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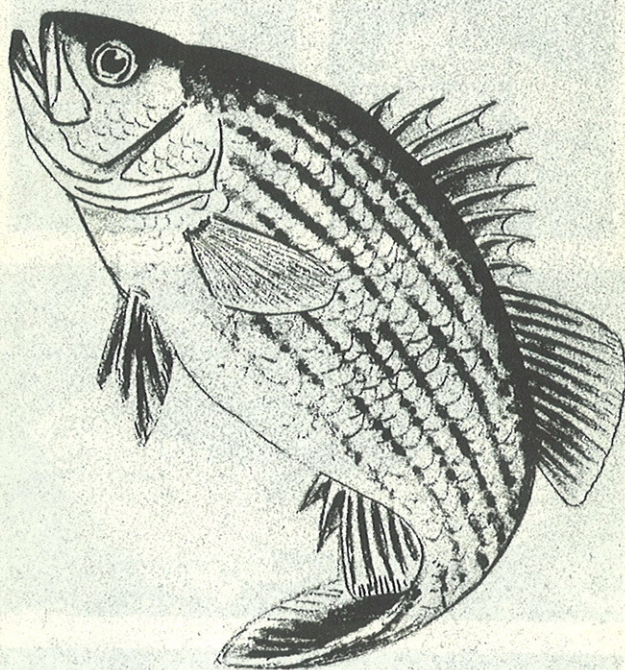
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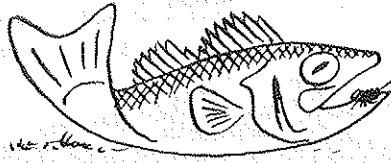
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STATE RECORDS



HOOK AND LINE	WEIGHT	RECORD HOLDER	WHERE AND WHEN
Largemouth Bass	9-14	Bill Latta, Lincoln	Sand pit near Louisville 6/16/59
Rock Bass	1- 4	Nate Crockett, Lincoln	Dewey Lake (Valentine Refuge) 8/4/65
Smallmouth Bass	3-15	George Ford, Madrid	Lake McConaughy 5/12/62
White Bass	4-15	Frederick Baldwin, Grand Island	Sand pit near Grand Island 1962
Bluegill	2- 8	Party of Walter Beckman, Carl Buck, Bill Adams, Ervin Krueger of Garland	Monroe power canal 1949
Crappie	3-15	Delmer Butler, Sidney	Lake McConaughy 4/29/62
Yellow Perch	1-12	Richard E. Scott, Mitchell	Sand pit near Mitchell 6/15/61
Sacramento Perch	1- 1	Howard Colburn, Valentine	Clear Lake (Valentine Refuge) 8/23/65
Walleye	16- 1	Don Hein, McCook	Lake McConaughy 6/13/59
Sauger (world record)	8- 5	Mrs. Betty Tepner, Plainview	Missouri River near Niobrara 10/22/61
Northern Pike	27- 8	Cletus Jacobsen, Big Springs	Lake McConaughy 7/14/62
Brook Trout	5- 1	Joe Gray, North Platte	Pawnee Springs (near North Platte) 11/3/65
Brown Trout	11- 4	L. B. Eby, Sidney	Lake McConaughy 1950
Rainbow Trout	12- 4	J. D. Wickard, Brule	Lake McConaughy
Bullhead	3- 8	Alfred E. Porter, Rushville	Smith Lake 7/28/63
Blue Catfish	76- 0	Orville Sudbeck, Hartington	Missouri River (Wynot) 3/16/65
Channel Catfish	31-12	Bob Nuquist, Broken Bow	Lake Ericson 1944
Yellow Catfish	59- 0	Ralph Adair, Macy	Missouri River 11/30/61
Buffalo	32- 0	L. Ashbaugh, Wilber	Blue River near Wilber 1944
Fresh-water Drum	23- 0	Robert D. Bennett, Omaha	Carter Lake 6/10/63
Carp	27-13	Phillip Dworak, Schuyler	Reinmiller Sand Pit (Schuyler) 5/30/65
Sturgeon	26- 0	Rev. Richard L. Jobman, Norfolk	Below Gavins Point Dam 11/21/60
Paddlefish	72- 0	Lyle Sawatzke, Crofton	Below Gavins Point Dam 7/6/61
BOW AND ARROW			
Largemouth Bass	6- 6	Robert A. Meek, Omaha	Rays Valley Lakes 5/9/65
Buffalo	35- 0	Leonard Woodrum, Garland	Linoma Beach (near Ashland) 5/19/64
Carp	36- 0	Mike Agosta, Omaha	Linoma Beach (near Ashland) 6/13/65
Gar	15- 8	Ron Meyers, Lincoln	Linoma Beach (near Ashland) 7/1/60
Rainbow Trout	6- 1	Jerry Edwards, Bridgeport	North Platte River (Bridgeport) 5/7/65
Walleye	3-15	Ronald Pettit, North Platte	Lake Maloney 7/7/65

IF YOU CATCH A RECORD FISH: Have the fish checked and weighed by a conservation officer or other Game Commission official, obtain his signature, and submit this statement and other pertinent information to the Information and Tourism Division, Nebraska Game Commission, State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509. If this is not possible the angler may submit a notarized affidavit signed by two witnesses, giving weight of the fish, where and when it was taken, girth, length, and other information to the agency mentioned previously. Photographs of the fish should be made where and when possible.

