

## ***Fisheries Proposed Code Book Language for Implementation in 2007***

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**DEFINITION OF TERMS.** For the purposes of the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Code of Regulations, the following terms shall be construed, respectively, to mean and include:

**AQUACULTURE SPECIES** – Any species listed on the Approved Aquaculture Species List (available from the Fisheries Division) and species not listed but allowed under Unlisted or Restricted Species Possession Permits.

**ADULT GOBBLER** – Male turkeys having at least one of the following characteristics: a) tail feathers which are the same length, b) wing feathers that have white barring all the way to the tip or c) a beard more than six (6) inches in length.

**ALLIGATOR DEALER** – Any person, firm or corporation engaging in the sale, purchase, barter or exchange of an American alligator (*Alligator mississippiensis*) or other crocodilian species, or any part, nest or eggs thereof in the State of Arkansas.

**ALLIGATOR FARMER** – Any person, firm or corporation possessing an American alligator (*Alligator mississippiensis*) or other crocodilian species, or any part, nest or eggs thereof in the State of Arkansas for the purpose of propagation production or rearing.

**ALLIGATOR SNAPPING TURTLE DEALER** - Any person, firm or corporation engaged in the sale or purchase of alligator snapping turtles.

**ALLIGATOR SNAPPING TURTLE BREEDER** - Any person, firm or corporation possessing alligator snapping turtles for the purpose of propagation, production, rearing or sale.

**ANIMAL** – An organism of the animal kingdom, as distinguished from the plant kingdom, including any part, product, egg or offspring thereof.

**ANTLERLESS ELK** - Any elk (male or female) not meeting requirements to be a legal bull elk.

**AQUATIC WILDLIFE** – Aquatic Snails, Aquatic Turtles, Crayfish (Crawfish, Crawdads), Fish (including Minnows), Frogs, Mussels and Salamanders.

**ARKANSAS RIVER BOUNDARY (Sportfishing Only):** The Arkansas Post Canal from Lock and Dam #1 to the Arkansas River and the Arkansas River from Dam #2 upstream to the Oklahoma state line including all lakes, bays and tributary streams accessible by boat from the main channel except that portion of Big Bayou Meto upstream from Hwy 11, Plum Bayou upstream from Hwy 79, Little Maumelle River upstream from Pinnacle State Park, Maumelle River upstream from Lake Maumelle Dam, Fouché LaFave upstream from Hwy 113, Palarm Creek upstream from Interstate 40, Cadron Creek upstream from the weir, Point Remove Creek upstream from Hwy 113, Petit Jean River upstream from Pontoon Boat Ramp at Hwy 154,

Illinois Bayou upstream from Russellville Waterworks Dam, Big Piney and Little Piney Creeks upstream from Hwy 359, Horsehead Creek upstream from Interstate 40, Mulberry River upstream from Interstate 40, Frog Bayou upstream from Hwy 162 and Lee Creek upstream from Lee Creek Dam, and from the first non-navigable shoal for streams entering the Arkansas River along the left bank ascending from Lake Dardanelle Dam to the Oklahoma state line.

**ARTIFICIAL LURE/FLY** - Terminal fishing tackle made by the method of fly tying, or made entirely of rubber, wood, metal, glass, feathers, hair, synthetic fibers or plastic, with hook attached.

**BAG LIMIT** - The number of species allowed to be taken in a time period - 24 hours (12 o'clock midnight to 12 o'clock midnight) unless otherwise specified.

**BAITFISH** – Minnows (including bluntnose minnows, bullhead minnows, chubs, crayfish, dace, fatheads, common carp under 6 inches, small goldfish, shiners and stonerollers), logperch (also called sand pike or zebra minnows), shad, gar (other than alligator gar), drum, bowfin under 6 inches, skipjack herring, silversides (brook and inland), buffalo (bigmouth, smallmouth and black), river carpsucker, sculpin (banded and Ozark) **and, bream 4 inches and under, and bream over 4 inches that are caught by hook and line.**

**BAITING** – The direct or indirect placing, exposing, depositing, distributing or scattering of salt, grain or other feed that could serve as a lure or attraction for wildlife to, on or over any areas where hunters are attempting to take them.

**BIG GAME** – Bear, deer, elk and turkey.

**BLACK BASS** - Largemouth bass, redeye bass, smallmouth bass and spotted bass.

**BLOCKING OUT** – The removal of the head and/or tail associated with the processing of a commercial fish. The blocked-out carcass (bullet) must be at least the minimum length required for the body of water where the commercial fish was harvested (see Code 41.12 for minimum length limits).

**BONUS DEER** – A harvested deer that is not included in a hunter's statewide bag limit.

**BOX TYPE TURTLE TRAP** – A floating trap designed to capture aquatic turtles, but does not permit capture of fish (See Code 39.04 for restrictions).

**BREAM** - Any species of the genus Lepomis, including bluegill, redear, warmouth and other sunfish.

**BUCK** – A male deer (See LEGAL BUCK definition).

**BUCK DEER SEASON** - Any deer season whereby no deer other than legal buck deer may be taken.

**BULL ELK (legal)** - Any elk having at least one antler visible above the hair line.

**BUY** – To purchase, barter, exchange or trade and includes any offer to purchase, barter, exchange or trade.

**CAPTIVITY or HOLD CAPTIVE** – The holding of living wildlife in a controlled environment that is manipulated by man for the purpose of exercising ownership, possession or control of the wildlife, and that has boundaries designed to prevent selected species from entering or leaving the controlled environment.

**CARCASS** – The body of a dead animal.

**CASE** - A container specifically designed for the purpose of housing a gun which completely encloses such gun by being zipped, snapped, buckled, tied or otherwise fastened with no portion of the gun exposed.

**CATCH-AND-RELEASE** – The requirement that fish of a designated species must be immediately released into the water where caught.

**CERVID** – A member of the family Cervidae.

**CHASE FOR PLEASURE** – **To search for, pursue or chase game animals or other wildlife with the use of dogs for recreational purposes only, with no intent of taking or attempting to take such game animals or wildlife through the possession or use of any killing device.**

**CHRONIC WASTING DISEASE (CWD)** – Fatal disease affecting the brain of cervids that belongs to a group of diseases called transmissible spongiform encephalopathies.

**CHUMMING** – To dislodge or deposit any substance not attached to a hook which may attract fish.

**CITY, COUNTY, STATE OR FEDERALLY MAINTAINED ROAD** - Any road graded or otherwise repaired by any city, county, state or federal agency in the state of Arkansas.

**CLEAN** – Having no meat matter or tissue attached to the carcass part.

**COMMERCIAL FISH** – Bowfin (over 6 inches), buffalo, catfish, carp, drum, gar, paddlefish, sucker family, white amur and sturgeon.

**COMMERCIAL FISHERMAN** - Any person who fishes with tackle designated as commercial tackle requiring a license and/or tag issued by the Commission.

**COMMERCIAL WILDLIFE PERMIT(S)** – Shall be a term construed to identify each and/or all of the following permits: Alligator Farmer/Dealer Permit, Alligator Snapping Turtle Breeder/Dealer Permit, Resident Shell Taker and Seller Permit, Shell Buyer Permit, Non-Resident Shell Buyer Permit, Resident Roe Taker/Seller Permit, Resident Roe Buyer/Exporter Permit, Non-Resident Roe Buyer Permit, Resident Fur Dealer Permit, Non-Resident Fur Dealer Permit, Special Commercial Quail Permit, Game Bird Shooting Resort Permit, Wildlife Hunting Resort Permit, Wildlife Breeder/Dealer Permit and Wildlife Translocation Permit.

**COMMISSION** - The Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission, unless otherwise designated.

**DISABLED** - Any individual who is 100% permanently and totally disabled as declared by the following federal agencies: the United

States Social Security Administration, the United Department of Veteran's Affairs or the United States Railroad Retirement Board.

**DOE** – A female deer.

**DOE DEER SEASON** – Any deer season whereby a doe may be taken.

**DROWNING SET** - Any leg hold trap that utilizes one or more of the following techniques to retain the target animal in water of suitable depth for drowning. These are: (1) a slide wire with lock; (2) tangle stake; or (3) drowning weight.

**DUCKS** (includes the following species) – All species of Teal, Merganser, Whistling Duck and Scaup; American Wigeon, American Black Duck, Bufflehead, Canvasback, Gadwall, Goldeneye, Mallard, Mottled Duck, Northern Shoveler, Redhead, Ring-necked Duck, Ruddy Duck, Northern Pintail and Wood Duck.

**EITHER-SEX** – A male or a female.

**EITHER-SEX DEER SEASON** – Any deer season whereby a doe or a legal buck may be taken.

**ENCLOSE** – To surround species of wildlife on all sides using man-made barriers, including but not limited to fencing, walls, structures or other devices, so that the wildlife are not free to leave a particular environment.

**ENCLOSURE** – Any area surrounded by a man-made barrier, including but not limited to fencing, walls, structures or other devices that prevent wildlife from leaving a particular environment.

**ENDANGERED SPECIES** - any wildlife species or subspecies endangered or threatened with extinction listed by the U. S. Department of Interior and the following native species hereby designated in Arkansas:

**MAMMALS:**

Gray bat (*Myotis grisescens*), Indiana bat (*Myotis sodalis*), Ozark big-eared bat (*Corynorhinus townsendii ingens*).

**BIRDS:**

Bald eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*), least tern (*Sterna antillarum*), Bachman's warbler (*Vermivora bachmanii*), red-cockaded woodpecker (***Picoides borealis***), **ivory-billed woodpecker (*Campephilus principalis*)**.

**REPTILES:**

American alligator (*Alligator mississippiensis*).

**FISHES:**

Ozark cavefish (*Amblyopsis rosae*), leopard darter (*Percina pantherina*), pallid sturgeon (*Scaphirhynchus albus*);

**MOLLUSKS:**

Scaleshell mussel, Curtis' pearly mussel, (*Epioblasma florentina curtisi*), fat pocketbook pearly mussel (*Potamilus capax*), pink mucket mussel (*Lampsilis abrupta*), turgid blossom mussel (*Epioblasma turgidula*), speckled pocketbook mussel (*Lampsilis streckeri*), Arkansas fatmucket mussel (*Lampsilis powelli*), winged mapleleaf mussel (*Quadrula fragosa*), Magazine Mountain shagreen land snail

(*Inflectarius magazinensis*); scaleshell mussel (*Leptodea leptodon*), Ouachita rock pocketbook mussel (*Arkansia wheeleri*);

**ARTHROPODS:**

Cave crayfish (Cambarus zophonastes) and (Cambarus aculabrum);

INSECTS:

American burying beetle (Nicrophorus americanus);

PLANTS:

Geocarpon minimum (no common name), pondberry, (Lindera melissifolia), Missouri bladderpod (Lesquerella filiformis), Harperella (Ptilimnium nodosum), Eastern prairie fringed orchid (Platanthera leucophaea), running buffalo clover (Trifolium stoloniferum);

**FEE LAKE** - A lake in which there is a charge for fishing privileges. All persons 16 years of age and older must possess an Arkansas fishing license. Daily limits apply.

