2017 Colorado Fishing

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We’re looking for fishing photos! Email us pictures of you catching a line or with your catch for a chance to be featured in one of our brochures or online.

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REFERENCE

2017 Colorado Fishing REFERENCE
COLORADO FISHING ATLAS
VIMEO & YOUTUBE VIDEO CHANNELS

Online Features
Watch more Colorado Parks and Wildlife videos on our VIMEO & YOUTUBE VIDEO CHANNELS

CPW OFFICE LOCATIONS

cpw.state.co.us

ADMINISTRATION
1313 Sherman St, #618
Denver, 80203
303-297-1192

ONLY the offices below can assist hunters with animal checks and taking samples that are related to hunting activities. See the CPW website for a complete list of our parks locations that can also sell licenses, issue duplicate licenses and accept licenses for refunds.

BRUSH (closed until further notice)
122 E. Edition
Brush, 80723
970-842-6300

COLORADO SPRINGS
4255 S. Denver Road
Colorado Springs, 80907
719-227-5200

DENVER
6060 Broadway
Denver, 80216
303-291-1227

DURANGO
101 E. 16th St.
Durango, 81301
970-247-0855

FORT COLLINS
317 W Prospect Road
Fort Collins, 80526
970-472-3100

GLENWOOD SPRINGS
088 White Way
Glenwood Springs, 81641
970-947-2920

GUNNISON
300 W. Main St.
Gunnison, 81230
970-641-7600

HOT SULPHUR SPRINGS
346 Grand County Rd. 362
Hot Sulphur Springs, 80441
970-725-6200

LAMAR
2505 S. Main St.
Lamar, 81052
719-336-6900

MEEKER
74465 Hwy 94
Meeker, 81641
970-879-6900

MONTE VISTA
0722 S. Road 1 E.
Monte Vista, 81144
719-587-6900

MONTE VISTA
722 S. Road 1 E.
Monte Vista, 81144
719-587-6900

PUEBLO
600 Reservoir Road
Pueblo, 81005
970-561-5300

SALIDA
7405 Hwy 50
Salida, 81201
970-530-5320

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS
925 Weiss Dr.
Steamboat Springs, 80487
970-870-2197

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HABITAT STAMP INFORMATION

1. Anyone 18–64 MUST purchase a stamp in order to buy or apply for a hunting or fishing license (including preference points).
2. Stamps are $10 and are nonrefundable. Only one is required per person per year, valid April 1–March 31. A lifetime stamp is $300.25.

EXEMPTIONS:
Anyone with a free lifetime fishing license, a veteran's lifetime combination small-game hunting and fishing license, or those approved for the Big-Game Mobility Impaired Hunting Program are exempt. See cpw.state.co.us/fish/accessibility for details about those programs.

LICENSE FEES

ANNUAL LICENSES ARE VALID APRIL 1, 2017–MARCH 31, 2018

GET YOUR LICENSE:
» Online: cpw.state.co.us/fish/buyapply
» By phone: 1-800-244-5613
» In person: CPW offices, state parks, license agents

HABITAT STAMP

» 2017 Habitat Stamp (nonrefundable) .................................................. $10
Required for residents and nonresidents, ages 18–64. Add this to license fees below if you have not yet purchased a 2017 Habitat Stamp.

» Lifetime Habitat Stamp ................................................................. $300.25

LICENSES

RESIDENTS

» Adult annual (ages 16–63) .......................................................... $26
» Senior annual (64 and older) ..................................................... $1
For senior lifetime low-income licenses, see page 5.

» Small Game & Fishing combo .................................................... $41

NONRESIDENTS

» Annual .............................................................................................. $56
» Five-day ......................................................................................... $21

YOUTH

» Resident and nonresident younger than age 16 (second-rod charge still applies) .................. FREE

RESIDENTS & NONRESIDENTS

» Second-rod stamp ......................................................................... $5
One second-rod stamp per year is available to anyone who has purchased a fishing license and any youth under 16 (see page 5).