SPORT FISHING

Seasons

HOOK AND LINE—Open entire year throughout state except as noted in "Special Areas" section.

ARCHERY—Game and non-game fish may be taken with bow and arrow from April 1 to December 1, sunrise to sunset.

HAND SPEARING—Non-game fish only from April 1 to December 1, sunrise to sunset.

UNDERWATER POWERED SPEARFISHING: No Closed Season (See special regulations on Page 18 of this guide).

SNAGGING—October 1 to April 30 only in the Missouri River. All other waters of state are closed.

PERMITS

RESIDENT ANNUAL.....	\$3
NONRESIDENT ANNUAL.....	\$5
NONRESIDENT, FIVE DAYS.....	\$2
RESIDENT COMBINATION HUNTING-FISHING	\$6

RESIDENT FISHING PERMIT: Required of all residents 16 years of age or older.

NONRESIDENT FISHING PERMIT: Required of all persons who are not residents of Nebraska, except those under 16 years of age accompanied by a parent or guardian possessing a valid nonresident permit.

RESIDENT: A person who has resided in Nebraska continuously for at least 90 days and who has a bona fide intention of becoming a legal resident of this state. Members of the armed forces on active duty and officially stationed in Nebraska may purchase a resident fishing permit after residing 30 consecutive days in the state.

BOUNDARY WATERS: See permit requirements for persons fishing in any waters of Lewis and Clark Lake and the Missouri River under "Boundary Waters."

BAG LIMITS

Species	Daily Bag**	Possession***
Trout	7	7
Black Bass (includes largemouth, smallmouth and Kentucky Spotted Bass)	10	10
Channel Catfish.....	10	20
Flathead Catfish (mud or yellow and blue catfish in combination)	4	4
Walleye and Sauger (in combination)	8	16
Exception: In Lewis and Clark Lake and other water of Missouri River.....	16	16
Northern Pike	6	6
Paddlefish	2	4
Bait Minnows.....	100	100
Crappie, White Bass, Bullheads, Yellow Perch, Sacramento Perch, Fresh-water Drum, Sand Sturgeon, Rock Bass, Bluegill, Sunfish (includes green, orange-spotted, pumpkinseed, and redear) and all non-game fish.....	No Limit	No Limit

SPECIAL LIMITS—In the following state-owned lakes, the daily bag and possession limit on bullhead and carp is 10 fish in combination: All Two Rivers lakes, Douglas County; Niobrara Park Lake, Knox County; Lake No. 1A (NE) Louisville, Cass County; Dead Timber Lake, Dodge County; Hord Lake, Merrick County; Crystal Lake, Adams County; Memphis Lake, Saunders County; Victoria Springs Park Lake, Custer County; Fremont Lake No. 5, Dodge County; and on all other put-and-take lakes stocked by the Game Commission the bag and possession limit is 10 fish game or non-game. There is no open season on flathead (yellow) catfish in Burchard State Lake, Pawnee County.

BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS—Any fish caught that is not to be counted in the bag limit must be immediately released into the water with as little injury as possible. Any fish placed on a stringer, or in a container, or not returned immediately to the water, must be counted in the bag, except in Two Rivers Recreation Area Lake No. 5, where every fish caught must be counted in the angler's bag limit.

**DAILY BAG—Fish taken from midnight to midnight.

***POSSESSION LIMIT—Fish in a person's portable cooler, home freezer, registered in his name in a commercial cold storage locker, or in any other way under his control.

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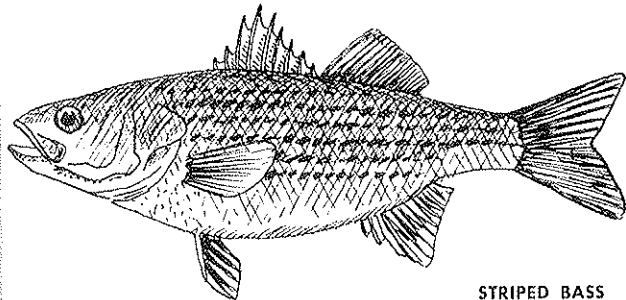
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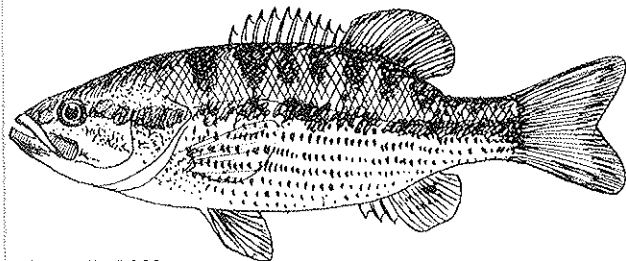
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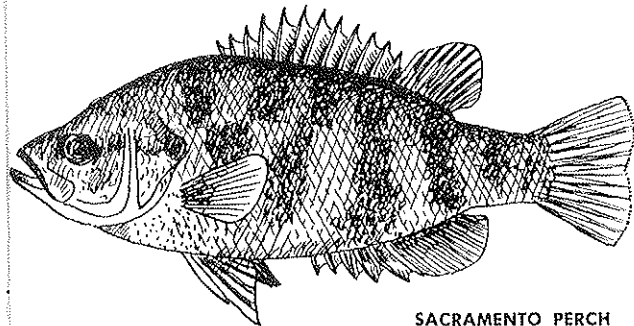
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STRIPED BASS



SPOTTED BASS



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NOTICE

THIS PUBLICATION IS INTENDED AS A GUIDE ONLY. FOR OFFICIAL LAW, SEE NEBRASKA CODE.

