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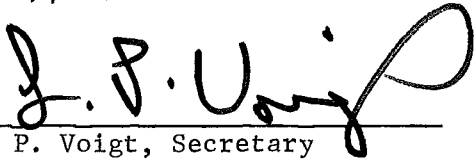
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STATE OF WISCONSIN )  
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES ) ss

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

I, L. P. Voigt, 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. F-31-75 was duly approved and adopted by this Department on June 26, 1975. 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 Pyare Square Building in the Village of Shorewood Hills, this 19<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1975.

  
L. P. Voigt, Secretary

(SEAL)

STATE OF WISCONSIN NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD

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 IN THE MATTER of repealing sections NR 20.04(4)(c), and  
 NR 20.06(1)(b)61. and 68.; amending sections NR 20.02(1)(d)1.,  
 NR 20.02(1)(e), NR 20.03(1)(a), (c) and (d), NR 20.03(1)(f)2.  
 and 3., NR 20.03(1)(q)1., NR 20.04(3)(am) (introductory  
 paragraph), NR 20.04(3)(c), 2., 3. and 4., NR 20.06(1)(b)  
 (introductory paragraph), NR 20.07(1)(d), NR 20.07(4)(a),  
 (b), (c) and (e), NR 20.07(7), NR 20.08, NR 20.09(1)(e) and  
 1., NR 21.04, NR 21.05(1)(c), NR 22.04, NR 22.05(1)(a) and  
 (c), NR 23.02(1), (2), (3) and (4), NR 23.03(1), and NR  
 26.23; and creating sections NR 20.07(1)(ee), NR 20.07(1)(g),  
 NR 20.16(20)(b), NR 20.16(24)(a), NR 20.16(31)(e), NR 20.16  
 (41)(a), NR 20.16(58)(c), NR 20.16(65)(bb) and (c), and  
 NR 21.21(6) and (48) of the Wisconsin Administrative Code  
 pertaining to fishing regulations.  
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F-31-75

ORDER OF THE STATE OF WISCONSIN NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD

REPEALING, AMENDING AND CREATING RULES

Pursuant to authority vested in the State of Wisconsin Natural Resources Board by sections 23.09, 29.085, 29.174 and chapter 227, Wisconsin Statutes, the State of Wisconsin Natural Resources Board hereby repeals, amends and creates rules as follows:

SECTION 1 - NR 20.02(1)(d)1. is amended to read:

Species	Area	Open season	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (inches)
(d)1. Trout and Salmon				
excluding lake				
trout in Lake				
Superior .....	Lake Michigan,	Continuous	5 in aggregate	10
	Green Bay and		of which only	
	Lake Superior		3 may be lake	
			trout	

SECTION 2 - NR 20.02(1)(e) is amended to read:

Species	Area	Open season	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (inches)
(e) Largemouth and				
Smallmouth Bass ....	Lake Michigan and Green Bay (excluding waters within 1/4-mile of Washington Island)	First Saturday in May to March 1	5 of each	No size limit
	Washington Island	July 1 to March 1	5 of each	No size limit
	Lake Superior	Second Saturday in May to March 1	5 of each	No size limit

SECTION 3 - NR 20.03(1)(a), (c) and (d) is amended to read:

Kind of fish and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (inches)
(a) Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass			
In all waters of Burnett, Sawyer and Washburn counties .....	First Saturday in May to March 1	5 of each	10

Kind of fish and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (inches)
In all other waters .....	First Saturday in May to March 1	5 of each	No size limit
(c) Walleye and Sauger			
In all waters of Barron, Burnett, Polk, Sawyer and Washburn counties ..	First Saturday in May to March 1	5 in aggregate	13
In all other waters (see also section NR 20.04) .....	First Saturday in May to March 1	5 in aggregate	No size limit
(d) Northern Pike (see also section NR 20.04)			
In all waters of Dane, Green, Iowa, Jefferson, Kenosha, Lafayette, Milwaukee, Racine, Rock, Sauk and Walworth counties .....	First Saturday in May to March 1	2 (except that there is a daily bag limit of 5 and no minimum length in Wisconsin river in	22

Kind of fish and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (inches)
In all waters of Barron, Burnett, Polk, Sawyer and Washburn counties ..	First Saturday in May to March 1	5	18
Shawano lake in Shawano county and all waters in Menominee county .....	No closed season	25	No size limit
All other waters .....	First Saturday in May to March 1	5	No size limit

Dane, Sauk  
and Iowa  
counties)

SECTION 4 - NR 20.03(1)(f)2. and 3. is amended to read:

Kind of fish and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (inches)
2. There shall be a special extended open season for trout and salmon in the following waters .....	April 1 to, but not includ- ing the first Saturday in May, and October 1 to November 15	5 in aggregate	10

Kind of fish and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (inches)
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Ashland county:

Bad river from its mouth upstream to Copper falls; Potato river from its mouth upstream to Guerney falls; White river from its mouth upstream to White river dam; Brunsweller and Marengo rivers upstream to highway 13.

