisheries. Subsequent Fishing Tournament Permits for the following years may not be issued until the summary reports have been submitted for the current or previous years.
  - 5) Fishing Tournament Permit applications will be accepted beginning November 1 of each year for the following year. Applications cannot be accepted more than one year in advance pursuant to 17 Ill. Adm. Code 115.
- j) The issuance or denial of a Fishing Tournament Permit shall be based upon the following criteria:
- 1) The capability of the fishery resource to absorb the tournament with minimal impact to its well-being.
  - 2) The evaluation of the adverse impacts resulting from the additional fishing pressure generated by the tournament on the fish population and the targeted fish species. The evaluation must demonstrate minimal and short-term impacts in order for the Department of Natural Resources to issue the permit. Specific items to be considered include:
    - A) biological status of the fish population, including the species sought;
    - B) timing of the tournament with regard to date, hours and water conditions;
    - C) length of fishing hours for the tournament;
    - D) need for emergency protective procedures to protect the sport fisheries resources of the State and the general health, safety and welfare of the general public as provided for in Section 810.80;
    - E) number of boats and anglers participating in the tournament; and
    - F) safety of anglers and potential boater-user conflicts.
  - 3) The criteria and evaluation required for a Site Activity Permit, described in 17 Ill. Adm. Code 110.90.

- k) Appeals of denied permits must be made in writing to the Division of Fisheries within 10 days after receipt of the denial. Any supplemental information requested must be included in the appeal.
- l) Required provisions for holding, handling and releasing caught fish to protect fish health in Hook and Line Fishing Tournaments:
  - 1) Tournament officials must be able to certify that all boats will be required to possess a livewell (except Muskie Fishing Tournaments) fitted with a functioning aerator and water pump.
  - 2) Following the weigh-in, fish must be released away from the weigh-in site and as near to the spot where the catch was made as possible by means of a common release boat or vehicle, or by individual boats. When impractical to release away from the ramp, fish shall be released into the water body as quickly as possible to avoid undue stress.
  - 3) If a common release boat or vehicle is to be utilized, a permit must be obtained from the IDNR-Division of Fisheries exempting the anglers transporting the fish to be released from the Daily Harvest Limit. A common release boat and holding tank used to transport fish for release shall be adequate to carry a tank constructed of a suitable material (aluminum or fiberglass) with smooth interior walls with no obstructions to trap or injure fish. The tank must be able to hold at least one gallon of water per pound of fish, provide adequate aeration, and maintain constant desirable temperature to sustain their well-being. The tank must have operating hatches to prevent fish from jumping out of the tank and allow quick opening and closing for introduction and removal of fish.
  - 4) Individual boats and anglers returning their catches of fish back to a release site must adhere to Daily Harvest Limits. Tournament officials must be able to certify that a common release boat is being utilized for this tournament.
  - 5) For catch, hold for weigh-in, and release Muskie Fishing Tournaments, all boats must have a fish cradle (made from netting) to temporarily hold the muskie in the water while an official determines the length or weight of the fish prior to release. Muskies may not be transported to a weigh-in site.
- m) Bowfishing tournaments may be held in any of the public waters open to bowfishing listed in Section 810.45 or public waters listed in Section 810.15(d). Bowfishing tournaments are subject to the following additional rules:

- 1) No Special Length Limit and/or Daily Harvest Limit exemptions are allowed to Site Specific Regulations (not to exceed the statewide statutory limits) on:
    - A) waters listed in Section 810.45 or public waters listed in Section 810.15 with restrictive limits; and
    - B) the Mississippi, Ohio and Wabash Rivers due to regulatory agreements with neighboring states.
  - 2) All non-native species legal to harvest with bowfishing methods listed in Section 810.45 have unlimited harvest. No possession of live Asian carp is permitted.
  - 3) No exemptions will be granted for the wanton waste and fish abandonment provisions in Section 810.14.
- n) Failure to acquire a permit before holding a tournament, as required in subsection (a), is a petty offense pursuant to Section 20-35 of the Fish and Aquatic Life Code and the citation will be issued to the tournament director or organizer. If no director or organizer can be identified by the Department, all participants of the tournament will receive a citation.

(Source: Amended at 40 Ill. Reg. 6000, effective March 25, 2016)

**Section 810.100 Bed Protection**

- a) It is unlawful to operate any motorized vehicle upon the bed of any public water wholly or partially within the State of Illinois.
- b) The following vehicles are exempted from the above subsections:
  - 1) vehicles operating under a permit issued by the Illinois Department of Transportation which allows operation on the bed of a public water;
  - 2) farm vehicles while being used for farming purposes; and
  - 3) vehicles owned or operated by United States, State of Illinois, or a political subdivision thereof.

(Source: Added at 14 Ill. Reg. 6164, effective April 17, 1990)