**FERAL HOG** – Any hog (*Sus scrofa*), including Russian and European wild boar, which is roaming freely upon public lands and is living in a wild or feral state.

**FIREARMS, LOADED** - Firearms shall be considered to be loaded if shells or cartridges are in either the chamber, magazine or cylinder; percussion cap muzzle-loading firearms are considered loaded if the percussion cap is on the nipple; flintlock muzzle-loading firearms are considered to be loaded if there is powder in the flashpan.

**FISH or FISHING** - To lure, attract, collect or pursue fish species or aquatic wildlife for the purpose of taking or attempting to take such fish species or aquatic wildlife by any method.

**FISH FARM** - Waters and adjacent premises confined within a pond, tank or lake not connected with public waters, and under management by a fish farmer.

**FISH FARMER (AQUACULTURIST)** - Any person, firm, partnership or corporation engaged in the propagation or rearing of aquaculture species for sale.

**FREEFLOATING FISHING DEVICE** - Any floating fishing device unanchored or unattached to a stationary object.

**FURBEARERS** - Badger, beaver, bobcat, coyote, gray fox, red fox, mink, muskrat, nutria, opossum, raccoon, river otter, **spotted skunk (civet cat)**, **striped** skunk and weasel.

**GAFFING FISH** - Taking or attempting to take fish with a hand held or handled hook prior to being caught on hook and line.

**GAME ANIMALS** - Black bear, bobcat, coyote, deer, elk, fox, mink, opossum, rabbit, raccoon and squirrel.

**GAME BIRD SHOOTING RESORT** - Any person, firm or corporation engaged, for pay or other consideration, who provides pen-raised birds for harvest by hunters.

**GAME BIRDS** - Turkey, quail, pheasant, chuckar, and all birds classified by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service as migratory game birds.

**GAME FISH** - Alligator gar, black bass, white bass, striped bass, striped bass hybrid, crappie, catfish, trout, bream, sunfish, goggle-eye, walleye, northern pike, muskellunge, sauger, paddlefish and pickerel.

**GUIDE** - Any person who provides, for monetary or any other compensation, that person's personal services for the purpose of assisting others to locate, pursue, catch or hunt wildlife.

**HIGH-FENCE ENCLOSURE** – An enclosure that contains an area of at least 500 contiguous acres, with at least sixty percent (60%) of the acreage in forested cover that has been classified as timberland by the local county tax assessor, that has a perimeter fence at least eight (8) feet high, with no cross-fencing that has the effect of reducing the size of the area to less than 500 contiguous acres with at least sixty percent (60%) of the acreage in forested cover as herein provided.

**HOGGING** – The taking of fish by the use of hands only in or under the water.

**HUNT or HUNTING** – To search for, pursue, chase, track, lure, attract or lie in wait of game animals or other wildlife for the purpose of taking or attempting to take such game animals or wildlife by any method.

**HUNTING PARTY** - Two or more persons hunting together.

**IMPORT** – To land on, bring into or introduce into any place within the jurisdiction of the State of Arkansas.

**IMPORTATION** – To ship, convey, carry or transport wildlife into or through the state by any means.

**JAKE** - Sub-adult turkeys having all of following characteristics: a) longer central tail feathers, b) outermost 1 or 2 wing feathers lacking white barring all the way to the tip and c) a beard six (6) inches or less in length.

**KILLING DEVICE** - Any firearm, bow and arrow, crossbow, pellet gun or any other device capable of killing wildlife.

**LEGAL BUCK** – A buck having both antlers under two inches (including button buck) or at least one antler with at least three points including the main beam, each a minimum of one inch long. (Ref. Code 21.03)

**LARGE CARNIVORE** – Tigers (*Panthera tigris*), African Lions (*Panthera leo*), or any hybrid thereof and all species of bears.

**MIGRATORY BIRDS** – All birds protected by the federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act of 1918 and subsequent amendments.

**MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS** – Coots, crows, doves, ducks, gallinules or moorhens, geese, rails, snipe and woodcock.

**MINIMUM LENGTH LIMIT** – The shortest length of a fish, of a designated species, measured from the front of the lower jaw with the mouth closed to the tip of the tail with tail lobes pressed together, that an angler may keep. All fish not meeting the minimum length requirement for a particular water or species must be immediately released into the water where caught.

**MINNOWS** - small nongame fish commonly used for bait including bluntnose minnows, bullhead minnows, chubs, dace, fatheads, common carp under 6 inches, goldfish, shiners and stonerollers.

**MOBILITY IMPAIRED** - Individuals who are mobility impaired in accordance with criteria on the Game and Fish application for the mobility impaired card.

**NATIVE WILDLIFE** – Those species and sub-species of wildlife that have established, naturally reproducing, free-ranging, wild populations within the state of Arkansas.

**NIGHT** - thirty (30) minutes after sunset to thirty (30) minutes before sunrise.

**NOODLING** – The taking of fish by the use of a pole mounted breakaway hook that detaches at the time of the strike or catch, or snare type device, with an attached line manipulated by hand when a person is in or under the water.

**NONGAME WILDLIFE** - all wildlife other than furbearing or game animals, birds and fish.

**NON-RESIDENT** - Any person not defined as resident.

**NUISANCE WILDLIFE** - Any wild animal creating a problem by committing damage to personal property (Depredation Permit available).

**NUISANCE FURBEARING ANIMALS** - Beaver, muskrat and nutria.

**OPEN SEASON** - that season during which protected wildlife may be lawfully taken.

**PEN-RAISED QUAIL** - Quail that are hatched from eggs of quail raised in captivity in pens or cages.

**PERSON** - Any individual, firm, corporation, association or partnership in singular or plural as the context requires.

**POSSESS OR POSSESSION** - Having or holding wildlife, or any property in one's power; the exercise of dominion over property. Possession includes actual possession, which means physical occupancy or control over property, and constructive possession, which means control or dominion over property without actual possession or custody of the property.

**PROPAGATE or PROPAGATION** – To cause plants or animals to breed or multiply.

**PROTECTED SLOT LIMIT** – A species/size limit which prohibits anglers from keeping fish within a designated size group, and requires fish of that size and species to be immediately released into the water where caught.

**PROTECTED WILDLIFE** - all wildlife in the state unless a declared open season has been established by the Commission.

**PUT AND TAKE PAY LAKE** - Private waters open to public fishing for a fee, after being licensed by the Commission and where no fishing license or daily limit of fish is imposed.

**RAPTOR** - Any migratory bird of the Order Falconiformes or the Order Strigiformes and Ciconiiformes Family Cathartidae.

**REAR OR REARING** – To maintain plants or animals in order to increase their size or developmental stage.

**REHABILITATION** – The practice of providing medical treatment or other care to orphaned, sick or injured wild animals that have come into human possession with the goal of returning the animal to the wild.

**RESIDENT** - Any person who has established a bona fide or actual residence of at least 60 days prior to applying for a license, and who declares intentions of becoming a citizen of Arkansas. Possession of Arkansas real estate by persons living outside the state does not qualify the owner as a resident.

**EXCEPTIONS:**

- (A) The following students, carrying proof of full-time enrollment in schools, colleges or universities while hunting or fishing in Arkansas, are eligible to purchase a resident license:
  - (1) Residents of Arkansas enrolled as full-time students in colleges and universities outside of Arkansas.
  - (2) Non-residents enrolled as full-time students in colleges and universities in Arkansas.
  - (3) Non-resident foreign exchange students attending school in Arkansas.
  - (4) Resident foreign exchange students attending school outside of Arkansas.
- (B) Servicemen and women stationed (permanently assigned) in Arkansas are granted resident privileges for hunting and fishing. Servicemen and women who were Arkansas residents at the time of entering service are also granted resident privileges for hunting and fishing, regardless where stationed.
- (C) Proof of at least one (1) year residency must be provided when applying for the following licenses:  
\$1,000 Sportsman's permit, Resident Disabled 3-Year Licenses, Special Guide License, Alligator Farmer/Dealer Permit, Alligator Snapping Turtle Breeder/Dealer Permit, Commercial Fisherman's Permit & Sportfishing License, Commercial Fisherman's Helper Permit, Junior/Senior Commercial Fishing Permit, Resident Shell Taker/Seller Permit, Shell Taker Helper Permit, Shell Buyer, Resident Fish Dealer, Resident Roe Taker/Seller Permit, Resident Roe Taker Helper Permit and Resident Roe Buyer/Exporter Permit.
- (D) Proof of at least three (3) years residency must be provided when applying for the following licenses: 65 Plus Lifetime License.

The Director or his representative shall make the final determination as to the resident status of any license applicant.

**ROUGH FISH** – Gars, bowfin, **bullhead catfish**, common carp, asian carp (grass carp, bighead carp, silver carp), suckers (including buffalo) and drum.

**SELL OR SALE** – To exchange or deliver for money or its equivalent; to offer for sale, barter, exchange or trade or the act of selling, bartering, exchanging or trading.

**SHELL BUYER** - Anyone who buys mussels or mussel parts from a Taker. An agent purchasing for a licensed buyer is not a buyer.

**SIMULATED WING MOVEMENT DECOYS** – Electronic, mechanically-operated, wind-powered or manually-powered devices that simulate wing movement, **except for kite devices.**

**SMALL GAME** – Furbearers, migratory game birds, quail, rabbit and squirrel.

**SNAGGING** – A method of taking fish using conventional rod and reel tackle where the fish is impaled by the forceful retrieval of one or more hooks.

**SNAGLINE** - Commercial tackle consisting of a horizontal line with hooks or drops less than 24 inches apart.

**SPORTFISH** – See game fish definition above.

**TACKLE** - Any rod, reel, pole, line, net, yo-yo, seine or any other apparatus or device used to take fish.

**TAKE** - To shoot, kill, injure, trap, net, snare, spear, catch, capture or reduce to possession.

**TAXIDERMY** - The art of preparing, stuffing and/or mounting of wildlife and parts thereof.

**TRANSLOCATION** – To ship, convey, carry or transport wildlife from one location to another by any means, including importation, exportation, interstate and intrastate movement.