Bayfield county:

Cranberry river from its mouth upstream to the Lenawee road (T50N, R7W, sec. 28); Fish creek from its mouth upstream to the junction of Pine creek (T47N, R6W, sec. 13); Flag river from its mouth upstream to the junction with the Little Flag river (T49N, R8W, sec. 2); Iron river from its mouth upstream to Orienta dam; Sioux river from its mouth upstream to the Big Rock falls (49N, R4W, sec. 19); Siskowitt river from its mouth upstream to second bridge (T41N, R6W, sec. 35);

Iron county:

Graveyard creek from its mouth

Kind of fish and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (inches)
<p>upstream to U.S. highway #2; Oronto creek from its mouth upstream to its source; Parker creek from its mouth upstream to its source.</p> <p>There shall be a special extended open season for trout and salmon in the following water:</p> <p>Douglas County:</p> <p>Brule river from its mouth upstream to U.S. highway #2 .....</p>	<p>April 1 to, but not including the first Saturday in May and October 1 through December 31</p>	<p>5 in aggregate</p>	<p>10</p>
<p>3. There shall be an extended open season for trout and salmon on the following waters .....</p> <p>Risk creek pond in Adams county; Anderson lake, Balsam pond, Beaver lake, Blaisdell lake, Little Hidden, Little Star, Mimi and Nymphia lakes in Bayfield county; Gilmanton pond in Buffalo county; Stewart lake and Salmo pond in Dane county; Anderson</p>	<p>October 1 to November 15</p>	<p>5 in aggregate</p>	<p>6</p>

Kind of fish and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (inches)
lake in Douglas county; Sand lake (sec. 13, T39N, R18E) in Florence county; Bug, Logger and Valley lakes in Forest county; Upper Zander lake in Green county; Birch lake in Iowa county; Hoffman, Lowe creek pond, Trout Run SCS, Trout Run church and Oxbow ponds in Jackson county; Pence and Townline lakes in Langlade county; Ament, Hanson, Morgan, Moraine and Tahoe lakes in Lincoln county; Horseshoe lake in Manitowoc county; Cataract, Evans, Hans Biegel, Kickapoo Spring and Pinnacle Rock ponds in Monroe county; Bass lake (sec. 15, T39N, R7E) in Oneida county; Camp Smith lake in Sawyer county; Quarry lake in Sheboygan county; Eleva pond in Trempealeau county; Esofea and Timber Coulee ponds in Vernon county; Bluegill, Firefly (Weber), Little John, Jr., Otto Mielke and Pauto lakes in Vilas county; Sawmill lake in Washburn county; Lannon Park pond			



Kind of fish and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (inches)
in Waukesha county; and Keller lake, Waupaca county.			

SECTION 5 - NR 20.03(1)(q)1. is amended to read:

Kind of fish and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (inches)
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(q) Rock and Lake Sturgeon

Hook and line season

1. In all waters: (except Lakes  
Poygan, Winneconne, Butte des Morts,

Winnebago and connecting waters;

in the Embarrass river from the

Pella dam in Shawano county down-  
stream to its confluence with the

Wolf river in Outagamie county;

and the Wolf river from the dam at

Shawano downstream to Lake Poygan;

and the Fox river downstream from

milepost No. 63, commonly known

as Johnson creek in Green Lake

county to Lake Butte des Morts) .....

First Saturday

1 per

45

in September

season

to October 15

SECTION 6 - NR 20.04(3)(am) (introductory paragraph) is amended to read:

(am) Special Waters -- Rivers and Streams. There shall be no closed  
season for hook and line fishing for any species of fish except muskellunge,

sturgeon and trout in the following described rivers, streams and impoundments thereon; all bag limits, minimum size limits and other regulations governing fish and fishing as set forth in this chapter shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7 - NR 20.04(3)(c), 2., 3., and 4. is amended to read:

2. During the period from the first Saturday in May to September 15, the bag limits, minimum size limits and other regulations governing fish and fishing as set forth in this chapter apply to the waters of Lake Michigan, Green Bay and upstream to the first dam or lake on any stream which is tributary to Lake Michigan or Green Bay.