» One-day fishing ............................................................................. $9

» Additional-day fishing .................................................................. $5
Customers buying a one-day or additional-day license are exempt from the Habitat Stamp fee with the first two of these licenses. The habitat fee will be assessed when a third license of this type is purchased.

Prices include 25-cent search-and-rescue fee and 75-cent surcharge for the Wildlife Management Education Fund.

WHAT YOU NEED TO BUY A LICENSE

1. Current and valid photo ID
2. For residents, proof of residency (see page 5)
3. Habitat Stamp (see at left)
4. A Social Security number is required for new customers ages 16 and older (age 12 for a second-rod stamp)

Licenses are nontransferable. False statements made while buying a license render it void. Lost or destroyed licenses can be replaced by filling out an affidavit and paying a fee. See “License Requirements” on page 5.

SEASON DATES

Colorado waters are open to taking fish, amphibians and crustaceans day and night, year round, except if otherwise stated in the regulation section of this brochure. See pages 10–35.

FREE FISHING DAYS

Residents and nonresidents can fish without a license or Habitat Stamp on June 3–4, 2017. All other rules and regulations apply.
Are you catching our emails?
If not, you're missing out on fishing conditions, tips, news and upcoming events, as well as regulation updates.

1. PICK YOUR ROD & REEL
A close-faced spincast rod and reel are great for learning how to fish.

2. CHOOSE YOUR BAITS
Different species of fish have different appetites. Choose your bait based on what kind of fish are in the lake and what you are trying to catch. Look at the list of waters in this brochure for any additional bait restrictions.

3. GET YOUR GEAR ON
You need just a few basic items to get started fishing. The fun part is adding to your gear collection as you progress.

4. KNOW YOUR KNOT
There are lots of fishing knots. The Improved Clinch Knot is a good, basic knot to get you started.

5. PICK YOUR SPOT
Where should you go? You can find your perfect fishing hole by using the Colorado Fishing Atlas.

STATEWIDE BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS

- **Statewide Limits** – 35.

**How to Get Started Fishing**

1. **Pick Your Rod & Reel**
2. **Choose Your Baits**
3. **Get Your Gear On**
4. **Know Your Knot**
5. **Pick Your Spot**

**Reading the Limits Chart**

Statewide limits for species are listed on the chart to the right. Species not on this chart have no bag or possession limits or are restricted or illegal to take. See “Special Conditions and Restrictions,” page 6.

Some waters have more restrictive limits than what is listed on the chart. See “Special Regulations for Fishing Waters,” pages 10–13, for the area you plan to fish to learn more about specific waters. If a water is not on the list or no bag limit is specified, these statewide limits apply.

**Fishing in State Parks and National Parks**

Fishing is available at most of Colorado’s state parks. If you plan a fishing trip to these waters, check the CPW Park Finder for any additional entrance fees and restrictions that may apply where you’re going: cpw.state.co.us/parkfinder.

National parks also offer fishing opportunities around the state, but may have different bag limits and regulations. One example of this is at Rocky Mountain National Park.

**Putting It Together:**
- Line
- Swivel
- Sinker
- Hooks
- Baits

**Map:**

**Wiper/White Bass and Walleye/Sauger Bag Limits**

The map below outlines the general areas of the Arkansas and South Republican River drainages (green) and the South Platte and North Republican drainages (yellow). If you are fishing in these areas, the daily bag and possession limits are different for the two areas on the map. See the “Statewide Limits” chart at right for details.

**Daily Bag Limit**

Maximum number of fish you can take in a day, regardless of what you do with them that day.

- Fish caught and placed on a stringer, in a container or on ice will, if not returned to the same water immediately count in your daily bag or possession limit.
- Fish released immediately are not part of the limit.

**Possession Limit**

Maximum number of fish allowed at any time, including in the field, transporting, at home or in storage.

- Transporting live fish without proper permits is prohibited.
- Fish taken and later smoked, canned, frozen or preserved for consumption are part of the possession limit until consumed.

