



# NEVADA

**FISHING SEASONS & REGULATIONS**  
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## **LAHONTAN CUTTHROAT TROUT**

2003-2004 Nevada Trout Stamp  
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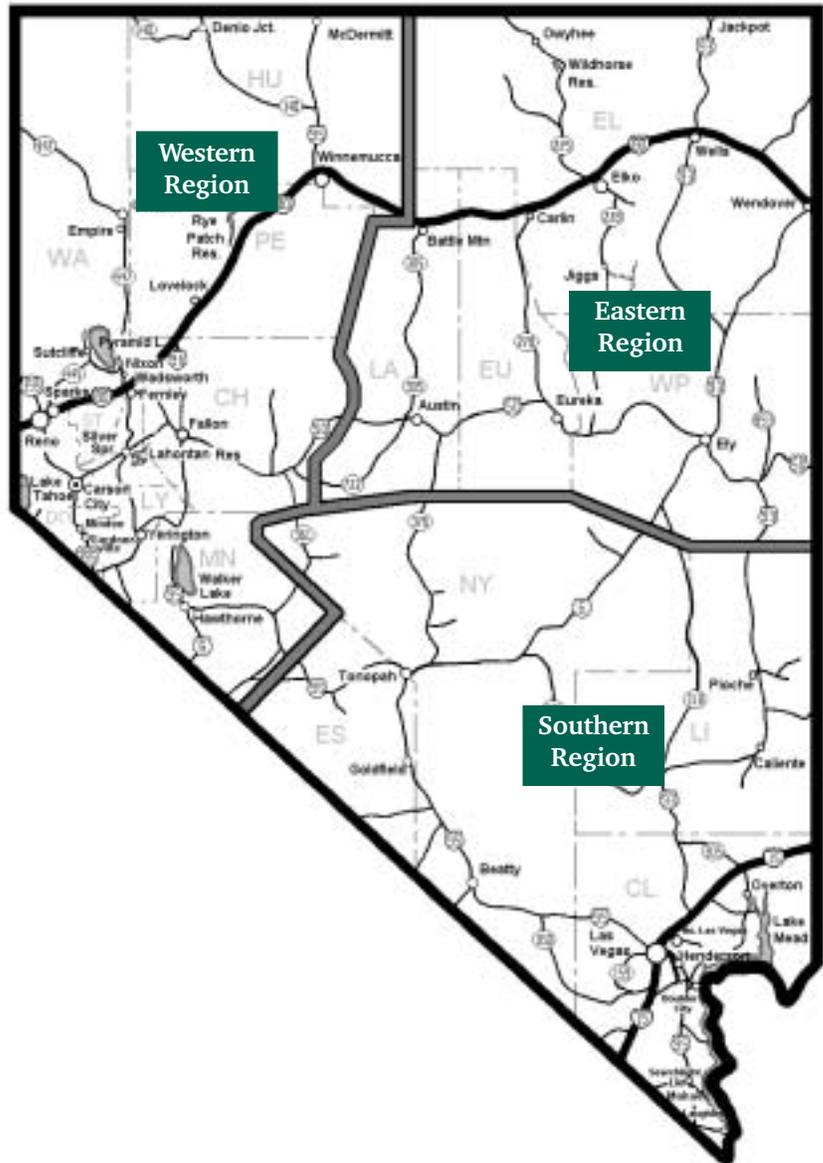
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## How To Use These Regulations

1. First, review the General Statewide Regulations including seasons, hours, limits, etc. on pages 4-9.
2. Then, consult the reference map above to find the area in which you are interested in fishing -- Western, Eastern, or Southern Regions.
3. Turn to the appropriate Region Section and review **both the Region General Regulations and the Special Regulations for that area.**
4. If fishing in a Wildlife Management Area, review pages 24-25.
5. Text in ***green bolded italics*** marks where changes in regulations have occurred.

# General Statewide Regulations

## LICENSE AND FEES REQUIREMENTS

**(The license year is March 1 through the last day of the following February)**

**LICENSE REQUIREMENTS:** All persons fishing are subject to the license requirements listed below. Except for some “interstate waters,” (Lake Tahoe, Topaz Reservoir, Colorado River and Lakes Mead and Mohave - see below), anglers 12 years of age and older are required to obtain and possess a license to fish. Nonresident anglers under 12 years of age are not required to have a license, but the number of fish taken by such nonresident anglers must not exceed 50 percent of the limit as provided by law. (For instance, if the limit is five, these young anglers may take only two fish.)

**TROUT STAMP:** While fishing in Nevada, any person who takes or possesses trout must carry on his person a state Trout Stamp affixed to his fishing license and validated by his signature in ink across the face of the stamp. **The Trout Stamp fee is \$10.**

**EXCEPTIONS:** While fishing in Nevada, youth under the age of 12, or any persons fishing under the authority of a valid short-term permit to fish or during a consecutive day validly added to that permit, are not required to obtain a Trout Stamp. A Trout Stamp is not required to fish on free fishing day.

**SECOND ROD STAMP:** Only one combination of hook, line and rod may be used by a person at any one time unless the person purchases, in addition to his fishing license or short-term fishing permit, a “Second Rod Stamp” which allows the person to use a second combination of hook, line and rod. The Second Rod Stamp must be signed and affixed to the license or permit and is valid for the period specified. A person, regardless of age, must first obtain a valid fishing license or short-term fishing permit before he can use a Second Rod Stamp. **The Second Rod Stamp fee is \$10.**

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## LICENSE REQUIREMENTS FOR INTERSTATE WATERS

**LAKE TAHOE and TOPAZ RESERVOIR** - persons under 16 years of age are not required to have a fishing license. Persons 16 years of age or older must have either a Nevada fishing license and a Trout Stamp; a Nevada short-term fishing permit, or a California fishing license.

**LAKE MEAD, LAKE MOHAVE,** and the **COLORADO RIVER**- Persons under the age of 14 are not required to have a fishing license or permit to fish in these waters.

**When fishing from the Nevada shore of Lake Mead, Lake Mohave, or the Colorado River,** persons 14 years of age or older must possess one of the following:

- (1) A Nevada fishing license; or
- (2) A Nevada short-term fishing permit; or
- (3) An Arizona fishing license with a Nevada Special Use Stamp; or
- (4) A Nevada, nonresident Colorado River Special fishing license; or
- (5) An Arizona “Class E” (Colorado River) fishing license with a Nevada Special Use Stamp.

**When fishing these waters from a boat, other floating device,** or from the Arizona shoreline, persons 14 years of age or older must possess one of the following:

- (1) A Nevada fishing license with an Arizona Special Use Stamp; or
- (2) A Nevada short-term fishing permit with an Arizona Special Use Stamp; or
- (3) An Arizona fishing license with a Nevada Special Use Stamp; or
- (4) A Nevada, nonresident Colorado River Special fishing license with an Arizona Special Use Stamp; or
- (5) An Arizona “Class E” (Colorado River) fishing license with a Nevada Special Use Stamp.

**The fee for the Arizona Special Use Stamp is \$3** and it is valid from March 1 through the last day of the following February.

**The fee for the Nevada nonresident Colorado River Special fishing license is \$21** and it is valid from March 1 through the last day of the following February. The only Nevada waters that can be fished with this license are Lake Mead, Lake Mohave and the Colorado River below Davis Dam to the Nevada state line.

In addition to a Nevada fishing license or a Nevada nonresident Colorado River Special fishing license, **a Nevada Trout Stamp is required to take or possess trout while fishing these waters** from the Nevada shore or from a boat or other floating device.

# General Statewide Regulations

## RESIDENT LICENSES AND PERMITS

**Qualifications for Resident Licenses.** For the purpose of issuing and using resident licenses or permits, a person is considered to be a resident of the State of Nevada if he is a citizen of, or is lawfully entitled to remain in the United States, and during the six months preceding his application to the Division for a license or permit, he was domiciled in this state; was physically present in this state except for temporary absences; and did not purchase or apply for any resident license, tag or permit to hunt, fish or trap in another state, country or province. **A resident license or permit issued by this state is void if the person to whom it was issued establishes his domicile in, and obtains any privilege or entitlement conditional on residency from another state, country or province.**

A person who is not domiciled in Nevada but who is attending an institution of higher learning in this state as a full-time student is eligible for a resident license or permit if, during the six months preceding his application to the Division for a license or permit, he was physically present in Nevada except for temporary trips outside the state, and did not purchase or apply for any resident license, tag or permit to hunt, fish or trap in another state, country or province.

■ <b>Annual Fishing License-</b> for persons 16 years of age or older	<b>\$21.00</b>
■ <b>Junior Fishing License-</b> for persons 12 through 15 years of age	<b>\$ 5.00</b>
■ <b>Senior Fishing License-</b> for persons 65 years of age or older with 5 years of continuous Nevada residency	<b>\$ 5.00</b>
■ <b>Combination Hunting and Fishing License-</b> for persons 16 years of age or older (Parental signature required at time of purchase for persons 16-17 years of age)	<b>\$39.00</b>
■ <b>Junior Combination Hunting and Fishing License-</b> for persons 12 through 15 years of age (Parental signature required at time of purchase)	<b>\$ 8.00</b>
■ <b>Senior Combination Hunting and Fishing License-</b> for persons 65 years of age or older with 5 years of continuous Nevada residency	<b>\$ 8.00</b>
■ <b>Short-Term Fishing Permit: valid until midnight of day specified</b>	<b>\$ 7.00</b>
■ <b>Each consecutive day added to a Short-term Permit to Fish</b> (must be purchased at the same time Short-Term Permit is purchased)	<b>\$ 2.00</b>
■ <b>Serviceman Fishing License-</b> For Nevada resident servicemen on active duty who are stationed outside of Nevada	<b>\$ 6.00</b>
■ <b>Disabled Veteran Combination Hunting and Fishing License</b> for veterans who reside in Nevada and have incurred a service-connected disability which is considered 50% or more by the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs, and who have received a specific discharge from service. License is available only from the Division of Wildlife	<b>Free</b>
■ <b>Disabled Person Fishing License-</b> for persons with a severe physical handicap. License is available only from the Division of Wildlife	<b>\$ 5.00</b>
■ <b>Disabled Person Combination Hunting and Fishing License</b> for persons with a severe physical handicap. License is available only from the Division of Wildlife	<b>\$ 8.00</b>
■ <b>Indian Fishing and Hunting License-</b> for resident Indians with a certificate of eligibility. License is available only from the Division of Wildlife	<b>Free</b>

## NONRESIDENT LICENSES AND PERMITS

■ <b>Annual Fishing License-</b> For persons 16 years of age or older	<b>\$51.00</b>
■ <b>Junior Fishing License-</b> For persons 12 through 15 years of age	<b>\$ 9.00</b>
■ <b>Colorado River Fishing License-</b> For persons 14 years of age or older	<b>\$21.00</b>
■ <b>Short-Term Fishing Permit -</b> Valid until midnight of day specified	<b>\$12.00</b>
■ <b>Each consecutive day added to a Short-Term Permit to fish</b> (must be purchased at the same time Short-Term Permit is purchased)	<b>\$ 4.00</b>

# General Statewide Regulations

## LIMITS

“Limit” means the maximum number of game fish (which includes bull frogs) that may be lawfully taken and reduced to possession by a person in one day. The “Limit” includes fish caught in Nevada which have been processed or preserved and are stored at any location. Fish that are caught and immediately released back to the water alive are not considered to be reduced to possession or part of the limit. A person shall not reduce fish to possession if he already has a number of fish in possession (including that held in freezer, creel, cooler, etc.) which equals or exceeds the limit of the water being fished.

Limits for individual counties are specified under each Region’s General Regulations. Limits for waters which have special limits or restrictions are listed under each Region’s Special Regulations.

## POSSESSION LIMIT VS. DAILY LIMIT?

In this state, there is no distinction between a “daily” limit and a “possession” limit. There is simply a “limit.” There is no ‘adding up’ of “daily” limits to establish a “possession” limit. An angler may not have more than **one limit** in possession. For example, if an angler fishes one body of water where the limit is four trout and takes his limit, he may not then move to a body of water where the limit is two trout and keep any more fish. If he wants to keep fish from the water with the lower limit of two, he should fish there first, then move to the other water and catch the two additional fish to reach the limit of four. Likewise, if an angler fishes the same body of water two days in a row, he may not take the limit the first day then go back and keep fish again the second day unless he has first consumed or given away some portion of his first day’s catch.

## SIZE LIMIT

Unless otherwise noted under **Region General Regulations** or **Region Special Regulations**, there is no size limit. Where size limits do apply, this shall mean the total length of the fish including the head and tail, measured as illustrated in the diagram.



## FILLETING FISH

Where size limits apply, fish may **not** be filleted before **transport**. Where no size limits apply, fish may be

filleted before transport if the fillets are kept in one piece so that the total number of fish may be determined.

## SEASONS AND HOURS

Unless otherwise noted under **Region Special Regulations**, the season is open year around and fishing hours are any time of the day or night. Where specified, “open season” includes the first and last day designated.

## METHODS OF FISHING

Except as noted under “Unprotected Fish” and “Spearfishing” below, fish may be taken only with hook and line attached to rod or reel and closely attended in the manner known as angling. Unless a person has a valid second rod stamp, only one combination of hooks, line, and rod may be used at any one time. No more than three baited hooks, nor more than three fly hooks, or two lures or plugs irrespective of the number of hooks or attractor blades attached thereto, may be attached to the line. Some waters have further restrictions.

## SPEARFISHING

Persons may spearfish for unprotected fish in all Nevada waters except Lake Tahoe and Topaz Lake. Persons may spearfish for striped bass in Lake Mead and Lake Mohave from Cottonwood Cove to the cable below Hoover Dam. Spearfishing for striped bass is prohibited in that portion of Lake Mohave from Cottonwood Cove to Davis Dam and from Davis Dam down river to the Nevada state line. In lakes Mead and Mohave and the Colorado River system, spearfishing is prohibited within 1/2 mile of any dock or swimming area. When spearfishing, a person must display, within 100 feet, an appropriate diver’s flag. A mechanical spearing device may be used only under the surface of the water, and the spear must be attached to the device by a lanyard.

## ARTIFICIAL LURES

“ARTIFICIAL LURES” means any device with a hook or hooks attached which is made partly or entirely of rubber, wood, metal, glass, plastic or feathers.

**Only artificial lures may be used in the following waters:**

1. Crittenden Reservoir in Elko County.
2. The Collection Ditch at Ruby Lake NWR in Elko County.
3. Hinkson Slough on the Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area in Lyon County.
4. Tonkin Springs Reservoir in Eureka County.

# General Statewide Regulations

## ARTIFICIAL LURES WITH SINGLE BARBLESS HOOKS

A “single barbless hook” means a fish hook having one point, manufactured without barbs or on which the barbs have been bent completely closed or filed off. Double or treble hooks having a common shank are not a single barbless hook even when the barbs are closed or filed off. When single barbless hooks are required, only one single barbless hook may be attached to each hook eye or ring of the lure.

