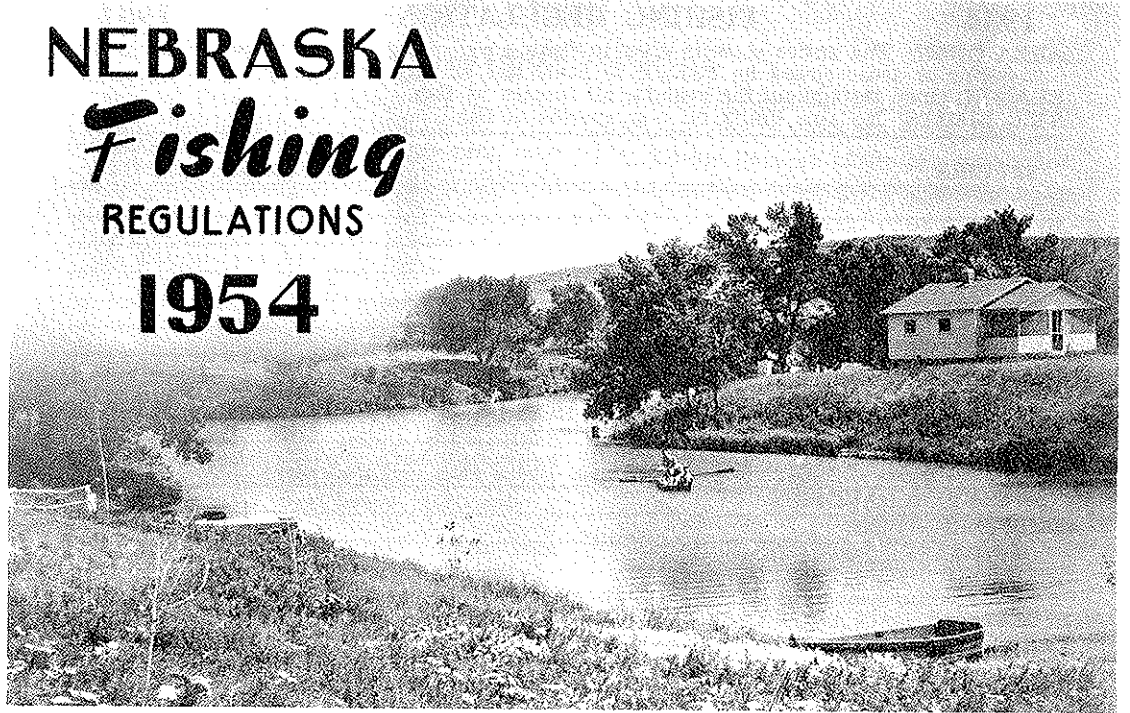


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AREA OPEN: The entire state is open to fishing excepting private lakes closed to the public or areas closed by Federal or State law or City ordinance.

SEASON: Open throughout the year for all species of fish.

SIZE LIMITS: No size limits on any species of fish.

SPECIES	DAILY BAG LIMIT	POSSESSION LIMIT
TROUT	7	7
BLACK BASS (Largemouth and Smallmouth)	10	10
WHITE BASS	10	10
CRAPPIE (Black and White)	10	10
BLUFGILL	15	15
SUNFISH (Green, Orange-Spotted and Pumpkinseed)	15	15
ROCK BASS	15	15
BULLHEADS (Except in Arthur, Blaine, Brown, Cherry, Garden, Grant, Holt, Hooker, McPherson, Rock and Thomas counties where the limit is 25.)	15	15
PERCH (Except in Cherry, Brown, Holt and Rock counties where there is no limit.)	25	25
WALLEYE & SAUGER	5	5
NORTHERN PIKE	5	5
FRESHWATER DRUM (Sheepshead)	10	10
CATFISH (Channel, Blue & Yellow)	10	10

TOTAL BAG AND POSSESSION LIMIT: No more than 25 game fish of all kinds combined may be taken in any one day, nor be had in possession at any time; provided, however, this regulation shall not apply to PERCH taken in Brown, Cherry, Holt and Rock counties where there is no bag or possession limit on perch.