3. During the period from September 16 to but not including the first Saturday in May of the following May, annually, upstream to the first dam or lake on any stream tributary to Lake Michigan or Green Bay, the minimum size of trout and salmon shall be 10 inches and the daily bag limit shall be 5 fish in the aggregate, of which only 3 may be lake trout. During such period, hook and line fishing is restricted to baits using a hook with a gape size not larger than one-half inch from point to shank. During such period, fishing with hook and line is prohibited between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. on all streams tributary to Lake Michigan and Green Bay, except the Menominee river.

4. During the period from September 16 through December 31, it shall be lawful to take trout and salmon by hand without the use of any device and by foul hooking or snagging while fishing with hook and line, using a hook with a gape size not larger than one-half inch from point to shank, in the waters of Lake Michigan, Green Bay, Sturgeon Bay, including ship canal, Sawyer Harbor, and upstream to the first dam or lake in all streams tributary to these waters, except the Root river, Racine county, no foul hooking or snagging is permitted. During such period fishing by hand and hook and

line is prohibited between the hours of 7:00 p.m. and 5:00 a.m. on all streams tributary to Lake Michigan and Green Bay, except in the Menominee river.

The size limit on trout and salmon shall be 10 inches and the bag limit shall be 5 fish in the aggregate, of which only 3 shall be lake trout.

SECTION 8 - NR 20.04(4)(c) is repealed.

SECTION 9 - NR 20.06(1)(b) (introductory paragraph) is amended to read:

(b) Trolling. It shall be unlawful for any person to take, capture or kill fish or fish for fish of any variety at any time in the inland waters of the state from a motor-driven boat when the motor is running or from any boat in tow of a motor-driven boat when the motor is running or from any sailboat when in motion; or by means of shutting or drawing off water for that purpose. The restrictions in this paragraph do not apply to the waters of Barron, Bayfield, Burnett, Douglas, Polk, Racine, Rusk, Taylor, Washburn and Waukesha counties and the following named lakes and rivers including their flowage and sloughs.

SECTION 10 - NR 20.06(1)(b)61. and 68 is repealed.

SECTION 11 - NR 20.07(1)(d) is amended to read:

(d) It shall be unlawful for any person to fish with or leave any fish line or lines unattended in any waters; it shall be unlawful for any person to take any fish by snagging or fouling in any manner unless otherwise specifically provided. Any such fish illegally taken other than in the mouth by snagging or fouling must be immediately returned to the water. It is also unlawful for any person to fish with the aid or use of any fire-arm or pellet gun in any manner or by any means other than angling or trolling. Dip nets (landing nets) 3 feet or less in diameter and a gaff may be used for the purpose of landing fish legally hooked.

SECTION 12 - NR 20.07(1)(ee) is created to read:

(ee) No person shall place minnow traps in waters which have been chemically treated to reestablish a trout fishery.

SECTION 13 - NR 20.07(1)(g) is created to read:

(g) No person may sort fish of a particular species after the legal bag limit is filled. Any such fish taken after the legal bag limit is filled must be released immediately.

SECTION 14 - NR 20.07(4)(a), (b), (c) and (e) is amended to read:

(a) No person shall have in his possession or under his control in any of the inland waters or shores of inland waters at any time any spear or similar device that might be used for the purpose of taking, catching or killing fish in the counties of Ashland (except in the Bad river), Bayfield, Iron, Oconto in that portion of the county west of highway #141 only, Oneida, Pierce, Price, Sawyer and Vilas counties and except that rough fish may be taken with bow and arrow from the Saturday nearest May 20 to July 1 each year in Iron county.

(b) No person shall have in his possession or under his control any gun, bow and arrow, spear or similar device that might be used for the purpose of taking, catching or killing fish on any of the inland waters or shores of inland waters at any time from March 2 to April 20, inclusive, in the counties of Brown, Buffalo, Calumet (except during a sturgeon spearing season in any specified water), Chippewa, Clark, Door, Dunn, Eau Claire, Florence, Fond du Lac (except during a sturgeon spearing season in any specified water), Forest, Green Lake, Jackson, Juneau, Kewaunee, LaCrosse, Langlade, Lincoln, Manitowoc, Marathon (except that spearing is prohibited in the Big Eau Pleine flowage from the dam upstream to highway 97 from November 1 to April 20), Marinette, Monroe, Oconto (in that portion of the county east of highway 141 only), Outagamie (except during the sturgeon

spearing season in any specified water), Pepin, Portage, St. Croix, Shawano, Trempealeau, Winnebago (except Waukau creek and during a sturgeon spearing season in any specified water) and Wood. It shall be lawful to take rough fish by means of spear or spear fishing by the method commonly known as skin diving or bow and arrow from sunrise to sunset in the inland waters of the counties or portions thereof named in this paragraph from April 21 through March 1, both dates inclusive, except in Calumet, Fond du Lac and Winnebago counties during a sturgeon spearing season in any specified water.

