

**TITLE 800. DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE CONSERVATION
CHAPTER 10. SPORT FISHING RULES**

SUBCHAPTER 1. HARVEST AND POSSESSION LIMITS

800:10-1-4. Size limits on fish

There are no length and/or size limit restrictions on any game or nongame fish, except as follows:

- (1) All largemouth and smallmouth bass less than fourteen (14) inches in total length must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being taken from public waters unless regulated by specific municipal ordinance or specified in regulations listed below: Lakes and Reservoirs with no length limit on largemouth and smallmouth bass - Lake Murray, all waters in the Wichita National Wildlife Refuge.
- (2) All largemouth and smallmouth bass between thirteen (13) and sixteen (16) inches in total length must be returned unharmed immediately after being taken from lakes Chimney Rock (W.R. Holway), Arbuckle, Okmulgee and Tenkiller Lake (downstream from Horseshoe Bend boat ramp).
- (3) All crappie (*Pomoxis* sp.) less than 10 inches in total length must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being taken from Lakes Arbuckle, Tenkiller, Hudson, Texoma, Ft. Gibson, including all tributaries and upstream to Markham Ferry Dam and Grand Lake, including all tributaries to state line.
- (4) All walleye, sauger, and saugeye (sauger x walleye hybrid) less than 14 inches in total length must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being taken statewide, except at Great Salt Plains Reservoir and tailwater where the size limit does not apply, the Arkansas River from Keystone Dam downstream to the Oklahoma state line including all major tributaries upstream to impoundment and R.S. Kerr, Webbers Falls, W.D. Mayo reservoirs as legally defined in Title 800 where all walleye, sauger and saugeye less than 16 inches must be returned to the water unharmed immediately, and at Atoka Bluestem, Bluestem, Carl Blackwell, Healdton, Ponca City, Shell, Sooner, and Thunderbird Reservoirs and the respective tailwaters where all walleye, sauger, and saugeye less than 18 inches total length must be returned to the water unharmed immediately.
- (5) All largemouth and smallmouth bass between sixteen (16) and twenty-two (22) inches in total length must be returned to the water immediately after being taken from McGee Creek Lake, Dripping Springs Lake and Crowder Lake (Washita County).
- (6) All rainbow trout less than twenty (20) inches in total length must be returned to the water immediately after being taken from the lower Mountain Fork River trout stream below Broken Bow dam from the first Highway Bridge below the Spillway ~~Lost Creek water control structure~~ downstream to the second Highway Bridge below the Spillway, ~~first Highway 259 Scenic bridge~~, including the Evening Hole ~~and the Lost Creek~~ stream channel, and from the State Park Dam downstream to the mouth of Rough Branch Creek and in the lower Illinois River trout stream from the USGS stream gauge downstream to the gravel pit county road. All brown trout less than twenty (20) inches in total length must be returned to the water immediately after being taken from the lower Mountain Fork River from Broken Bow Dam downstream to the U. S. Highway 70 bridge, and from the lower Illinois River trout stream from Tenkiller Dam downstream to the U. S. Highway 64 bridge.
- (7) All blue catfish and channel catfish less than twelve (12) inches in total length must be

returned to the water unharmed immediately after being taken from Texoma Lake.

(8) All smallmouth bass less than fourteen (14) inches in total length must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being taken from all rivers and streams including the Illinois River upstream from the Horseshoe Bend boat ramp, and from the Glover River from the confluence with the Little River upstream to the 'Forks of the Glover River'. Possession of smallmouth bass less than fourteen (14) inches in total length on all streams and rivers is prohibited.

(9) All black bass (largemouth, spotted and smallmouth) less than fourteen (14) inches in total length must be returned unharmed immediately after being taken from the Blue River Public Fishing Area.

(10) All striped bass less than twenty (20) inches must be returned unharmed immediately after being taken from Sooner Reservoir.