**TRAP or TRAPPING** – **To use a device, such as a clamp-like apparatus that closes, noose or cable restraint device (snare), for the purpose of catching and holding animals.**

**TROUT** – Any members of the Salmonidae family including rainbow trout, brown trout, brook trout, lake trout and cutthroat trout.

**WATERFOWL** – All species of ducks, geese and swans.

**WATERS OF THE STATE** - All streams, lakes, sloughs, bayous, marshes or any other water wholly or partially within the State. Pay lakes and fish farms are excluded from the above.

**WILD** - to be living in a state of nature and not domesticated.

**WILDLIFE** - All wild birds, mammals, fish, reptiles, amphibians and other wild aquatic forms, and all other wild animals, regardless of classification, whether resident, migratory or imported, protected or unprotected, dead or alive, and shall extend to and include any and every part of any individual species of wildlife, including animals living in a captive state and which lack a genetic distinction from members of the same species living in the wild.

**WILDLIFE CHECK STATION** – An official wildlife check station is a Commission designated (1) county check station, (2) Commission employee, (3) deer camp or (4) Commission on-line checking web site <http://www.agfc.com>.

**WILDLIFE HUNTING RESORT** – A Wildlife Hunting Resort is any facility, location, business or operation that is engaged in offering the opportunity to hunt or attempt to hunt captive wildlife other than pen-raised game birds.

**WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA (WMA)** - Designated areas set aside by the Commission and distinguished by certain markers and considered a separate zone with regard to wildlife regulations. (Referred to as "WMA", "Waterfowl Rest Area "WRA", "Wildlife Demonstration Area" (WDA)", "Field Trail Area" (FTA), "State Park-Conservation Area" (SP-CA), or "National Wildlife Refuge" (NWR).

**ZONE** - Any area defined or delineated by the Commission where hunting and/or fishing activities are regulated for that specific area.

**01.00-12-89**

**MINIMUM PENALTY.** A minimum penalty of \$100.00 shall be imposed upon all game and fish violations with the following exceptions: 03.02 Fishing License Requirements; 06.07 Hunter Orange Clothing Requirements; 09.01 Hunting Dog Requirements; 31.09 Yo-Yo Fishing Restrictions; ~~32.15 Cotton Line Anchoring Requirements~~; and 43.01-43.02 Boating (As prescribed under Title 27).

**15.15-05-05**

**SCIENTIFIC COLLECTION PERMIT REQUIREMENTS.** It shall be unlawful for persons engaged in scientific studies to take ~~protected~~ **any** species of fish or wildlife without first applying for, on a form provided by the Commission, and obtaining a scientific collection permit from the Commission Director or his designee and said wildlife species must be taken as specified in permit.

**EXCEPTION:**

(1) Commission employees taking fish or wildlife for scientific purposes in performance of their duties.

(2) **In compliance with regulations as pertaining to the legal harvest of wildlife and aquatic resources.**

**PENALTY: \$1,000.00 to \$5,000.00.**

**18.05-04-05**

**TAKING WILDLIFE AT NIGHT FROM A BOAT PROHIBITED.** It shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take or locate any wildlife from a boat during the hours of darkness, or to transport any firearms in a boat at night without said firearms being unloaded and cased.

**EXCEPTIONS:**

(1) Taking of frogs, ~~fish or turtles~~ by legal methods during the open season.

(2) In compliance with Commission Code 18.09 (Depredation Permit).

**PENALTY: \$500.00 to \$2,000.00.**

**SECTION 31.00 - SPORT FISHING**

- 31.01A**     **Game Fish Daily Limit Restrictions.**
- 31.01B**     **Game Fish Possession Limit Restrictions.**
- 31.02**     **Game Fish Length Limits and Protective Slot Limits on Certain Lakes and Rivers.**
- 31.04**     **Gigging of Game Fish Prohibited.**
- 31.05**     **Snagging Game Fish Prohibited.**
- 31.06A**     **Baiting with Game Fish Prohibited.**
- 31.06B**     **Baiting with Common Carp on Certain Waters Prohibited.**
- 31.07**     **Sale of Game Fish Prohibited.**
- 31.08**     **Sale of Bait Prohibited.**
- 31.09**     **Yo-Yo Fishing Restrictions.**
- 31.10**     **Freefloating Fishing Devices Restrictions.**
- 31.11**     **Trotline, Setline and Limbline Fishing Requirements.**
- 31.18**     **Possession of Filleted Fish Prohibited on Length/Slot Limit Waters.**
- 31.19**     **Family Fishing Program Restrictions.**
- 31.20**     **Community Fishing Management Program Restrictions.**

**31.01B**     **GAME FISH POSSESSION LIMIT RESTRICTIONS.** It shall be  
 10-05     unlawful to possess more than two (2) daily limits of game fish or the aggregate thereof.

Daily Limit - Black Basses(including not more than four Smallmouth).....	10
Daily Limit - Rock Bass.....	10
Daily Limit - Catfish(exc. Bullhead).....	10
Daily Limit - Bream(over 4" in length).....	50
Daily Limit - Crappie.....	20
Daily Limit - Muskellunge.....	6
Daily Limit - Pickerel.....	6
Daily Limit - Northern Pike.....	6
Daily Limit - Sauger.....	6
Daily Limit - Saugeye.....	6
Daily Limit - Striped Bass or Hybrid Combination.....	6
Daily Limit - Walleye.....	6
Daily Limit - White Bass.....	25
(Yellow Bass - No Limit)	
Daily Limit - Paddlefish.....	2
Daily Limit - Alligator Gar.....	2
Daily Aggregate Limit.....	75
Daily Limit for all sportfish on Bois d'Arc in Hempstead County	½ daily limit

**EXCEPTIONS:**

(1) **LARGEMOUTH, SPOTTED, SMALLMOUTH (BLACK BASS):**

(A) Ozark Zone (Baxter, Benton, Boone, Carroll, Cleburne, Fulton, Independence, Izard, Lawrence, Madison, Marion, Newton, Randolph, Searcy, Sharp, Stone, Van Buren, and Washington counties) - smallmouth bass minimum length limit 12 inches with a daily limit of 4, except Bull Shoals Lake, Beaver Lake, Lake Norfolk, and Table Rock Lake (see exception 1(B) below).

Ozark Zone Blue Ribbon Streams (Crooked Creek and Buffalo River) - smallmouth bass minimum length limit of 14 inches with a daily limit of 2. Smallmouth bass minimum length limit on Crooked Creek 18 inches with a daily limit of 1: from 101 bridge downstream to the confluence with the White River; between the Hwy 62-412 and Hwy 62 Spur bridges at Pyatt.

Ozark Zone Catch and Release Area – Crooked Creek, along boundary of Arkansas Game and Fish Foundation property near Kelly’s Slab Access.

Ozark Zone Quality Streams (Kings, Spring, South Fork/Spring **and Eleven Point** rivers) - smallmouth bass minimum length limit of 14 inches with a daily limit of 2, except on Kings River from Trigger Gap to Hwy 62 bridge: minimum length limit 18 inches and daily limit of 1.

Ouachita/Boston Zone (all Arkansas counties not included in the Ozark Zone) - smallmouth bass minimum length limit of 10 inches with a daily limit of 4.

Ouachita/Boston Zone Quality Streams (Mulberry, Caddo above DeGray Lake, DeGray Lake, Ouachita River upstream from Lake Ouachita, **Ouachita River downstream from Remmel Dam**, Saline River, including its four headwater forks in Saline, Perry and Garland counties, South Fork/Ouachita, Little Missouri above Lake Greeson and Lake Greeson) - smallmouth bass minimum length limit of 12 inches with a daily limit of 2.

Ouachita/Boston Zone Catch-and-Release Area - all smallmouth bass caught in Lake Ouachita including the Ouachita River upstream to the River Bluff access area **and Little Missouri River from Lake Greeson Dam to the Ouachita River** must be immediately returned to the stream.

(B) Black Bass daily limit - six (6) on Beaver Lake, Bull Shoals, **DeQueen Lake**, Norfolk Lake, Lake Ouachita and Table Rock Lake, five (5) on Lake Lou Emma - Crawford County, and four (4) on **Lake Atkins and Lake Gargile**; Largemouth bass daily limit – five (5) on Grandview Lake #2, **eight (8)** in

Lower White Oak Lake and one (1) on Mallard Lake and the Little Missouri River; (Reference Code **31.02A (12)**, Black Bass Length Limits and Protective Slot Limits on Certain Lakes).

- (C) Largemouth bass caught must be immediately returned to the water in Lake Greenlee in Monroe County, Lake Sylvia in Perry County, ~~Lake SWEPCO~~, Bois d'Arc Lake and Lake Ashbaugh in Greene County.

(2) BREAM

- (A) No limit on bream four (4) inches or less in length.

(3) CATFISH

- (A) No limit on catfish on Grand Lake - Chicot County, Lake Chicot (including that portion of Connerly Bayou downstream from Connerly Dam to the bayou's mouth and Ditch Bayou from the inlet on Lake Chicot to Ditch Bayou Dam) and between the main levees of the Mississippi River, **from the confluence of the Mississippi/White Rivers upstream to the Benzal Railroad Bridge, and from the confluence of the Mississippi/Arkansas Rivers upstream to the Yancopin Railroad Bridge.**

- (B) Catfish daily limit five (5) on DeWitt City Park Lake – Arkansas County; Lake Atalanta and Lake Bentonville - Benton County; Hidden Lake - Carroll County; Big Timber Lake and Gurdon Lake - Clark County; Hubble Lake - Clay County; Lake Bailey - Conway County; Craighead Forest Lake - Craighead County; Lake Cambadelle and Lake Lou Emma - Crawford County; West Memphis City Parks Lake and Marion City Park Lake - Crittenden County; Village Creek State Park Lakes - Cross and St. Francis Counties; Lake Bennett - Faulkner County; Lake Clearfork - Garland County; Crowley Ridge State Park Lake and Reynolds Park Lake - Greene County; Newark City Lake – Independence County; Ward City Park Lake – Lonoke County; Hindsville Lake - Madison County; Blytheville City Park Lake - Mississippi County; Donald Branch Fishing Pond – Monroe County; Lake Sylvia - Perry County; Shady Lake - Polk County; Twin Lakes A & B, Camp Ferncliff, Paradise Lake, and all Little Rock and North Little Rock City Park lakes - Pulaski County; Old Davidsonville State Park Lake - Randolph County; Forrest City Park Lake – St. Francis County; Truman Baker Lake - Scott County; Cave City's Lakes - Sharp County; Gunner Pool and Hayden Bend Pond - Stone County; Devils Den State Park - Washington County; Spring Lake - Yell County; Kingfisher, Clubhouse Lakes in Petit Jean WMA, Yell County and posted U.S. Forest Service ponds and lakes.