**Only artificial lures with single barbless hooks may be used in these waters:**

- Spooner Lake in Douglas County.
- Knott Creek Reservoir in Humboldt County.
- Hobart Reservoir, its tributaries and Franktown Creek downstream to Red House.
- Truckee River and diversion ditches and tributaries above the I-80 bridge, which is upstream from Crystal Peak Park to the California State line.
- Catnip Reservoir in Washoe County.
- South Fork of the Humboldt River from the access causeway for the Lucky Nugget subdivision upstream to Lee.
- East Walker River from 1/4 mile above the confluence of the East Walker River and Sweetwater Creek downstream to 1/2 mile below the confluence of the East Walker River and Red Wash Creek.
- Beaver Dam Creek in Lincoln County.
- Schroeder Reservoir in Lincoln County.

## USING FISH FOR BAIT

Please see pages 8-9. Game fish and protected species of fish may not be used as bait.

## CHUMMING

“Chumming” means placing fish, parts of fish, or other material upon which fish feed, in the water for the purpose of attracting fish to a particular area so that they may be taken. Chumming is prohibited in Lake Tahoe, Topaz Lake, Crittenden Reservoir, Spooner Lake, and the *entire* Ruby Lake National Wildlife Refuge.

## ICE FISHING

For the purposes of ice fishing, holes cut through the ice must not exceed 10 inches in diameter.

## UNPROTECTED FISH

Unprotected fish are all species not classified as game or protected (game fish are listed below.) Unprotected fish may be taken by bow and arrow, hook and line, dipnet, cast net, minnow seine or minnow trap, and, except where prohibited, by spear.

## COLDWATER GAME FISH (see page 20)

Coldwater game fish are: Bonneville cutthroat trout, Lahontan cutthroat trout, Snake River (Yellowstone) cutthroat trout, Kokanee salmon, Atlantic salmon, brook trout, brown trout, bull trout, lake trout, rainbow trout, redband trout, mountain whitefish, and any hybrid thereof.

## WARMWATER GAME FISH (see page 21)

Warmwater game fish are: northern pike, black bullhead, brown bullhead, channel catfish, white catfish, striped bass, white bass, largemouth black bass, smallmouth black bass, spotted bass, black crappie, white crappie, yellow perch, Sacramento perch, bluegill sunfish, green sunfish, redear sunfish, walleye, and any hybrid thereof.

## PROTECTED FISH & AMPHIBIANS

Protected fish and amphibians are those species listed in NAC 503.065, 503.075 and 503.067. There is no open season on fish or amphibians classified as protected. For a list of protected fish and amphibians, check our website at <http://www.ndow.org/wild/animals/protected.shtm>.

## BULLFROGS

Any person 12 years of age or older must possess a Nevada fishing license when taking bullfrogs. Bullfrogs may be taken by hook and line, gig, spear, bow and arrow, or by hand. The limit for bullfrogs is 15 in all counties except Clark, Esmeralda, Lincoln and Nye where the take is unlimited. Season is open year around anytime of the day or night in waters that are open to fishing or frogging.

## CRAYFISH

A fishing license is not required to take crayfish by hand or trap. There is no limit on crayfish but they may not be taken for commercial purposes.

# General Regulations: Bait

## THE CAPTURE, TRANSPORT AND USE OF BAIT

Any person possessing a fishing license or permit, or otherwise exempted from such licenses, may capture, transport and use bait for fishing or personal consumption except that the use of game fish or protected species of fish for bait is prohibited. Aquatic bait (such as live unprotected amphibians, crayfish, clams and snails) may be used only in the water from which it is taken. Aquatic bait and live bait fish (live unprotected species of freshwater fish) may be transported from one river basin to another or from one area of this state to another only as provided in the appropriate regional regulation as noted below. Any bait obtained from a licensed dealer in live bait fish must be accompanied by a currently dated receipt issued by that dealer.

**NOTE: Artificial lure-only waters are listed on page 6-7.**

### Western Region

In the **Carson River Basin** from Quilici Dam (12 miles below Dayton) above Lahontan Reservoir downstream to and including Lahontan Reservoir, the Carson River below Lahontan Dam and all of the waters within Lahontan Valley, Churchill County: only Lahontan redbside (shiner), speckled dace, Tahoe sucker, mountain sucker, mosquitofish, carp, tui chub, Sacramento blackfish, fathead minnows and Paiute sculpin may be used as live bait fish. Fish used as live bait may be taken only from the Carson or Truckee River Basins in Carson City or Churchill, Douglas, Lyon, Storey or Washoe Counties or purchased only from a dealer who is licensed in this state and authorized to sell live bait fish for use in the Carson River Basin.

In the area of the **Carson River Basin** from the boundary between California and Nevada to Quilici Dam: only Lahontan redbside (shiner), speckled dace, Tahoe sucker, mountain sucker and mosquitofish may be used as live bait fish. Fish used as live bait may be taken only from the Carson River above Quilici Dam or purchased from a dealer who is licensed in this state and authorized to sell live bait fish for use in the Carson River Basin.

In the **Humboldt River Basin** from Stahl Diversion Dam (near Golconda, Humboldt County) to and including Rye Patch Reservoir, the Pitt-Taylor and Chimney Reservoirs, the Humboldt River below Rye Patch Dam and all waters of the Humboldt River in Lovelock Valley, Pershing and Churchill counties: only Lahontan redbside (shiner), tui chub, speckled dace, Tahoe sucker, mountain sucker, Sacramento blackfish, fathead minnows and carp may be used as live bait fish. Fish used as live bait in this area may only be taken from the Humboldt River and its tributaries or purchased from a dealer who is licensed in this state and authorized to sell live bait fish for use in the Humboldt River Basin.

In the waters of **Lake Tahoe** and its tributaries located in Carson City, Douglas and Washoe Counties: only

Lahontan redbside (shiner), tui chub, Tahoe sucker, mountain sucker, Paiute sculpin and speckled dace may be used as live bait fish. Fish used here as live bait may be taken only from, and must be native to, Lake Tahoe and its tributaries.

In the main **Walker River** from the bridge of the S.P. Railroad near Wabuska, downstream to and including Weber Reservoir and the lower Walker River down to and including Walker Lake: only Lahontan redbside (shiner), tui chub, speckled dace, Tahoe sucker, mountain sucker, carp and mosquitofish may be used as live bait. Fish used as live bait here may only be taken from the Walker River Basin in Lyon or Mineral County or purchased from a dealer who is licensed in this state and authorized to sell live bait fish for use in the Walker River Basin. The use of fish as bait, whether alive or dead, or parts thereof, is prohibited in the ponds and sloughs of the Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area and the Fort Churchill Cooling Ponds.

In the **lower Truckee River Basin** which includes the Truckee River and its tributaries from below the I-80 bridge located upstream from Crystal Peak Park in Verdi, downstream including Paradise Ponds, Virginia Lake, and Washoe Lake and Fernley Wildlife Management Area, to, but excluding Pyramid Lake: only Lahontan redbside (shiner), speckled dace, Tahoe sucker, mountain sucker, Paiute sculpin, mosquitofish, tui chub, fathead minnows and carp may be used as live bait fish. Fish used as live bait may only be taken from the Truckee River or its tributaries or be purchased from a dealer licensed in this state and authorized to sell live bait fish for use in the Truckee River Basin.

In the **Truckee River upstream from the I-80 bridge**, which is above Crystal Peak Park in Verdi to the California state line, only artificial lures with single barbless hooks may be used. Only one single barbless hook may

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be attached to each hook eye or ring of the lure. In all other waters of this region, the capture, possession while fishing or the use of fish as bait, whether dead or alive, or parts thereof, other than preserved salmon eggs is prohibited.

## Eastern Region

Within this region, which includes Elko, Eureka, Lander and White Pine Counties, while fishing in this region, the possession or use of fish as bait, whether dead or alive or any parts thereof except for preserved salmon eggs, is prohibited. Other aquatic bait (live, unprotected salamanders, waterdogs, frogs, crayfish, clams and snails may be used only in the water from which it is taken. See pages 8-9 for more regulations on the use of bait fish.

## Southern Region

In **Lake Mead, Lake Mohave** and the **Colorado River** located in Clark County, only golden shiner, fathead minnow, mosquitofish, red shiner, threadfin shad, carp and goldfish may be used as live bait fish. Other forms of aquatic and animal life, such as the waterdog, grasshopper, earthworm and crayfish may also be used as bait. A licensed person may purchase live baitfish from a licensed bait dealer in Arizona, California or Nevada, or he may for his own use, take such baitfish with a dipnet, a cast net with a radius not exceeding three feet from horn to headline, a seine not exceeding 10 feet in length and four feet in width, or a minnow trap not exceeding 12 inches in width, 12 inches in depth and 24 inches in length. **In all other waters of this region the capture, possession while fishing or use of fish as bait, whether dead or alive, or parts thereof, other than preserved salmon eggs is prohibited.**

### Reglas de la Pesca

Una licencia o un permiso de corto plazo es requerido para cualquier persona que tiene 12 años o más cuando están pescando en la mayoría de las aguas de Nevada. Los excepciones son:

- Lake Tahoe y el Depósito Topaz donde la edad mínima es 16 años; y
- El sistema del Río Colorado (Lake Mead, Lake Mojave, y el Río Colorado) donde la edad mínima es 14 años.

Por el sistema del Río Colorado, un “sello de uso especial” de Nevada o Arizona puede que sea requerido en ciertas circunstancias.

Para calificar para una licencia de caza o pesca de “residente” de Nevada, hay que:

- Ser un ciudadano de los Estados Unidos o tener derecho legal para permanecer en los Estados Unidos;
- Ha vivido continuamente en Nevada, excepto ausencias temporales, para un período de 6 meses antes de comprar una licencia de “residente” o permiso; y
- No ha aplicado para o comprado una licencia de “residente” para pesca, caza, o desvío en un otro estado durante el período de 6 meses en lo que se ha vivido en Nevada.

Mientras pescando para la trucha en la mayoría de las aguas de Nevada, una persona debió haber comprado un sello de “trucha”, firmado, y fijado a su licencia de pesca. Un sello de trucha no es requerido para una persona que tiene menos de 16 años en Lake Tahoe o Topaz Lake, una persona que tiene menos de 14 años en el sistema del Río Colorado, una persona que tiene menos de 12 años en otras aguas de Nevada, o una persona que pesca bajo la autoridad de un permiso a corto plazo.

Con pocas excepciones, una persona solo puede coger peces de “caza” con un anzuelo y sedal fijado a un carrete que está bien atendido por esa persona. Se puede usar un arpón para pescar para perca rayada en Lake Mead y partes particulares de Lake Mojave y el Río Colorado.

Es prohibido coger o intentar pesca de “caza” con un red, trampas, o sedales “puestos”.

Es ilegal pescar con una segunda combinación de anzuelos, sedales, y carretes, a menos que tenga un “sello de segundo sedal”. El sello tiene que ser firmado y fijado a la licencia de pesca. Es prohibido para una persona pescar con más de dos combinaciones de anzuelo, sedal, y carrete.

Para cada masa de agua en el estado, hay “limites” del número de peces que se puede coger y ser poseídos por un pescador.

Es prohibido usar partes de peces de caza para cebo.

Una vez que una persona haya cogido y tiene un limite de pescado, no se puede coger más pescado para completar su limite o el limite de un otra persona.

#### Barcos

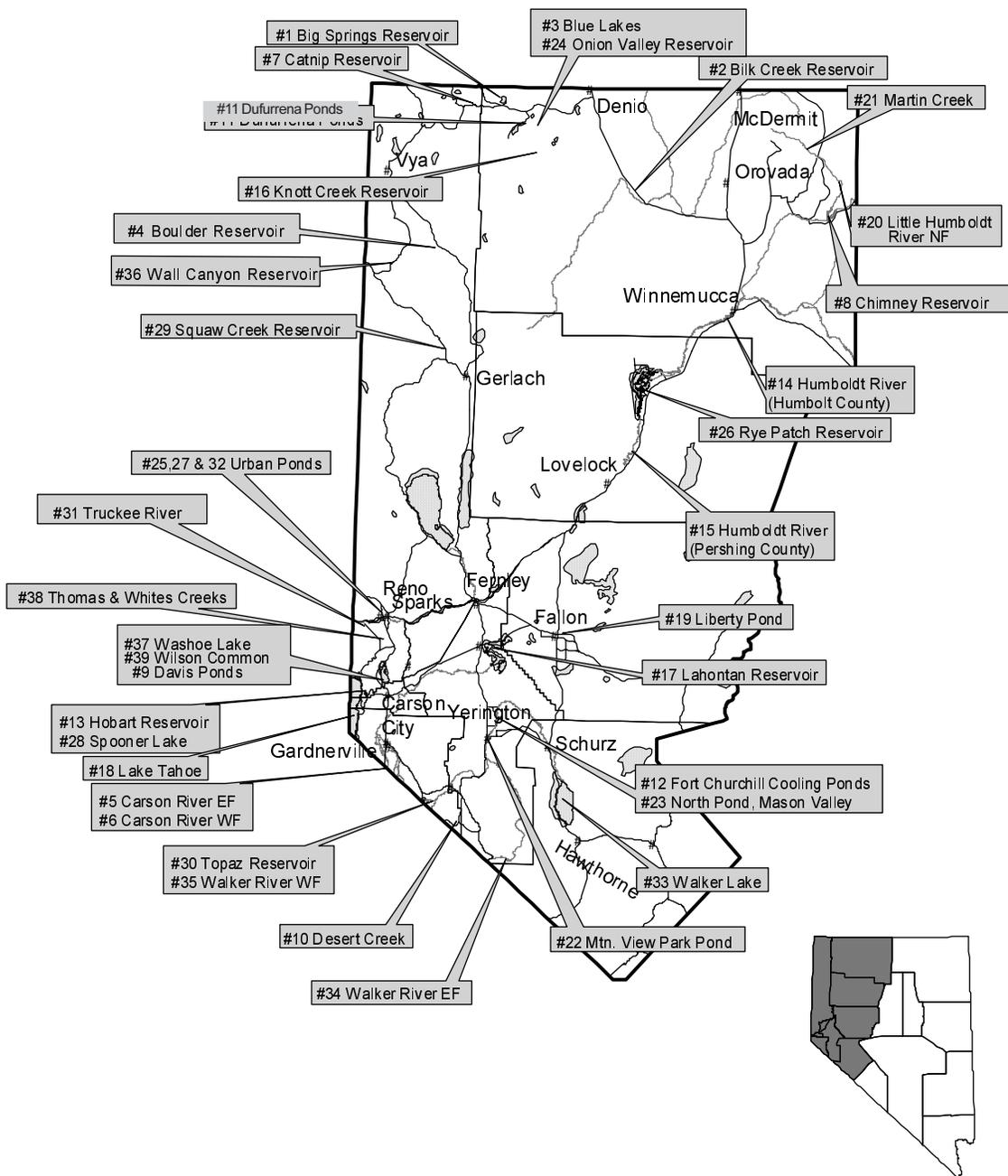
Hay que tener un aparato personal de flotación (PFD o chaleco salvavidas) del tamaño apropiado, aprobado por el Guardacostas de los Estados Unidos, para cada persona en el barco.

En barcos que mide 16 pies y más, tiene que haber un aparato de flotación tirable además de los aparatos requeridos que todos llevan.

Un niño que tiene menos de 12 años tiene que llevar un chaleco salvavidas de tamaño apropiado cuando el barco está en curso, a menos que el niño está en un lugar completamente incluido en el barco.