800:10-1-5. Bag limits on fish

No person shall, during any one day, take, attempt to take, kill, or harvest more than:

(1) Six (6) largemouth or smallmouth bass or six in aggregate, except in "Close To Home" fishing water, and Doc Hollis Lake and at ~~American Horse Lake~~ where all largemouth bass caught must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being taken (no harvest allowed), at Texoma Reservoir where the limit is five (5), largemouth, smallmouth or spotted bass or five in aggregate, at Lake Konawa, McGee Creek Lake, Dripping Springs Lake and Crowder Lake (Washita County) where the limit is six (6) of which only one (1) may be twenty-two (22) inches or longer and rivers and streams including the Illinois River upstream from the Horseshoe Bend boat ramp, and from Glover River from the confluence with the Little River upstream to the "Forks of the Glover River" where the limit is six (6) black bass aggregate of which only one may be a smallmouth bass, which must be fourteen (14) inches or longer.

(2) Fifteen (15) channel and/or blue catfish, or fifteen (15) in aggregate, of which only one (1) blue catfish may be 30 inches in length or larger; except at all U.S. Forest Service and State Park lakes (not including Lake Murray) and Department of Wildlife Management Area ponds and all Department of Wildlife Conservation fishing areas, in "Close To Home" fishing waters and all waters within the Wichita Mountains National Wildlife Refuge, where the limit is six (6). Five (5) flathead catfish. (3) Thirty-seven (37) crappie (*Pomoxis* sp.) except at Blue River Public Fishing and Hunting Area where the limit is six (6) and at lakes Arbuckle, Tenkiller, Hudson, Ft. Gibson including all tributaries and upstream to Markham Ferry Dam and Grand Lake including all tributaries to state line where the limit is fifteen (15).

(4) Six (6) rainbow trout - possession limit of twelve (12) after first day, except in the lower Mountain Fork River trout stream ~~from the Lost Creek water control structure below Broken Bow dam from the first Highway Bridge below the Spillway~~ downstream to the first Highway 259 Scenic bridge, second Highway Bridge below the Spillway, including the Evening Hole and the Lost Creek stream channel, and from the State Park Dam downstream to the mouth of Rough Branch Creek, and in the lower Illinois River trout stream from the USGS stream gauge downstream to the gravel pit county road where the limit is one (1) rainbow trout per day twenty (20) inches or longer in total length (no culling); and in the Blue River from its entry onto the Plaster Wildlife Management Unit/Landrum Wilderness downstream approximately ½ mile to a marker

cable where all trout caught must be released immediately from November 1 to March 1 (thereafter, statewide trout bag limit applies).

(5) Six (6) brown trout, except in the lower Mountain Fork River trout stream below Broken Bow dam downstream to the U. S. Highway 70 bridge, and in the lower Illinois River trout stream from Tenkiller Dam downstream to US Highway 64 bridge where the limit is one (1) fish per day twenty (20) inches or longer in total length.

(6) Six (6) walleye, sauger and/or saugeye, or six (6) in aggregate.

(7) Five (5) striped bass except as designated in 800:10-1-5(8).

(8) Ten (10) striped bass and/or striped bass hybrids or ten (10) in aggregate of which only two (2) may be twenty (20) inches or longer in Texoma Reservoir.

(9) Twenty (20) striped bass hybrids of which only five (5) may be twenty (20) inches or longer, except as designated in 800:10-1-5(8) and (10).

(10) Five (5) striped bass and/or striped bass hybrids, in aggregate, of which only two (2) may be 20 inches or longer in Arcadia Lake and Skiatook Lake.

(11) Twenty-five (25) white bass in Lake Texoma.

(12) One (1) paddlefish (*Polyodon spathula*) per day on Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday, statewide. Catch and release of paddlefish only (no harvest) is permitted on Monday and Friday, statewide. Possession of paddlefish in the field is prohibited on Monday and Friday, statewide. The catch and release of paddlefish is permitted by use of rod and reel, trotline and throwlines. Paddlefish must be released immediately unless kept for the daily limit. Paddlefish taken by bow and arrow, gigs, spears or spearguns shall not be released.

(A) Individual annual harvest limit- An individual harvest limit for paddlefish may be set or amended annually by the Wildlife Conservation Commission and will be listed in the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation Fishing Guide. Special area (or management unit) paddlefish harvest caps, a general statewide paddlefish harvest cap, and the total number of paddlefish permits issued may be set or amended annually by the Wildlife Conservation Commission for use in determining the individual annual harvest limit. Once an individual angler has reached their annual harvest limit, continued catch and release is permitted.