ARCHERY - SNAGGING



The taking of game and non-game fish with bow and arrow is permitted from April 1 to December 1, from sunrise to sunset.

Snagging of game and non-game fish is prohibited in all waters of the state except the Missouri River from October 1 to April 30.

Bag and possession limits are the same as those for hook and line anglers.

All arrows shall have barbed points.

Only the long bow, drawn by hand, may be used for bow and arrow fishing.

CLOSED WATER—Bow and arrow fishing and snagging are unlawful in "put and take" lakes stocked by the Game Commission, Two Rivers Recreation Area, DeSoto Bend Lake, and trout streams (see "Special Areas" section).

BULLFROGS



Season on bullfrogs is from July 1 to November 1.

Bag and possession limit is 12 bullfrogs per person.

Bullfrogs may be taken with a fishing permit only by hand, hand net, gig, or hook. A hunting permit is necessary to take bullfrogs with firearms or bow and arrow.

Artificial light may be used for taking bullfrogs.

HOOK AND LINE LIMITATIONS — No more than two lines with two hooks on each line are permitted in any lake, pond, or reservoir, or for one-half mile in their inlets, outlets, and canals. In stream and ice fishing no more than 5 hooks on a line or 15 hooks in the aggregate are allowed. One hook means a single, double, or treble-pointed hook. All hooks attached to an artificial bait or lure are counted as one hook provided no artificial bait or lure shall have more than 3 hooks thereon.

Size Limits

NORTHERN PIKE—24 inches only in that part of Nebraska east of U.S. Highway 81. This excludes the waters of the Missouri River and its oxbows.

ALL OTHER SPECIES—None.

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BAIT MINNOWS

RESTRICTED SPECIES — It is unlawful to sell, transport, or offer for bait any carp, carpsucker, buffalo, gar, goldfish, quillback, or bowfin, and it is unlawful to use any of these fish for bait except in the water from which they are taken.

EXPORTING — No minnows taken from Nebraska waters may be transported out of the state in any manner, except: (a) Minnows artificially propagated in man-made impoundments by licensed fish culturists, and (b) No more than 100 legally captured minnows exported by a resident for his personal use in fishing outside the state.

IMPORTING — No person may import live bait minnows for commercial purposes, or in excess of 100 minnows for any purpose, without first obtaining a "certificate of inspection" from his State Game and Fish Department which certifies the fish are free from disease and parasites. A copy of the certificate must accompany the shipment and the original must be sent to the Nebraska Game Commission not less than three days before the shipment is made, along with the time, date, and place the fish will enter Nebraska. It is unlawful to import or transport carp, carpsucker, buffalo, goldfish, quillback, gar, salamanders, or bowfin into the state for use as bait. A \$10 bait vendor's permit is required for a person to import and sell bait minnows.

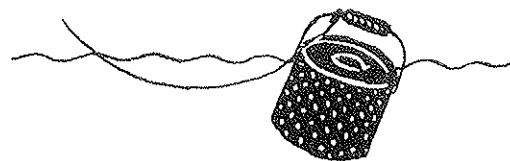
STATE AREAS — Digging and seining for bait or for any other purpose on all state-owned and controlled areas are prohibited.

NEMAHA RIVERS — The main channels of the Big and Little Nemaha rivers, including the north and south forks of both, and within one mile of the mouth of all tributaries, in Gage, Johnson, Lancaster, Nemaha, Otoe, Pawnee, and Richardson counties are closed to the taking of bait at all times.

GIZZARD SHAD — May be taken for use as bait by legal minnow dip nets in any number in lakes, ponds, reservoirs, and below dams and other artificial obstructions for a distance of 200 feet below such obstructions. Shad may be taken by legal minnow seine or dip net in any number in streams except those streams closed to the taking of minnows or bait by such methods.

TERRY'S AND CLEAR LAKES — The possession or use of live or dead minnows and the possession of any fish not taken from these waters is unlawful in Terry's Lake in Scotts Bluff County and Clear Lake in Brown County.

BELOW DAMS — The seining or capturing of minnows for commercial purposes for a distance of 200 yards below any dam, check, spillway, or other artificial obstruction is unlawful. This does not restrict individuals from using legal minnow dip nets in these areas to capture minnows for their own personal use.



CLOSED WATERS — Trout streams are closed to the taking of minnows or bait for any purpose (see "Special Areas" section).

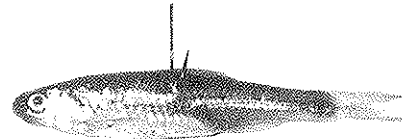
VALENTINE AND CRESCENT LAKE WILDLIFE REFUGE — Use of any live or dead minnows or fish and possession of any seine or net for capturing minnows is prohibited.

TWO RIVERS RECREATION AREA — Live or dead minnows or fish of any species are prohibited as bait in this area (see "Special Areas" section).