Special fishing regulations at the following state

Arnold lake (Custer); Blue River (Holt co.); Blue River (Seward co.); Bowman Camp Hayes lake (Holt lake (Chase co.); Cottonwood lake (Cottonwood co.); Cottonwood lake (Adams co.); Deer grounds (Dodge co.); (Dodge co.); Goose lake (Merrick co.); Jefferson County Recreation lake (Brown co.); Merrick lake (Webster co.); Niobrara Park lake (Wheeler co.); Platteville lake (Cass co.); and Beaver lakes (small part of these lakes); Ravenna lake (Buffalo (Richardson co.); Rock co.); Shell lake (Cherokee (Sheridan co.); Wellfleet lake (

The following regulations on state-owned lakes

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 city ordinance.

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(where is no limit.)	5	5
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STATE-OWNED LAKES

Special fishing regulations are in effect at the following state-owned lakes:

Arnold lake (Custer co.); Atkinson lake (Holt co.); Blue River Recreation grounds (Seward co.); Bowman lake (Sherman co.); Camp Hayes lake (Hayes co.); Champion lake (Chase co.); Cottonmill lake (Buffalo co.); Cottonwood lake (Cherry co.); Crystal lake (Adams co.); Dead Timber Recreation grounds (Dodge co.); Fremont sandpits (Dodge co.); Goose lake (Holt co.); Hord lake (Merrick co.); Hull lake (Boyd co.); Jefferson County Recreation grounds; Long lake (Brown co.); Memphis lake (Saunders co.); Niobrara Park lake (Knox co.); Pawnee lake (Webster co.); Pibel lake (Wheeler co.); Platteview lake—also called Louisville (Cass co.); State part of Rat and Beaver lakes (Cherry co.)—only a small part of these lakes is state-owned; Ravenna lake (Buffalo co.); Verdon lake (Richardson co.); Rock Creek lake (Dundy co.); Shell lake (Cherry co.); Smith lake (Sheridan co.); Walgren lake (Sheridan co.); Wellfleet lake (Lincoln co.);

The following regulations are in effect on state-owned lakes only:

1. Fishing devices other than regular lines attached to poles are prohibited.
2. Throw lines or floats are prohibited.
3. Digging or seining for bait on grounds is prohibited.
4. Motor boats are not permitted, except on Victory lake at Fremont, and Cottonmill lake at Kearney.
5. Firearms are not permitted except during legal open hunting seasons.
6. State lake No. 4 of the Fremont sandpits located along State Highway No. 30 about four miles west of Fremont in Sec. 13, T 17N, R 7E, Dodge county, shall be restricted to the use of artificial lures from January 1st to June 30th.
7. Swimming is prohibited in Memphis State lake in Saunders county.
8. DESTROYING OR DAMAGING STATE PROPERTY: It is unlawful to injure trees or shrubs, to pick flowers or ferns, to mar, deface, or remove any of the natural or structural features in any state-owned or controlled areas.

CATFISH (Commercial Fishing)

Under proper commercial permit issued by the Game Commission, catfish may be taken from the Missouri river by nets, the meshes of which are not less than one and one-half inches square.

AREA OPEN: Missouri river—south and west of the middle of the channel and not less than 300 yards in any direction from the mouth of any stream emptying into the river.

SIZE LIMITS: 13 inches.

POSSESSION LIMIT: None.

ANNUAL REPORT: All persons holding a commercial Seining-Vendor permit shall keep an accurate record of the number, species and weight of all fish caught and a separate report of all fish sold during the calendar year. A record shall be kept for each month

separately. Such records shall be open at all reasonable times to inspection by Commission agents. Each person shall send this information to the Executive Secretary of the Nebraska Game, Forestation and Parks Commission on or before the 15th day of January of the following year. Forms for this purpose shall be furnished by the state. Failure to make such report shall be cause of refusal to issue a new permit.

COMMERCIAL NETS: It shall be illegal for any person holding a Seining-Vendor permit to use or have in possession wing nets, dip nets, basket traps, gill nets, traps or any other device than regular hoop nets, trammel nets, seines, or trot lines made of non-metallic cord as provided for by law.