Es ilegal manejar un barco de motor o vela mientras estar bajo la influencia de licor o droga embriagador.

# Western Region General Reference Map



## WESTERN REGION

1100 Valley Road  
 Reno, NV 89512-2817  
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Shown are waters included in  
 "Nevada Fishable Waters,"  
 which lists species by waters  
 on pages 36-39.

The Western Region includes the nine counties of northwestern Nevada: Carson City, Churchill, Douglas, Humboldt, Lyon, Mineral, Pershing, Storey and Washoe. Several popular fishing waters are located within this region including Lake Tahoe, Topaz Reservoir, Walker Lake, Pyramid Lake, and the Truckee, Carson and Walker River systems. Waters that are popular for warmwater species are Lahontan, Chimney and Rye Patch Reservoirs, Humboldt River, Washoe Lake, Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area and several canals and drains in the Lahontan Valley.

Map by Marsha Cardinal

# Western Region General Regulations

## SEASONS AND LIMITS

Within the Western Region the following general fishing seasons, hours, limits, and regulations apply to all waters EXCEPT those listed under “WESTERN REGION SPECIAL REGULATIONS” on pages 12-13. (If the water in which you intend to fish is not listed under the Region Special Regulations then the General Regulations shall apply.)

### WESTERN REGION GENERAL SEASONS/HOURS:

Open year around, any hour of the day or night.

### POSSESSION LIMIT VS. DAILY LIMIT?

In this state, there is no distinction between a “daily” limit and a “possession” limit. There is simply a “limit.” There is no ‘adding up’ of “daily” limits to establish a “possession” limit. An angler may not have more than one limit in possession. For example, if an angler fishes one body of water where the limit is four trout and takes his limit, he may not then move to a body of water where the limit is two trout and keep any more fish. If he wants to keep fish from the water with the lower limit of two, he should fish there first, then move to the other water and catch the two additional fish to reach the limit of four. Likewise, if an angler fishes the same body of water two days in a row, he may not take the limit the first day then go back and keep fish again the second day unless he has first consumed or given away some portion of his first day’s catch.

### WESTERN REGION LIMITS:

Except as noted under “Special Regulations” on pages 12-13, the limits are as follows:

#### Humboldt County:

The limit is 10 trout and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 5 may be black bass and 5 may be walleye.

#### Carson City, Douglas County, Mineral County, Storey County and Washoe County:

The limit is 5 trout, 10 mountain whitefish, and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 5 may be black bass.

#### Churchill County and Lyon County:

The limit is 5 trout, 10 mountain whitefish, and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 5 may be black bass and 5 may be walleye.

#### Pershing County:

The limit is 10 trout and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 5 may be black bass, 5 may be walleye, and 5 may be white bass or white bass hybrids which are over 14 inches in length. White bass or white bass hybrids under 14 inches may be included in the 15 warmwater game fish limit.

**ARTIFICIAL LURE WATERS:** See Page 7.

**BAIT REGULATIONS:** See pages 8-9.

## CLOSED WATERS

In the Western Region the following waters are closed to all fishing:

#### Carson City

Marlette Lake, its tributaries and outlet stream.

#### Douglas County

Lake Tahoe within the boat launch area, inside the jetty at the Cave Rock boat ramp, north end, Glenbrook Creek from Lake Tahoe to Hwy 50, Topaz Lake within the jetties of Topaz Marina.

#### Humboldt County

All tributaries to Summit Lake. All waters of the Sheldon Antelope Range except Big Springs Reservoir and Dufurrena Ponds. Washburn, Riser, Crowley, Line Canyon and Sage creeks in the Montana Mountains. Andorna and Eightmile creeks in the Santa Rosa Range. Coleman Creek and North Fork Battle Creek in the Blackrock Mountains. Rodeo Creek in the Bilk Creek Mountains, Donnelly Creek in the Calico Range.

#### Mineral County

Rose Creek Confluence from the diversion pipe downstream to Walker Lake and Walker Lake within a 100-yard radius of the inflow.

#### Storey County

Five Mile Reservoir, and Truckee River from Derby Dam downstream 1,000 feet.

#### Washoe County

Marlette Lake, its tributaries and outlet stream (Marlette Creek). Third Creek and its tributaries from Lake Tahoe to the Mt. Rose Highway No. 431. Incline Creek and its tributaries from Lake Tahoe to Ski Way and the Mt. Rose Highway No. 431. Wood Creek from Lake Tahoe to the Mt. Rose Highway No. 431. Lake Tahoe within a 200-yard radius of the mouths of Third, Incline and Wood creeks. A 500-yard radius from Sand Harbor boat ramp. Five Mile Reservoir: Truckee River from Derby Dam downstream 1,000 feet.

# Western Region Special Regulations

## PLEASE CHECK SPECIAL REGULATIONS BELOW

**BIG SPRINGS RESERVOIR** in Humboldt County: Season is open the second Saturday in May through the last day of February, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout.

**BILK CREEK RESERVOIR** in Humboldt County: Season is open year around any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout.

**BLUE LAKES** in Humboldt County: Season is open the second Saturday in June through November 15, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout. Only boats without motors are permitted and area is closed to vehicular traffic.

**CATNIP RESERVOIR, TRIBUTARIES AND OUTLET STREAM** in Washoe County: Season is open September 1 through November 15, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 0 trout, catch and release fishing only. **Only artificial lures with single barbless hooks may be used.**

**EAST WALKER RIVER** in Lyon County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout, 10 mountain whitefish and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 5 may be black bass except in that portion of the East Walker River which is from ¼ mile above the confluence of the East Walker River and Sweetwater Creek downstream to ½ mile below the confluence of the East Walker River and Red Wash Creek which is catch and release fishing only. **Only artificial lures with single barbless hooks may be used.**

**FORT CHURCHILL COOLING POND COOPERATIVE MANAGEMENT AREA** in Lyon County: Season is open the second Saturday in February through September 30, 1 hour before sunrise to 2 hours after sunset. Limit is 15 game fish of which not more than 2 may be black bass. Minimum size for black bass is 14 inches. **Fishing is**

**prohibited from the center dike and posted areas.** Wading or the use of boats and other floating devices is prohibited.

**HOBART RESERVOIR AND TRIBUTARIES AND FRANKTOWN CREEK DOWNSTREAM FROM HOBART RESERVOIR TO RED HOUSE** in Washoe County: Season is open May 1 through September 30, 1 hour before sunrise to 2 hours after sunset. Limit is 5 trout, only one of which is longer than 14 inches. **Only artificial lures with single barbless hooks may be used.**

**KNOTT CREEK RESERVOIR** in Humboldt County: Season is open from the second Saturday in June through November 15. Limit is 1 trout, minimum size 18 inches. Hours are any time of the day or night. **Only artificial lures with single barbless hooks may be used.** Boats must be operated at a speed that leaves a flat wake.

**LAHONTAN RESERVOIR, CARSON RIVER** and all waters in Lahontan Valley, plus the Carson River downstream of Dayton in Churchill and Lyon counties: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night except for the Lahontan Dam spilling pool (bowl) which is closed to fishing. Limit is 5 trout, 10 mountain whitefish, and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 5 may be walleye, and 5 may be black bass. However in accordance with the Nevada State Health Division advisory (see below), the Division of Wildlife recommends **no consumption of fish from Lahontan Reservoir, the Carson River below Dayton, and all waters in Lahontan Valley** due to elevated mercury levels found in game fish and carp. **NOTE:** Stillwater NWR is closed to fishing due to health advisory.

**LAKE TAHOE** and tributaries in Washoe, Douglas, and Carson City Counties: Season is open year around, 1 hour before sunrise to 2 hours after sunset, except for the following closed areas: Within 200 yard radius of the mouths

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## Health Advisory

The Nevada State Division of Health is advising consumers to refrain from eating fish caught from the Carson River in the vicinity of Dayton downstream to, and including the Lahontan Reservoir, and all waters in the Lahontan Valley. **Stillwater NWR is closed to fishing due to health advisory.**

Studies performed by the State Division of Environmental Protection and the State Division of Wildlife have shown that a public health problem exists due to elevated levels of mercury in game fish and carp from these waters. Consumption of mercury can cause neurological damage.

# Western Region Special Regulations

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of Third, Incline, and Wood Creeks; a 500 yard radius from Sand Harbor Boat Ramp; and within the boat launch area inside the jetty at Cave Rock Boat Ramp. Limits are 5 game fish of which not more than 2 may be mackinaw (lake trout).

**LIBERTY POND** in Churchill County: Season is open year around, hours park is open to public use. Limit is 5 game fish.

**MASON VALLEY WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA** in Lyon County: Season is open the second Saturday in February through September 30, any hour of the day or night on the following waters: Bass, Crappie, North Ponds, Beaver Slough, and that portion of the Walker River within the Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area. Limit is 5 trout and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 2 may be black bass. Minimum size for black bass is 14 inches. **HINKSON SLOUGH:** Same season as above; 1 limit is 2 trout and 15 warmwater gamefish of which not more than 2 may be black bass. Minimum size for trout is 16 inches, minimum size for black bass is 14 inches. **EASTSIDE WATERFOWL SERIES PONDS:** Season is open Aug. 16- Sept. 30, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 2 may be black bass, minimum size for black bass is 14 inches. All other waters of the Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area are closed.

**ONION VALLEY RESERVOIR** in Humboldt County: Season is second Saturday in June through November 15, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout.

**ROSS GOLD POND** in Carson City: Season is open year around, hours when park is open to public use. Limit is 3 game fish.

**RYE PATCH RESERVOIR AND HUMBOLDT RIVER** in Pershing County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 25 game fish of which not more than 5 may be trout, 5 may be walleye, 5 may be black bass and 5 may be white bass or white bass hybrids over 14 inches. White bass or white bass hybrids under 14 inches may be included in the 25 game fish limit.

**SPOONER LAKE** in Douglas County: Season is open year around, 1 hour before sunrise to 2 hours after sunset. **Catch and release fishing only. Only artificial lures with single barbless hooks may be used.**

**TOPAZ CANAL AND WEST WALKER RIVER** in Douglas County: Season is open year around any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout, 10 mountain whitefish, and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 5 may be black bass.

**TOPAZ LAKE** in Douglas County: Season is open January 1 through September 30, 1 hour before sunrise to 2 hours after sunset, except for the area within the jetties of Topaz Marina which is closed to fishing. Limit is 5 trout, 10 mountain whitefish and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 5 may be black bass.

**TRUCKEE RIVER, ITS DIVERSION DITCHES AND TRIBUTARIES** above the I-80 bridge, which is upstream from Crystal Peak Park (in Verdi), to the California state line in Washoe County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 2 trout and 10 mountain whitefish. Minimum size for trout is 14 inches. **Only artificial lures with single barbless hooks may be used.**

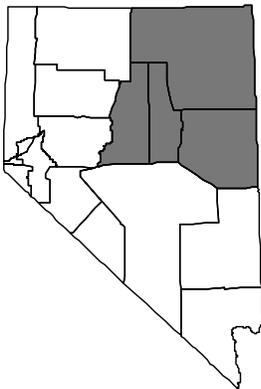
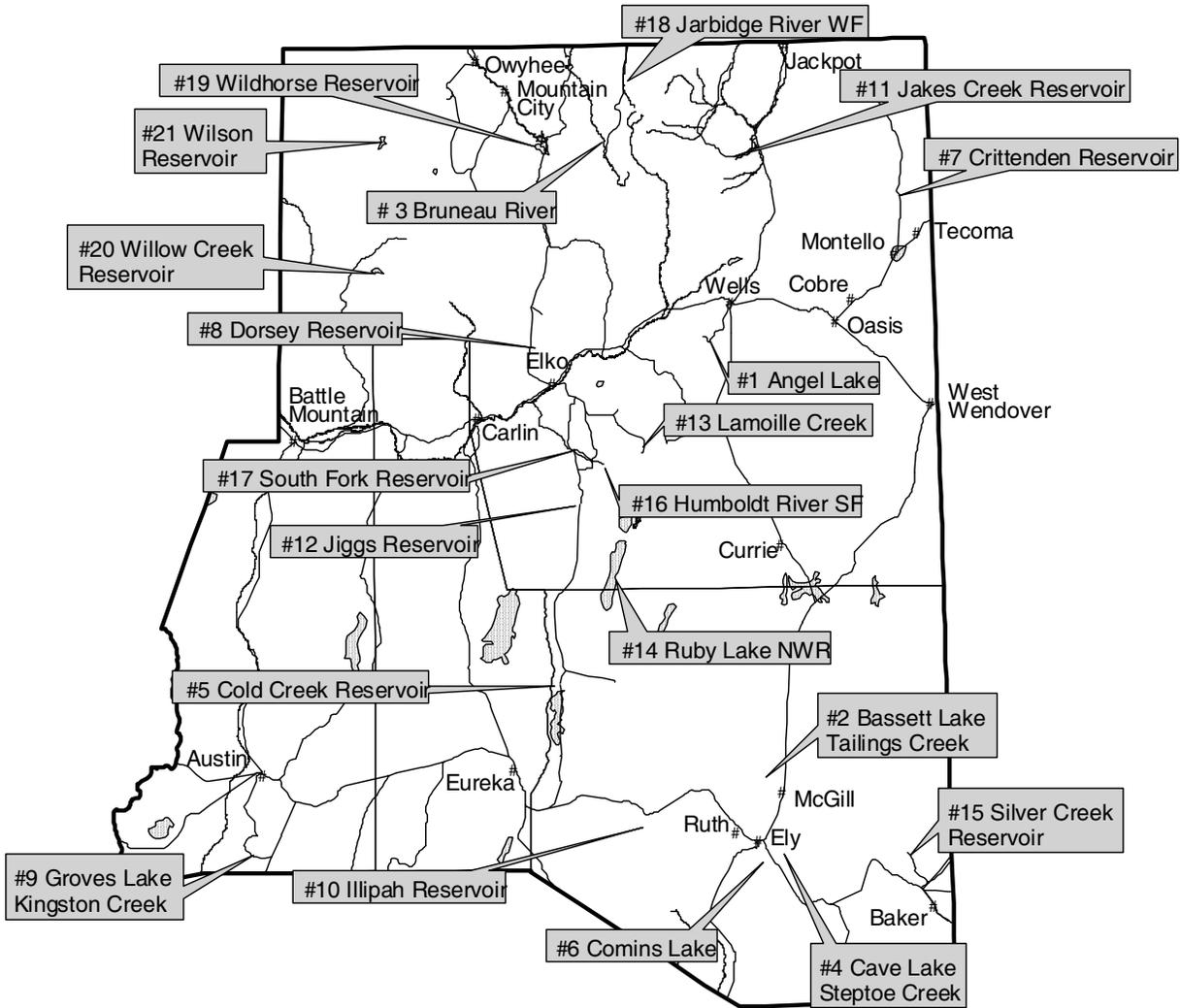
**TRUCKEE RIVER AND TRIBUTARIES** from below the I-80 bridge which is upstream from Crystal Peak Park in Verdi in Washoe and Storey counties. Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night except for the area within 1,000 feet downstream of Derby Dam which is closed to fishing. Limit is 5 trout, 10 mountain whitefish, and 15 warmwater gamefish of which not more than 5 may be black bass.