HOW TO HOOK A MINNOW

Most popular of all baits for game fish is the minnow. Effective ways to hook them are legion, but here are three of the most popular.

1. Under dorsal fin



2. To revolve bait, pass line through mouth and gill



3. Line is drawn through body by wire needle



SPECIAL AREAS



PLATTSMOUTH WATERFOWL MANAGEMENT AREA—This area is open to fishing from 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m., from April 15 through September 30 except when closed by the Commission by posting.

BURCHARD STATE LAKE—It is unlawful to fish in this Pawnee County lake during any waterfowl hunting season, except bank fishing from the face of the dam is permitted during this closed period as posted by signs on the area. It is unlawful to take flathead (mud or yellow) catfish from this lake until further notice.

VALENTINE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE—Fishing is permitted during daylight hours only in areas designated by the refuge manager by posting. Fishing is prohibited during duck hunting season and when posted. Use of any live or dead minnows or fish, possession of any seine or net for capturing minnows is prohibited. Overnight camping is not permitted on the refuge.

Fishing through the ice is permitted in all lakes opened by posting.

CRESCENT LAKE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE—Fishing is permitted during daylight hours only in areas designated by posting. Fishing is prohibited October 1 to December 1 and during migratory waterfowl hunting season and when posted. Use of any live or dead minnows or fish, possession of any seine or net for capturing minnows is prohibited.

NORTH PLATTE WILDLIFE REFUGE—Lakes in this Scotts Bluff County refuge are open to fishing from January 1 through September 30 or as designated by the refuge manager.

GEORGE'S LAKE—This Grant County lake is closed to all fishing. **TWO RIVERS RECREATION AREA**—The Platte River bordering this area and all lakes (except Nos. 3, 4, and 5) are closed to fishing during the waterfowl hunting season. Ice fishing is not permitted. Archery fishing, snagging, spearing, gigging, snaring, and baiting are prohibited in all lakes. Live or dead minnows or fish of any species are prohibited as bait.

Lake No. 5 is designated as a special trout lake, subject to the following additional regulations:

1. A daily trout fishing tag purchased for \$1.50 is required in addition to a regular Nebraska fishing permit.
2. Daily bag and possession limit—five trout.
3. Trout fishing will be permitted from April 1 to December 1, between sunrise and one-half hour after sunset, or as prescribed and posted by the Commission.
4. Each fisherman must wear the special trout tag on his person in a conspicuous place while fishing.
5. Use of more than one pole or rod and more than two hooks per person is prohibited.
6. Each fisherman shall report and show his catch at the administration building and return his tag each day when finished.

7. Each fisherman's regular permit will be held until his tag and catch report are returned.
8. Each fish caught shall be counted in the bag limit and no fish caught shall be released.
9. Each fisherman shall keep his fish on a separate stringer or container and under his control.

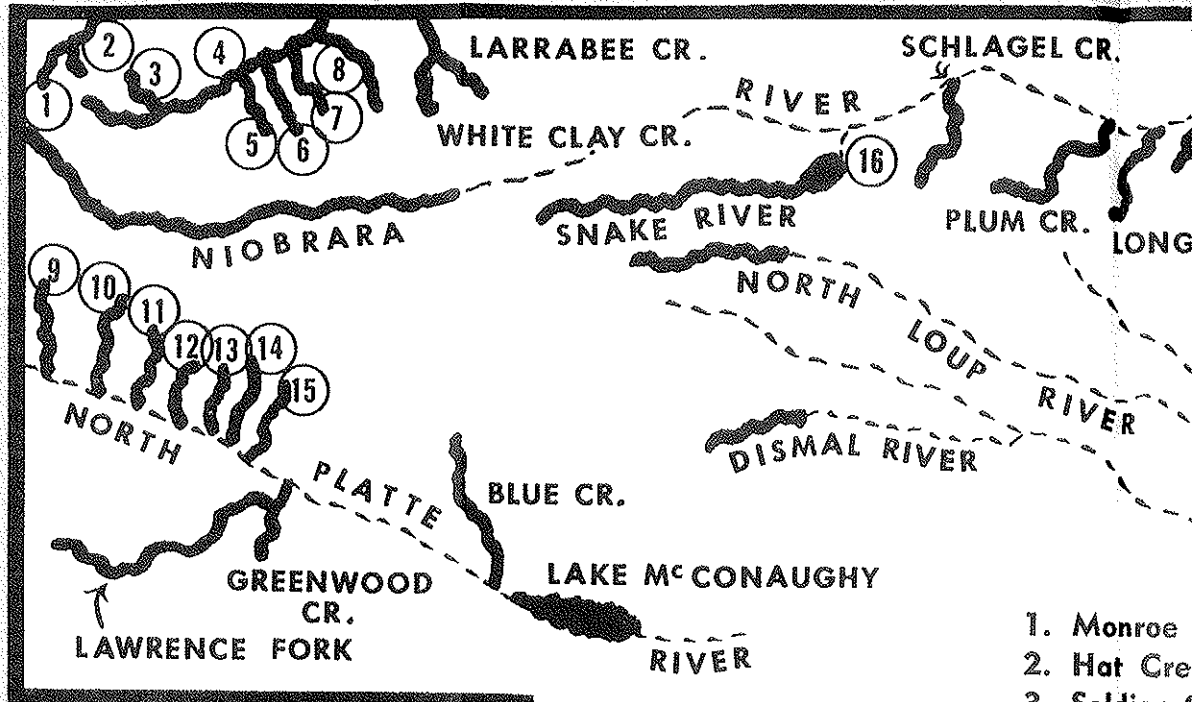
TROUT WATERS—It is unlawful to take or attempt to take game or non-game fish by bow and arrow and to seine or take or attempt to take bait or minnows in any manner in the following trout streams: ANTELOPE COUNTY, Verdigre Creek and all tributaries. BROWN COUNTY, Long Pine Creek, Plum Creek and all tributaries. BOX BUTTE COUNTY, Niobrara River. CHERRY COUNTY, North Loup River and all tributaries, Schlager Creek, Fairfield Creek, Snake River and all tributaries, Plum Creek and all tributaries. DAWES COUNTY, Chadron Creek, Big Bordeaux Creek, Little Bordeaux Creek, White River above Crawford, Niobrara River from Box Butte Reservoir west to the Wyoming line and all tributaries, Dead Horse Creek, and White Clay Creek. GARDEN COUNTY, Blue Creek. HOLT COUNTY, Steel Creek and North, Middle, and South branches of Verdigre Creek. HOOKER COUNTY, Dismal River and all tributaries. KEITH COUNTY, Otter Creek, White Tail Creek, and Longgin Creek and all tributaries. KIMBALL COUNTY, Lodgepole Creek and all tributaries west of the West Kimball Reservoir. KNOX COUNTY, North, Middle, and South Verdigras and all tributaries above the town of Verdigre, and Steel Creek. LINCOLN COUNTY, Hershey Drains. LOUP COUNTY, Gracie Creek. MORRILL COUNTY, all streams and tributaries except the channel or channels of the North Platte River. ROCK COUNTY, Long Pine Creek. SIOUX COUNTY, Sheep Creek Drain, Dry Sheep Creek Drain, Dry Spotted Tail Drain, Spotted Tail Drain, Niobrara River and all tributaries, White River and all tributaries, Monroe Creek, Sowbelly Creek, Hat Creek, and Squaw Creek. SCOTTS BLUFF COUNTY, all streams and tributaries except the channel or channels of the North Platte River. SHERIDAN COUNTY, Snake River, Larrabee Creek, White Clay Creek, Pine Creek, Deer Creek, and Little Bordeaux Creek. WEBSTER COUNTY, Elm Creek.