(B) Paddlefish permit- It shall be unlawful for any person, regardless of residency, age or disability, to fish for paddlefish or be in possession of paddlefish parts without having first secured from the Department of Wildlife Conservation, an annual paddlefish permit. Immediately upon taking possession of a paddlefish with the intent of harvesting said fish, the angler must record the date and time of harvest on the paddlefish permit in the harvest record area provided. This permit must be carried on their person while fishing and/or in possession of paddlefish or parts and be produced for inspection upon the demand of any Oklahoma citizen or game warden. This permit shall be valid for paddlefish catch and release fishing in all waters of the state and at any time unless otherwise prohibited.

(C) Harvest Tagging- Paddlefish caught and placed on a stringer or otherwise held in possession must be plainly labeled (tagged) immediately with the angler's paddlefish permit number. Paddlefish taken into possession cannot be released (no culling). Each person must keep their own paddlefish distinctly

separate from paddlefish taken by other anglers. Each cleaned paddlefish, or its meat, eggs, or carcass, must be kept separate from all other cleaned paddlefish or its parts. Paddlefish or their parts must remain tagged until the person in possession of the paddlefish or paddlefish parts has reached their residence. All paddlefish must have all viscera (internal organs) removed from the paddlefish before leaving the state. Persons fishing trotlines or throwlines must release all paddlefish on their lines, except the one (1) paddlefish held in possession for their daily limit, before leaving the trotline or throwline. Anglers must cease snagging for the day when they have taken their daily limit of paddlefish into possession.

(D) Reporting- Harvest of paddlefish must be reported by the harvesting angler to Oklahoma Department of Wildlife within 24 hours of harvest. Instructions for reporting harvest will be provided in the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Fishing Guide and on the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife website.

(13) Release of striped bass and/or striped bass hybrids caught and placed on a stringer, in a live well or otherwise held in possession is prohibited statewide (no culling).

(14) One (1) alligator gar (*Atractosteus spatula*) per day, statewide, except during the period of May 1 through May 31 when angling for alligator gar by all angling methods is prohibited on Lake Texoma between the Highway 99 bridge upstream to the I-35 bridge. The catch and release of alligator gar is permitted year round, except during the closure referenced above, by use of rod and reel, trotline and throwlines. Alligator gar must be released immediately unless kept for the daily limit. Persons fishing trotlines or throwlines must release all alligator gar on their lines except the one alligator gar held in possession for their daily limit, before leaving the trotline or throwline. Alligator gar taken by bow and arrow, gigs, spears or spearguns shall not be released. Alligator gar caught and placed on a stringer or otherwise held in possession cannot be released (no culling). Anglers must cease snagging when they have taken their daily limit of alligator gar into possession.

(15) One (1) of any fish species classified as those of Special Concern Category I or Category II (as identified in 800:25-19-6). Such harvest must be reported to ODWC.

(16) All tiger muskie (*Esox masquinongy* x *Esox lucius*) caught must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being taken (no harvest allowed).

(17) Other fish do not have bag or possession limits. Notwithstanding the foregoing fish bag limits, any bag limits for fish can be superseded and set by Commission resolution as authorized by Section 6-302(B) of Title 29 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

SUBCHAPTER 3. METHODS OF TAKING

800:10-3-5. Use of bow and arrow, grabhooks, gigs, spears, and spearguns, snagging, noodling and netting

(a) **Bow and arrow.** The use of bow and arrows in bowfishing shall be lawful for taking nongame fish only in all waters of the state throughout the year, except:

(1) Illinois River and its tributaries shall be closed at all times to such fishing except, those portions above the Horseshoe Bend boat ramp on Tenkiller Reservoir which is open from December 1 through March 31 annually. Tenkiller Reservoir below Horseshoe Bend boat ramp is open to bowfishing.