- (C) In addition to daily limit, ten (10) channel catfish under 16 inches may be taken on the Arkansas River.
  - (D) In addition to daily limit, ten channel catfish of any size may be taken in Lake Erling and Millwood Lake.
- (4) **CRAPPIE**
- (A) Crappie daily limit - 15 in Beaver, Table Rock, Bull Shoals, Norfolk reservoirs, Cane Creek Lake in Lincoln County and **Gurdon Lake in Clark County.**
  - (B) Crappie daily limit - 30 east of a line beginning at the Arkansas - Missouri State Line on U.S. Hwy 63 and described as follows: following U.S. Hwy 63 south to Hardy, continuing on U.S. Hwy 62 west to Ash Flat, continuing on U.S. Hwy 167 south to Little Rock, continuing on U.S. Hwy 67 south to Texarkana to Arkansas - Texas state line.
  - (C) Crappie daily limit - 50 between the main levees of the Mississippi River, **from the confluence of the Mississippi/White Rivers upstream to the Benzal Railroad Bridge, from the confluence of the Mississippi/Arkansas Rivers upstream to the Yancopin Railroad Bridge,** and on Horseshoe Lake in Crittenden County.
  - (D) Crappie daily limit – 20 in Lake Chicot and Lake Monticello.
- (5) **WALLEYE**
- (A) Walleye daily limit - 4 with an 18 inch minimum length limit in Beaver **Lake, including all its tributaries,** Bull Shoals **Lake,** Norfolk **Lake** and Table Rock Lake, **including all its tributaries** to the Beaver Dam on the White River; Greers Ferry Lake including all its tributaries, daily limit – **6,** only one of which may be 28 inches or over, with a protected slot limit from 20 to 28 inches.
- (6) In compliance with Commission Code 31.02 (Game Fish Limits and Protective Slot Limits on Certain Lakes and Rivers).
  - (7) In compliance with Commission Code Section 35.00 (Spear Fishing).
  - (8) In compliance with Commission Code Section 42.00 (Fish Farmer).
- (9) **WHITE BASS, STRIPED BASS, HYBRID STRIPED BASS**
- (A) White Bass daily limit of 50 and possession limit of 100 while fishing between the main levees of the Mississippi River, **from the confluence of the Mississippi/White Rivers upstream to the Benzal Railroad Bridge, and from the confluence of the Mississippi/Arkansas Rivers upstream to the Yancopin Railroad Bridge.**
  - (B) Striped Bass or Hybrid Combination daily limit – 3 on Beaver Lake, Bull Shoals Lake, Lake Greeson, Lake Maumelle, Norfolk Lake and Lake Ouachita; 10 when taken from the Arkansas River and connecting lakes.

- (C) No limit on White Bass on Lake Ashbaugh and Beaver Lake and all tributaries including Lake Sequoyah.

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

**31.02**  
10-05

**GAME FISH LENGTH LIMITS AND PROTECTIVE SLOT LIMITS  
ON CERTAIN LAKES AND RIVERS**

- (A) **BASS:** It shall be unlawful to possess black bass as follows:
- (1) Less than 12 inches in length on largemouth bass in Lake Frierson.
  - (2) Less than 12 inches in length on spotted bass in Beaver Lake, Bull Shoals Lake, Norfolk Lake and Table Rock Lake.
  - (3) Less than 15 inches in length on smallmouth bass in Beaver Lake, Bull Shoals Lake, Norfolk Lake and Table Rock Lake.
  - (4) Less than 15 inches in length on largemouth bass only in Beaver Lake, Big Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Blue Mountain Lake, Bull Shoals Lake, Caddo Fishing Pond, Upper and Lower Lake Chicot (including that portion of Connerly Bayou downstream from Connerly Dam to the bayou's mouth and Ditch Bayou from the inlet on Lake Chicot to Ditch Bayou Dam) in Chicot County, Georgia Pacific Lake Lake Greenlee, Kingfisher Lake, Greers Ferry Lake, Mercer Bayou (Sulphur River WMA), Moss Creek Pond, Norfolk Lake, Shady Lake, Table Rock Lake, Lake Wright (Sebastian County), and Arkansas River:
  - (5) It shall be unlawful to possess largemouth bass from 13" to 16" in length on Lake Barnett (White County), Lake Austell (Cross County), Bear Creek Lake, Bob Kidd Lake, Lake Brewer, Lake DeGray, Dierks Reservoir (Howard and Sevier counties), Lake Hogue, Lee Creek Lake, ~~Lake Maumelle (Pulaski County)~~, Sugar Loaf Lake, and Lake Wilhelmina (Polk County); ~~or to possess largemouth bass from 13" to 18" in length on DeQueen Reservoir.~~
  - (6) Less than 16 inches in length on largemouth bass only in Lake Millwood. Limit 3.
  - (7) It shall be unlawful to possess largemouth bass from 16" to 21" in length or to possess more than one (1) largemouth bass 21" or longer in Lake Atkins (Pope County), ~~Lake Gargile (Conway County)~~, Lake Columbia, and Lake Monticello and Mallard Lake. Limit 4.
  - (8) It shall be unlawful to possess largemouth bass from 16" to 21" in length in Lake Pickthorne; limit 2, only one of which may be 21" or longer.
  - (9) It shall be unlawful to possess largemouth bass from 16 inches to 21 inches in length in Lake #1 in Grandview WMA. Limit 2 largemouth bass (1 over 21" and 1 under

16", or 2 under 16"). Limit on other game fish is one half the statewide daily limit.

- (10) Less than 13 inches in length on largemouth bass and spotted bass in Lake Ouachita.
  - (11) **It shall be unlawful to possess largemouth bass from 16" to 18" in length or to possess more than three largemouth bass longer than 18" in Lower White Oak Lake.**
  - (12) Less than 21 inches in length on largemouth bass in Mallard Lake. Daily limit one largemouth bass.
  - (13) Less than 18 inches in length on smallmouth bass in the lower Little Missouri River.
  - (14) It shall be unlawful to possess more than (1) largemouth bass 18 inches or longer in Lake Swepeco.
  - (15) Black bass greater than 16 inches in Lake Winona.
- (B) CRAPPIE: It shall be unlawful to possess crappie as follows:
- (1) Less than 10 inches in length in Beaver, Table Rock, Bull Shoals and Norfolk Reservoirs, Cane Creek Lake in Lincoln County, Lake Chicot (including that portion of Connerly Bayou downstream from Connerly Dam to the bayou's mouth and Ditch Bayou from the inlet on Lake Chicot to Ditch Bayou Dam), Lake Charles and Lake Monticello.
  - (2) Less than 9 inches in length in Blue Mountain Lake and Harris Brake Lake.
- EXCEPTION:**
- (1) During the months of December, January and February, the minimum length limit is waived on Lake Monticello and the harvest is regulated by a 20-fish daily bag limit. The first 20 crappie caught, regardless of size, must be retained: culling is not permitted. From March through November, harvest is controlled by a 10-inch minimum length, 20-fish daily bag limit.
- (C) **CATFISH (Channel, Blue and Flathead):**
- (1) **It shall be unlawful to possess more than one catfish (channel, blue or flathead) greater than 34 inches in length from the Mississippi River along the common border with the state of Tennessee, including oxbow lakes between the main levees of the Mississippi River.**
  - (2) It shall be unlawful to possess flathead catfish less than 20 inches in length on the Ouachita River from the confluence of the Little Missouri River to Rammel Dam.
- (D) STRIPED BASS: It shall be unlawful to possess striped bass less than 20 inches in length on Norfolk Lake.

**EXCEPTION:**

- (1) Sportfish may be snagged (except in catch and release areas) in accordance with Code 31.05, Hogging, Noodling and Snagging Game Fish Prohibited, and within the restrictive size limits as specified in Code 31.02.

NOTE: Measure all fish from the front end of the lower jaw to the tip of the tail with fish laid flat on rule, mouth closed and tail lobes pressed together.

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

**31.06A**  
08-80

**BAITING WITH GAME FISH PROHIBITED.** It shall be unlawful to use game fish, or parts thereof, for bait or lures.

**EXCEPTION:**

- (1) Bream (Ref: 01.00-C)

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

**31.06B**

**BAITING WITH COMMON CARP ON CERTAIN WATERS PROHIBITED. It shall be unlawful to use common carp as bait in the following waters:**

Bob Kidd Lake, Devil's Den State Park Lake, Lake Elmdale, Lake Fayetteville, Wilson Lake (Washington County); Crystal Lake (Benton County); Lake Leatherwood (Carroll County); Lake Hindsville (Madison County); Lake Cargill, Lake Overcup (Conway County); Lake Barnett and Tom's Lake (White County); Lake Conway (Faulkner County); Harris Brake Lake (Perry County); Lake Atkins (Pope County); Sugarloaf Lake (Sebastian County); Truman Baker Lake, Lake Hinkle (Scott County); Lake Wilhelmina, Irons Fork Lake (Polk County); Gurdon Lake (Clark County); Cox Creek Lake (Grant County); Gillham Lake, Dierks Lake (Howard County); DeQueen Lake (Sevier County); Dr. Lester Sitzes III Bois d'Arc Lake, Rick Evans/Grandview Prairie WMA Lakes 1 and 2, Mike and Janet Huckabee Lake (Hempstead County); Lake Columbia (Columbia County); Upper and Lower White Oak Lakes (Ouachita County); Tri-County Lake (Calhoun County); Lake Monticello (Drew County); Cane Creek Lake (Lincoln County).