BOATING

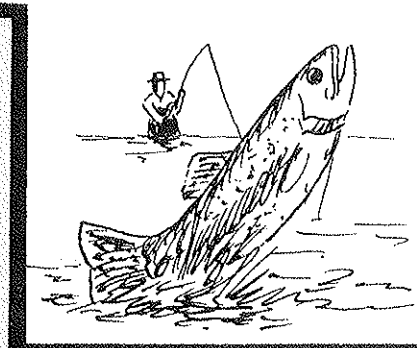


For complete information about boat registration, open waters, closed waters, restricted waters, safety regulations, required lighting, navigation rules, and special regulations for regattas, races, and water shows, consult the 1966 Guide to NEBRASKA Land Boating. These handbooks are available from most boat dealers, marinas, and all Game Commission offices.



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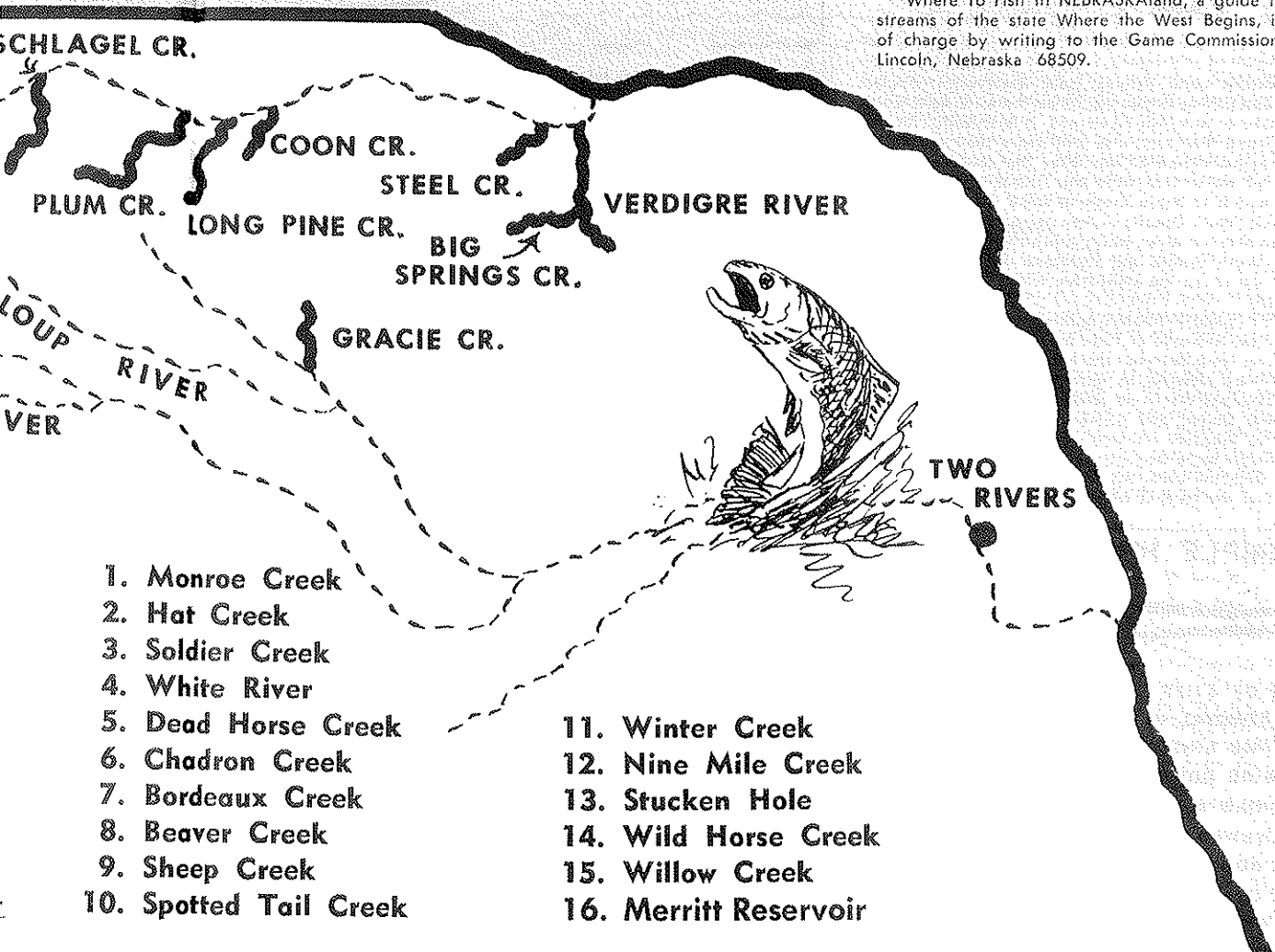
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WHERE TO FISH

