

**ORDER OF
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD
AMENDING RULES**

The Wisconsin Natural Resources Board adopts an order to amend
NR 25.06(2)(c)1., relating to commercial fishing in Lake Michigan

FH-12-03

Analysis Prepared by the Department of Natural Resources

Statutory authority: ss. 29.041, 29.014(1), 29.519(1)(b) and 227.11(2)(a), Stats.

Statutes interpreted: ss. 29.041, 29.014(1) and 29.519(1)(b), Stats.

The order reduces the total annual allowable commercial harvest of smelt that may be taken from Green Bay from 351,993 pounds to 25,000 pounds.

SECTION 1. NR 25.06(2)(c)1. is amended to read:

NR 25.06(2)(c)1. The total allowable commercial harvest of smelt in any license year may not exceed 1,000,000 pounds in Lake Michigan and Green Bay, of which no more than ~~351,993~~ 25,000 pounds may be taken from Green Bay.

SECTION 2. REVIEW. The Department of Natural Resources will conduct a review and evaluation of the annual harvest limit established by this order one year following the effective date of this rule. The results of this review and evaluation will be presented to the Natural Resources Board.

SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE. The rule contained in SECTION 1 shall take effect on July 1, 2004.

SECTION 4. BOARD ADOPTION. This rule was approved and adopted by the State of Wisconsin Natural Resources Board on February 25, 2004.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin _____.

STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

By _____
Scott Hassett, Secretary

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