**31.11**  
08-04

**TROTLINE, SETLINE AND LIMBLINE FISHING REQUIREMENTS.** It shall be unlawful to use any trotline, setline and limblime with drops or hooks less than twenty-four (24) inches apart statewide, or to use any trotline or snagline below any Lock and Dam on the Arkansas River from the Dam to the nearest arrival point navigation marker downstream, or to fail to run any line and remove catch daily. All trotlines, setlines and limblines must be clearly labeled with the name and address, or vehicle operator's license number, or current vehicle license number of the person using such equipment. Information must be attached on each line at the

bank end. Unlabeled lines shall be removed and destroyed by Commission Officers. It shall also be unlawful for an angler to fish any more than 100 hooks at any time between the main levees of the Mississippi River. (Refer to Code 32.08, Waters Restricted to Certain Fishing Tackle, ~~and Code 32.15, Cotton Line Anchoring Requirements.~~)  
**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

**31.19**

08-98/08-04

**FAMILY FISHING PROGRAM RESTRICTIONS.** It shall be unlawful to fish in the following waters except as specified herein:

(A) Coleman Creek Pond (Little Rock), Bob Courtway Pond (Conway), Camp Robinson Firing Range on Camp Robinson WMA, Lake Village Community Fishing Pond, ~~and~~ Pine Bluff Regional Park Youth Fishing Pond, Landers Lake (Little Rock) ~~and Craighead Forest Park Youth Fishing Pond (Jonesboro):~~

- (1) Fishing open only to persons under 16 years of age and 65 years of age and older. Properly licensed persons between the age of 16 and 64 may fish if accompanied by a person under age 16 who is actively fishing.
- (2) Only hand held rod or pole allowed.
- (3) Largemouth bass: catch and release only.
- (4) Catfish daily limit: 3
- (5) Bream daily limit: 25
- (6) All other sportfish daily limit: same as statewide.
- (7) Trout daily limit: 5
- (8) Hybrid striped bass: 3
- (9) Lakes open to electric ~~trotling~~ trolling motors only.

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

**32.05**

08-04

**HOGGING AND NOODLING RESTRICTIONS.** It shall be unlawful to hog or noodle fish.

**EXCEPTIONS:**

- (1) When taken for personal use, buffalo, catfish, carp and drum may be taken. The portion of the state north and west of U.S. Highway 67 will be open July 15 through October 31, and that portion of the state south and east of U.S. Highway 67 will be open June 1 through October 31. The Arkansas River will be open June 1 through October 31. The Mississippi River will be open from May 1 through July 15. While engaged in hogging in this area, it is unlawful to raise any part of a natural or artificial device out of the water thereby aiding in the capture of enclosed fish.
- (2) One-half daily limit on catfish.
- (3) ~~It shall be unlawful to hog or noodle any species of fish at any time on the Ouachita River from the confluence of the Little Missouri River to Remmel Dam.~~

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 To \$1,000.00.

**32.06**  
10-99

**TAKING FISH WITH BOW AND ARROW OR GIG RESTRICTED.**

It shall be unlawful to take any fish other than **sealed** rough fish with bow and arrow or gig.

**EXCEPTIONS:**

- (1) A daily limit of 2 alligator gar may be taken per day between 12:00 noon and the following 12:00 noon.
- (2) Giggling is allowed only between 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 midnight and only from September 15 to February 15 statewide.
- (3) A limit of 2 catfish may be taken per day between 12:00 noon and the following 12:00 noon with bow and arrow from July 15 to May 1.

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

**32.07**  
08-04

**FISHING BELOW DAM RESTRICTIONS.** It shall be unlawful to fish within 100 yards below any dam and within the outlet channels of Arkansas Valley Electric Cooperative Hydroelectric Plant at Barling and the Murray Hydroelectric Plant at North Little Rock.

**EXCEPTION:**

- (1) When only one (1) pole or rod held in hand is used;
- (2) When taking **sealed** rough fish with bow and arrow;
- (3) When taking shad with hand held dip net for personal use only.

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

**32.08**  
08-04

**WATERS RESTRICTED TO CERTAIN FISHING TACKLE.** It shall be unlawful to fish with any device other than rod or pole in:

- A. **DeWitt City Park Lake – Arkansas County;** Lake Atalanta and Lake Bentonville - Benton County; Big Timber Lake - Clark County; Hidden Lake - Carroll County; Gurdon Lake - Clark County; Lake Hubble - Clay County; Lake Bailey - Conway County; Lake Roosevelt in Petit Jean State Park – Conway County; Craighead Forest Lake - Craighead County; Lake Cambadelle - Crawford County; Lake Lou Emma - Crawford County; West Memphis City Parks Lake and **Marion City Park Lake** - Crittenden County; Lake Bennett - Faulkner County; Crowley Ridge State Park Lake and Reynolds Park Lake - Greene County; Lakes #1 and #2 in the Grandview WMA - Hempstead County; Lake Greenlee in Monroe County; Pickthorne Lake and **Ward City Park Lake** - Lonoke County; Hindsville Lake - Madison County; **Lake Greenlee;** **Donald Branch Fishing Pond – Monroe County;** Lake Sylvia - Perry County; Shady Lake - Polk County; Upper Lake Hogue - Poinsett County; Old Davidsonville State Park Lake - Randolph County; **Forrest City Park Lake - St. Francis County;** Truman Baker Lake - Scott County; Carol Cross Lake - Sebastian County; Gunner Pool and Hayden Bend Pond - Stone County; Lake Kingfisher - Yell County; All lakes in Village Creek State Park -

Cross and St. Francis counties; Devil's Den State Park Lake - Washington County; and posted U.S. Forest Service ponds and lakes. Wattensaw WMA ponds and lakes, except oxbow lakes in Prairie County, and North Fork Lake in Montgomery County; Spring River and tributaries from 100 yards below Dam No. 1 to the mouth of Myatt Creek; Spring River Lake.

- B. Arkansas River from 100 yards below Dardanelle Dam to Hwy 7 bridge and 100 yards below Dam No. 2 to the mouth of Morgan Cut-Off (Ref: Commission Code 41.21, Arkansas River Below Dam No. 2 Commercial Fishing Restrictions); Fourche Lefave River from 100 yards below Nimrod Dam to Hwy 7 bridge.
- C. Waters listed in Section 31.19 and 31.20.

**EXCEPTION:**

- (1) Gigging or bowfishing for **scaled** rough fish is permitted in accordance with Code 32.06, Taking Fish with Bow and Arrow or Gig Restricted, in waters listed in Section B and in other unrestricted state waters.

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

**39.02**

08-90/09-05

**COMMERCIAL AQUATIC TURTLE HARVEST RESTRICTIONS.**

It shall be unlawful to take aquatic turtles for commercial purposes by any means other than hoop net or box type turtle traps in the following counties and/or bodies of water:

Arkansas, Ashley, Bradley, Calhoun, Chicot, Cleveland, Clay, Columbia, Craighead, Crittenden, Cross, Dallas, Desha, Drew, Grant, Greene, Hempstead, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Lawrence (see Exception 4), Lee, Lincoln, Little River, Lonoke, Miller, Mississippi, Monroe, Nevada, Ouachita, Phillips, Poinsett, Prairie, Pulaski, Randolph (see Exception 4), St. Francis, Saline, Union, White, Woodruff, and the Arkansas River, from its mouth to the Arkansas/Oklahoma state line, including that part of the Arkansas River from the Ozark Dam to the Arkansas-Oklahoma state line, bounded on the north by the Union Pacific Railroad and on the south by Highway 22 (In compliance with Code 41.19). Arkansas waters between the main levees of the Mississippi River. All lakes, bays or other bodies of water, other than tributary streams, connected to waters as specified above, when accessible by boat, from the main channel except as limited by Section 30.00 (Reciprocal License Agreements). When a river or stream forms the boundary between opened and closed counties, that boundary segment shall be open to tackle legal in the open county.

**EXCEPTIONS:**

- (1) Only box type turtle traps may be used in counties or waters not specifically opened to hoop net turtle traps as listed above.
- (2) Fish farmers operating under a valid Fish Farmer's (Aquaculturist's) Permit may take aquatic turtles on those specific

- ponds, impoundments and drainages where valid fish farming operations are occurring. **(See Exception 3, Code 39.01)**
- (3) Bayou Meto Bayou, in accordance with Code 44.01, Closure to All Commercial Harvest - Bayou Meto Bayou, is closed to all commercial harvest.
  - (4) The following waters are closed to hoop net traps:  
Eleven-Point River in Randolph County; Spring River in Lawrence and Randolph counties; Lake Erling, including all tributaries upstream from 100 yards below Lake Erling Dam to State Highway 313 in Lafayette County; all lakes owned by the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission (excluding ~~Grand Lake and~~ all natural or channel scar lakes on WMAs located in counties listed above), Lake Columbia in Columbia County, Horseshoe Lake in Crittenden County, Lake Wallace in Drew and Chicot Counties, Upper and Lower Lake Chicot (Connerly Bayou to Ditch Bayou Dam inclusive) in Chicot County ~~and Grand Lake in Chicot County~~.
  - (5) U.S. Forest Service lakes, State Park lakes and lakes owned by municipalities or property-owner associations are closed to commercial turtle trapping, unless specifically opened.

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00. **Equipment used in such violations (including but not limited to nets, traps and boats) may be confiscated in accordance with Codes 01.00-D and 01.00-J.**

**39.06**  
08-90/09-05

**POSSESSION OF SPORT FISH BY AQUATIC TURTLE HARVESTERS PROHIBITED.** It shall be unlawful for **permitted aquatic turtle harvesters** to sportfish or possess game fish in the same waters where **the permittee** is engaged in turtle trapping.

**EXCEPTION:**

- (1) ~~Scaled r~~ough fish ~~and bullheads~~, caught in turtle traps, may be retained for use as bait.
- (2) If hoop nets or box type traps are baited with fish, only ~~scaled~~ rough fish **and bullheads** may be used.
- (3) **Fish farmers on their permitted facilities.**

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00. Second offense **shall** result in revocation of the **Aquatic Turtle Harvest Permit or Aquatic Turtle Dealer Permit.**

**Section 41.00**  
**Commercial Fishing Regulations**

- 41.01** Commercial Tackle License Requirements.
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- 41.20 Dardanelle Lake Commercial Tackle Anchoring Restrictions.
- 41.21 Arkansas River Below Dam No. 2 Commercial Fishing Restrictions.
- 41.22 Commercial Fishing Restrictions Steel Bend - Old River Lake (Pulaski County)
- 41.23 Commercial Tackle Restrictions - Big Lake National Wildlife Refuge.
- 41.24 Possession and Use of Fiddler Size Hoop Nets and Slat Type Fish Traps Restricted to Certain Waters of the State.
- 41.25 Slat Type Fish Trap and Fiddler Size Hoop Net Restrictions.
- 41.26 Commercial Fishing Restrictions in Lake Millwood.
- 41.27 Commercial Fishing Restrictions in Blue Mountain and Nimrod Lakes.
- 41.28 AP&L Nuclear Power Plant (Lake Dardanelle) Commercial Fishing Restrictions.
- 41.29 Commercial Fishing Restrictions in Point Remove and Cadron Creeks.
- 41.30 Paddlefish Possession Restrictions on Border Waters.
- 41.31 Commercial Fishing Restrictions on Dagmar WMA.
- 41.32 Commercial Reporting Requirements.
- 41.33 Cutting or Mutilation of Paddlefish and Sturgeon Prohibited.
- 41.34 First Old River (Miller Co.) Special Commercial Fishing Season.
- ~~41.36 Harris Brake Lake Special Commercial Fishing Season.~~
- ~~41.37 Lake Atkins Special Commercial Fishing Season.~~
- 41.36 Grand Lake Commercial Fishing Season.
- 41.37 Commercial Fishing Daily Limit Restrictions.
- 41.38 Harvest Restriction of Catfish and Sturgeon in Mississippi River.
- 41.39 Paddlefish and Sturgeon Harvest Restrictions.