- (2) Reservoir tailwaters, other than Eufaula, Keystone, Wister, Fort Gibson, Thunderbird, ~~and~~ Hudson (Markham Ferry), and Heyburn shall be closed to fishing with bow and arrows throughout the year. This does not alter provisions of 29 O.S., Section 7-101, which designates a safety zone of the first 150 feet immediately below the dam on all reservoirs except Tenkiller, Canton, Salt Plains, and Fort Supply.
 - (3) All waters defined as "Designated Trout Areas" during open season for taking trout are closed.
 - (4) All waters within the boundaries of the Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge are closed.
 - (5) Only that section of the Caney River from Hulah Dam downstream approximately 1,200 feet to the re-regulation dam is closed. Fishing with a bow and arrow is lawful in the Caney River below the re-regulation dam.
 - (6) The following portions of Grand River:
 - (A) The main river channel of Grand River below the turbine outlets of Grand River Dam downstream to the State Park Bridge is closed throughout the year.
 - (B) The Grand River occurring below the spillway outlets of Grand River Dam downstream to the highline crossing (approximately ½ mile) is closed throughout the year with the next ½ mile downstream from the highline crossing closed during periods when the spillway gates are open and discharging water and for seven (7) days following closure of the spillway gates.
 - (7) The Little River tributary of Thunderbird Reservoir above Franklin Road in Cleveland County is closed.
 - (8) "Close To Home" fishing waters and Lakes Pickens, Carl Albert and Taft and all ponds and lakes in the Ouachita National Forest are closed.
 - (9) The taking of paddlefish by bow and arrow is prohibited on the Red River from Denison Dam downstream to the stateline year round.
 - (10) Bowfishing may be used at Lakes Hefner, Overholser (including tailwaters and downstream to NW 10th St. bridge) and Draper throughout the year during daylight hours only.
 - (11) The Salt Fork of the Arkansas River from the spillway of Great Salt Plains Reservoir downstream to the State Highway 38 Bridge is closed.
 - (12) Bowfishing for tiger muskie at Lake Carl Etling is prohibited.
- (b) **Grabhooks.** Taking fish by use of a grabhook is prohibited in all state waters.
- (c) **Gigs, spears and spearguns.** The use of gigs, spears and spearguns containing not more than three (3) points with no more than two (2) barbs on each point shall be lawful for taking nongame fish only, except white bass may be taken by use of a gig. These methods are lawful in all:
- (1) Rivers and streams from December 1 through March 31, except:
 - (A) The taking of paddlefish by use of gig, spear or speargun is prohibited from May 16 through March 14 of the following year, statewide.
 - (B) The Poteau and Fourche Maline Rivers and all their tributaries within LeFlore County are closed throughout the year.
 - (C) All waters designated as "Designated Trout Areas" during the open season for taking trout are closed.
 - (D) The Canadian River from Eufaula Dam downstream for a distance of one (1) mile to be so designated by buoy or other appropriate marker is closed throughout

the year.

(E) The Caney River from Hulah Dam downstream to the confluence of the old and new river channels is closed.

(F) The following portions of Grand River:

(i) The main river channel of the Grand River below the turbine outlets of Grand River Dam downstream to State Park Bridge is closed throughout the year.

(ii) The Grand River occurring below the spillway outlets of Grand River Dam downstream for a distance of one (1) mile is closed throughout the year.

(G) Rivers and streams in Delaware and Mayes counties are open to the use of gigs throughout the year, unless specifically closed in other sections of this chapter.

(H) The Little River tributary of Thunderbird Reservoir above Franklin Road in Cleveland County is closed.

(2) Lakes and reservoirs throughout the year, except:

(A) Waters within the boundaries of the Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge other than that portion of Lake Elmer Thomas are closed.

(B) Tenkiller Reservoir, below the Horseshoe Bend boat ramp, is closed throughout the year except by speargunning when used with a self-contained underwater breathing apparatus which is closed from June 15 through July 15 annually to the taking of flathead catfish only.

(C) All Department Fishing Areas, all "Close To Home" fishing waters and Lakes Carl Albert, Sooner, Lone Chimney and Taft and all ponds and lakes in the Ouachita National Forest are closed. Konawa is closed to gigging.

(D) Lakes Hefner, Overholser (including tailwaters and downstream to NW 10th St. bridge) and Draper are closed.

(3) Reservoir tailwaters other than Hudson (Markham Ferry) shall be closed to fishing with gigs, spears and spearguns throughout the year. This does not alter provisions of 29 O.S., Section 7-101, which designates a safety zone of the first 150 feet immediately below the dam on all reservoirs except Tenkiller, Canton, Salt Plains, and Fort Supply.