**Statewide Limits**

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<th>Type of Fish</th>
<th>Daily Bag Limit</th>
<th>Possession Limit</th>
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<tr>
<td>Trout, Arctic Char, Grayling, Salmon (except kokanee) in aggregate*</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>8</td>
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<td>Brook Trout 8 inches long or less (except kokanee)</td>
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<td>Kokanee Salmon angling, snagging or archery</td>
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<td>Walleye, Saugere, Sauger</td>
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<td>Bass, Largemouth, Smallmouth, Spotted</td>
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<td>Speckled Dace, Sculpin</td>
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<td>Crayfish (craylands), Bullheads</td>
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<td>Aquatic Tiger Salamander Larvae</td>
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*An aggregate means the limit may consist of one species or a mixed bag of more than one species.
## STATE RECORDS BY WEIGHT

### STATE RECORDS PROGRAM

Colorado’s original fishing record program, records by weight are tracked in 45 different species.

Potential record holders must have a valid Colorado fishing license or be younger than 16.

The fish must be weighed on a state-certified scale and a weight receipt must be signed by a person who witnessed the weighing. The fish, not frozen, gutted or altered in any way, must be examined and identified by a CPW biologist or wildlife manager, who will submit an application to the SportFish Program Manager in Denver.

Records for the longest and heaviest fish are maintained. Current statistics can be found on the CPW website at cpw.state.co.us/cpw/fish/records.

An award program is also offered for catch-and-release anglers. Go to cpw.state.co.us/cpw/fish/length/rewards.

### MEASURE YOUR CATCH

Measure your fish from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail. You may squeeze the tailfin together as shown in the blast (illustrated in the first picture below) to obtain a maximum length or you may use the tail fin down (seen as lake fish at bottom).

### LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

1. ADULTS — People 16 and older are required to buy a valid license if fishing with a line or with a legal amphibians and crustaceans, except as prohibited.

2. YOUTH — Those under 16 take a full bag and possession limits for some fish species. However, they must have a second-rod stamp if fishing with a second line.

3. SENIORS — Colorado residents 64 and older can obtain a senior fishing license from any area license agent or licensing facility, which is the $25 fee and a senior fishing license is the $75 fee and a Senior license, Colorado residents must have a second-rod stamp if fishing with a second line.

4. SECOND-ROD STAMP — Anglers can use a second-rod stamp to fish with a second rod. One stamp is allowed per season and is nontransferable. A second-rod stamp is not required when only using the designated limit bag or for the angler to be eligible for a Colorado resident second-rod stamp.

5. COMMERCIAL LICENSE — Licenses are required for fishing with a second line. A second-rod stamp does not entitle an angler to an ad-

### QUALIFYING SPECIES FOR CATCH & RELEASE

Some fish species are good where they belong, but in the wrong body of water they can ruin a fishery.

- Biological and scientific studies have supported stocking fish in some lakes because illegally introduced fish eat most or all of the stocked fish. This wastes your time and money.
- In the wrong place, some fish species change the whole ecosystem of the system, reducing the quality of fishing overall, and interfering with fish management.
- Unlimited bag and possession limits are often established in aid of management of species that were illegally stocked or are not desired.
- On waters that have no bag and possession limits on certain species, you are encouraged to keep those fish.

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### RESIDENCY QUALIFICATIONS

These are the requirements to qualify as a Colorado resident to buy a fishing or hunting license.

1. You must have lived in Colorado for at least six consecutive months immediately before applying for or buying a license, and must intend to make Colorado your home (except No. 3 and No. 4 below). The residence address you give to buy or apply for a license must be the same as on your Colorado income tax return. Licenses are valid only during Colorado residency.

2. A valid Colorado driver’s license or verifiable identifiable ID proof of residency if it was issued at least six months prior to purchasing a fishing license. If your ID or driver’s license was issued or renewed less than six months prior to purchasing a fishing license, you must provide documentation that proves you have been a Colorado resident for a minimum of six months immediately before applying for a license.

3. U.S. military personnel and military personnel of U.S. allies on active duty in Colorado under permanent orders and their dependents. This includes personnel who enter and leave Colorado when they entered the military and keep Colorado as their home of record, and their dependents (with Colorado as their home of record). Also included are personnel of the U.S. service’s diplomatic or scientific missions of national importance, including military and their dependents.