Where To Fish In NEBRASKAland, a guide to the lakes and streams of the state Where the West Begins, is available free of charge by writing to the Game Commission, State Capitol, Lincoln, Nebraska 68509.



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| 1. Monroe Creek | 11. Winter Creek |
| 2. Hat Creek | 12. Nine Mile Creek |
| 3. Soldier Creek | 13. Stucken Hole |
| 4. White River | 14. Wild Horse Creek |
| 5. Dead Horse Creek | 15. Willow Creek |
| 6. Chadron Creek | 16. Merritt Reservoir |
| 7. Bordeaux Creek | |
| 8. Beaver Creek | |
| 9. Sheep Creek | |
| 10. Spotted Tail Creek | |

BOUNDARY WATERS

LEWIS AND CLARK LAKE (Gavins Point Reservoir)—Anglers must carry a valid fishing license issued by the state from which he enters the lake or to which he returns. It is unlawful for any person to use more than two lines with more than two hooks on each line in the waters of this lake. The Lewis and Clark Lake includes all water area from the Gavins Point Dam upstream to the mouth of Bazile Creek in Knox County.

MISSOURI RIVER (South Dakota)—Any person taking fish from that part of the Missouri River which constitutes the legal boundary between South Dakota and Nebraska must carry a valid fishing license issued by the state from which he enters or to which he returns.

MISSOURI RIVER (Iowa)—Anglers holding a valid sport fishing permit from either Nebraska or Iowa may fish in the waters of the Missouri River lying between the two states. "Waters of the Missouri River" are defined to include all oxbows, sloughs, chutes and backwaters that draw water from the Missouri River proper. Oxbows, chutes, and backwaters separated from the Missouri River by land are included only if the state boundary line passes through some part of such waters. Fishing may be from boats or from the bank. All fishermen shall conform with the regulations of the state in which they are licensed. Anglers

may transport fish taken from the "Waters of the Missouri River" through the neighboring state, provided they return to their home state by the most direct route.

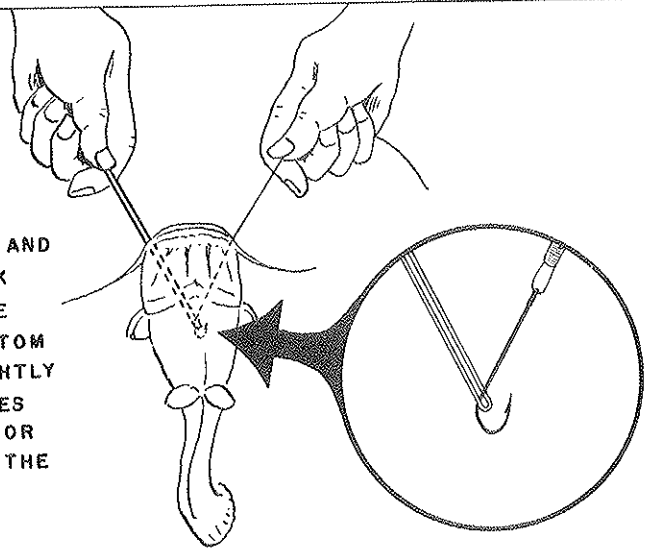
MISSOURI RIVER (Missouri)—Anglers holding a valid sport fishing permit from either Nebraska or Missouri may fish with hook and line, including personally attended jugs or floats, on the flowing portion of the Missouri River lying within the boundary of Nebraska or Missouri. In no case may the angler licensed in only one state fish in the tributaries, bayous, or backwaters of the Missouri River in the other state. Fishermen may not fish from nor attach any device or equipment to land under the jurisdiction of the state in which they are not licensed. Creel limits and methods of the state licensing the sport fisherman shall apply.