(d) **Snagging.** Snagging for nongame fish only shall be lawful in all waters of the State throughout the year, except:

(1) Reservoir tailwaters other than Fort Gibson which is open 24 hours a day shall be closed to fishing by snagging throughout the year. This does not alter provisions of 29 O.S., Section 7-101, which designates a safety zone of the first 150 feet immediately below the dam on all reservoirs except Tenkiller, Canton, Salt Plains, and Fort Supply.

(2) Wister tailwater is closed to snagging from below the dam down to the power-line at the confluence of the old and new river channels.

(3) The following rivers, lakes, and streams:

(A) The Illinois River and its tributaries above the Horseshoe Bend boat ramp on Tenkiller Reservoir and below the dam shall be closed at all times to such fishing.

(B) All waters designated as "Designated Trout Areas" during the open season for taking trout are closed.

(C) All waters within the boundaries of the Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge are closed.

(D) The Canadian River from Eufaula Dam tailwater downstream for a distance of one (1) mile to be so designated by buoy or other appropriate marker is closed throughout the year.

(E) The Caney River from the Hulah Dam downstream to the confluence of the old and new river channels is closed.

(F) The following portions of the Grand River:

(i) The main river channel of Grand River below the turbine outlets of Grand River Dam downstream to the State Park Bridge is closed throughout the year.

(ii) That portion of the Grand River occurring below the spillway outlets of Grand River Dam downstream to the highline crossing (a distance of approximately ½ mile) is closed throughout the year with the next ½ mile downstream from the highline crossing closed during periods when the spillway gates are closed.

(iii) That portion of the Grand River occurring from the Markham Ferry Dam (Lake Hudson Dam) downstream to the Highway 412 bridge from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. year-round.

(G) The Arkansas River from the tailwaters below Keystone Dam downstream to the Interstate 44 (Skelly Drive) Bridge at Tulsa shall be closed at all times to such fishing.

(H) The Little River tributary of Thunderbird Reservoir above Franklin Road in Cleveland County is closed.

(I) All Department Fishing Areas, all "Close To Home" fishing waters and Lakes Pickens, Carl Albert, Sooner and Konawa and all ponds and lakes in the Ouachita National Forest are closed.

(J) Lakes Hefner, Overholser (including tailwaters and downstream to NW 10th St. bridge) and Draper are closed.

(4) When snagging for paddlefish the hook must have the barbs removed or completely closed. Only one (1) rod and reel is permitted per angler when snagging.

(e) **Noodling.** Possession of hooks, gaffs, spears, poles with hooks attached and/or ropes with hooks attached while in the act of noodling, shall be proof of violation of the "hands only" noodling law. Noodling shall be lawful for nongame fish and blue, channel, and flathead catfish; only during daylight hours throughout the year.

(1) Rivers and streams of the state, except:

(A) The Illinois River and its tributaries above Horseshoe Bend boat ramp on Tenkiller Reservoir and below the dam shall be closed at all times to such fishing.

(B) All waters designated as "Designated Trout Areas" during the open season for taking trout are closed.

(C) Kiamichi River from Hugo Dam downstream to the first railroad bridge is closed.

(D) The following portions of the Grand River:

(i) The main river channel of Grand River below the turbine outlets of Grand River Dam downstream to the State Park Bridge is closed throughout the year.

(ii) The Grand River occurring below the spillway outlets of Grand River Dam downstream to the highline crossing is closed throughout the year

except the day of and two (2) days following closure of the spillway gates when noodling will be legal.

(E) The Little River tributary of Thunderbird Reservoir above Franklin Road in Cleveland County is closed.

(F) Wister tailwaters is closed to noodling from below the dam down to the power-line at the confluence of the old and new river channels.

(2) Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation Reservoirs, Grand and Hudson Lakes.

(3) All waters within the boundaries of the Wichita Mountains Wildlife Refuge are closed.

(4) All Department Fishing Areas, all "Close To Home" fishing waters (except noodling is allowed in the North Canadian River from the NW 10th St. bridge downstream to the MacArthur St. bridge in Oklahoma City) and Lakes Pickens, Carl Albert, Taft, and Lone Chimney, Ponca and Carl Blackwell and all ponds and lakes in the Ouachita National Forest are closed.