**WEST WALKER RIVER** in Douglas and Lyon counties: Season is open year around any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout, 10 mountain whitefish, and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 5 may be black bass.

**WASHOE COUNTY URBAN PONDS:** Sparks Marina Pond, Davis Creek Pond, Paradise Pond, Virginia Lake, Idlewild Ponds, Rancho San Rafael Pond, and Wilson Commons: Season is open year around, hours when parks are open to public use. Limit is 5 game fish, of which not more than 2 may be black bass.

**WASHOE LAKE** in Washoe County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 10 game fish of which not more than 5 may be catfish. (Scripps Wildlife Management Area is closed to trespass February 1 through June 30.)

# Eastern Region General Reference Map



Shown are waters included in "Nevada Fishable Waters," which lists species by waters on pages 36-39.

**Eastern Region**  
 60 Youth Center Road  
 Elko, NV 89801  
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Map by Marsha Cardinal

The Eastern Region includes the four counties of northeastern Nevada- Elko, Eureka, Lander and White Pine. Popular fishing waters include Wildhorse, Wilson, Willow Creek, Jakes Creek, Crittenden, Illipah, Silver Creek and South Fork reservoirs, Groves Lake, Bassett Lake, Cave Lake, Ruby Lake, other high mountain lakes and several streams located throughout the area.

# Eastern Region General Regulations

## SEASONS AND LIMITS

Within the Eastern Region the following general fishing seasons, hours, limits, and regulations apply to all waters EXCEPT those listed under “Eastern Region Special Regulations” below and on pages 16-17. (If the water in which you intend to fish is not listed under the Eastern Region Special Regulations then the General Regulations shall apply.)

**EASTERN REGION GENERAL SEASONS/HOURS:** Open year around, any hour of the day or night.

### POSSESSION LIMIT VS. DAILY LIMIT?

In this state, there is no distinction between a “daily” limit and a “possession” limit. There is simply a “limit.” There is no ‘adding up’ of “daily” limits to establish a “possession” limit. An angler may not have more than **one limit** in possession. For example, if an angler fishes one body of water where the limit is four trout and takes his limit, he may not then move to a body of water where the limit is two trout and keep any more fish. If he wants to keep fish from the water with the lower limit of two, he should fish there first, then move to the other water and catch the two additional fish to reach the limit of four. Likewise, if an angler fishes the same body of water two days in a row, he may not take the limit the first day then go back and keep fish again the second day unless he has first consumed or given away some portion of his first day’s catch.

**EASTERN REGION LIMITS:** Except as noted under “Special Regulations” below and on pages 16-17, the limits are as follows:

**Elko, Eureka, Lander and White Pine Counties- LAKES AND RESERVOIRS:** the limit is 5 trout, and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 10 may be black bass, and 4 may be northern pike.

**Elko and White Pine Counties - STREAMS AND RIVERS:** The limit is 10 trout, 10 mountain whitefish, and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 10 may be black bass, and 4 may be northern pike. **No bull trout are allowed in possession.**

**Eureka and Lander County- STREAMS AND RIVERS:** the limit is 10 trout and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 10 may be black bass.

**BAIT REGULATIONS:** While fishing in this region, the possession or use of fish as bait, whether dead or alive or any parts thereof except for preserved salmon eggs, is prohibited. Other aquatic bait may be used only in the water from which it is taken. See pages 8-9 for more regulations on the use of bait fish.

**ARTIFICIAL LURE WATERS:** See pages 6-7.

## CLOSED WATERS

In the Eastern Region the following waters are closed to all fishing:

### Elko County

In Ruby Valley, fishing is prohibited in hatchery rearing, brood and spring ponds of Gallagher Hatchery; in Cave Creek west of the county road; and on Franklin Lake Wildlife Management Area.

### White Pine County

Cold Creek Spring (Spring Pond) and Creek above Cold Creek Reservoir in the Diamond Range in White Pine County.

### Eureka County

Tonkin Springs Creek (Denay Creek) from origin to its confluence with Tonkin Springs Reservoir.

# Eastern Region Special Regulations

## PLEASE CHECK SPECIAL REGULATIONS BELOW

**ANGEL LAKE AND INLET AND OUTLET STREAMS** in Elko County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout.

**CAVE LAKE AND CAVE CREEK, STEPTOE CREEK, TAILINGS CREEK, CLEVE CREEK AND WHITE RIVER** in White Pine County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout. On Cave Lake, boats must be operated at a speed which leaves a flat wake and in no case exceeds 5 nautical miles per hour.

**CLEVE CREEK** in White Pine County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout.

**COMINS LAKE** in White Pine County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout, the limit on black bass is 0 (catch and release only), no limit on northern pike (unlimited possession.) See page 25 for vessel restrictions.

**CRITTENDEN RESERVOIR** in Elko County: Season is open year around, 1 hour before sunrise to 2 hours after sunset. Limit is 1 trout and 5 black bass. Minimum size for trout is 17 inches. **Only artificial lures may be used.** No overnight camping allowed. No waterskiing.

**DRY CREEK RESERVOIR** in Elko County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 10 may be black bass.

**GROVES LAKE, KINGSTON CREEK, and BIG CREEK** in Lander County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout. Only boats without motors and boats with electric motors are permitted.

**ILLIPAH RESERVOIR AND CREEK** in White Pine County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout. Flat wake restrictions for boats.

**JARBIDGE RIVER, WEST FORK and EAST FORK and TRIBUTARY STREAMS** in Elko County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout and 10 mountain whitefish, except the possession of bull trout is prohibited. **All captured bull trout must be released immediately.** (Please report the capture of bull trout to NDOW Eastern Region Office).

**MARYS RIVER AND TRIBUTARY STREAMS** in Elko County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout.

**RUBY LAKE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE** in Elko and White Pine counties: Refuge is open 1 hour before sunrise to 2 hours after sunset. Season is open year around in all areas except as posted. **From Jan. 1 - June 14** the limit is 3 trout and 5 black bass. Minimum size for black bass is 10 inches. **For June 15 - Dec. 31** the limit is 3 trout and 10 black bass. Minimum size for black bass is 10 inches. Those areas of the Collection Ditch that are open to fishing may be fished with artificial lures only. Chumming is prohibited. It is unlawful to clean or fillet fish within the boundaries of the Ruby Lake National Wildlife Refuge. For boating regulations (see page 29 for federal boating regulations) contact the Refuge Manager. The Gallagher Hatchery rearing, brood and spring ponds, and Cave Creek on the west side of the County Road are closed to fishing.

**RUBY MOUNTAIN HIGH LAKES** (except for Angel Lake) in Elko County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 10 trout. (The limit for Angel Lake and its inlet and outlet streams is 5 trout.)

**SILVER CREEK RESERVOIR AND SILVER CREEK** in White Pine County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout and 10 black bass. Boats are permitted but must be operated at a speed which leaves a flat wake and in no case exceeds 5 nautical miles per hour.

**SMITH CREEK RESERVOIR**, including inlet and outlet streams in Lander County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout.

**SNAKE MOUNTAIN HIGH LAKES** in White Pine County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 10 trout.

**SOUTH FORK RESERVOIR AND THE SOUTH FORK OF THE HUMBOLDT RIVER from the Lucky Nugget subdivision causeway downstream to its confluence with the Humboldt River in Elko County:** Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limits are: 5 trout and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 1 may be black bass (minimum size for black bass is 15 inches), except for **March**

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# Eastern Region Special Regulations

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**1 through June 30** when only catch and release fishing is allowed for black bass.

**SOUTH FORK OF THE HUMBOLDT RIVER FROM THE LUCKY NUGGET SUBDIVISION ACCESS CAUSEWAY UPSTREAM TO LEE** in Elko County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 1 trout. **Only artificial lures with single barbless hooks may be used.**

**STEPTOE CREEK** in White Pine County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout.

**TAILINGS CREEK, CLEVE CREEK AND** in White Pine County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout.

**TONKIN SPRINGS RESERVOIR** in Eureka County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout. Artificial lures only. *Stream above reservoir is closed to fishing.*

**WHITE RIVER** in White Pine County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout.

**WILDHORSE RESERVOIR AND ALL INLET AND OUTLET STREAMS** including Penrod Creek up to the bridge below the Gold Creek Ranger Station in Elko County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limits are 5 trout, unlimited yellow perch, 10 mountain whitefish and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 1 may be black bass (minimum size for black bass is 15 inches) **except from March 1 through June 30** when only catch and release fishing is allowed for the black bass.

**WILLOW CREEK RESERVOIR** in Elko County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 10 may be black bass. Minimum size for black bass is 11 inches.

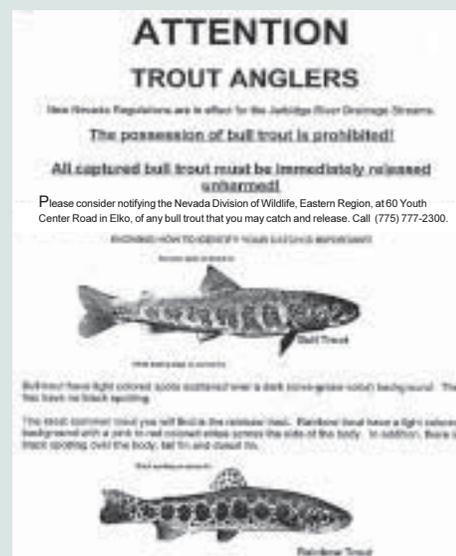
**WILLOW CREEK POND AND RESERVOIR** including inlet and outlet streams in Lander County: Season is open year around, 1 hour before sunrise to 2 hours after sunset. Limit is 5 trout.

**WILSON SINK RESERVOIR ITS OUTLET AND INLET STREAM UP TO STATE ROUTE 11** in Elko County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout, 10 mountain whitefish and 10 black bass. Minimum size for black bass is 11 inches.

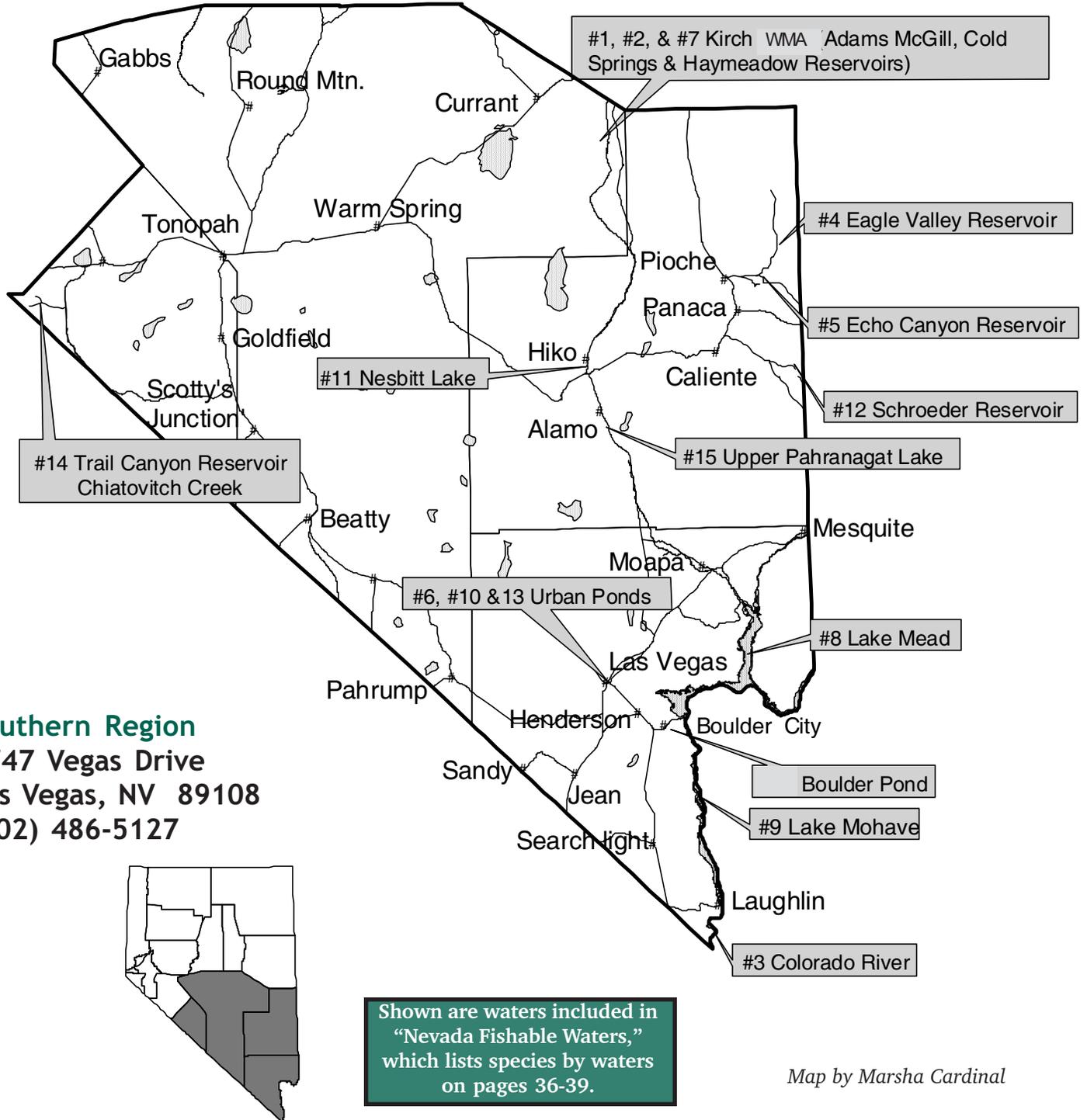
## Identify Your Catch in the Jarbidge

When fishing waters in the Jarbidge River drainage area it is essential to be able to differentiate between rainbow trout and the threatened bull trout. The most common trout you will find is the rainbow trout. Rainbow trout have a light colored background with a pink to red colored stripe across the side of the body. In addition, there is black spotting over the body, tail fin and dorsal fin. Bull trout have light colored spots scattered over a dark (olive-green color) background. The fins have no black spotting.

The possession of bull trout is prohibited. All captured bull trout must be immediately released unharmed! Please notify the Division of Wildlife Eastern Region Office in Elko of any bull trout that you catch and release. The Elko NDOW office phone number is (775) 777-2300. Watch for NDOW signs in the Jarbidge area.



# Southern Region General Reference Map



**Southern Region**  
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 Las Vegas, NV 89108  
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*Map by Marsha Cardinal*

The Southern Region includes the four counties of southern Nevada: Clark, Esmeralda, Lincoln and Nye. Major fishing waters within this region include Lake Mead, Lake Mohave, the Colorado River, Eagle Valley Reservoir, Echo Canyon Reservoir and the reservoirs on Kirch Wildlife Management Area. A number of small streams in northern Nye County provide wild trout fishing and a few are stocked with hatchery-reared rainbow trout.

# Southern Region General Regulations

## SEASONS AND LIMITS

Within the Southern Region the following general fishing seasons, hours, limits and regulations apply to all waters **EXCEPT** those listed under **“SOUTHERN REGION SPECIAL REGULATIONS”** on page 22.

(If the water in which you intend to fish is not listed under the Southern Region Special Regulations then the General Regulations shall apply.)