LEGAL NETS, TRAPS AND OTHER DEVICES

The possession or use of any and all nets, traps or other devices is illegal with the following exceptions:

1. Commercial nets used in the Missouri river under special provisions of Section 37-502.

2. Minnow nets of non-metallic mesh, one-fourth inch square measure and not over 20 feet long and 4 feet deep.

3. Minnow dip nets of non-metallic mesh, one-fourth inch square measure and

with a throat of ameter.

4. Landing net mesh, used only hook and line, or less and with feet in length.

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DEVICES

1. Dip nets of non-metallic mesh, with square measure and not more than 4 feet deep.

2. Dip nets of non-metallic mesh with square measure and

with a throat of not over 16 inches in diameter.

4. Landing nets, made of non-metallic mesh, used only for landing fish caught on hook and line, with a throat of 18 inches or less and with a handle of not over four feet in length.

5. Minnow and bait traps with a length not to exceed 24 inches and a diameter of not to exceed 16 inches with an opening in the throat of the trap not larger than one and one-half inches in diameter. All minnow traps shall be raised and minnows removed from them at least every 24 hours.

NOTES

WINTER FISHING is permitted through the ice. The hook and line law, applicable to ponds, lakes and reservoirs, does not apply to ice fishing. (See notes).

Floats and throw lines are legal except in state-owned lakes and other restricted areas (See special regulations on state-owned lakes.)

DAILY BAG means fish taken from midnight to midnight.

POSSESSION LIMIT means fish in the possession of any person at any time.

SPEARING: Carp, buffalo, suckers and other non-game fish may be speared between sunrise and sunset from April 1 to December 1, except in restricted areas mentioned above.

HOOKS AND LINES: It is unlawful for any person to use, while fishing in this

state in any lake, pond or reservoir or in their inlets, outlets and canals within one-half mile of such lake, pond or reservoir, more than two lines with two hooks on each line. One hook shall mean a single, double, or treble pointed hook, and all hooks attached as a part of an artificial bait or lure shall be counted as one hook. This DOES NOT APPLY TO ICE FISHING.

STREAM FISHING: In stream fishing, it is unlawful for anyone to fish with a line having more than 5 hooks thereon, or more than 15 hooks in the aggregate or with artificial bait having more than 3 triple-gang hooks.

SNAGGING: Snagging any fish externally with hook and line is unlawful whether game or non-game fish.

AGE: All persons sixteen years of age or older must have a fishing permit for the current year. All non-residents must have a fishing permit for the current year, regardless of age.

SHORT-TERM PERMITS: Short-term non-resident permits are available. They

are reciprocal with other states with a minimum of \$3.00 for a 10-day permit.

TRANSFER OF PERMIT: It is unlawful for any person to borrow or use the permit of another or to lend or transfer his permit to another.

RESTRICTED AREAS

Restricted areas shall be designated on various lakes during the spawning season in which areas fishing shall not be permitted.

I. Harlan County reservoir in Harlan county shall be open to fishing effective March 1, 1954.

II. Swanson lake, Hitchcock county, shall be closed to fishing until further change. The river from the reservoir west to the bridge south of Stratton shall be closed to the seining or taking of bait in any manner.

III. The main channel of the Nemaha river and the Little Nemaha river and within one mile of the mouth of any of the tributaries running to said rivers in Richardson, Pawnee, Gage, Johnson, Nemaha, Otoe and Lancaster counties shall

be closed to taking of bait at all times. Bait seining will be permitted in the tributaries one mile above the mouth of each tributary to the source.

IV. The Cedar river and its tributaries in Holt, Garfield and Wheeler counties are closed to the taking of bait at all times.

V. Valentine National Wildlife refuge lakes in Cherry county—fishing is permitted during daylight hours in Clear, Dewey, Hackberry, Pelican, Watts and Willow lakes, except during the open season for migratory waterfowl, or when closed by posting by Federal agents. Motor boats are not permitted.

VI. It shall be illegal to seine for or otherwise take minnows or bait below any dam, check, spillway or other artificial ob-

struction, and for a dip nets with an opening of less than 12 inches in diameter and 1/2 inch mesh only of which may be used by individuals for commercial use.