~~41.40~~ — ~~Lake Chicot Special Commercial Fishing Season.~~

**41.04 COMMERCIAL FISHING SEASON AND RESTRICTIONS.**

10-04

(A) The following waters are open year-round to legal commercial tackle as defined in Code 41.03 and 41.08:  
RED RIVER in Hempstead, Lafayette, Little River and Miller counties; LITTLE RIVER from its mouth in Hempstead and Little River counties upstream to Corps of Engineers boat ramp on west bank of river below Millwood Lake Dam;  
SULPHUR RIVER from its mouth to the Texas State line,  
OUACHITA RIVER from the Louisiana State Line to the confluence of the Caddo River (See Exceptions **2, 3 and 5** below), Saline River from its confluence with the Ouachita River upstream to the Stillion Railroad Bridge in Ashley and Bradley Counties,  
FOURCHE LaFAVE RIVER from its mouth to Highway 7 Bridge in Perry County; PETIT JEAN RIVER from its mouth to Highway 10 Bridge in Yell County; WHITE RIVER upstream from its mouth to one hundred (100) yards below Dam No. 1 at Batesville in Independence County; BLACK RIVER from its mouth to the Missouri state line; ST. FRANCIS RIVER upstream to the mouth of the left hand chute of Little River in Poinsett County; CACHE RIVER and lakes accessible by boat from the river. ARKANSAS RIVER from its mouth to the Arkansas/Oklahoma State line including that part of the Arkansas River from the Ozark Dam to the Arkansas - Oklahoma State line, bounded on the north by the Union Pacific Railroad and on the south by Highway 22 (In compliance with Commission Codes 41.09, 41.19, and 41.20) and ARKANSAS WATERS between the main levees of the Mississippi River. All lakes, bays or other bodies of water, other than tributary streams, connected to waters as specified above, when accessible by boat, from the main channel except as limited by Section 30.00 (Reciprocal License Agreements).

**EXCEPTIONS:**

- (1) Emergency Closures listed in Section 44.00.
- (2) Flathead catfish, bowfin, drum, and gar may not be taken or possessed by commercial fishermen on the Ouachita River from Smackover Creek to the northern boundary of Felsenthal National Wildlife Refuge.
- (3) Blue catfish, flathead catfish, bowfin, drum and gar may not be taken or possessed by commercial fishermen on the Ouachita River from the northern boundary of Felsenthal National Wildlife Refuge to the Louisiana State Line, all waters within Felsenthal National Wildlife Refuge, and from the Saline River from its mouth within Felsenthal National Wildlife Refuge upstream to the Stillion Railroad Bridge.

- (4) Island 40 Chute in Crittenden County closed to commercial fishing except noon, November 1 to noon, March 30, or when accessible by boat from the Mississippi River.
- (5) **The section of the Ouachita River between the confluence of the Little Missouri River and the confluence of the Caddo River shall be closed to all commercial fishing from January 1 through March 31.**
- (B) The following waters are closed year-round to commercial fishing: Lake Erling, including all tributaries upstream from 100 yards below Lake Erling Dam to State Highway 313 in Lafayette County; All lakes owned and/or operated by the State Parks, Recreation and Travel Commission, the U.S. Forest Service, the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission (excluding ~~Grand Lake and~~ all natural or channel scar lakes on Commission Wildlife Management Areas located within counties not designated as closed); Columbia County Lake in Columbia County, Dorcheat Bayou from its headwaters in Nevada County to the Arkansas/Louisiana state line, Horseshoe Lake in Crittenden County; Saline River above State Highway 4 in Bradley County, Lake Wallace in Drew and Chicot counties; Upper and Lower Lake Chicot (from Connerly Bayou Dam to the Ditch Bayou Dam, inclusive) in Chicot County; Hensley Lake in Jefferson County, Lake Maumelle in Pulaski County, White Oak Bay (Ozark Lake/Arkansas River), Morgan Point Bendway Lake in Desha County, **Little Missouri River** and all lakes in the Hot Springs Village Area of Saline County.
- EXCEPTION:**
- ~~(1) **Code 41.40, Lake Chicot Special Commercial Fishing Season.**~~
- (1) Hoop nets shall not be used on Grand Lake (Chicot County).**
- (C) The following counties or parts thereof are open year-round to legal commercial fishing unless noted closed in Section B or other 41.00 codes. Legal gill and trammel nets may be fished in the following counties only from noon, September 30 to noon, May 1: Arkansas (See Emergency Closure Code 44.01), Ashley (See Emergency Closure Codes 44.04, 44.05 and 44.06), Bradley (See Emergency Closure Codes 44.03 and 44.06), Calhoun (See Emergency Closure Codes 44.03, 44.04 and 44.06), Chicot, Clay, Columbia (Dorcheat Bayou closed in (B) above; also see Emergency Closure Code 44.02), Craighead, Crittenden, Cross, Dallas, Desha, Drew (See Emergency Closure Codes 44.04 and 44.05), Greene, Hempstead, **Independence**, Jackson, Jefferson (See Emergency Closure Code 44.01), Lafayette, Lawrence, Lee, Lincoln, Little River, Lonoke (See Emergency Closure Code 44.01), Miller, Mississippi, Monroe, Nevada (Dorcheat Bayou closed in (B) above), Ouachita, Phillips, Poinsett, Prairie (See

Emergency Closure Code 44.01), Pulaski (See Emergency Closure Code 44.01), Randolph, Saint Francis, White, Woodruff and Union (See Emergency Closure Code 44.06) counties.

**EXCEPTIONS:**

- (1) For waters in the above counties located within the White River National Wildlife Refuge below Highway 1, gill and trammel net season is from noon, September 30 through noon, November 30 and from noon, March 1 through noon, September 30 when accessible by boat from the White River and the White River is above 23.5 ft. on the St. Charles gauge. All commercial fishermen must obtain a Special Use Permit from the White River Refuge Manager prior to fishing refuge waters.
  - (2) Saline River and backwaters from Stillion Railroad Bridge in Ashley and Bradley Counties to State Hwy 4 bridge in Bradley County closed all year to gill and trammel nets.
  - (3) Open waters in Independence County include White River, Black River and oxbow lakes that are north of Arkansas Hwy 14 and east of Arkansas Hwy 122 and Arkansas Hwy 25. Landowner permission will be required for oxbow lakes that are not accessible from the Black River.
- (D) The following counties are closed year-round to commercial fishing unless noted open in Section A or other 41.00 codes:  
Baxter, Benton, Boone, Carroll, Clark, Cleburne, Cleveland, Conway, Crawford, Faulkner, Franklin, Fulton, Garland, Grant, Hot Spring, Howard, Izard, Logan, Johnson, Madison, Marion, Montgomery, Newton, Perry, Pike, Polk, Pope, Saline, Scott, Searcy, Sebastian, Sevier, Sharp, Stone, Van Buren, Washington and Yell counties. When a river or stream forms the boundary between opened and closed counties, that boundary segment shall be open to tackle legal in the open county, unless closed in other 41.00 and 44.00 codes.

**EXCEPTION:**

- (1) That part of Saline River south of Hwy 371 (old Hwy 24) in Howard and Sevier counties open year around to hoop nets.

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

**41.09**  
06-85

**RESTRICTED COMMERCIAL FISHING IN ARKANSAS RIVER**

**NAVIGATION SYSTEM.** It shall be unlawful to fish with gill **nets, and** trammel nets, **trotlines, snaglines, and hoop nets** in waters specified herein:

- (A) From Dam No. 1 to the Arrival Point sign at approximate river mile 9.8;
- (B) From Dam No. 2 to the mouth of Morgan Cut-Off;
- (C) From Lock & Dam No. 3 to the Arrival Point sign at approximate river mile 49.6;

- (D) From Lock & Dam No. 4 to the Arrival Point sign at approximate river mile 65.4;
- (E) From Lock & Dam No. 5 to the Arrival Point sign at approximate river mile 85.8;
- (F) From David D. Terry Lock & Dam to the Arrival Point sign at approximate river mile 107.5;
- (G) From Murray Lock & Dam to the Arrival Point sign at approximate river mile 124.7;
- (H) From Toad Suck Lock & Dam to the Arrival Point sign at approximate river mile 155.3;
- (I) From Lock & Dam No. 9 to the Arrival Point sign at approximate river mile 176.3;
- (J) From Dardanelle Lock & Dam to the Highway 7 bridge;
- (K) From Ozark Lock & Dam to the Arrival Point sign at approximate river mile 256.2;
- (L) From Lock & Dam No. 13 to the Arrival Point sign at approximate river mile 292.2.

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

**41.12**  
08-05

**UNDERSIZED COMMERCIAL FISH PROHIBITED.** It shall be unlawful for commercial fishermen to possess catfish or buffalo fish less than 16 inches in length or paddlefish and sturgeon of any size taken from public waters.

**EXCEPTIONS:**

- (1) Twelve (12) inch or larger blue and channel catfish only may be taken in waters specified in Section 41.24.
- (2) Holders of a current Resident Roe Taker/Seller Permit or Resident Roe Buyer/Exporter Permit in compliance with Code 41.05(A) or Code 41.05(B) may possess paddlefish in excess of 36 inches or larger in the open portion of the Arkansas River, 32 inches or larger in body length in the open portion of the White River and 34 inches or larger in body length for all other waters open to paddlefish harvest or sturgeon when in season. Paddlefish shall be measured from front of eye to fork of tail with the fish laid flat on a rule.
- (3) **See also 41.38 Harvest Restriction of Catfish and Sturgeon in the Mississippi River.**
- (4) **It shall be unlawful for commercial fishermen to possess flathead catfish less than 20 inches in length on the Ouachita River from the confluence of the Little Missouri River to the confluence of the Caddo River.**

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00 and fishing privileges may be suspended in accordance with Code 11.05, Revocation of Privileges.