(5) Lakes Hefner, Overholser (including tailwaters and downstream to NW 10th St. bridge) and Draper are closed.

(f) **Netting (noncommercial).** Netting (noncommercial) is closed statewide.

(g) **Collecting Bait for personal use.** Cast netting, trawl netting, dip netting, minnow traps and seining non-game fish commonly used for bait for personal use is lawful in all waters of this state unless specifically closed under 800:10-5-2, 800:10-5-3 and/or 800:10-5-6. Cast nets and dip nets shall have a mesh size no greater than three-eighths (3/8) inch square mesh. Seines shall not exceed twenty (20) feet in length, and the mesh shall be no larger than one-half (1/2) inch square unless seining for minnows then the mesh shall not exceed one-fourth (1/4) inch. Minnow traps shall have a mesh size no greater than one-half (1/2) inch, shall not be longer than three (3) feet, shall not exceed eighteen (18) inches in diameter on round traps or eighteen (18) inches on a side on square or rectangular traps. The trap entrance (throat) cannot exceed two (2) inches across the opening. No person shall fish with more than 3 minnow traps. All minnow traps must have the owner's name and address attached and the traps must be attended once every 24 hours. All game fish and non-game fish not commonly used for bait must be released immediately. Minnow traps cannot be made with glass.

SUBCHAPTER 5. AREA RESTRICTIONS AND SPECIAL FEES

800:10-5-3. Designated trout areas

(a) **Designated trout areas and seasons.** The following are the designated trout areas and trout seasons at each area:

(1) The Illinois River and its tributaries from the Tenkiller Ferry Reservoir Dam downstream to the Highway 64 Bridge near Gore, trout season is year-round.

(2) Blue River, within boundaries of the Blue River Public Fishing & Hunting Area (includes Landrum Wilderness Area and Plaster Wildlife Management Unit), trout season is from November 1 through March 31 of the following year; season is annual.

(3) Lake Watonga located within the boundaries of Roman Nose State Park, trout season is from the November 1 through March 31 of the following year; season is annual.

- (4) The lower Mountain Fork River and tributaries from Broken Bow Dam downstream to U.S. Highway 70 bridge, excluding that portion from the mouth of Rough Branch Creek downstream to the Re-regulation dam. Trout season is year-round.
- (5) Medicine Creek from Gondola Lake dam downstream to the State Highway 49 bridge, where trout season is from November 1 through March 15 of the following year; season is annual.
- (6) Lake Carl Etling located within the boundaries of Black Mesa State Park, trout season is from November 1 through April 30 of the following year; season is annual,
- (7) The Fourche Maline River from Carlton Lake Dam downstream to the Robbers Cave State Park boundary a distance of approximately one and one-quarter (1¼) miles, trout season is from November 1 through March 15 of the following year; season is annual.
- (8) Perry CCC Lake trout season is from November 1 through March 31 of the following year; season is annual.

(b) **General; area restrictions.** The following rules apply to designated trout areas and to specified locations within certain designated trout areas:

- (1) It shall be unlawful to take or attempt to take fish from these areas during trout seasons except with rod and reel or pole and line, except collecting shad with cast nets is legal from the south boundary of the MarVal trout camp downstream to the Highway 64 bridge; only one (1) rod and reel or pole and line per person is allowed.
- (2) Once a trout is reduced to possession by being placed on a stringer or in the creel of any type, said trout must count toward day's limit and cannot be released.
- (3) Glass beverage containers are prohibited at designated trout areas except in designated camping and parking areas.
- (4) The following areas are restricted to fishing tackle made by fly-tying or artificial lures made of wood, metal, glass, feathers, hair, synthetic fibers or hard plastic and barbless hooks only. The use of any substance in combination with restricted fishing tackle is prohibited:
 - (A) The lower Mountain Fork River trout stream below Broken Bow dam from the ~~Lost Creek water control structure downstream to the first Highway 259 Scenic bridge, first Highway Bridge below the Spillway to the second Highway Bridge below the Spillway~~ including the Evening Hole and the Lost Creek stream channel, and from the State Park Dam downstream to the mouth of Rough Branch Creek.
 - (B) Fishing in the lower Illinois River trout stream below Tenkiller dam from the USGS stream gauge downstream to the gravel pit county road is restricted to artificial flies and lures only and barbless hooks only, except that single barbed hooks, size 3/0 or larger, may be used only when fishing with natural bait.
 - (C) Fishing in the Blue River from its entry onto the Plaster Wildlife Management Unit/Landrum Wilderness Area downstream approximately ½ mile

