

TITLE 17: CONSERVATION  
CHAPTER I: DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
SUBCHAPTER b: FISH AND WILDLIFE

PART 860  
FISH SALVAGE

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AUTHORITY: Implementing and authorized by Sections 1-15, 1-20, 1-150, 5-5 and 25-5 of the Fish and Aquatic Life Code [515 ILCS 5/1-15, 1-20, 1-150, 5-5 and 25-5].

SOURCE: Adopted and codified at 6 Ill. Reg. 875, effective January 12, 1982; amended at 7 Ill. Reg. 2718, effective March 2, 1983; recodified by changing the agency name from Department of Conservation to Department of Natural Resources at 20 Ill. Reg. 9389.

**Section 860.5            Definition**

Fish salvage is defined as the removal of imperiled fish populations by methods delineated in 860.20 b) for personal consumption and/or for commercial sale of commercial species as provided under 17 Ill. Adm. Code 830.

(Source: Added at 7 Ill. Reg. 2718, effective March 2, 1983.)

**Section 860.10        Implementation**

- a)    The Director of the Illinois Department of Natural Resources shall implement fish salvage operations by public declaration under authority granted him by The Fish Code and Aquatic Life Code [515 ILCS 5/1-150] for a specific area and specific time for which an emergency situation exists.
- b)    An emergency situation exists when a field investigation by a District fishery biologist provides information to the Director indicating there is imminent danger of loss of that fish population by natural causes.

**Section 860.20        Salvage Operations**

- a)    Fish shall be taken by person possessing a valid sport fishing license, commercial fishing license, or combination hunting and fishing license.

- b) The method for taking fish will be prescribed by the Department based upon site conditions, public use, and species to be salvaged. Methods for taking fish shall include, but not be limited to, pole and line, hand capture, seining, netting, and spearing.
- c) No size limits or daily catch limits shall be in effect during the duration of this rule.
- d) Only commercial species of protected aquatic life (defined under 17 Ill. Adm. Code 830) taken under imperiled conditions may be offered for sale or barter.

(Source: Amended at 7 Ill. Reg. 2718, effective March 2, 1983.)