**SOUTHERN REGION GENERAL SEASONS/HOURS:**  
Open year around, any hour of the day or night.

### POSSESSION LIMIT VS. DAILY LIMIT?

**In this state, there is no distinction between a “daily” limit and a “possession” limit. There is simply a “limit.” There is no ‘adding up’ of “daily” limits to establish a “possession” limit.** An angler may not have more than **one limit** in possession. For example, if an angler fishes one body of water where the limit is four trout and takes his limit, he may not then move to a body of water where the limit is two trout and keep any more fish. If he wants to keep fish from the water with the lower limit of two, he should fish there first, then move to the other water and catch the two additional fish to reach the limit of four. Likewise, if an angler fishes the same body of water two

days in a row, he may not take the limit the first day then go back and keep fish again the second day unless he has first consumed or given away some portion of his first day’s catch.

### LIMITS:

Except as noted under “Southern Region Special Regulations” on page 22, the limits are as follows:

**Clark, Esmeralda, Lincoln, and Nye counties:** the limit is 10 trout and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 10 may be black bass.

### BAIT REGULATIONS:

In the waters of Lake Mead, Lake Mohave, and the Colorado River located in Clark County, only golden shiner, fathead minnow, mosquitofish, red shiner, threadfin shad, carp and goldfish may be used as live bait. Other forms of unprotected aquatic and animal life, such as the waterdog, grasshopper, earthworm and crayfish may also be used as bait. **In all other waters of this region** the capture, possession while fishing or use of fish as bait, whether dead or alive, or parts thereof, other than preserved salmon eggs is prohibited. See pages 8-9 for more regulations on the use of bait fish.

**ARTIFICIAL LURE WATERS:** See page 7.

## CLOSED WATERS

**In the Southern Region the following waters are closed to all fishing:**

**ASH SPRINGS** outflow through the River Ranch to beginning of the concrete ditch, in Lincoln County.

**LAKES MEAD & MOHAVE AND THE COLORADO RIVER** areas as posted closed to access immediately above and below Hoover and Davis Dams; and except as otherwise posted by the National Park Service, those waters within the flat wake buoys at the following marinas and harbors: Overton Beach, Echo Bay Resort, Callville Bay Marina, Las Vegas Wash, Lake Mead Marina, Cottonwood Cove, and Hemenway Harbor in Clark County.

**CRYSTAL SPRINGS** and outflow for one half mile to beginning of the concrete ditch, in Lincoln County.

**KIRCH WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA**, Hot Creek to its confluence with Adams-McGill Reservoir; Sunnyside Creek above Sunnyside/Adavin County Road crossing in Sec. 36 T 7N, R61E in Nye County.

**VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK**, Boulder City, all waters except the Boulder City Urban Fishing Pond.





# Southern Region Special Regulations

## PLEASE CHECK SPECIAL REGULATIONS BELOW

**BEAVER DAM CREEK** in Lincoln County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout. **Only artificial lures with single barbless hooks may be used.**

**BOULDER CITY URBAN FISHING POND** in Clark County: Season is open year around and hours are when park is open to public use. Limit is 3 game fish.

**CARPENTER CREEK** in Clark County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 2 trout.

**COLD CREEK POND AND COLD CREEK** in Clark County: Season is open year around any hour of the day or night. Limit is 3 game fish.

**COLORADO RIVER BELOW DAVIS DAM** in Clark County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night except in areas as posted. Limit is 10 trout, 6 black bass, 10 striped bass and 25 catfish. Minimum size for black bass is 13 inches. No limit on other game fish. Bait restrictions-see page 9. Spearfishing restrictions-see page 23.

**EAGLE VALLEY RESERVOIR AND THE STREAM ABOVE AND BELOW THE RESERVOIR**, in Lincoln County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout.

**ECHO CANYON RESERVOIR** in Lincoln County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout and 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 10 may be black bass.

**KIRCH WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA** in Nye County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night, except for Dacey and Tule Reservoirs and the upper portion of Adams-McGill, Cold Springs, and Haymeadow Reservoirs as posted, which are open to fishing August 16 through February 14. Hot Creek to its confluence with Adams-McGill Reservoir is closed year around to fishing and a 100-yard radius around the inflow from Hot Creek to Dacey and Adams-McGill Reservoirs is closed to fishing January 1 through April 1. Limit is 5 trout, 10 black bass, and 15 other warmwater game fish. Minimum size for black bass is 10 inches. Boat restrictions-see page 25.

**LAKE MEAD** in Clark County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night, except in areas as posted. Limit is 5 trout, 6 black bass, 25 catfish, 15 crappie and 20 striped bass. No limit restriction on other game fish. Bait restrictions-see page 9. Tackle and striped bass spearfishing restrictions-see page 23.

**LAKE MOHAVE** in Clark County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night, except in areas as posted. Limit is 10 trout, 6 black bass, 25 catfish and 15 crappie. No limit on striped bass less than 20 inches total length. Daily and possession limit on striped bass 20 inches total length or longer is 20 fish. No limit restriction on other game fish.

**LORENZI PARK POND** in Clark County: Season is open year around and hours are when the park is open to public use. Limit is 3 game fish.

**MUDDY (MOAPA) RIVER SYSTEM** in Clark County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout, 6 black bass, 25 catfish, 15 crappie and 20 striped bass. No limit restriction on other game fish.

**NESBITT LAKE (KEY PITTMAN WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA)** in Lincoln County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night except the portion above the old fence line as posted closed to trespass February 15 through August 15 and closed to fishing during waterfowl season. Limit is 10 black bass and 10 bullheads. See boat restrictions on page 25.

**PAHRANAGAT NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE** in Lincoln County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night except North Marsh which is closed to fishing during the waterfowl hunting season. Limit is 15 warmwater game fish of which not more than 5 may be black bass.

**SCHROEDER RESERVOIR AND BEAVER DAM CREEK** in Lincoln County above and below the reservoir: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout. **Only artificial lures with single barbless hooks may be used.** Only boats without motors are permitted.

**SUNSET PARK POND** in Clark County: Season is open year around and hours are when park is open to public use. Limit is 3 game fish.

**TULE LAKE AT FLOYD LAMB STATE PARK** in Clark County: Season is open year around and hours are when park is open to public use. Limit is 3 game fish.

**VIRGIN RIVER AND MUDDY (MOAPA) RIVER SYSTEMS** in Clark County: Season is open year around, any hour of the day or night. Limit is 5 trout, 6 black bass, 25 catfish, 15 crappie and 20 striped bass. No limit on other game fish.

## Tackle and Spearfishing Restrictions

In Lake Mead, Lake Mohave or the Colorado River, the use of more than two hooks for bait or flies is prohibited.

--Using a spear or bow and arrow to take unprotected fish is prohibited within one-half mile of any dock or swimming area.

--Licensed fishermen may take striped bass by spear except within one-half mile of any dock or swimming area. Spearfishing for striped bass is prohibited in Lake Mohave from Cottonwood Cove to Davis Dam and from Davis Dam down-river to the Nevada State line.

--Each unattended live box or stringer containing fish must have a water resistant identification legibly bearing the name, address and number of the fishing license of the person using and storing fish in the box or stringer. Where several persons use the same box or fish stringer, each person shall attach his own identification to the box or stringer. (Nevada Administrative Code 503.590)

## Laughlin Area Special Camping, Fishing Access Regulations Apply:

The following activities are prohibited within the Laughlin boating and fishermen's access area, in Clark County:

- Camping in any type of motor vehicle or recreational vehicle;
- Erecting a tent or structure for the purpose of sleeping or living in it;
- Parking any type of motor vehicle or recreational vehicle or otherwise blocking or restricting the access of a person or vessel, to the boat ramp;
- Parking a bus hired to carry passengers or a semi-trailer anywhere within the access area;
- Parking a motor vehicle in the access area in a location other than a designated parking space; or
- Being under the influence of a controlled substance or an intoxicating liquor, or consuming an intoxicating liquor.



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# Wildlife Management Area Regulations

## Wildlife Management Areas

The Division of Wildlife maintains several areas throughout the state which are known as Wildlife Management Areas (WMA's). These areas are managed specifically for their wildlife values. Fishing is provided on some of the areas and anglers are subject to the following regulations.

### Vehicular Travel (NAC 504.115)

Vehicular travel within a WMA may be controlled so as not to impact area management and for safe and beneficial use of the area by both the public and the wildlife. Within a Wildlife Management Area, it is prohibited to operate a motor vehicle off an interior road or trail that is designated for vehicular travel; or on an interior road or trail that is marked as closed to vehicular travel.

### Removal (NAC 504.110)

Persons may be removed from a WMA for disorderly conduct, intoxication or any other conduct which endangers the area, other persons, or wildlife and livestock.

### Littering

The Division may deny further use of a WMA to any person who abuses or litters the area.

Additional WMA regulations are listed on page 25.



Photo by Laura Richards

Flyfishing at Comins Lake, Steptoe Valley WMA

## NEVADA ANGLER QUESTIONNAIRE

The Nevada Division of Wildlife uses an annual angler questionnaire to determine anglers use and harvest trends for Nevada's fishable waters. At the end of each year questionnaires are sent out to 10 percent of the licensed anglers. The answers that are returned provide the Division of Wildlife with an estimate of total angler use on each water and the estimated total fish harvest from all waters of the state. This data is also used to determine fish stocking needs to maintain adequate fish populations for the future.

Please keep a record of your Nevada fishing experiences since you may receive a questionnaire at the end of the year asking where you fished, how many times you fished and how many fish you caught. This record will assist in providing accurate data and a well managed fishery program. Thank you for your assistance.

# Wildlife Management Area Regulations

Area	Bodies of Water	Trespass	Use of Vessels	Use of Campfires and Bonfires	Camping
<b>Overton WMA (Clark Co.)</b>	Lake Mead, Honeybee Pond, Center Pond	Trespass prohibited from March 1 through Aug. 1 on Honeybee Pond and Center Pond.	Vessels are prohibited on all ponds. Vessels are allowed on the portion of the area inundated by Lake Mead, except that on Overton Hunt Days, vessels may be used only by persons authorized to hunt waterfowl.	Permitted within the rest and trails area.	Permitted within the rest and trails area.
<b>Kirch WMA (Nye Co.)</b>	Dacey Reservoir, Tule Reservoir, Cold Springs and Haymeadow Reservoirs, and Adams-McGill Reservoir.	Trespass prohibited from Feb. 15 through Aug. 15 in the upper portion of Adams-McGill, Cold Springs, and Haymeadow Reservoirs, and all of Dacey and Tule Reservoirs.	Flat wake restriction in effect. Vessels may not exceed 5 nautical miles per hour.	Permitted within the David Deacon Campground.	Permitted within the David Deacon Campground.
<b>Key Pittman WMA (Lincoln Co.)</b>	Nesbitt Lake	Trespass prohibited from Feb. 15 through Aug. 15 in the portion of Nesbitt Lake north of the old fence line.	Flat wake restriction in effect. Vessels may not exceed 5 nautical miles per hour.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.
<b>Mason Valley WMA (Lyon Co.)</b>	Hinkson Slough, North Pond, Bass Pond, Beaver Slough, Crappie Pond, Walker River	Trespass prohibited from Feb. 15 through Aug. 15 in the eastern portion of the main developed pond area, as posted.	All vessels are prohibited from Feb. 15 through Aug. 15 each year, except on Hinkson Slough, Bass, Crappie and North Pond, Beaver Slough and the Walker River. Flat wake restriction in effect.	Permitted in those sites designated for camping.	Permitted in those sites designated for camping.
<b>Steptoe Valley WMA (White Pine Co.)</b>	Comins Lake		Waterskiing authorized between 11 a.m. and sunset. During other hours flat wake restriction in effect.	Not permitted.	Not permitted.

# Nevada Boating Regulations

The following information provides a summary of some of the boating laws and regulations for Nevada anglers who use boats. Safe boating in Nevada starts with knowing Nevada's boating regulations. Anglers who boat have to follow the same guidelines as any other boater on Nevada's waters, and this section of Fishing Seasons and Regulations outlines those requirements. All boats in Nevada are required to carry safety equipment appropriate to the type and size of vessel used, and every boater should know and practice safe boating, including learning the rules of the water. To learn more about boating in Nevada, contact NDOW and request a *Nevada Boater's Handbook*. To learn more about boating on the web, visit Nevada's safe boating web site: [www.boatnevada.org](http://www.boatnevada.org).

## Reduced Speed Areas (NAC 488.455)

**1. On the following waters, a vessel must be operated at a speed that leaves a flat wake, but in no case may a vessel be operated at a speed in excess of 5 nautical miles per hour:**

- (a) Bassett Lake in White Pine County
- (b) Cave Lake in White Pine County
- (c) Knott Creek Reservoir in Humboldt County
- (d) Jakes Creek Reservoir in Elko County
- (e) Onion Valley Reservoir in Humboldt County
- (f) Wayne E. Kirch Wildlife Management Area in Nye County
- (g) The lagoon south of Laughlin in Clark County within Section 33, T 32 S. R. 66E. M.D.B.&M., as marked with signs or buoys, or both
- (h) Likes Lake in Churchill County
- (i) The Pitt Taylor Arm of Rye Patch Reservoir in Pershing County
- (j) Illipah Reservoir in White Pine County
- (k) Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area in Lyon County
- (l) Upper Wall Canyon Reservoir in Washoe County
- (m) Echo Canyon Reservoir in Lincoln County
- (n) Silver Creek Reservoir in White Pine County
- (o) Key Pittman Wildlife Management Area in Lincoln County

**2. All boat harbors and other areas designated by buoys on any of the following waters are zones in which a vessel must be operated at a speed that leaves a flat wake, but in no case may a vessel be operated at a speed in excess of 5 nautical miles per hour:**

- (a) Lake Mead National Recreation Area in Clark County
- (b) South Fork Reservoir in Elko County
- (c) Wildhorse Reservoir in Elko County
- (d) Lake Tahoe, Zephyr Cove, Cave Rock, Round Hill Pines Beach and Glenbrook Bay in Douglas County, Sand Harbor, Incline Village General Improvement District Boat Ramp and Crystal Shores West in Washoe County
- (e) Washoe Lake State Park & the County Boat Ramp in Washoe County
- (f) Walker Lake State Recreation Area and Sportsmen's Beach in Mineral County
- (g) Lahontan Reservoir, Churchill Beach, and North Shore Marina in Churchill County; Silver Springs Beach in Lyon County

- (h) Rye Patch Reservoir, Rye Patch Dam Access in Pershing County
- (i) Topaz Lake, Boat Ramps in Douglas County
- (j) Colorado River, adjacent to Harrah's Casino in Laughlin in Clark County
- (k) Big Bend of the Colorado River State Recreation Area in the lagoon used for launching boats in Clark County.

