

## State of Wisconsin

## **DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

Carroll D. Besadny Secretary

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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

I, Carroll D. Besadny, 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-43-81 was duly approved and adopted by this Department on September 23, 1981. 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 General Executive Facility #2 in the City of Madison, this again day of January, 1982.

Carroll D. Besadny, Secretary

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# ORDER OF STATE OF WISCONSIN NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD CREATING RULES

F-43-81

#### Analysis Prepared by the Department of Natural Resources

This rule creates s. NR 20.03(1)(a)1. and (e)2., Wis. Adm. Code, establishing length limits on largemouth bass in 10 lakes and a 34-inch minimum length on muskellunge in Big Lake, Vilas County for evaluation purposes. Investigations indicate that muskellunge are generally heavily exploited by anglers and that in some lakes the harvest of bass has had a detrimental effect on fish populations. Tests in other states indicate that length limits provide better fish populations and angling under certain conditions. Trials in Wisconsin are necessary to determine the potential and proper use of these regulations in our waters. Length regulations on other waters would continue as in the current rules.

Pursuant to the authority vested in the State of Wisconsin Natural Resources Board by ss. 29.174 and 227.014, Stats., the State of Wisconsin Natural Resources Board hereby creates rules interpreting s. 29.174, Stats., as follows:

SECTION 1. Section NR 20.03(1)(a)1. is created to read:

Kind of fish and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (inches)
1. Park lake and Silver lake, Columbia county; Forest lake, Fond du Lac county; Beckmann lake, Green county; Blue Spring lake, Jefferson county; and Little Elkhart lake,			
Sheboygan county (largemouth bass)	First Saturday in May to March l	5	14

Kind of fish and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (inches)
Browns lake, Racine county and Pretty lake, Waukesha county (largemouth bass)	First Saturday in May to March 1	5	16
Rockland lake, Racine county and Beulah Lake, Walworth county (largemouth bass)	First Saturday in May to March l	5	No minimum length, except the possession of fish between 12 and 16 inches is prohibited.

SECTION 2. Section NR 20.03(1)(e)2. is created to read:

Kind of fish and locality	Open season (both dates inclusive)	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (inches)
2. Big lake (sec. 4, T42N, R6E), Vilas county	First Saturday in May to November 30	1	34

The foregoing rule was approved and adopted by the State of Wisconsin Natural Resources Board on September 23, 1981.

The rule contained herein shall take effect upon publication as provided in s. 227.026(1)(intro.), Stats.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin	January 28, 1982
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By Carroll D. Besadny, Secretary



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IN REPLY REFER TO: 1020

January 26, 1982

Mr. Orlan L. Prestegard Revisor of Statutes 411 West C A P I T O L

Dear Mr. Prestegard:

Enclosed are two copies, including one certified copy, of State of Wisconsin Natural Resources Board Order No. F-43-81. These rules were reviewed by the Assembly Committee on Tourism and Recreation and the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources pursuant to s. 227.018, Stats. There were no recommendations for modification.

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

Sincerely,

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Secretary

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