(c) It shall be lawful for any person to take rough fish by means of spears or by spear fishing by the method commonly known as skin diving or bow and arrow at any time of the year, sunrise to sunset, in the inland waters or from shores of inland waters of the counties of Adams, Columbia, Crawford, Dane, Dodge, Grant, Green, Iowa, Jefferson, Kenosha, Lafayette, Marquette, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Richland, Rock, Sauk (except it is illegal to spear fish while skin diving or with bow and arrow in Devil's lake), Sheboygan, Vernon, Walworth, Washington, Waukesha, Waupaca, Waushara (except during a sturgeon spearing season in any specified water) and in Waukau creek in Winnebago county.

(e) It shall be lawful for any person to take rough fish by means of spears or by spear fishing by the method commonly known as skin diving or bow and arrow, sunrise to sunset, from the Saturday nearest May 20 to November 1, inclusive, on the inland waters in the counties of Burnett, Douglas, Rusk, Taylor, Washburn, Polk and Barron. Burbot (but no other species) may also be speared from sunset to sunrise in the Amnicon and Nemadji rivers and the Black river upstream to the Minneapolis, St. Paul and Sault Ste. Marie railroad bridge from December 15 to January 15, inclusive, in Douglas county.

SECTION 15 - NR 20.07(7) is amended to read:

(7) It shall be unlawful to use goldfish or alewife in any form or manner for bait or to have goldfish or alewife in possession on the inland, boundary or Lake Superior waters of the state. Alewife but not goldfish may be possessed and used for bait in Lake Michigan waters.

SECTION 16 - NR 20.08 is amended to read:

Turtle Traps. A maximum of 5 hoop net turtle traps are allowed with a mesh of not less than 8 inch stretch measure providing such traps are so set that not less than 2 inches of the hoops extend above the surface of the water, and float and tank type turtle traps not exceeding 4 feet square or 4 feet in diameter may be used for trapping turtles. Each such trap while in use shall have attached thereto in such manner as to be visible and legible at all times, a metal tag bearing the name and address of the operator of such trap and it shall be unlawful for any other person to tend or operate such trap.

SECTION 17 - NR 20.09(1)(e) and 1. is amended to read:

(e) Dodge and Jefferson counties. One dip net per person may be used from sunrise to sunset for the taking, catching or killing of rough fish all year in the following waters:

1. In the Rock river in Dodge, Jefferson and Rock counties.

SECTION 18 - NR 20.16(20)(b) is created to read:

- (b) Silver creek.

SECTION 19 - NR 20.16(24)(a) is created to read:

- (24) Green Lake county.

- (a) Silver creek.

SECTION 20 - NR 20.16(31)(e) is created to read:

- (e) Flume of Kewaunee nuclear power plant.

SECTION 21 - NR 20.16(41)(a) is created to read:

(41) Milwaukee county.

(a) Milwaukee river flushing tunnel.

SECTION 22 - NR 20.16(58)(c) is created to read:

(c) Whitefish creek.

SECTION 23 - NR 20.16(65)(bb) and (c) is created to read:

(bb) Beulah lake feeder stream from Pickerel lake.

(c) Potters lake.

SECTION 24 - NR 21.04 is amended to read:

Rough Fish. Rough fish, for the purpose of this chapter shall be defined as follows: catfish 20 inches or over in length except above the dam at St. Croix Falls, carp, dogfish, redhorse, sheepshead, sucker, eel, eelpout, garfish, buffalo fish, quillback, mooneye, goldeye and shad.

SECTION 25 - NR 21.05(1)(c) is amended to read:

(c) It shall be unlawful for any person to fish with or leave any fish line or lines unattended in any waters; it shall be unlawful for any person to take any fish by snagging or fouling in any manner. Any such fish taken other than in the mouth by snagging or fouling must immediately be returned to the water. It shall also be unlawful for any person to take fish with the aid or use of any firearm or pellet gun in any manner or by any means other than angling or trolling except that dip nets 3 feet or less in diameter and a gaff may be used for the purpose of landing fish legally hooked.

SECTION 26 - NR 22.04 is amended to read:

Rough Fish. Rough fish, for the purpose of this chapter, shall be defined as follows: carp, dogfish, redhorse, sheepshead, sucker, eel, eelpout, garfish, buffalo fish, quillback, mooneye, goldeye and shad.