4. Full-time students enrolled and attending an accredited Colorado college, university or trade school at least six months prior to applying for or buying a hunting license.

5. Child residents of Colorado who are disabled veterans or Purple Heart recipients who can provide documented proof that shows an entitlement date 10 years ago or longer. Or, a Colorado Division of Workers’ Compensation Final Admission of Liability form indicating total and permanent disability.

6. If you have a home in Colorado and another state, call 913-297-1152 to make sure you comply with Colorado residency requirements before obtaining a hunting or fishing license.

7. Arm forces exemption — Colorado residents who are disabled veterans or Purple Heart recipients who can provide documented proof that shows an entitlement date 10 years ago or longer.

### DISABILITY LICENSES

You can obtain applications for disabled licenses on the CPW website or at CPW locations. Send them to 6060 Broadway, Denver, CO, 80216. Licenses are valid only during Colorado residency. These are the requirements for disabled licenses.

1. A. U.S. armed forces members, active or retired, who are noncompliant with child support.

2. Resident patients of a Veterans Affairs (VA) hospital or state mental institution or mental health institution.

3. Colorado residents who are totally and permanently disabled must provide either:

   a. Documented proof that shows an entitlement date for Social Security disability benefits that began seven years ago or longer.

   b. A physician’s letterhead.

   c. Or, a Colorado Division of Workers’ Compensation Final Admission of Liability indicating total and permanent disability.

   d. National Guard members who are disabled veterans are eligible as veterans.

   e. Full-time students enrolled and attending an accredited Colorado college, university or trade school in Colorado under permanent orders and their dependents. This includes personnel who entered and left Colorado when they entered the military and keep Colorado as their home of record, and their dependents (with Colorado as their home of record). Also included are personnel of the U.S. service’s diplomatic or scientific missions of national importance, including military and their dependents.

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THREATENED, ENDANGERED AND NONGAME SPECIES

If caught, these species must be returned to the water immediately. Except, taking greenback cutthroat trout is permitted in specific waterbodies as listed in this brochure.

9. ILLEGAL TO TAKE OR USE THE FOLLOWING:

a. Grass carp (black and mahseers), Asian swamp eel, green frog, bluegill, hybrid bluegills and yellow perch.

b. Bighead, giant barb, mrigal, largescale silver, rohu, perch, rusty crayfish, carp (silver, catla, Indian, snakeheads or murrels, stickleback, walking catfish, crappie, bluegill, hybrid bluegill and largemouth bass) when handled or produced at commercially licensed aquaculture facilities.

c. Baitfish collected under this provision may not be used for bait, or as food or feed for domestic or commercial purposes. Baits may be taken by fishing, archery, hand, gibs and nets. Artificial light is allowed. Salmonid eggs are prohibited from being taken by fishing, hand, traps, seines or nets.

10. EMERGENCY CLOSURE OF FISHING WATERS — Emergency closures of waters may be authorized for up to nine months when environmental conditions warrant and fishing could result in unacceptable levels of mortality. Notice will be given if waters are closed and notice will be posted at the site. Closures may occur when any of these criteria are met:

a. Daily minimum dissolved oxygen levels are below five parts per million (ppm).

b. Daily maximum water temperatures exceed 74º F, or the average daily temperature exceeds 72º F.

c. Measured stream flows are 25 percent or less of normal flow for the period.

11. MOLLUSKS — Mollusks such as clams, snails, mussels, oysters, scaphid amphipods, freshwater crabs, black and white tubeworms, and freshwater mussels must be returned to the water of origin.

12. PROHIBITED BAIT MATERIALS

a. Artificial baits such as night crawlers, min nows, shiners, fish eggs and traditional organic bait, are prohibited. No fish eggs and fish eggs and fish eggs with eggs attached must be returned to the water of origin.

b. Artificial light is allowed. Salmonid eggs are prohibited from being taken by fishing, hand, traps, seines or nets.