DE SOTO BEND LAKE—Fishing is permitted as posted from January 1 through February 28 during daylight hours, and from 4:30 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., from May 1 through September 15. A sports fishing license from either Nebraska or Iowa is required when fishing in this lake. No more than two lines with one hook on each line may be used. Trot lines, spears, and bow and arrows are not permitted. Daily bag limits and species permitted shall conform with the regulations of the state in which the fisherman is licensed.

A SIMPLE HOOK REMOVER



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POINTS TO REMEMBER

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BAIT—Digging or seining for bait or for any other purpose is prohibited on all state-owned or controlled areas.

STRINGER—Each fisherman shall keep his fish on a separate stringer or in a separate container and under his control.

OPEN AREA—The entire state except those areas closed by Commission regulations, federal, or state law, or city ordinance is open to fishing. Privately-owned waters are open to fishing, provided permission of the owner is first received, even if the area is not posted.

FISH STOCKING—It is unlawful for any person, except authorized Game Commission employees, to stock in any manner any live fish in any public waters of the state or to stock any non-game fish in any waters which overflow into or connect in any way to public waters except legal minnows used on fish hooks for fishing.

SCENTS—Anise oil or other scents that do not stun, kill, or harm fish are permitted.

FLOAT LINES—The name and address of the owner shall be on or attached to all floats when used for float line fishing. The use of glass floats on float lines is unlawful.

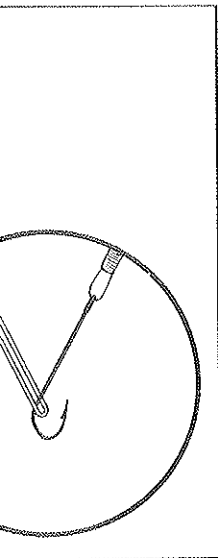
UNDERWATER POWERED SPEARFISHING:

All individuals spearfishing in any manner must have a valid Nebraska resident or nonresident fishing permit. There is no closed season for underwater powered spearfishing and there is no size, bag, or possession limits. Only buffalo, carp, gar, quillback, carpsucker, sucker, and shad may be taken underwater powered spearfishing. Game fish shall not be taken by hand spears or powered spears except as provided below under special permit.

Spear guns lawful for use include hand spears, rubberband-powered spear guns, and spring loaded spear guns. All spears used on powered spear guns shall be attached to a lanyard with a maximum length of 20 feet. It is unlawful to cock or discharge a powered spear gun while not submerged under water.

Underwater powered spearfishing is not permitted within 100 yards of any designated swimming or water ski area, boat dock, or ramp, dams, or spillway. The following lakes only are open to underwater powered spearfishing:

1. Privately-owned lakes with permission of the lake owner
2. McConaughy Reservoir, Keith County
3. Ogallala Lake, Keith County
4. Lake Minatare, Scotts Bluff County
5. Box Butte Reservoir, Dawes County
6. Lewis and Clark Lake
7. Harlan County Reservoir
8. Enders Reservoir, Chase County
9. Swanson Reservoir, Hitchcock County
10. Hugh Butler (Red Willow) Reservoir, Frontier County



11. Harry Strunk (Medicine Creek) Reservoir, Frontier County
12. Sutherland Reservoir, Lincoln County
13. Maloney Reservoir, Lincoln County
14. Jeffrey Canyon Reservoir, Lincoln County
15. Johnson Reservoir, Gosper and Dawson Counties.

The International Divers Flag—a red flag with a white diagonal running from the upper lefthand corner to the lower righthand corner—shall be displayed on the water on a float or buoy during any diving or underwater powered spearfishing. The International Divers Flag shall be displayed only while someone is diving and will indicate to boaters to proceed with caution in the area.

Upon written approval of the Director, specified game species and specified waters may be opened for a limited time to underwater powered spearfishing for special events, and for fish management purposes.

FISH NETS AND TRAPS:

The possession or use of any nets, traps, or other devices except the following is unlawful:

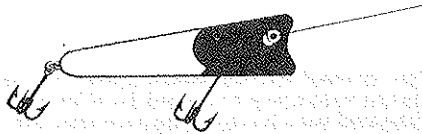
1. Minnow seines of one-fourth inch non-metallic square mesh only, and not over 20 feet long and 4 feet deep.
2. Minnow dip nets of one-fourth inch non-metallic square mesh.
3. Minnow and bait traps of one-fourth inch square mesh material with a length of 24 inches or less, a diameter 16 inches or less, and a throat 1½ inches or less in diameter. All minnow traps shall be raised and the minnows removed at least every 24 hours.
4. Landing nets, made of non-metallic mesh, used only for landing fish caught on hook and line.

IT'S UNLAWFUL . . .