## Boating Prohibited Areas (NAC 488.465)

**Vessels are prohibited in areas which are designated by signs or buoys as follows:**

- 1. Within the Lake Mead National Recreation Area;
- 2. On the Colorado River:
  - (a) Below Davis Dam; and
  - (b) The swimming area of Harrah's Casino in Laughlin;
- 3. On Lake Tahoe at:
  - (a) The main beaches at Sand Harbor and Divers' Cove within Lake Tahoe State Park;
  - (b) The swimming area of the Incline Village General Improvement District and Burnt Cedar Beach;
  - (c) The swimming area of Galilee at the Episcopal Camp and Conference Center;
  - (d) The swimming area of the Lakeridge General Improvement District;
  - (e) The swimming area of the Glenbrook Homeowner's Association;
  - (f) The swimming area of the Hyatt Regency Lake Tahoe;
  - (g) The swimming area of the Zephyr Cove Marina;
  - (h) The swimming area of Crystal Shores West; and
  - (i) The swimming and beach area adjacent to Nevada Beach described in 33CFR 162.215.
- 4. At the dam and swim beach at the state recreation area in Rye Patch Reservoir;
- 5. At Lahontan Reservoir Dam;
- 6. At South Fork Reservoir Dam;
- 7. At Wildhorse Reservoir Dam;
- 8. At Eagle Valley Dam at Spring Valley State Park;
- 9. At Chimney Reservoir Dam in Humboldt County;
- 10. At the county swim beach at Topaz Lake; and
- 11. At the swimming area and dive area at Sparks Marina Park.

# Nevada Boating Regulations

## Boating Restrictions in Wildlife Management Areas (NAC 488.467)

(See page 25 for table of restrictions.)

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, use of vessels is restricted in the following Wildlife Management Areas:

(a) In the Overton Wildlife Management Area, located in Clark County, vessels are prohibited on all ponds. Vessels are allowed on the portion of the area inundated by Lake Mead, except that on Overton Hunt Days, vessels may be used only by persons authorized to hunt waterfowl.

(b) ...In the **Humboldt** Wildlife Management Area, located in Churchill and Pershing Counties:

(1) All vessels are prohibited on the ponds in the Humboldt and Toulon Sink areas 5 days before the opening day of the waterfowl season.

(2) Airboats are prohibited on the Humboldt Sink until 1 hour after the legal shooting time on the opening day of the waterfowl season.

(3) Airboats are prohibited on the Toulon portion of the area during the waterfowl season.

(c) In the Mason Valley Wildlife Management Area, located in Lyon County, all vessels are prohibited from February 15 through **August 15** of each year, except on:

- (1) Hinkson Slough;
- (2) Bass Pond;
- (3) Crappie Pond;
- (4) Beaver Slough;**
- (5) The Walker River; and
- (6) North Pond.

(d) In the Fort Churchill Cooling Pond Cooperative Wildlife Management Area, all vessels and floating devices, except for vessels used by employees of the Sierra Pacific Power Company in the performance of their official duties, are prohibited on the pond.

2. The provisions of subsection 1 do not apply to vessels owned, operated and used for official purposes by the division.

3. For the purposes of this section, a vessel is being used if the vessel: (a) is upon the waters of this state, including, without limitation, if it is tied or fastened to a dock, mooring or shore; and (b) is not aground on the shore.

## Anchoring/Mooring Vessels (NRS 488.265)

1. Except as otherwise provided in subsection 2, a person shall not anchor or moor a vessel in such a position as to obstruct a passageway ordinarily used by other vessels. As used in this subsection, a "passageway ordinarily used by other vessels" includes:

(a) A river channel or the entrance to a harbor or marina; and

(b) That area within a 100-yard radius of a boat ramp built and maintained with public money.

2. A person may anchor or moor a vessel in an area designated for that purpose by the commission and marked at the corners with yellow can buoys. The buoys must emit a flashing yellow light from sunset to sunrise.

## Areas Limited to Boats Without Motors & Boats with Electric Motors (NAC 488.470)

1. Only vessels without motors are permitted on the following waters:

<u>Waters</u>	<u>County</u>
(a) Angel Lake	Elko
(b) Blue Lakes	Humboldt
(c) Schroeder Reservoir	Lincoln
(d) Spooner Lake	Douglas
(e) Marlette Lake	Washoe

2. Only vessels without motors and vessels with electric motors are permitted on the following waters:

(a) Groves Lake	Lander
(b) Sparks Marina Park	Washoe



# Nevada Boating Regulations

## Nevada Boating Laws Updated

By: C. Douglas Nielsen

Over the last two years, Nevada boating law has been significantly changed, mostly affecting children and young adults. Some laws were already in effect, and several took effect Jan. 1, 2003. New rules mandate education for some Nevadans, require life jackets for children under the age of 12 and raise the legal age for operating a personal water craft (PWC) to 14 years old.

Officials with the Nevada Division of Wildlife, the state's boating safety agency, feel the new requirements have already saved many lives and will continue to do so into the future. "We anticipate a significant improvement in boating safety on waters throughout the state, especially through the mandatory education process. Some boaters may see this as an inconvenience, but the life saved as a result of this program could be their very own or that of someone they love," said Fred Messmann, NDOW's state boating law administrator.

### Lifejackets For Kids Under 12

Children under the age of 12 are now required to wear a life jacket when under way on a vessel unless in an enclosed cabin. In addition, all passengers on a personal watercraft, regardless of their age, are also required to wear a life jacket when their boat is under way. According to the new statute, "a vessel is 'under way' if it is adrift, making way, or being propelled, and it is not aground, made fast to the shore, or tied or made fast to a dock or mooring."

Nevada joins 37 other states that require children to wear life jackets, including the neighboring states of Arizona, California and Utah. According to the U.S. Coast Guard, more than 700 people die in boating accidents every year. Of those, 90 percent are not wearing a life jacket at the time of death.

### Mandatory Boater Education

Beginning Jan. 1, 2003, boaters who were born on or after Jan. 1, 1983 are required to

complete a boater education course before operating a boat on Nevada's interstate waters. This requirement applies only to operators using a motorboat with a motor exceeding 15-horsepower. Nevada's interstate waters include Lake Mead, Lake Mohave, the Colorado River from Davis Dam south to the California state line, Lake Tahoe and Topaz Lake.

This brings the total number of states requiring some kind of boater education to 30, including the neighboring states of Idaho and Oregon. Arizona and California do not yet require boating education.

The Nevada law requires operators to carry proof of completion of a boater education course when on interstate waters. Only those courses approved by the National Association of State Boating Law Administrators (NASBLA) will meet Nevada's education requirement. Currently, approved courses include NDOW's home study course, *Boat Nevada*, as well as the agency's Internet course at [www.boatnevada.org](http://www.boatnevada.org), and those taught by the Coast Guard Auxiliary or the U.S. Sail & Power Squadrons. Boaters who wish to challenge the course will be able to do so through a proctored exam. Boaters will be required to submit proof of course completion to NDOW.

Some boaters are exempt from the boater education requirement including: licensed Coast Guard operators, U.S. or Canadian; buyers of a new or used boat for up to 60 days; boat renters who receive instruction from a licensed livery operator; and nonresidents over 18-years of age who meet the education requirements in their home state. Operators must carry their certificate or other documentation proving they are eligible for an exempted status.

### Legal Age To Operating a PWC Raised

In another change affecting younger boaters, the age at which young people can begin operating personal watercraft has been raised from 12 to 14 years, also beginning Jan. 1, 2003.

# Safety Tips Every Boater Should Know

By: Edwin Lyngar

The sky is blue and the air is warm. A fisherman hauls a trout over the stern of his 16-foot pleasure boat. Without warning, the fisherman loses his balance, and falls into frigid waters. Contrary to what many anglers think, most boating accidents happen without warning, during calm weather, and when least expected. Even if a boater only uses his or her vessel for fishing, boating safety should always be foremost. If you learn the rules of the water and ensure the boat is properly outfitted, you can avoid turning a fun outing into a nightmare.

Unlike operating a car, boats follow no lines in the road. Aside from some restricted zones and channels, a boat can go in any direction at any time. This freedom can be a very enjoyable aspect of boating, but it can also bring dangers. Occasional boaters and boaters who do not know the rules of the water can cause serious accidents. Piloting a boat can be more complicated than driving a car, so boaters and fisherman should learn a few basic navigation rules before hitting the lake.

In addition to piloting, the “skipper” of the boat is also responsible for ensuring the boat is outfitted with all required safety equipment. First, each passenger aboard a boat must have a properly fitted, Coast Guard approved life jacket. Children under 12 must wear the life jacket at all times while the vessel is under way, unless they are in an enclosed cabin. Regardless of age, it is a good idea for all passengers to wear life jackets.

Just as life jackets are required, every motorboat must carry a Coast Guard approved fire extinguisher. For larger vessels, more than one fire extinguisher may be required. For more complete details on specific sizes and types of extinguishers required, check the *Nevada Boating Handbook*, available at wildlife offices statewide.

Carrying the right gear is critical, but ensuring the gear is loaded safely is just as important. In addition to safety equipment, fishing trips require a lot of gear and tackle, so when loading a boat, make sure the weight is evenly distributed. Too much weight on one side of the boat will make the craft unsteady, and boaters should never exceed the weight of gear and people the boat is rated to hold. The capacity plate, visible to the operator of the vessel, has all the information a skipper needs to load a boat safely.

To learn more about boating safety or to sign up for a boater education course in your area call the Division of Wildlife, or learn all about boating on the web by visiting Nevada’s safe boating web site: [www.boatnevada.org](http://www.boatnevada.org).

By wearing a life jacket, knowing the rules of the water and carrying all the right safety equipment, an angler can go a long way toward ensuring a safe and successful trip.

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## Federal Boating Regulations

**Informational Note:** The following areas are subject to Federal Regulations in addition to the general provisions of the Nevada Boat Act, which include rules for registration, equipment, and operation. Please contact refuge managers for descriptions of restricted zones and/or motor and speed regulations prior to your visit. Regulations are subject to change.

### Pahranagat National Wildlife Refuge

Phone (775) 725-3417

**Boats without motors** (except electric motors) are permitted on the **Upper Lake, Middle Ponds, and Lower Lake**. The **North Marsh** is closed to boating, including float tubes. **Upper Lake** is closed to all boating during the waterfowl season.

### Sheldon National Wildlife Refuge

Phone (541) 947-3315

Big Springs Reservoir, Dufurrena Ponds and Catnip Reservoir: Anglers may bank fish, fish by wading, or use nonmotorized boats, boats with electric motors, float tubes and similar flotation devices only.

### Stillwater National Wildlife Refuge

Phone (775) 423-5128

**Special boating regulations are now in effect at Stillwater NWR.** Contact refuge manager before operating a boat in this area. Fishing is not allowed.

### Ruby Lake National Wildlife Refuge

Phone (775) 779-2237

**North of Brown Dike:**

No boats permitted. Float tubes permitted in Unit 21 as posted.

**South of Brown Dike (South Marsh):**

**January 1 through June 14:** Boats prohibited. Float tubes permitted at Main Boat Landing, as posted; at Narciss Boat Landing, as posted; and at mouth of Collection Ditch at west end of Brown Dike, as posted.

**June 15 through July 31:** ONLY motorless

boats, float tubes and boats with electric motors are permitted. Boats with gas motors prohibited.

**August 1 through December 31:** Motorless boats, float tubes and boats propelled by motors with 10 h.p. or less are permitted.

# Sport Fish Restoration Fund Pays for Boater Access

By: Mark Warren

What weighs over one ton and resembles a short squatty houseboat? If you answered floating restrooms, go to the head of the class. An idea that originated in our neighboring state of Utah on Lake Powell, floating restrooms have moved downstream, so to speak. Four such facilities will soon be found on Lake Mead.

Sewage concerns in Lake Powell from the thousands of boaters utilizing that lake for everything from water skiing to fishing led to the construction of the first floating restroom. These give boaters an opportunity to use a facility or dump their porta-potties without having to return to one of the marinas, which might be miles away.

Costing \$150,000 each, these way stations will soon be installed strategically around Lake Mead for boater's convenience. Due to the increasing number of boaters utilizing Lake Mead, there is a growing concern that sections of the lake might experience health issues associated with the improper disposal of human waste. Jim Holland, Lake Mead's National Park Services' Planner, estimates over a quarter of a million boating use days annually, and says in the near future, porta-potties will be required on all boats that are spending at least one night on the lake.

The floating restrooms were purchased utilizing a 25 percent-75 percent match of state to federal money from the Sport Fish Restoration Program. Money is collected via an excise tax on fishing equipment, which is then reverted back to the states for fisheries projects. Fifteen percent of this money is required to be spent on boating access projects, approximately \$600,000 dollars of federal money and \$200,000 of state money. The state portion is usually derived from motorboat fuel taxes.

The restroom project was completed as one of last year's boating access projects. This fiscal year's (July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003) boating access

projects include resurfacing launch ramps at Lake Mead. The lake has dropped more than 56 vertical feet over the past several years, exposing crumbling asphalt ramps that have been underwater for over 20 years.

Other projects include a fish cleaning station at Cave Lake, boat ramp extensions at Wildhorse and Rye Patch Reservoirs, a boat parking lot extension at Rye Patch Reservoir, new restrooms, access road improvements and picnic cabañas at South Fork Reservoir, new floating docks at Wilson Reservoir and Washoe Lake, and a reconditioning of the Walker Lake boat launching facility. NDOW also is financially supporting (75 percent) Douglas County in their endeavors to remodel the boating facility at To-



paz Lake, which will include a new ramp, breakwater, access road, restrooms and fish cleaning station. New RV hookups are also planned for Topaz, but they will be paid for entirely by the county.

Anglers can appreciate their tax dollars when they see and are able to use these types of facilities, making boating better for Nevadans.

Photos courtesy of the National Park Service

Strategically placed floating restrooms help to make boating outings more enjoyable.



# Try the Sport of “Underwater Hunting”

By: Jon Sjoberg

If you'd like to try a new way of looking at fishing, you might like to try spearfishing. For one thing, you'll have to swim to pursue the sport of “underwater hunting.” Scuba gear and a spearing device are used, and the spear is connected to a lanyard for easy retrieval.

Most anglers may not connect spearfishing with sport fishing Nevada, but opportunities abound in Lake Mead and Lake Mohave on the Colorado River in southern Nevada. NDOW regulations allow spearfishing for striped bass in designated areas of those reservoirs. Although anglers can spearfish for unprotected fish species, such as carp, in all waters of the state except for Lake Tahoe and Topaz Lake in northern Nevada, game fish cannot be taken except with hook and line as specified in the regulations for the individual water or county.

The special regulations for Lake Mead and Lake Mohave allow spearfishing for striped bass on Lake Mohave from Cottonwood Cove, east of Searchlight, upstream to below Hoover Dam, and anywhere on Lake Mead, except within one-half mile of any dock or designated swimming area. Areas that are normally closed to all angling, such as the area immediately above and below Hoover Dam and the no-wake zones within marinas, are of course, also off limits.

Possession limits for striped bass taken by spearfishing are the same as for other methods of angling. For Lake Mead, this is 20 striped bass with no size restrictions; for Lake Mohave there is no limit on striped bass under 20 inches in total length, but a 20 fish limit on stripers over 20 inches.

Dive shops in the Las Vegas Valley report that so far, spearfishing is popular only with a small number of divers. Dive shops in the area sell between 15 and 20 spear guns per year and divers are quiet about their sport,

although there is the classic spearfishing, “big-fish” tale of the striper the size of the state of Vermont. (This legend has never been corroborated.) In the past, when this sport was first permitted in southern Nevada, most dive shops publicized spearfishing derbies and had fair to good turnout, but the fad has waned. Hopefully, as the valley grows and the number of divers increases, the sport will regain popularity and divers will realize the potential for enjoyment and the chance to take home several nights of fish dinners without having to bait a hook!