13. FISHING CONTESTS — Fishing contests cannot be advertised, promoted or conducted without CPW approval.

14. SE give notice to all anglers. Each line shall have only three baits or hooks attached.

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GOLD MEDAL WATERS
Gold Medal Waters are the highest quality cold-water habitats and have the capability to produce many quality-size (14 inches or longer) trout. These waters have established criteria and management guidelines to support the public interest in angling, observing and protecting these significant cold-water fishery resources.

GOLD MEDAL STREAMS
Animas River: From Lightner Creek to Rivers Crossing bridge.
Arkansas River: From the confluence with the Lake Fork of the Arkansas, north of Leadville, downstream to Parkdale at the Hwy. 50 bridge crossing above the Royal Gorge.
New! Blue River: From Dillon Reservoir dam to Hamilton Creek Road bridge.
New! Colorado River: From Fraser River to Troublesome Creek, and from Canyon Creek to Rock Creek.
Fryingpan River: From Ruedi Reservoir dam to the Roaring Fork River.
Gore Creek: From Red Sandstone Creek to Eagle River.
Gunnison River: From 200 yards downstream of Crystal Reservoir dam to the North Fork of the Gunnison.
North Platte River: From South boundary of Routt National Forest to Wyoming.
Rio Grande: From Hwy. 149, bridge at South Fork, downstream to Rio Grande canal diversion structure.
Wild Trout & Gold Medal Waters (cwp.state.co.us/fish/goldmedalwaternative_species.html)"},

MASTER ANGLER PROGRAM
The Master Angler Award Program recognizes anglers who catch fish of a specified size and promote conservation.

Attorney General - Colorado State University - 2017 Colorado Fishing Reference

DON’T LET INVASIVE SPECIES RUIN YOUR FAVORITE FISHING SPOT
Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS) are a significant and rapidly growing threat to Colorado’s fisheries and water supplies. ANS can cause economic and environmental harm to the extent possible to maintain healthy aquatic ecosystems and fisheries.

AQUATIC NUISIBLE SPECIES
Weed species and prevent new ANS from entering our state by following these guidelines:

1. Remove all plants, animals or mud and thoroughly wash boats, trailers, waders and shoes before entering a body of water.
2. Drain any item or tank that could hold water, including live wells, bait containers, bilge, ballast tanks, storage areas, engine cooling systems or any other place on boats or equipment that might hold water.
3. Allow boats, engines, boots and gear to dry completely before entering other water bodies.
4. If draining and drying are not possible, wash, treat boat and equipment carefully and completely with high-pressure hot water (140 degrees). Stop by the CPW office in Denver (6060 Broadway, Denver, CO 80216) Monday-Friday for a free professional ANS inspection or decontamination. Check the CPW website for hours of operation.
5. Don’t move or transport fish between water bodies. This can spread diseases and nuisance species.
6. Do not dispose of fish entrails or other byproducts into any body of water.

Attention Boaters
Anglers can hitchhike on boats and gear, bringing introduced into new waters accidentally. Inspect your boat and gear between uses and make sure it is clean, drained and dry. Colorado has a mandatory boat inspection program. Your boat must be inspected if:

1. The boat has been in any water that is positive for invasive species.
2. The boat has been in water outside of Colorado.
3. The boat will enter any water where invasive species inspections are required.
4. The boat is over 100 inspection stations in Colorado.

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Crayfish

*RUSTY CRAYFISH: AGGRESSIVE AND OPPORTUNISTIC
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To assure the continuation and vitality of wild self-sustaining trout populations in the state, CPW has established specific management guidelines for those aquatic habitats which support all life stages of trout.

Stay Out of Invasive Species
Learn how to help stop the spread of rusty crayfish at cwp.state.co.us/RustyCrayfish

Staying Out of Invasive Species

ABORTIVE FISH

From the Fryingpan River to the Colorado River.

From the confluence of the middle and upper sections to Spinning Mountain Reservoir inlet.
From Spinning Mountain Reservoir outlet to Eleven Mile Reservoir inlet.
From Cheesman Reservoir dam to the South boundary of the Wigwam Club property.
From the north boundary of Wigwam Club property to the north Shaw picnic ground.
From Middle fork, from the Hwy. 9 bridge to the south fork confluence.