- . . . to borrow or use the permit of another or to lend your permit to another.
- . . . to use glass floats on float lines.
- . . . to use more than 5 hooks on a line or more than 15 hooks on all lines while stream or ice fishing.
- . . . to use more than two lines with more than two hooks on each line while fishing in any lake, pond, or reservoir, or for one-half mile in their inlets, outlets, and canals.
- . . . to leave fish or any part thereof on the banks of any stream, lake, or other body of water.
- . . . to fish on any private land without the permission of the owner.
- . . . to use a cross bow or similar device.
- . . . to seine game fish of any size.
- . . . to dig or seine for bait or for any other purpose in state-owned or controlled areas.
- . . . to leave minnows in a minnow trap for more than 24 hours.
- . . . to use float lines without attaching your name and address.
- . . . to add your catch to another angler's stringer.
- . . . to dive without properly displaying the International Divers Flag.

Types of Lures

SURFACE



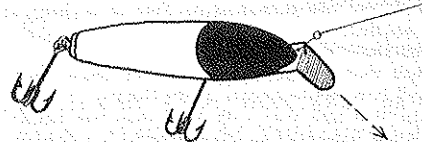
BEST FOR: Summer fishing in shallow water—bass, bluegill, crappie, northern, and also larger trout.

SUB-SURFACE



BEST FOR: Spring and fall fishing in bays, Sand Hills Lakes—walleye, black bass, northern, crappie, white bass, big trout.

GO-DEEPER



BEST FOR: year-round fishing for walleye, black and white bass, northern. Also good for trolling in big reservoirs.

DEEP-RUNNING



BEST FOR: warm weather fishing for crappie, bass, sauger, walleye, and some channel cat. Necessary in deep water.

RULES FOR NEBRASKA GAME COMMISSION'S MASTER ANGLER AWARD

1. No entry fee is required.
2. All fish must be taken from Nebraska waters.
3. Fish must be taken with pole and line, (snagged or bank line caught fish are not eligible) and fish must be hooked, played, and landed by the applicant for the award.
4. The fish must be weighed and measured by an employee of the Nebraska Game Commission or a Hunting and Fishing license vendor. Fish must be weighed on a state certified scale.
5. A side view photo of the fish is desirable but not mandatory.
6. Minimum weights eligible for the MASTER ANGLER AWARD are as follows:

	Pounds		Pounds		Pounds
Largemouth Bass	5	Perch	1	Sacramento	
Smallmouth Bass	3	Bullhead	2	Perch	1
Bluegill	1	Sturgeon	4	Goldeye	1 1/2
Crappie	2	White Bass	3	Buffalo	20
Channel Catfish	12	Walleye	8	Sucker	2
Flathead Catfish	25	Sauger	4	Rainbow	
Blue Catfish	50	Carp	15	Trout	5
Northern Pike	10	Chain		Brown Trout	5
Drum	5	Pickarel	3	Brook Trout	1

Application for MASTER ANGLER AWARD

Name: _____

Address: _____

Species of fish: _____

Length: _____ Girth: _____

When Caught: _____

Weight: _____ pounds and _____ ounces

Where caught: _____ (lake or stream)

_____ County, Nebraska

Lure or bait: _____

Where weighed: _____

Signature of Official
weighing and recording: _____

Mail To: Nebraska Game Commission, State Capitol,
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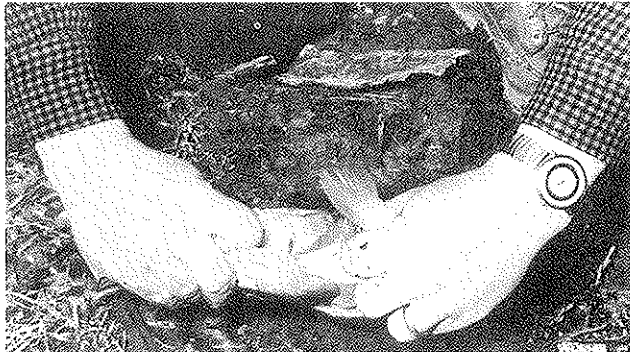
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FIELD DRESSING

The right time to dress a fish is when you pull him out of the water. Field-dressed fish taste better and retain their fresh appearance longer. Here are three methods of field-dressing:

- . . . A grass-lined creel, opposite, will help the fish cool properly and taste better. Line the creel with fresh leaves or grass. Split the belly of the fish, pull gills out with entrails, and the job is completed. Dip creel in water occasionally, but never put it on the ground and risk crawling insects. After every use, wash the creel to avoid fly eggs and maggots.
- . . . Fish, especially trout, deteriorate and decompose rapidly, so, if possible, kill the fish immediately and put them, unwashed and ungutted, into ice. If they are put on a slab of ice and covered with an insulation of sawdust, they'll last for several weeks.
- . . . If ice isn't available, clean the fish, sprinkle the flesh with salt and pepper, and wrap in several thicknesses of dampened woolen cloth or brown paper. Place in cold, damp earth, and the fish will last up to 48 hours.

GENERAL HINTS

- . . . The lighter the tackle, the more thrilling it is to catch a fish, and it is usually more productive on panfishes.
- . . . Always use a leader of some type when plugging or bait fishing with the nylon type of line.
- . . . When using corks while fishing, try to ease them into the water whenever possible.
- . . . A slow but frequent movement of the bait will catch more fish.
- . . . Take as many different baits with you as possible.
- . . . On windy days, fish the lee side of the lake, in calm water, or in deeper-than-usual water.
- . . . On lakes where there are lots of boats during the day, fish early in the morning, late in the evening, or at night.