41.24  
08-01

**POSSESSION AND USE OF FIDDLER SIZE HOOP NETS AND SLAT TYPE FISH TRAPS RESTRICTED TO CERTAIN PUBLIC**

**WATERS.** It shall be unlawful to use or possess fiddler size hoop nets or slat type fish traps in any public waters other than those specified herein:

- (A) Arkansas River, including impoundments thereon, from the mouth at the Mississippi River to Arkansas-Oklahoma State Line.
- (B) L'Anguille River from the mouth at the St. Francis River to the point of origin.
- (C) Little River from its mouth at Corps of Engineers Boat Ramp on the west side of Little River below Millwood Dam.
- (D) All Arkansas waters of the Mississippi River bounding Arkansas.
- (E) Red River from the Louisiana State Line to the Oklahoma state line.
- (F) St. Francis River from the mouth at the Mississippi River to the Missouri state line in Clay County.

~~(G) Grand Lake, Chicot County from Noon, November 1 until Noon, March 1.~~

~~(H)~~(G) Old Town Lake, Phillips County.

~~(H)~~(H) White River from Interstate 40 bridge to its mouth.

~~(J)~~(I) All lakes, bays or other bodies of water, other than tributary streams, connected to waters specified, when accessible by boat from the main channel.

~~(K)~~(J) Bay Ditch, (Cross, Poinsett and Craighead Counties) from its mouth upstream to U.S. Highway 63 in Craighead County.

~~(L)~~(K) St. Francis Floodway Diversion Ditch from its mouth upstream to U.S. Highway 63 in Poinsett County.

~~(M)~~(L) Cypress Bayou (Whiskey Chute) in Phillips County (Slat traps only).

**EXCEPTIONS:**

- (1) Fiddler size hoop nets prohibited in Arkansas River from the State Highway 7 Bridge, Yell County, to the Arkansas-Oklahoma State Line; in the White River from Interstate 40 bridge to its mouth; and all lakes, bays or other bodies of water connected to White River as specified, whether or not accessible by boat from the main channel; ~~in Grand Lake, Chicot County;~~ and ~~in~~ Old Town Lake, Phillips County.
- (2) Slat traps may be fished from Noon September 30 to Noon June 1 only in Millwood Lake and year-round in Little River above Millwood Lake to the Oklahoma state line.
- (3) Sixteen inch size limit on blue catfish taken by commercial gear in the Arkansas River from the Hwy 7 bridge (Yell County) to the Oklahoma state line.

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

41.30

**PADDLEFISH AND STURGEON POSSESSION RESTRICTIONS ON**

10-02

**WHITE RIVER, ARKANSAS RIVER AND BORDER WATERS.** It shall be unlawful to commercially take or possess paddlefish (also called spoonbill catfish) or sturgeon, or their parts including eggs (roe), from

- (A) That part of the White River, from Hwy 67 bridge at Newport, upstream to Dam 1 at Batesville.
- (B) The following border waters with Louisiana ~~from November 1 through April 30~~: Red River in Hempstead, Lafayette, Little River, and Miller counties; Ouachita River from the Louisiana State Line to 100 yards below Felsenthal Lock and Dam; Bayou Bartholomew from the Louisiana state line to its source in Jefferson County; Bodcau Bayou from the Louisiana state line to the base of Lake Erling Dam; Boeuf River from the Louisiana state line to its source in Chicot County; and Bayou Macon from the Louisiana state line to its source in Desha County.
- (C) The portion of the Arkansas River extending from Ozark Lock and Dam upstream to the Arkansas/Oklahoma State line year-round except for during special seasons as determined by the Director of the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission.

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

~~41.36 HARRIS BRAKE LAKE SPECIAL COMMERCIAL FISHING SEASON. It~~

~~08-00 shall be unlawful to commercial fish Lake Harris Brake in Perry County other than from Noon, September 1 to Noon, March 31, scaled rough fish only. Fishermen must register with the local district biologist to obtain a special use permit in addition to the regular commercial fishing license prior to fishing and the permit must be in their possession while fishing. Legal-sized gill and trammel nets only.~~

~~**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00, and revocation of fishing permit for Harris Brake Lake.~~

~~41.37 LAKE ATKINS SPECIAL COMMERCIAL FISHING SEASON. It shall be~~

~~08-00 unlawful to commercial fish Lake Atkins in Pope County other than from Noon, October 1 to Noon, December 1, scaled rough fish only. Fishermen must register with the local district biologist prior to fishing to obtain a special use permit in addition to the regular commercial fishing license and the permit must be in their possession while fishing. Anglers must submit monthly catch records by the 15<sup>th</sup> of the following month to the local district biologist. Legal-sized gill and trammel nets only.~~

~~**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00, and revocation of fishing permit for Lake Atkins.~~

~~41.40 LAKE CHICOT SPECIAL COMMERCIAL FISHING SEASON. It shall be~~

~~10-04/08-05 unlawful to commercial fish Lake Chicot in Chicot County other than from noon, February 1 through noon, February 28. The commercial fishing season will be open to all commercial fish species except paddlefish~~

~~**and sturgeon. The 16-inch minimum length limit on buffalo will be waived.** Commercial fishermen must obtain, and have in their possession while fishing, a special use permit **issued by** the district **fisheries** biologist at the Monticello Regional Office, in addition to all other required licenses and permits. Only gill or trammel nets, with no less than 4 inch square bar mesh, may be used. All commercial fishermen must access and leave the water at the Connerly Bayou boat ramp. No commercial fishermen may be on the water before 7:00 a.m. or after 5:00 p.m. CST, **as well as before noon, February 1 or after noon, February 28.**~~

~~**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00 and revocation of commercial fishing privileges in Lake Chicot for non-compliance with requirements.~~

**41.36 GRAND LAKE COMMERCIAL FISHING SEASON.** It shall be unlawful to commercial fish Grand Lake in Chicot County.

**EXCEPTION:**

- (1) Grand Lake may be commercially fished with slat traps from noon, November 1 to noon, March 1.

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

**41.37 COMMERCIAL FISHING DAILY LIMIT RESTRICTIONS.** There are no daily or possession limits on the commercial creel in any waters where fish are taken legally.

**EXCEPTIONS:**

- (1) It shall be unlawful to take and retain more than 10 catfish (combination of channel, blue, flathead) per day from the Ouachita River between the confluence of the Little Missouri River and the confluence of the Caddo River while using commercial tackle. Nets must be run daily and catch removed. (Note: See 41.03 E for precedence)

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

**45.02 TROUT LIMIT, SIZE AND POSSESSION RESTRICTIONS.** It shall be unlawful to possess more than two (2) daily limits of game fish or the aggregate thereof.

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Daily Limit – Trout - (including not more than 2 each of brown, cutthroat and brook trout)..... 5

**EXCEPTIONS:**

- (1) Brown Trout daily limit - 2 with a 16-inch minimum size limit in White River (Bull Shoals Lake Tailwater), North Fork White River (Norfork Tailwater), Spavinaw Creek (Benton County) west of Hwy 59, Spring River;

~~(2) — Brown Trout slot limit Little Red River - 4, only one of which may~~

- ~~be 21 inches and over, with a protected slot limit from 16 to 21 inches in length.~~
- (2) Trout slot limit Little Red River (Greers Ferry Tailwater) from Greers Ferry Dam to Hwy. 305 Bridge – Daily limit of 5 trout, only one of which may exceed 24 inches long, with a protected slot limit from 16 to 24 inches in length. Trout from 16 to 24 inches in length must be released immediately, and may not be in possession in this area.
  - (3) **Trout slot limit White River (Beaver Tailwater) from Beaver Dam to boundary signs at Houseman Access – Daily limit of 5 trout, only one of which may be 16 inches and over, with a protected slot limit from 13 to 16 inches in length. Trout from 13 to 16 inches in length must be released immediately, and may not be in possession in this area.**
  - (4) Cutthroat Trout daily limit - 2 with a 16-inch minimum size limit in White River (Bull Shoals Lake Tailwater), North Fork White River (Norfolk Tailwater), ~~Little Red River (Greers Ferry Tailwater),~~ Spavinaw Creek (Benton County) west of Hwy 59, Spring River.
  - (5) Brook Trout daily limit – 2 with a 14-inch minimum size limit in White River (Bull Shoals Lake Tailwater), North Fork White River (Norfolk Tailwater), ~~Little Red River (Greers Ferry Tailwater),~~ Spavinaw Creek (Benton County) west of Hwy 59, Spring River.
  - (6) ~~On the Little Missouri River, from Narrows Dam to Hwy 27 Bridge, all brown trout must be released immediately.~~

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00.

#### 45.07

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**SPECIFIC TROUT WATER REGULATIONS.** It shall be unlawful to fail to comply with each of the listed restrictions pertaining to a specific body of water as described herein:

- (A) Beaver Tailwater (White River from 100 yards below Beaver Dam to **boundary signs at Houseman Access**).
  - (1) No fishing, boating or wading within 100 yards of Beaver Dam.
  - (2) An angler shall use no more than one fishing rod or pole, and must attend it at all times. No other devices shall be used to catch fish other than as specified for the paddlefish-snagging season.
  - (3) **Bait fishing allowed only with a single, barbless hooking point only (barbed shaft bait holder hooks allowed).**
  - (4) From April 15 through June 15, snagging game fish is legal only from 100 yards below Beaver Dam from the Corps of Engineers “No Fishing Beyond This Point” sign downstream to the first Corps of Engineers boat ramp on the left deciding bank to the first boat-launching ramp. Snagging must cease after half the daily limit of any game fish has been snagged. Snagged fish of any species shall not be released.