North Delaney Butte Lake in Jackson County.
Spinney Mountain Reservoir in Park County.
Steamboat Lake in Routt County.

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Crayfish can be taken for personal consumption, but care should be taken with their use and disposal.

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Don’t throw unused bait crayfish, or bait of any kind, back in the water.

Live Transport Prohibited
FROM WATERS WEST OF THE CONTINENTAL DIVIDE All crayfish caught west of the Continental Divide must be immediately transported off the headwaters (the headwater from the thorax) and taken into possession, or immediately returned to the water from which they were taken.

At SANCHEZ RESERVOIR SWA
Rusty crayfish have been discovered at Sanchez Reservoir State Wildlife Area (SWA) in Lake County. The CPW is implementing a live crayfish eradication program to prevent its spread within and beyond this area. A CPW order prevents the transport of live crayfish from Sanchez Reservoir SWA.

More on Invasive Species: cwp.state.co.us/Invasive-Species

Don’t Let Invasive Species Ruin Your Favorite Fishing Spot
Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS) are a significant and rapidly growing threat to Colorado’s fisheries and water supplies. ANS can cause economic and environmental harm to the extent possible to maintain healthy aquatic ecosystems and fisheries.

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From Hwy. 149, bridge at South Fork, downstream to Rio Grande canal diversion structure.
From the Fryingpan River to the Colorado River.
From Middle fork, from the Hwy. 9 bridge to the south fork confluence.

Gold Medal Waters are the highest quality cold-water habitats and have the capability to produce many quality-size (14 inches or longer) trout. These waters have established criteria and management guidelines to support the public interest in angling, observing and protecting these significant cold-water fishery resources.

Gold Medal Waters are defined as any river or lake which is producing a standing stock of at least 60 pounds per acre, and at least 12 trout that are 14 inches or longer per acre on a sustained basis.

River segments designated as Gold Medal Trout Waters must average 2 miles in length and lakes must be a minimum of 50 acres.

The following lakes and streams in Colorado offer the greatest potential for trophy trout fishing:

Gold Medal Streams

Colorado Parks and Wildlife is the state agency responsible for fisheries management of public waters in Colorado.

The primary tool that guides fish management is the lake and stream survey. These surveys periodically monitor fish populations.

During the process, fish are collected using a variety of gear and the necessary biological data is recorded. This gauges the entire fish community rather than a single species.

The collected data is used to track fish population trends, evaluate the effectiveness of management actions such as stocking and regulations, and establish realistic management goals for a given lake or stream.

The fisheries section of CPW conducts hundreds of lake and stream surveys each year.

High-priority and broad waters such as Chatfield, Pueblo and Horsetooth reservoirs in the Guanella River are surveyed annually. Smaller, more remote, or lightly used lakes or streams may only be surveyed once every 5–10 years.

Most of the survey fieldwork takes place from early June through late September; however, many areas also conduct more specialized sampling beginning right after ice-out and again in the fall prior to freeze-up.

AQUATIC NUISIBLE SPECIES

Zebra mussels are just one example of aquatic nuisance species that can run fisherman.

More on Invasive Species: cwp.state.co.us/Invasive-Species

Invasive-Species Inspection Program. Your boat must be inspected if:

1. The boat has been in any water that is positive for invasive species.
2. The boat has been in water outside of Colorado.
3. The boat will enter any water where invasive species inspections are required.
4. The boat is over 100 inspection stations in Colorado.

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Learn how to help stop the spread of rusty crayfish at cwp.state.co.us/RustyCrayfish

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1. PREYING on all life stages of fish, amphibians and invertebrates and can eliminate other species of crayfish.
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THE FOLLOWING WATERS AND CPW PROPERTIES HAVE MORE RESTRICTIVE FISHING REGULATIONS THAN STANDARD BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS, manner of take, fishing hours, etc. If a specific water doesn’t appear in this list, statewide regulations (page 3) apply. SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR FISHING WATERS

**ANTERO RESERVOIR - PARK**

1. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.
3. Rainbow trout and cutbow must be returned to water immediately.