VII. It shall be otherwise take minnows in lakes or bayous.

VIII. The following to the seining or taking in any manner:

ANTELOPE COUNTY and all tributaries.

BOX BUTTE COUNTY

BROWN COUNTY Plum creek and all tributaries; Goose creek.

CHASE COUNTY from Enders lake to lake.

CHERRY COUNTY and all tributaries; field creek; Cedar county all tributaries; Plum county all tributaries; Bear creek; C

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It shall be illegal to seine for or
take minnows or bait below any
dam or other artificial ob-

struction, and for a distance of 200 yards
below such obstruction, provided, however,
dip nets with an opening of not over 16
inches in diameter and having one-fourth
inch mesh only of non-metallic material
may be used by individuals for their own
use, but no minnows or bait may be taken
for commercial use.

VII. It shall be illegal to seine for or
otherwise take minnows or any bait from
lakes or bayous.

VIII. The following streams are closed
to the seining or taking of minnows or bait
in any manner:

ANTELOPE COUNTY—Verdigre creek
and all tributaries.

BOX BUTTE COUNTY—Niobrara river.

BROWN COUNTY—Long Pine creek;
Plum creek and all tributaries; Calamus
river; Goose creek.

CHASE COUNTY — Frenchman river
from Enders lake to Imperial Light Plant
lake.

CHERRY COUNTY—North Loup river
and all tributaries; Schlagel creek; Fair-
field creek; Cedar creeks; Snake river and
all tributaries; Plum creek and all tribu-
taries; Bear creek; Goose creek.

CUSTER COUNTY—South Loup river
above Arnold.

DAWES COUNTY—Chadron creek; Big
Bordeaux creek; Little Bordeaux creek;
Squaw creek; White river above Crawford;
Niobrara river, excluding Box Butte res-
ervoir, above Mirage Flats diversion dam
at Old Dunlap and all tributaries; Dead
Horse creek; Deep creek; White Clay creek;
West Ash creek; Dead Man creek.

DUNDY COUNTY—Buffalo creek; Rock
creek.

GARDEN COUNTY—Blue creek.

HITCHCOCK COUNTY — Republican
river from Swanson lake west to Stratton
bridge.

HOLT COUNTY—Steel creek; North
Branch of Verdigre; Middle Branch of Ver-
digre; South Branch of Verdigre; Brush
creek; Red Bird creek; Eagle creek; Big
Sandy creek.

HOOKER COUNTY—Dismal river and
all tributaries.

KEITH COUNTY—Otter creek; White
Tail creek; Lonergin creek and all tribu-
taries.

KIMBALL COUNTY—Lodgepole creek and all tributaries west of the West Kimball reservoir.

KNOX COUNTY—North, Middle and South Verdigre, and all tributaries above the town of Verdigre; Steel creek.

LINCOLN COUNTY—Hershey drains; No. 1 North Ditch, No. 2 Middle Ditch and No. 3 South Ditch.

LOGAN COUNTY—South Loup river.

MORRILL COUNTY—Cedar creek; Red Willow drain; Pumpkin creek and all tributaries; Plum creek; Wild Horse creek; Lyman drain; Miller drain; Myrtle Hill drain; North and South drain; Suhr drain; Silvernail drain.

ROCK COUNTY—Calamus river; Long Pine creek.

SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY—All streams and tributaries except the main channel of the North Platte river.

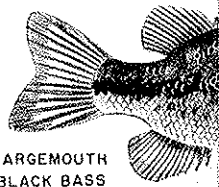
SHERIDAN COUNTY—Snake river; Larabee creek; Pine creek; White Clay creek; Deer creek; Little Bordeaux creek.

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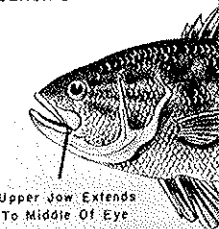
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WEBSTER COUNTY—Elm creek.