Anglers can also take advantage of the opportunity to take unprotected fish species by spearfishing as well. Throughout most of Nevada, carp is the most likely species encountered, however in Lake Mead, the recent invasion of the unprotected, exotic blue tilapia provides another opportunity. Tilapia are native to northern Africa and are raised commercially as a food fish. Tilapia in excess of four pounds have been taken from Lake Mead in the past few years, with spearfishing anglers having particularly good success in shallow water areas of the lake's Boulder Basin, around Saddle Island and coves along the basin's north shoreline. Anglers should be aware that when underwater, smaller tilapia could closely resemble black crappie, a game fish species that cannot be taken by spear.

When spearfishing, an appropriate diver's flag must be displayed within 100 feet of the diver(s), and a mechanical spearing device may only be used under the water surface, with the spear attached to the device by a lanyard.

So if you're in the mood for a truly unique fishing opportunity, pick up a spear gun, and try the sport of “underwater hunting.”

## Basic Tips for Spearfishing

- Remember, the only species that you can spearfish in Nevada are striped bass (subject to the specific geographic areas identified in NDOW's regulations) and unprotected fish species. All other game fish are off limits!
- When spearfishing, enter the water quietly, and avoid giant stride and back roll entries, especially in shallow water.
- Remember, fish can out-swim you and jerky motion frightens them.
- For safety reasons, you should always hold your gun down, until within range for a shot. Then smoothly bring the gun on target by extending the gun and sighting along the spear shaft before shooting. Again, avoid rapid and jerky motions, which will frighten the fish.
- Swim parallel to a wary fish's path; avoid eye contact until within range; then calmly turn, aim, and shoot.
- Use vegetation, rock outcrops, wreckage, or baitfish for cover. Look under ledges. Use a flashlight to peer into holes and crevices.
- Lay down a stringer of already taken fish, swim away for a few minutes and then come back to it. The stringer of fish sometimes draws other fish.
- Be patient. Even with careful techniques it can be difficult to get your first fish. Don't give up!

# NEVADA TROPHY FISH ENTRY FORM

(Please Print Neatly)

Kind of fish caught \_\_\_\_\_ Date caught \_\_\_\_\_

Weight \_\_\_\_\_ lbs. \_\_\_\_\_ oz. Length (total) \_\_\_\_\_ inches Girth \_\_\_\_\_ inches

Water where caught \_\_\_\_\_ Specific location (i.e. cove or landmark) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ County, Nevada.

Type of Tackle \_\_\_\_\_ Lure or bait \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Angler \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Measurements witnessed by:

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_

## ENTER YOUR FISH - IT MAY BE A TROPHY!

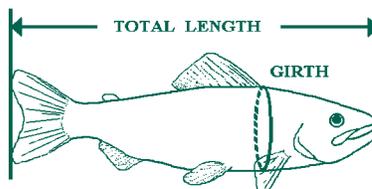
### NEVADA'S TROPHY FISH PROGRAM

The following minimum weight qualifications are established for the various species of fish in the Nevada Trophy Fish Program. Each entry which meets the minimum qualifications will receive a Trophy Fish Certificate. The largest entry of the year for each species will receive a Record Nevada Fish Certificate. Trophy Fish Plaques will be awarded to those entries that establish a new state record.

1. Largemouth Bass	5 lbs.
2. Smallmouth Bass	3 lbs.
3. Spotted Bass	2 lbs.
4. Striped Bass	20 lbs.
5. White Bass	2 lbs.
6. Carp	15 lbs.
7. Bullhead Catfish	1 lb.
8. Channel Catfish	10 lbs.
9. White Catfish	4 lbs.
10. Black Crappie	2 lbs.
11. White Crappie	2 lbs.
12. Arctic Grayling	0.5 lb.
13. Sacramento Perch	2 lbs.
14. Yellow Perch	0.5 lb.
15. Northern Pike	10 lbs.
16. Kokanee Salmon	2 lbs.
17. Silver Salmon	5 lbs.
18. Bluegill Sunfish	1 lb.
19. Green Sunfish	0.5 lb.
20. Redear Sunfish	0.5 lb.
21. Brook Trout	2 lbs.
22. Brown Trout	5 lbs.
23. Cutthroat Trout	10 lbs.
24. Bull Trout	0.5 lb.
25. Mackinaw Trout	10 lbs.
26. Rainbow Trout	5 lbs.
27. Rainbow / Cutthroat Hybrid Trout	10 lbs.
28. Tiger Trout	2 lbs.
29. Walleye	6 lbs.
30. Mt. Whitefish	1 lb.
31. Wiper (White/Striped Bass Hybrid)	5 lbs.
32. Tiger Muskie	5 lbs.

#### For a fish to be considered in the Nevada Trophy Fish Program the following must apply:

1. Fish must be taken legally from Nevada waters.
2. Weight is to be taken of whole fish before freezing.
3. Length is to be measured from tip of nose to tip of tail.
4. Measurements must be witnessed by two other persons, at least one of whom must not be a relative of angler entering contest.
5. Angler must provide positive means of identifying the species of fish and include an adequate photograph. (Note: All photos submitted may be used in Nevada Division of Wildlife publications and on the web site unless angler specifies otherwise.)
6. Entry must be made within calendar year of date caught to be included in that year's contest.
7. If the fish being entered is a possible Nevada State Record, fish must be weighed on a scale which has been certified as accurate. The fish must be witnessed by a Nevada Division of Wildlife employee.



Mail entries and photos to:  
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 Nevada Division of Wildlife  
 1100 Valley Rd.  
 Reno, Nevada 89512-2817

# RECORD FISH OF NEVADA (1968 through October 2002)

SPECIES	LBS/OZS	INCHES	WATER	YEAR	ANGLER	*WORLD RECORD LBS/OZS
Bass, Largemouth	12	26.0	Lake Mead	1999	Michael R. Geary	22/4
Bass, Smallmouth	5/7	20.0	South Fork Res.	2001	David Bressler	10/14
Bass, Spotted	4/2	19.25	Rye Patch Res.	2000	Dustin Osborn	10/4
Bass, Striped	63/0	49.0	Lake Mohave	2001	Allan S. Cole	67/8
Bass, White	4/0	19.0	Lahontan Res.	1984	Greg Ackerman	6/13
Carp	30/8	36.0	Lake Mohave	1976	Larry Lee Frazier	75/11
Catfish, Bullhead	3/5	16.25	Clover Creek	1990	Steven K. Bowman	8/15*
Catfish, Channel	31/1	40.50	Lahontan Res.	1980	Harry Stephens	58/0
Catfish, White	16/15	31.5	Humboldt River	1981	Jean Bianchi	21/8
Crappie, Black	3/2	16.1	Lake Mead	1976	Henry Herman	4/8
Crappie, White	2/13	16	Weber Res.	2000	Paul Trujillo	5/3
Arctic Grayling	0/15	13.75	Desert Creek	1978	George Delich	5/15
Sacramento Perch	4/9	17.0	Pyramid Lake	1971	John Battcher	4/9*
Yellow Perch	1/8	13.3	Dufurrena Ponds.	1987	Warren Todd Goodale	4/3
Northern Pike	27/0	44.0	Comins Lake	1978	Kelly H. Malaperdas	55/1
Tiger Muskie	17/10	39.8	Barth Pit	2002	Jason A. Edgar	51/3
Salmon, Kokanee	4/13	25.7	Lake Tahoe	1973	Dick Bournique	9/6
Salmon, Silver	8/12	28.5	Lake Mead	1974	William Musso	33/4
	8/12	30.3	Lake Mead	1974	Charles W. Caskey	
Bluegill Sunfish	2/1	12.0	Dufurrena Ponds	1998	Shane Goodale	4/12
Green Sunfish	1/6	12.5	Tule Lake	1992	Joe Burgess	2/2
Redear Sunfish	1/8	13.0	Colorado River	1999	Larry Cross	5/7
Brook Trout	5/10	22.8	Bull Run Res.	1980	Richard Baker	14/8
Brown trout	27/5	33.0	Cave Lake	1984	Dennis Mangum	40/4
Cutthroat Trout	23/8	38.0	Pyramid Lake	1977	Ben Barlow	41/0**
Bull Trout	4/6	22.0	Jarbidge River, WF	1985	Rex Schelburne	32/0
Golden Trout	0/15	14.5	Hidden Lakes	1969	Don Capps	11/0
Mackinaw Trout	37/6	44.0	Lake Tahoe	1974	Robert Aronsen	72/4
Rainbow Trout	16/4	31.5	Lake Mohave	1971	Mike Soskin	42/2
Bowcutt	24/10	36.0	Pyramid Lake	1976	Lloyd Lowery	30/4*
Tiger Trout	13/13	28.75	Ruby Lake Refuge	1998	Brian Howard	20/13
Whitefish, Mtn.	2/14	16.3	Walker River, EF	1999	Maurice Lee Kiplan	6/7
Walleye	15/4	33.0	Lahontan Reservoir	1998	Billy Foster	25/0
Wiper	17/0	31.0	Lahontan Res.	2002	Keith Bachman	27/5

\*NOTE: Asterisk denotes world record according to the *National Fresh Water Fishing Hall of Fame*, 2002 Edition. All others are taken from the *International Game Fish Association's World Record Game Fishes*, 2002 edition.

\*\*NOTE: The recognized world record cutthroat trout of 41 pounds was caught in Pyramid Lake in 1925.

## Free Fishing Day is June 14, 2003

# Survey shows Kids Want To Go Fishing

By: Les Smith

If you're wondering what your kids want to do this weekend, a recent Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation (RBFF) survey shows that, likely as not, they want to go fishing.

The nationwide survey of adult and youth anglers conducted in 2000, showed that 67 percent of all young people responding to the survey said they would be very likely to go fishing if an adult would take them. A similar number of adults, 69.5 percent, said they would be eight times more inclined to go fishing if a child asked them, than if they were going on their own or were asked by another adult.

Fishing was ranked in the top ten on the RBFF survey as a preferred recreational activity for both young and old. Some of the reasons given for the high ranking of fishing were: The desire to spend time with friends or family, to relax and get away from daily stress, appreciating nature, fishing for food, and developing angling skills. Angler success was important, especially to young anglers, just starting out, but sharing time with family and friends was important, too.

So, what is the best way to make sure that your kids have a great day fishing, whether the fish are biting or not?

**Stay close** -- Only when your "little ones" have become dedicated anglers can you make the marathon migrations to prime fishing holes. Pick fishing waters close at hand, maybe one of our urban waters, even if success is not as certain. Not only do you avoid the annoying "Are we there yet?" chant; you can actually enjoy the drive as part of the whole trip, instead of dreading the travel. If you hate it, your kids hate it worse.

**Bring snacks** -- The key to juvenile happiness is snacking. It provides a diversion when things are slow; change often - Grandpa always said, "A change is as good as a rest." The younger the kids, the more often you will have to change activities. Plan for all sorts of fun and simple things to do until the bobber dips or the bell rings. Make allowances for the kids to throw rocks in the water, go wading and splashing, and explore the water's edges for treasures.

**Be prepared** -- Bring a first aid kit with lots and lots of Band-Aids. Be prepared for bugs and sun and snakes. Bring plenty of bait and patience and a pair of needle nosed pliers to allow catch and release if you don't plan to eat your fish.

**Catch fish** -- This may seem obvious, but a surprising number of parents will unintentionally sabotage their own family fishing trip. Many choose hot-hot or cold-cold days where it's impossible to catch fish with dynamite. Watch the weather. Get up-to-date information on fishing at the spot where you want to go. Check

NDOW's Angler Information Guide at [www.ndow.org/fish/waters/index.shtm](http://www.ndow.org/fish/waters/index.shtm). Go fishing during the time of day when fish are moving and more likely to take your bait. If this means an early morning departure, make sure the kids can sleep comfortably in the car on the way, or lie down at the fishing hole. They'll wake up in a big hurry if there's a fish on the line.

**Pay attention** -- Until your young anglers are completely on their own,

you're taking them fishing. Leave your rod at home. You should be completely focused on making this the best fishing experience of their lives. Fishing for beginners mainly consists of tangles and snags. It will be your mission to untangle, un-snag, re-bait and help them cast their rig out to where the fish are always anxiously waiting to jump on their hook.

This will seem like all that you do the whole time. But remember this simple rule: A baited hook in the water always catches more fish than any hook out of the water. You may not think your children even notice your efforts, but years later they will remember the time you spent with them.

So, if you're wooed by the nostalgic images of families going fishing -- good! Take your kids fishing, make it safe, comfortable and fun. You'll want to do it more often and they'll be begging you, "Take me fishing."



Photo by Kim Toulouse

"Grandpa thinks I'm a keeper!"



Photo by Kim Toulouse

Fishing: A family affair

# Nevada's Hatchery System

## State Hatchery Refurbishment Project Continues

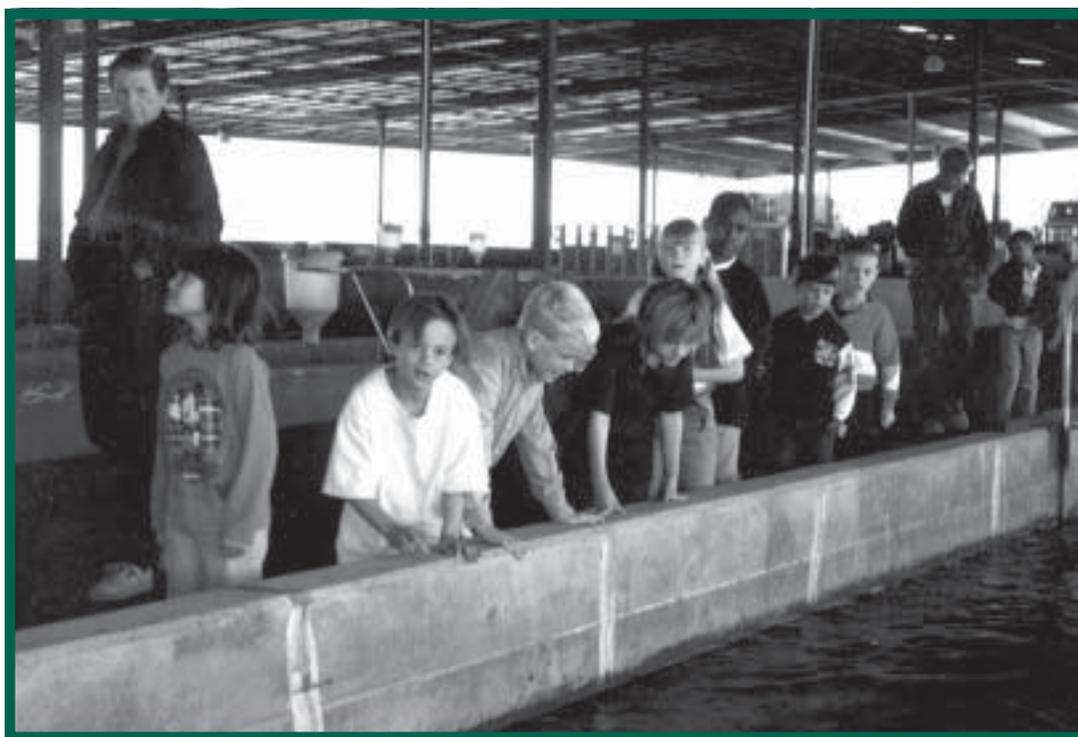
By: *Dave Sanger*

Nevada Division of Wildlife's Hatchery Refurbishment Project is progressing. Most of the engineering and design work is done. Over the next six years, refurbishment projects will be ongoing, and stocking will continue in selected state waters to meet public demand. The hatchery refurbishment project is funded by several sources, including the state Trout Stamp Fund, a federal Hatchery Refurbishment Grant, a Southern Nevada Lands Act Grant, Question 1 allocations and the state bonding authority.

