**Clearinghouse Rule 96-097** 





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STATE OF WISCONSIN

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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

I, George E. Meyer, Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources and custodian of the official records of said Department, do hereby certify that the annexed copy of Natural Resources Board Order No. FM-33-96 was duly approved and adopted by this Department on August 20, 1996. I further certify that said copy has been compared by me with the original on file in this Department and that the same is a true copy thereof, and of the whole of such original.



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the Department at the Natural Resources Building in the City of Madison, this <u>23</u> day of October, 1996.

George E. Meyer, Secretary

(SEAL)

## ORDER OF THE STATE OF WISCONSIN NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD REPEALING AND RECREATING RULES

The Wisconsin Natural Resources Board adopts an order to repeal and recreate NR 20.038, relating to special size and bag limits for sport fishing on the Lac du Flambeau reservation.

FM-33-96

## Analysis prepared by the Department of Natural Resources

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Statutory authority: ss. 29.174(3) and 227.11(2)(a), Stats. Statutes interpreted: s. 29.174(1) and (2), Stats.

This order extends the sunset to March 1, 1997 for special sport fishing rules on waters wholly or partially within the Lac du Flambeau reservation, which decrease the daily bag limit to 3 for walleye, increase the minimum length limit to 18" for walleye on most waters, increase the minimum length limit to 40" for muskellunge for most waters, and allow the secretary to extend the sunset beyond March 1, 1997, provided future agreements are reached with the Lac du Flambeau band which limit their off-reservation harvest declarations goals to a level allowing a state walleye bag limit of 3 when calculated pursuant to NR 20.037.

SECTION 1. NR 20.038 is repealed and recreated to read:

NR 20.038 Special size and bag limits for Lac du Flambeau reservation. (1) WALLEYE. (a) Notwithstanding bag and size limits established by ss. NR 20.03 and 20.037, there is a bag limit of 3 and a minimum length limit of 18" for walleye, effective until March 1, 1997, on the following waters:

1. Shishebogama lake, Oneida county;

2. Big Crooked lake, T41N R5E S22, Vilas county;

3. Gunlock lake, Vilas county;

4. Lac du Flambeau chain, including Big Crawling Stone, Little Crawling Stone, Little Sand, Fence, Flambeau, Long, Interlaken, Moss, North Placid, Pokegama, South Placid, To-To-Tom, White Sand (T41N R5E S27) and Whitefish lakes and all connecting waters, Vilas county;

5. Little Trout lake, Vilas county.

(b) Notwithstanding bag and size limits established by ss. NR 20.03 and 20.037, there is a bag limit of 3 and a minimum length limit of 15" for walleye, effective until March 1, 1997, on all other waters wholly within the area commonly known as the Lac du Flambeau reservation.

(2) MUSKELLUNGE. Notwithstanding bag and size limits established by ss. NR 20.03 and 20.037, there is a minimum length limit for muskellunge of 40", effective until March 1, 1997, on the following waters:

1. Shishebogama lake, Oneida county;

2. Little Trout lake, Vilas county;

3. All waters wholly within the area commonly known as the Lac du Flambeau reservation.

(3) EXTENSION. The provisions of this section may be extended by the secretary beyond March 1, 1997, if future agreements are reached with the Lac du Flambeau band which limit their off-reservation harvest declarations to a level allowing a state walleye bag limit of 3 when calculated pursuant to s. NR 20.037. Adjustments to the on-reservation bag and size limits shall become effective upon publication of the adjustment in the official newspapers of Vilas and Oneida counties.

The foregoing rules were approved and adopted by the State of Wisconsin Natural Resources Board on August 20, 1996.

The rules contained herein shall take affect the first day of the month following publication as provided by s. 227.22(2)(intro.), Stats.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin,

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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Dear Mr. Poulson:

Enclosed are two copies, including one certified copy, of State of Wisconsin Natural Resources Board Order No. FM-33-96. These rules were reviewed by the Assembly Committee on Natural Resources and the Senate Committee on Environmental Resources and Urban Affairs pursuant to s. 227.19, Stats. Summaries of the final regulatory flexibility analysis and comments of the legislative review committees are also enclosed.

You will note that this order takes effect following publication. Kindly publish it in the Administrative Code accordingly.

Sincerely,

George E. Meyer Secretary

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