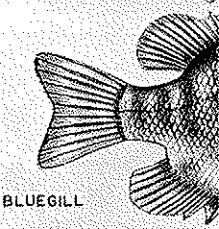
IX. Grove State Lake—on the South branch of Verdigre creek in Antelope county shall be closed to fishing until further change. The streams above the backwater shall be open to fishing.



LARGEMOUTH
BLACK BASS



Upper Jaw Extends
To Middle Of Eye



BLUEGILL

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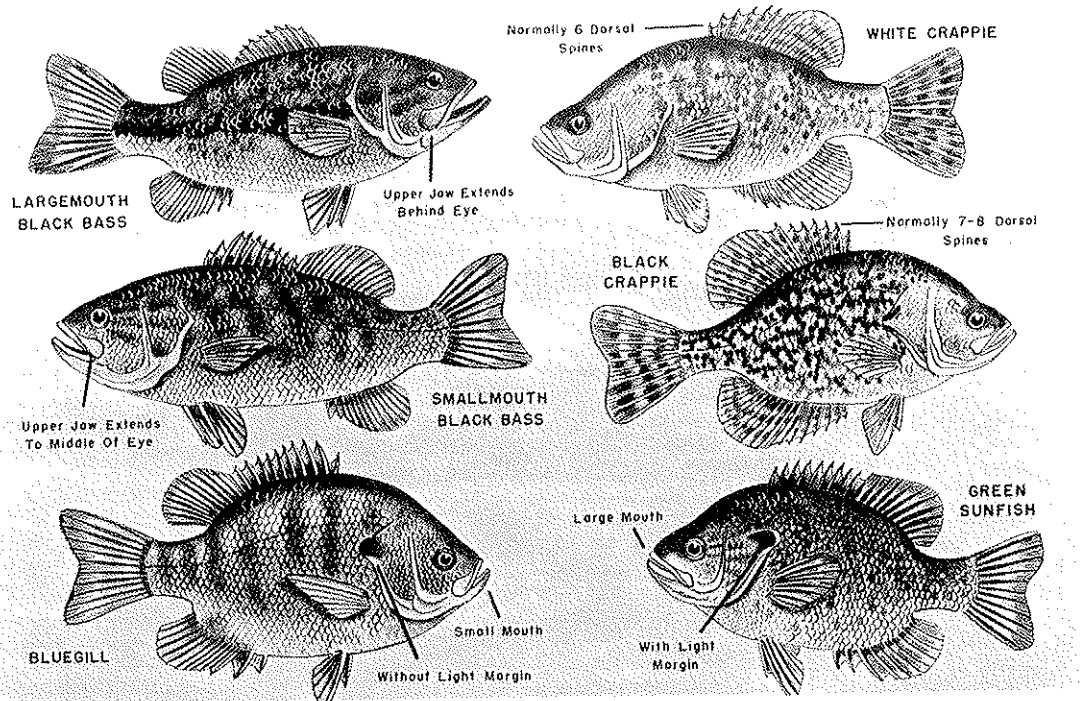
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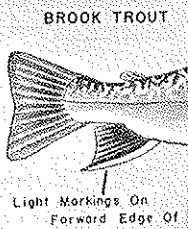
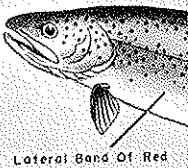
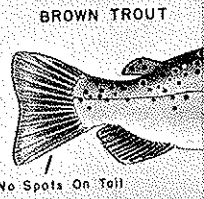
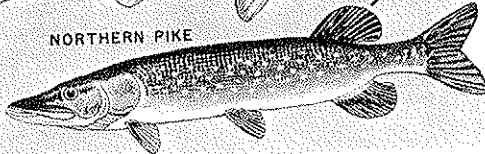
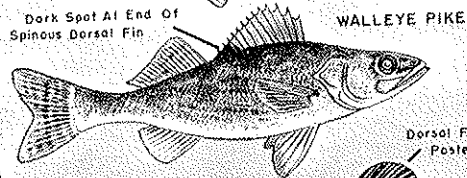