to a marker cable is restricted to artificial flies and lures only and barbless hooks only during the period November 1 to March 1, annually.

- (5) All trout retained in possession must be kept separate from other anglers' fish on a stringer or in a creel that is clearly marked with that anglers name and license number.

800:10-5-6. Lakes, reservoirs, rivers and streams

- (a) **Lake Carl Albert.** The following special rules govern public use on Lake Carl Albert:
- (1) Outboard motors used shall not exceed ten (10) h.p.
 - (2) Maximum speed limit for boats shall be six (6)m.p.h.
 - (3) Waterfowl hunting shall be permitted in season; all other hunting shall be prohibited on the area.
 - (4) Swimming shall be prohibited on the area.
 - (5) Waterskiing and trotlines, throwlines, netting, noodling, yo-yo's and jug fishing are prohibited.
 - (6) Camping shall be limited to three (3) days.
- (b) **Pickens Lake.** The following special rules govern public use on Pickens Lake in Fountainhead State Park:
- (1) Fishing shall be permitted throughout the year.
 - (2) All fishing shall be pole and line or rod and reel only (2 poles per person).
 - (3) Fishing shall be restricted to only Oklahoma residents in the following categories:
 - (A) All persons 65 years of age or older.
 - (B) All persons having disability of 60% or more.
 - (C) Legally blind persons.
 - (D) Any person who has not yet attained the age of 16 years.
 - (E) Any persons accompanying persons in categories above.
- (c) **Sooner Reservoir.** The following special rules govern public fishing at Sooner River:
- (1) Fishing by juglines, trotlines, limblines, throwlines, snagging, spearfishing, gigging, grabhooks and scuba diving is prohibited.
 - (2) Fishing by boats, wading or all flotation devices is prohibited within the buoy-marked area of the intake channel, discharge channel and spillway embankment.
 - (3) Fishing from the dam, the fenced area below the dam and the north bank of the intake channel is prohibited.
 - (4) The use of Tilapia as bait and/or the stocking of Tilapia is prohibited.
- (d) **Lake Lone Chimney.** The following special rules govern public use at Lake Lone Chimney:
- (1) No overnight camping is permitted until recreational facilities are developed.
 - (2) Boats and motors are permitted. All boats and motors must comply with existing state boat regulations and boat operators must obey Oklahoma State Boat Laws. All boats must be operated at no-wake speed of six (6) miles per hour or less and may not be left on the water or the lake area longer than the limit on camping.
 - (3) Water skiing and swimming are prohibited.
 - (4) Disposal of trash, refuse and debris is prohibited, except in designated trash containers. This includes organic and inorganic material.
 - (5) Commercial concessions and private development on Tri-County Authority property are prohibited. Soliciting, advertising or promoting any commercial or private activity is prohibited.
 - (6) Dogs must be kept on a leash at all times, except when used to hunt during legal

waterfowl hunting season.

(7) It shall be unlawful to drive, occupy, or park any motor driven vehicle including automobiles, trucks, mini-bikes, motorcycles, three-wheelers, etc., except on maintained roads, designated parking areas and designated camping areas. It shall be unlawful to operate any vehicle in a reckless manner or operate any vehicle in a manner to create a public nuisance or to destroy or damage public property. Operators must be licensed drivers.

(8) Cutting or defacing of trees and vegetation shall be prohibited. Removal of vegetation, soil, rocks, water or minerals is prohibited except under written permission by the Tri-County Authority Board of Directors.

(9) Disorderly conduct, vandalism, theft and damage to Tri-County Authority property is prohibited.

(10) The lake shall be closed from 10:00 p.m. to 5:00 a.m., except for fishing and hunting activities.