- (5) Special Regulation Area:  
**Artificial Lures Only Area / No Bait Zone** from approximately 0.5 mile below Beaver Dam to approximately 100 yards upstream of Parker Bend Access as indicated by signs.
- (a) Only artificial lures with a single, barbless hooking point shall be used. Natural or scented baits are **not-allowed prohibited**.
- (b) Chumming is **not-allowed prohibited**.
- (B) Bull Shoals Tailwater (White River from 100 yards below Bull Shoals Dam to Hwy 58 Bridge at Guion).
- (1) No fishing, boating or wading within 100 yards of Bull Shoals Dam.
- (2) An angler shall use no more than one fishing rod or pole, and must attend it at all times. **No other devices shall be used to catch fish.**
- (3) Special Regulation Areas:
- (a) Bull Shoals Dam Catch and Release Area – Open to fishing from February 1 - October 31 from 100 yards below Bull Shoals Dam to the upstream boundary of Bull Shoals/White River State Park.
- (1) All trout caught must be immediately released.
- (2) Only artificial lures with a single, barbless hooking point or a single, barbless treble hook, shall be used. Natural or scented baits are **not-allowed prohibited**.
- (3) Chumming is **not-allowed prohibited**.
- (b) Bull Shoals Dam Closed Area - the area 100 yards below Bull Shoals Dam to the wing dike at the Bull Shoals/White River State Park Trout Dock. This area is closed to fishing or wading from November 1 – January 31.
- (c) Bull Shoals Dam Seasonal Brown Trout Catch and Release Area, from November 1 - January 31. From the wing dike at Bull Shoals/White River State Park Trout Dock to the downstream boundary of the Bull Shoals/White River State park.
- (1) All brown trout must be immediately released.
- (2) Only artificial lures with a single, barbless hooking point or a single, barbless treble hook shall be used. Natural or scented baits are **not-allowed prohibited**.
- (3) Chumming is **not-allowed prohibited**.
- (4) No fishing from 30 minutes after sunset until 30 minutes before sunrise.
- (d) Rim Shoals Catch and Release Area (near Cotter),

from mouth of Jenkins Creek to the first electric power line downstream.

- (1) All trout caught must be immediately released.
  - (2) Only artificial lures with a single, barbless hooking point shall be used. Natural or scented baits are ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
  - (3) Chumming is ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
- (e) Monkey Island Catch and Release Area (between Reds Landing Access and Chesmond Ferry Access), from the upstream end of Monkey Island to mouth of Moccasin Creek.
- (1) All trout caught must be immediately released.
  - (2) Only artificial lures with a single, barbless hooking point shall be used. Natural or scented baits are ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
  - (3) Chumming is ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
- (f) Sylamore Catch and Release Area (immediately upstream of Jack's Resort) – upstream boundary is downstream of the Mt. Olive Access and the downstream boundary is immediately upstream of Jack's Resort, as indicated by signs.
- (1) All trout caught must be immediately released.
  - (2) Only artificial lures with a single, barbless hooking point shall be used. Natural or scented baits are ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
  - (3) Chumming is ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
- (C) Norfolk Tailwater (North Fork of the White River from 100 yards below Norfolk Dam to the confluence of the White River).
- (1) No fishing, boating or wading within 100 yards below Norfolk Dam.
  - (2) An angler shall use no more than one fishing rod or pole, and must attend it at all times. **No other devices shall be used to catch fish.**
  - (3) Chain dragging is prohibited. It shall be unlawful to drag chains or other objects from boats, capable of destroying aquatic vegetation.
  - (4) Special Regulation Areas:
    - (a) Norfolk Catch and Release Area – from the mouth of Otter Creek to 100 yards above Bill Ackerman/River Ridge Access, as indicated by signs.
      - (1) All trout caught must be immediately released.
      - (2) Only artificial lures with a single, barbless hooking point shall be used. Natural or scented baits are ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
      - (3) Chumming is ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.

- (D) Greers Ferry Tailwater (Little Red River from 100 yards below Greers Ferry Dam to the Hwy 305 Bridge).
- (1) No fishing, boating or wading within 100 yards of Greers Ferry Dam.
  - (2) An angler shall use no more than one fishing rod or pole, and must attend it at all times. **No other devices shall be used to catch fish.**
  - (3) Special Regulation Areas:
    - (a) JFK ~~Catch and Release Special Regulations~~ Area (at John F. Kennedy Park below Greers Ferry Dam) – from 100 yards downstream from Greers Ferry Dam to approximately 0.5 miles downstream to the last Greer's Ferry National Fish Hatchery effluent outfall in John F. Kennedy Park, as indicated by signs.
      - ~~(1) All trout caught must be immediately released.~~
      - ~~(2) Only artificial lures with a single, barbless hooking point shall be used. Natural or scented baits are not allowed.~~
      - (1) Only artificial lures with barbless hooks shall be used.
      - (2) Natural or scented baits are prohibited.
      - (3) Chumming is ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
    - (b) Cow Shoals Seasonal Catch and Release Area, from October 1 – December 31. From the head of Cow Shoals to the mouth of Canoe Creek.
      - (1) All trout caught must be immediately released.
      - (2) Only artificial lures with a single, barbless hooking point shall be used. Natural or scented baits are ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
      - (3) Chumming is ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
      - (4) Closed to night fishing (one-half hour before sunset to one-half hour before sunrise).
    - (c) Mossy Shoals ~~Catch and Release Special Regulations~~ Area – from the head of Dunham Shoals downstream to the end of Mossy Shoals.
      - ~~(1) All trout caught must be released.~~
      - ~~(2) Only artificial lures with a single, barbless hooking point shall be used. Natural or scented baits are not allowed.~~
      - (1) Only artificial lures with barbless hooks shall be used.
      - (2) Natural or scented baits are prohibited.
      - (3) Chumming is ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
- (E) Collins Creek (from its source in John F. Kennedy Park below Greers Ferry Dam to the confluence of the Little Red River).

- (1) An angler shall use no more than one fishing rod or pole, and must attend it at all times. No other devices shall be used to catch fish.
  - (2) Catch and Release Stream. All trout caught must be immediately released.
  - (3) Only artificial lures with a single, barbless hooking point shall be used. Natural or scented baits are ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
  - (4) Chumming is ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
  - (5) Fishing is limited to youths under age 16 upstream of the wooden vehicle bridge in John F. Kennedy Park.
  - (6) Fishing is allowed from sunrise to sunset.
  - (7) Downstream of the wooden vehicle road bridge in John F. Kennedy Park, anglers with a valid fishing license and a valid trout permit may fish when accompanied by an actively fishing youth under age 16.
- (F) Dry Run Creek (from it's source on the east side of Norfolk National Fish Hatchery below Norfolk Dam to the confluence with the North Fork of the White River).
- (1) An angler shall use no more than one fishing rod or pole, and must attend it at all times. No other devices shall be used to catch fish.
  - (2) Catch and Release Stream. All trout caught must be immediately released.
  - (3) Only artificial lures with a single, barbless hooking point shall be used. Natural or scented baits are ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
  - (4) Chumming is ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
  - (5) Fishing is limited to youths under age 16.
  - (6) Fishing is allowed from sunrise to sunset.
  - (7) Fishing from the pier on Dry Run Creek is limited to mobility impaired anglers only.
- (G) Blanchard Spring/Mirror Lake (in Ozark National Forest Blanchard Spring, from its source to the confluence with North Sylamore Creek, including Mirror Lake).
- (1) An angler shall use no more than two fishing rods or poles, and must attend them at all times~~;~~. ~~AN~~No other devices shall be used to catch fish.
- (H) Spring River (Fulton County) from 100 yards below Dam No. 1 at Mammoth Spring State Park to the mouth of Myatt Creek.
- (1) An angler shall use no more than two fishing rods or poles, and must attend them at all times~~;~~. ~~AN~~No other devices shall be used to catch fish.
- (I) Spavinaw Creek (Benton County), from it's source downstream to the Hwy 59 bridge.
- (1) An angler shall use no more than one fishing rod or pole, and must attend it at all times. No other devices shall be used to catch fish.

- (2) Catch and Release Stream. All trout caught must be immediately released.
  - (3) Only artificial lures with a single, barbless hooking point shall be used. Natural or scented baits are ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
  - (4) Chumming is ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
- (J) Narrows Tailwater – Little Missouri River from 100 yards below Narrows Dam (Lake Greeson) downstream to the Low Water Bridge (Hwy 27 bridge).
- (1) An angler shall use no more than two fishing rods or poles, and must attend them at all times. No other devices shall be used to catch fish.
  - (2) Special Regulation Areas:
    - (a) Narrows Catch and Release Area – from 100 yards below Narrows Dam downstream to the upstream boundary of Riverside Park Access.
      - (1) All trout caught must be immediately released.
      - (2) Only artificial lures with a single, barbless hooking point shall be used. Natural or scented baits are ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
      - (3) Chumming is ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
    - (b) Narrows ~~Seasonal~~ Summer Catch and Release Area – from May 1 – October 15. Downstream from the upstream boundary of the Riverside Park Access to the gas line crossing above River Ridge Pool.
      - (1) All trout caught must be immediately released.
      - (2) Only artificial lures with a single, barbless hooking point shall be used. Natural or scented baits are ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
      - (3) Chumming is ~~not allowed~~ prohibited.
    - (c) Narrows Winter Catch and Release Area (Delayed Harvest Area) – from October 16 thru April 30. From approx. 300 yds downstream of Hinds Bluff Access to approx. 300 yds upstream of Old Factory Site (Weir #2), as indicated by signs.
      - (1) All trout caught must be immediately released.
      - (2) Only artificial lures with a single, barbless hooking point shall be used. Natural or scented baits are prohibited.
      - (3) Chumming is prohibited.
- (K) Big Spring (at Cotter) from its source to the confluence with the White River.
- (1) Fishing is limited to youths under age 16 and disabled anglers. Youth under age 16 must be accompanied by an adult when fishing. Adult disabled anglers must carry proof that they are 100% permanently and totally disabled (see Code 01.00-C) and possess a valid AGFC sport fishing.

lifetime fishing, or combination hunting & fishing license, plus a valid trout permit.

- (2) An angler may use no more than one fishing rod or pole, and must attend it at all times. No other devices may be used to catch fish.
- (3) Catch and Release Stream. All fish caught must be released.
- (4) Only artificial lures with barbless hook(s) may be used. Natural or scented baits are ~~not-allowed prohibited~~.
- (5) Chumming is ~~not-allowed prohibited~~.
- (6) Fishing is allowed from sunrise to sunset.
- (7) No fishing in the "swimming hole" at the upstream end of Big Spring, as indicated by signs.
- (8) No motorized boats allowed in Big Spring.
- (9) Fishing derbies must be requested, and permitted in writing by AGFC District 2 fisheries biologist, and can include fishing with natural or scented baits, and harvest of trout.

**PENALTY:** \$100.00 to \$1,000.00