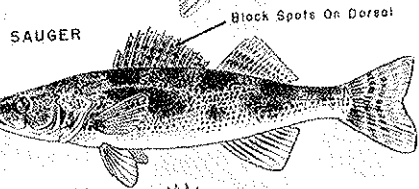
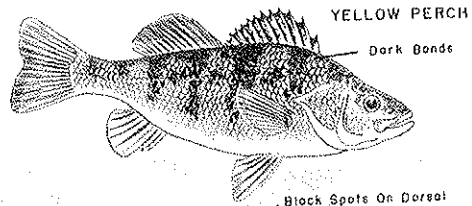
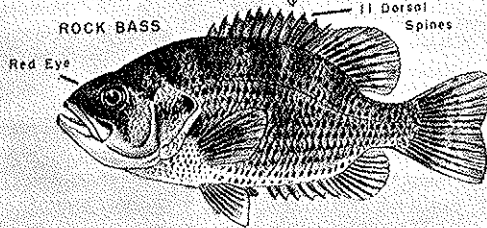
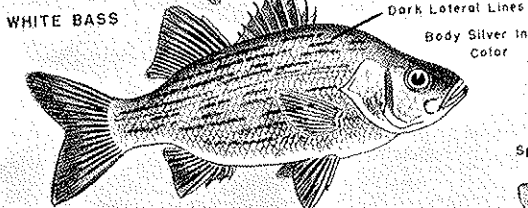
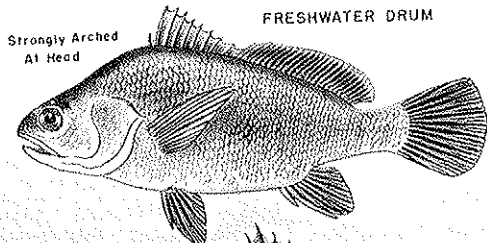
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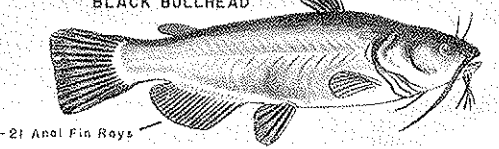
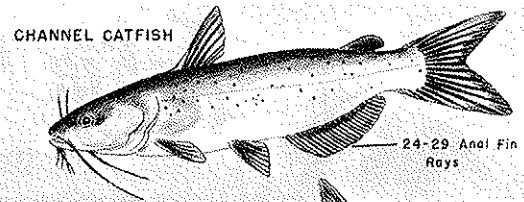
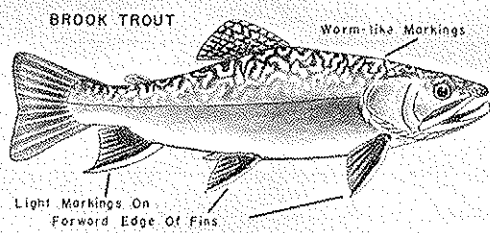
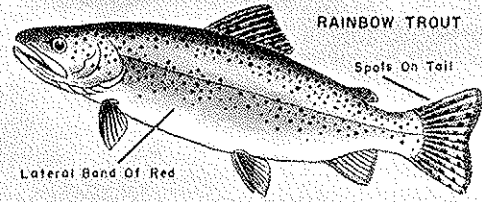
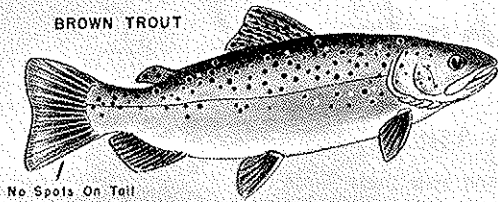
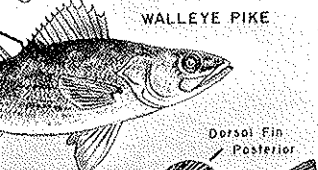
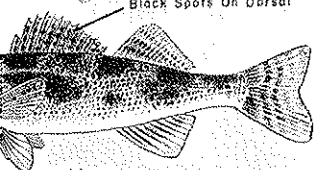
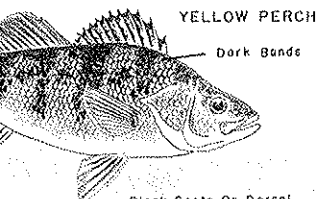
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