(11) No person may fish with more than two (2) poles or rods.

(12) Trotlines, throwlines, limblines, juglines, nets, seines, yo-yo's, spearguns and the taking of fish by noodling and taking of bait minnows by any method are prohibited.

(13) All hunting or discharging of firearms, except for legal waterfowl hunting, is prohibited.

(e) **Taft Lake.** The following special rules govern public use at Taft Lake:

(1) Camping is permitted, but limited to three (3) days. Camping is permitted only in designated camping areas.

(2) Boats and motors are permitted. All boats and motors must comply with existing state boat regulations and boat operators must obey Oklahoma State Boat Laws. All boats must be operated at no-wake speed (six '6' miles per hour or less) and may not be left on the water or the lake area longer than the limit on camping.

(3) Water skiing and swimming are prohibited.

(4) Disposal of trash, refuse and debris is prohibited, except in designated trash containers. This includes organic and inorganic materials.

(5) Commercial concessions and private development on State property are prohibited. Soliciting, advertising or promoting any commercial or private activity is prohibited. The use of these areas for any commercial operation in any way is prohibited.

(6) Dogs must be kept on a leash at all times.

(7) Boat houses, ramps, docks and other facilities may not be constructed.

(8) It shall be unlawful to drive, occupy, or park any motor driven vehicle including automobiles, trucks, mini-bikes, motorcycles, etc., except on maintained roads (unless designated as "no parking zones"), designated parking areas, and designated camping areas. It shall be unlawful to operate any vehicle in a manner to create a public nuisance or to park in a "no parking zone". Operators must be licensed drivers.

(9) Cutting or defacing of trees and vegetation shall be prohibited. Removal of vegetation, soil, rocks, water or minerals is prohibited.

(10) Vandalism, theft, and damage to State Property is prohibited.

(11) No person shall use threatening, abusive, or indecent language, participate in a disorderly assemblage, nor publicly appear nude or intoxicated.

(12) After 10:00 p.m. and until 5:00 a.m., all areas will be restricted to fishing and fishing related activities only.

(13) Fishing is permitted under regular fishing rules and regulations of the Department and State Statutes.

- (14) No person may fish with more than two (2) poles or rods.
- (15) Trotlines, throwlines, limblines, juglines, nets, seines, yo-yo's, spearguns, and the taking of fish by noodling or bow fishing and taking of bait minnows by any method is prohibited.
- (16) Firearms, bows and trapping shall not be allowed on the area.
- (f) **Kid's Fish Out Pond (Fountainhead State Park).** Fishing shall be restricted to persons in the following categories:
 - (1) All persons 64 years of age or older.
 - (2) Any person who has not yet attained the age of 16 years.
 - (3) All persons having 60% or more disability, or legally blind, or physically impaired and one companion accompanying same.
- (g) **Adair Recreation Area Lake.** Fishing is restricted to rod and reel fishing only and only one rod and reel per person.
- (h) **Lake Hefner, Lake Overholser (including tailwaters downstream to NW 10th St. bridge), and Lake Draper and the Oklahoma River (NW 10th St to NE 10th St).** Fishing is restricted to no more than three (3) rods or poles per person, with no more than three (3) hooks per line. No other fishing methods are allowed.
 - (i) **"Close To Home"** fishing waters. Fishing is restricted to no more than three (3) rods or poles per person, with no more than three (3) hooks per line. No other fishing methods are allowed.
 - (j) **Lakes and reservoirs.** Use of and/or placement into lakes and reservoirs of the waters of this state any container, including but not limited to drums, cans, tubs, boxes or barrels which attract, entice, or lure fish into an open cavity within the container is prohibited.
- (k) **Lake Texoma.** The special Lake Texoma annual fishing license shall be eleven dollars (\$11.00). License shall be issued in accordance with Sections 4-201 and 4-202, Title 29 of the Oklahoma Statutes.
- (l) **Rivers and streams.** The take, possession or transport of more than twenty-five (25) nongame bait fish, excluding shad; is prohibited from all rivers and streams.
- (m) **Scenic Rivers.** The use or possession of cast nets is prohibited on all Oklahoma Scenic Rivers including the Barren Fork River in its entirety to the Arkansas state line.