SECTION 27 - NR 22.05 (1) (a) and (c) are amended to read:

(a) It shall be unlawful, other than fishing through the ice, for any person to take, catch, or kill fish or fish for fish of any variety with more than 2 lines or 2 poles with 1 line attached to each pole and with 1 hook or bait to each line.

(c) It shall be unlawful for any person to fish with or leave any fish line or lines unattended in any waters; it shall be unlawful for any person to take any fish by snagging or fouling in any manner. Any such fish taken other than in the mouth by snagging or fouling must be immediately returned to the water. It shall also be unlawful for any person to take fish with the aid or use of any firearm or pellet gun in any manner or by any means other than angling or trolling, except that dip nets 3 feet or less in diameter and a gaff may be used for the purpose of landing fish legally hooked.

SECTION 28 - NR 21.21 (6) and (48) are created to read:

Closed Areas. It shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch, disturb, kill or fish for fish of any variety on waters so posted with department signs from March 1 to April 30 within 300 feet below the following structures:

(6) Buffalo county.

(a) Dam 4 at Alma.

(48) Pierce county.

(a) Dam 3 at Red Wing.



SECTION 29 - NR 23.02(1), (2), (3) and (4) is amended to read:

Kind of fish and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Bag and possession limit	
		Number each day	Minimum length (inches)
(1) Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass	First Saturday in May to March 1	5	No size limit

(2) Walleye and Sauger

In the Menominee river, Bad Water lake, the Montreal river from the power dam in section 15, township 48 north, range 49 west, Gogebic county, Michigan and section 7, township 47 north, range 1 east, Iron county, Wisconsin, downstream to its mouth, and in the Brule river from U.S. highway #2 bridge in section 9, township 41 north, range 32 west, Iron county, Michigan, and in section 12, township 40 north, range 17 east, Florence county,

Kind of fish and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Bag and possession limit	
		Number each day	Minimum length (inches)
Wisconsin, downstream to its mouth .....	No closed season	5	13
In all other waters .....	First Saturday in May to March 1	5	13
 (3) Northern Pike			
In the Menominee river, Bad Water lake, the Montreal river from the power dam in section 15, township 48 north, range 49 west, Gogebic county, Michigan, and section 7, township 47 north, range 1 east, Iron county, Wisconsin, downstream to its mouth, and in the Brule river from U.S. highway #2 bridge in section 9, township 41 north, range 32 west, Iron county, Michigan, and in section 12, township 40 north, range 17 east, Florence county, Wisconsin, downstream to its mouth .....			
	No closed season	5	No size limit

Kind of fish and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Bag and possession limit	
		Number each day	Minimum length (inches)
In all other waters .....	First  Saturday in  May to  March 1	5	No size  limit
(4) Muskellunge .....	First  Saturday in  May to  November 30	1	30

SECTION 30 - NR 23.03(1) is amended to read:

Hook and Line Fishing. (1) It shall be unlawful for any person to use or operate more than 2 lines or 2 poles with one line attached to each pole, and with an aggregate total not to exceed 4 hooks or to leave any fish line or lines unattended in any waters or to take any fish by snagging or fouling in any manner. Any such fish taken other than in the mouth by snagging or fouling must immediately be returned to the water.

SECTION 31 - NR 26.23 is amended to read:

Fish Refuges. In order to prevent substantial depletion of the fish supply, the following described spawning areas in Lake Superior are hereby created and established as fish refuges and it shall be unlawful for any person to take, catch, capture, kill or fish for fish in any manner from September 1 to November 30, both dates inclusive, in, on or along the following described water areas: Gull Island Shoals defined as that area from the southernmost point of Outer Island in a straight line in a southerly direction to the northernmost point of Michigan Island and due east to the Michigan state line; thence northerly along the state line to a point due

east of the southerly tip of Outer Island; from that point due west to the southernmost point of Outer Island to the place of beginning. Sand Cut defined as an area bounded by a line extending from the Madeline Island bell buoy no. 2 due south to a point intersecting the shore of Long Island, thence due east to a point intersecting a line extending directly south from Big Bay Point, thence northward along that line to a point intersecting a line extending due east from the Madeline Island bell buoy no. 2, thence due west to Madeline Island bell buoy no. 2, the location of said buoy being 90° 45' west by 46° 45' north.

The foregoing rules were approved by the State of Wisconsin Natural Resources Board on June 26, 1975 and will take effect upon publication.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin August 25, 1975

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

By L. P. Voigt  
L. P. Voigt, Secretary

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APPROVED:

Patrick J. Lucey  
Patrick J. Lucey, Governor

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Date