A project of this magnitude is complicated not only by the scope of work, but also by the constant change of hatchery conditions. New problems arise as progress is made, creating a dynamic challenge to repair and reconstruct facilities while they continue to contain and grow fish. NDOW has used a careful and systematic approach to construction planning. During the fall of 2003 and into 2004, NDOW will continue stocking the southern portions of the state by purchasing trout from a commercial grower. Purchased fish combined with trout from Gallagher and Mason Valley

Hatcheries and Spring Creek Rearing Station will replace fish production for Lake Mead Hatchery while it is under construction. Reconstruction of this facility will begin in the hatchery building and continue outside through the nursery and rearing raceways. Our fisheries staff will be hatching eggs and rearing fry while larger raceways are still in the reconstruction phase. Gallagher Hatchery reconstruction plans are also under way. Major construction there will not occur until the fish culture projects are completed at Lake Mead. Mason Valley Hatchery projects are being completed and should be finished within a year. Work at Spring Creek Rearing Station will be held until the prior projects are completed.

A project of this magnitude requires careful planning and patience. Use of current fish culture technology will turn our older hatcheries into state of the art production facilities. The state's anglers will reap the harvest of the project, as refurbished hatcheries will support fish rearing and stocking activities for years to come.



Students take a tour of the Mason Valley Hatchery. NDOW Staff Photo

# Nevada Fishable Waters

## Species Abbreviations

bluegill sunfish= <b>bg</b>	rainbowXcutthroat hybrid= <b>bc</b>
brook trout= <b>bk</b>	redeer sunfish= <b>rs</b>
brown trout= <b>bn</b>	Sacramento perch= <b>sp</b>
bull trout= <b>bt</b>	smallmouth bass= <b>smb</b>
bullhead catfish= <b>bh</b>	spotted bass= <b>sb</b>
channel catfish= <b>cc</b>	striped bass= <b>stb</b>
crappie= <b>cr</b>	tiger muskie= <b>tm</b>
cutthroat trout= <b>ct</b>	tiger trout= <b>tt</b>
green sunfish= <b>gs</b>	walleye= <b>wp</b>
kokanee salmon= <b>ks</b>	white bass= <b>wb</b>
largemouth bass= <b>lmb</b>	white catfish= <b>wc</b>
mackinaw trout= <b>mt</b>	whitefish= <b>w</b>
northern pike= <b>np</b>	wiper= <b>wi</b>
rainbow trout= <b>rb</b>	yellow perch= <b>yp</b>

**NOTE:** Regional maps are shown in each Region Section of these regulations. They are also available in a larger sized fishable waters map at each Division office.

## WESTERN REGION - See map on page 10

#	Body of Water	Location/County	Species
1	Big Springs Reservoir	Humboldt Co./Sheldon	rb
2	Bilk Creek Reservoir	Humboldt Co./Bilk C. Mtns.	rb,bc
3	Blue Lakes	Humboldt Co./Pine Forest Range	rb,bk,ct,bc
4	Boulder Reservoir	Washoe Co./Boulder Mtn.	rb
5	Carson River, East Fork	Douglas Co./Carson Range	rb,bn
6	Carson River, West Fork	Carson, Lyon, Douglas, Churchill	rb,bn,bh, cc,wc,gs,yp,wp
7	Catnip Reservoir	Washoe Co./Sheldon	ct
8	Chimney Dam Reservoir	Humboldt Co./Little Humboldt River	rb,wp,cc,cr
9	Davis Creek Park Pond	Washoe Co./Washoe Valley	rb
10	Desert Creek	Lyon Co./Sweetwater Mtns.	rb,bn,bk
11	Dufurrena Ponds	Humboldt Co./Sheldon	lmb,cr,yp,gs,rs
12	Fort Churchill Pond	Lyon Co./Mason Valley	lmb,cc,bg,rs
13	Hobart Reservoir	Washoe Co./Carson Range	rb,bk,bc
14	Humboldt River	Humboldt Co.	lmb,smb,cc, bh,cr,wp,bg
15	Humboldt River	Pershing Co.	lmb,cc,wp, smb,sb,wi
16	Knott Creek Reservoir	Humboldt Co./Pine Forest Range	rb,bc
17	Lahontan Reservoir	Churchill Co./Lahontan Valley	rb,cc,bh,lmb, wb sb,yp,wp,wc,cr,wi
18	Lake Tahoe	Carson City, Douglas, and Washoe Co.	rb,bn,mt,ks
19	Liberty Pond	Churchill Co./Fallon	rb,cc,wc,bg
20	Little Humboldt River, NF	Humboldt Co./Santa Rosa Mtns.	rb,bk,bn,ct
21	Martin Creek	Humboldt Co./Santa Rosa Mtns.	rb,bn

\* Fishable waters not labeled on map.

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## WESTERN REGION Continued

#	Body of Water	Location/County	Species
22	Mountain View Park Pond	Lyon Co./Yerington	rb
23	North Pond, Mason Valley	Lyon Co.	rb,bn,lmb,bg
24	Onion Valley Reservoir	Humboldt Co./Pine Forest Range	rb,bk
25	Paradise Park Pond	Washoe Co./Reno	rb,bn,cc
*	Pyramid Lake	Washoe Co./Near Nixon	ct,sp
*	Quinn River, East Fork	Humboldt Co./Santa Rosa Mtns	rb,bk,bn
26	Rye Patch Reservoir	Pershing Co.	rb,cc,wp,lmb,sb, cr,bh,wc wi
27	Sparks Marina Park Pond	Washoe Co./Sparks	rb,bn,cc
28	Spooner Lake	Washoe Co./Carson Range	ct,bn
29	Squaw Creek Reservoir	Washoe Co./Near Gerlach	rb,bn,lmb.sb,bh
*	Star Creek	Pershing Co./Humboldt Range	rb
30	Topaz Reservoir	Douglas Co./Highway 395	rb,bn,bc,bh
*	Truckee Canal	Lyon Co./Fernley	rb
31	Truckee River	Washoe & Storey Co.	rb,bn,ct,w,cc,lmb,bh,gs
32	Virginia Lake	Washoe Co./Reno	rb,bn,cc,bc
33	Walker Lake	Mineral Co.	ct
*	Walker River	Lyon & Mineral Co.	lmb,cc,wc,bh,bg
34	Walker River, East Fork	Lyon Co./Walker River Valley	rb,bn,w
35	Walker River, West Fork	Lyon & Douglas Co.	rb,bn,w
36	Wall Canyon Reservoir	Washoe Co./N of Gerlach	rb,bn,bc,smb
37	Washoe Lake	Washoe Co.	cc,bh,wb,sp,wi
*	Weber Reservoir	Mineral Co./Walker River	lmb,cc,wc,cr
38	Whites and Thomas Creek	Washoe Co./Carson Range	rb,bk
39	Wilson Common Pond	Washoe Co./Washoe Valley	rb

## EASTERN REGION - See map on page 14

#	Body of Water	Location/County	Species
1	Angel Lake	Elko Co./East Humboldt	rb,bk
*	Barth Pit	Eureka Co./Humboldt River Valley	smb,lmb,bg,cc,rb
2	Bassett Lake	White Pine Co./Steptoe Valley	np,lmb
*	Big Creek	Lander Co./Toiyabe Range	rb,bn
3	Bruneau River	Elko Co./Snake R. System	rb,w
*	Carlin Pond	Elko Co./Humboldt River Valley	rb
4	Cave Lake	White Pine Co./Schell Creek Range	rb,bn,bk
*	Cleve Creek	White Pine Co./Schell Creek Range	rb,bn
5	Cold Creek Reservoir	White Pine Co./Newark Valley	rb
6	Comins Lake	White Pine Co./Steptoe Valley	rb,bn,lmb
*	Comins Lake	White Pine Co.	rb, lmb
7	Crittenden Reservoir	Elko Co./Thousand Springs	rb,lmb

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## EASTERN REGION Continued

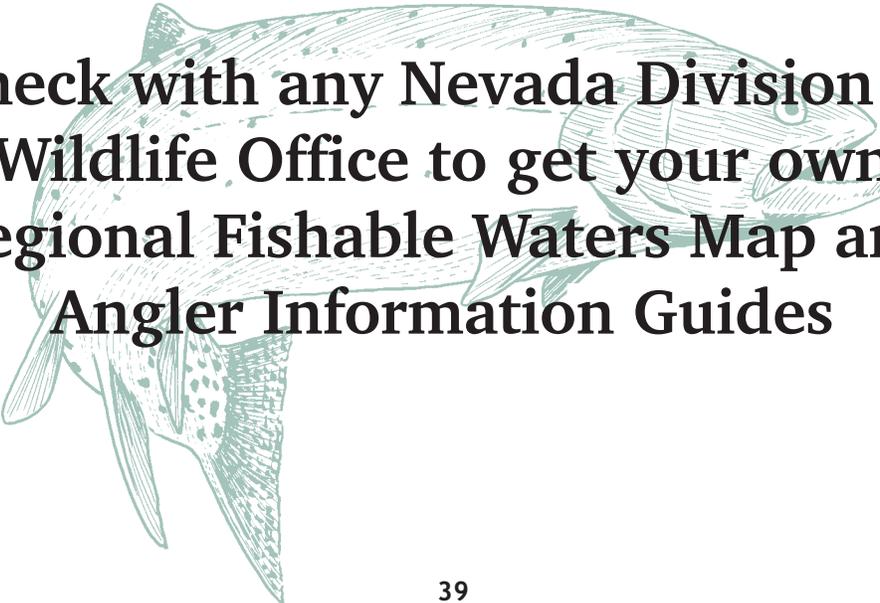
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8	Dorsey Reservoir	Elko Co./NF Humboldt River	rb
*	Dry Creek Reservoir	Elko Co./Bull Run Creek	rb,smb,lmb
9	Groves Lake	Lander Co./Toiyabe Range	rb,bn
*	Humboldt River	Elko Co.	cc,lmb,smb,bn,bb,bg,
*	Humboldt River, NF	Elko Co./Indep. Mtns	bk,ct
*	Humboldt River	Eureka Co.	rb,lmb,smb,cc,bh
*	Humboldt River	Lander Co.	lmb,cc
10	Illipah Reservoir	White Pine Co./White Pine Range	rb,bn
11	Jakes Creek Reservoir	Elko Co./Salmon Falls River Drainage	rb,lmb
12	Jiggs Reservoir	Elko Co./Jiggs	rb,lmb,
9	Kingston Creek	Lander Co./Toiyabe Range	rb,bk,bn
13	Lamoille Creek	Elko Co./Ruby Mtns.	rb,bk
*	Owyhee River, East Fork	Elko Co./Wildhorse Range	rb,bk,bn,w,yp,smb
14	Ruby Lake NWR	Elko Co./Ruby Valley	rb,bk,bn,lmb,ct,bc
*	Salmon Falls River	Elko Co./O'Neil Basin	rb,bn,w
15	Silver Creek Reservoir	White Pine Co./Snake Valley	rb,bn
16	South Fork Humboldt River	Elko Co./Ruby Mtns.	ct,rb,bn,bk,bc,smb, cc,lmb
17	South Fork Reservoir	Elko Co./SF Humboldt R.	rb,bn,smb,lmb, cc,bc,ct
4	Steptoe Creek	White Pine Co./Schell Creek Range	rb,bn
*	Tabor Creek	Elko Co./Snake Mtns.	rb,bk
2	Tailings Creek	White Pine Co./Steptoe Valley	bk
18	Jarbidge River, West Fork	Elko Co./Jarbidge Mtns.	rb,bt,w
*	White River	White Pine Co./White Pine Range	rb,bn
19	Wildhorse Reservoir	Elko Co./EF Owyhee River	rb,bn,smb, yp,cc,bc,lmb
20	Willow Creek Reservoir	Elko Co./Tuscarora Mtns.	lmb,cr,cc,ct,wc
*	Willow Creek Pond	Lander Co./Battle Mtns.	rb,bn
21	Wilson Reservoir	Elko Co./Independence Mtns.	rb,lmb

\* ***Fishable waters not labeled on map.***

## SOUTHERN REGION

#	Body of Water	Location/County	Species
1	Adams McGill Reservoir	Kirch WMA, Nye Co.	lmb
*	Barley Creek	Nye Co./Monitor Range	rb,bk,bn
*	Beaver Dam Wash	Lincoln Co.	rb
*	Boulder City Urban Fishing Pond	Clark Co.	rb
14	Chiatovitch Creek	Esmeralda Co./White Mtns.	rb,bk,bn
*	Cold Creek Pond	Clark Co.	rb
2	Cold Springs Reservoir	Kirch WMA, Nye Co.	rb,lmb
3	Colorado River	Clark Co.	rb,cc,lmb,stb,bg
*	Dacey Reservoir	Kirch WMA, Nye Co.	lmb
4	Eagle Valley Reservoir	Lincoln Co./Spring Valley	rb,bn
5	Echo Canyon Reservoir	Lincoln Co./Dry Valley	rb,lmb,cr
6	Floyd Lamb State Park	Clark Co./Las Vegas	rb,cc,lmb,bg,gs,rs
7	Haymeadow Reservoir	Kirch WMA, Nye Co.	rb,lmb
8	Lake Mead	Clark Co.	rb,lmb,cc,stb, bh,cr,gs,bg
9	Lake Mohave	Clark Co.	rb,lmb,cc,stb, bh,gs,bg
10	Lorenzi Park Pond	Clark Co./Las Vegas	rb,cc,lmb,bg,gs
*	Mosquito Creek	Nye Co./Monitor Range	rb,bk,ct
11	Nesbitt Lake	Lincoln Co./Pahranagat V.	lmb,bh
*	Pine Creek	Nye Co./Monitor Mtns.	rb,bk,bn,ct
*	Reese River, Upper	Nye Co./Toiyabe Mtns.	rb,bk,ct
*	San Juan Creek	Nye Co./Toiyabe Mtns	rb,bk,ct
12	Schroeder Reservoir	Lincoln Co./Beaver Dam Wash	rb
*	Sportsmans Park Pond	Nye Co.	rb
13	Sunset Park Pond	Clark Co./Las Vegas	rb,cc,lmb,bg,gs,cr
14	Trail Canyon Reservoir	Esmeralda Co./White Mtns	rb,bk
15	Upper Pahranagat Lake	Lincoln Co./Pahranagat V.	lmb,bh,cr

\* Fishable waters not labeled on map.



**Check with any Nevada Division of  
Wildlife Office to get your own  
Regional Fishable Waters Map and  
Angler Information Guides**

Check our fishing forecast on the web at [www.ndow.org](http://www.ndow.org)

Se encuentra un resumen de las reglas en español en la página 9.



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