**ARKANSAS RIVER - CHAFFEE, LAKE**

1. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.
3. Rainbow trout and cutbow must be returned to water immediately.

**BEAR CREEK - ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK**

1. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.

**COCHRANE CREEK**

1. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.

**ROMAINE CREEK**

1. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.

**ROSE AVE., LAKE**

1. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.

**SPRING CREEK**

1. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.

**TWIN TOWERS - ARAPAHOE**

1. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.

**WIND RIVER**

1. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.
**Blue Mesa Reservoir - Gunnison**
1. Ice-fishing shelters must be portable.
2. No bag or possession limit for lake trout.
3. Only 1 lake trout longer than 32 inches may be taken per day.
5. Bag limit for kokanee is 5.
6. Possession limit for kokanee is 10.

**Blue River - Grand, Summit**

**Map Page 12**

**Gold Medal Waters from Dillon Reservoir Dam to Grand Lake**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.

**From the North Inlet at Summit CR 3**

1. From the headwaters downstream to Clear Creek River: Fishing prohibited.
3. North side of I-70 bridge downstream to the trail and up to 50 feet from the water line: Fishing is by artificial flies and lures only.
4. The South Platte River and all ponds bounded by the trail and up to 50 feet from the water line: Fishing prohibited one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise.

**Burges Creek - Garfield**

**Map Page 23**

1. Bag limit for whitefish is 4.
2. Possession limit for whitefish is 8.

**Button Rock (Alpaka Rock) Price Reservoir - Boulder**

1. Artificial flies and lures only. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2. Fishing prohibited Nov. 1–April 30.
2. Additional permit from city of Longmont required. Call 303-651-8689 for details.

**Canyon Creek - Garfield**

**Map Page 22**

1. From Trappers Lake upstream for 0.5 of a mile: Fishing prohibited.

**Cerro Summit (Montrose) Reservoir - Montrose**

1. Fishing prohibited from dam and within 100 feet of dam or walleye spawning nets March 15–April 15, or until walleye spawning operations are completed.

**Cheesman Reservoir - Douglas, Jefferson**

**Map Page 28**

1. Fishing prohibited Oct. 1–April 30
2. Fishing prohibited one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise.
3. Fishing prohibited on dam and around reservoir as posted.
4. Ice fishing prohibited.

**Cherry Creek Reservoir - Arapahoe**

1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.
2. Bag and min. size for walleye is 3, 18 inches long.
3. Only 1 walleye longer than 21 inches may be taken per day.
4. Fishing prohibited from dam and within 100 ft. of dam or walleye spawning nets March 15–April 15, or until walleye spawning operations are complete.

**Cheyenne Creek, North - El Paso**

Teller from the headwaters downstream to Gold Camp Road: Fishing prohibited.

**Cimarron River - Montrose**


**Clear Creek - Chaffee**

**Map Page 31**

1. From the gauging station (approximately 0.3 of a mile above Clear Creek Reservoir) downstream to Clear Creek Reservoir: Fishing prohibited.

**Cerro Summit (Montrose) Reservoir - Montrose County**

1. Fishing is prohibited from December 1–February 28.
2. Fishing is prohibited for artificial flies and lures only.
3. All fish must be returned to the water immediately upon catch.
4. Ice fishing is prohibited.

**Cascadel Kreek - Cones**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

**Cascade Creek - Huerfano**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

**Chalk Creek - Chaffee**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.

**Chartier Pond - Morgan**

1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.

**Chatfield Reservoir and Chatfield State Park - Douglas, Jefferson**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

**Cline Ranch State Wildlife Area - Park**

(See Tarryall Creek on page 31 for more information.)

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

**Cochan Creek - North and South Forks - Rio Grande**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

**Collins Reservoir - Prowers**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

**Copper River - Lake County**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.

**Coyne Reservoir - Lake County**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.

**Colorado River**

1. Fishing prohibited.

**Creede Reservoir - Chaffee**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

**Creek Reservoir - Chaffee**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

**Crestone Reservoir - Costilla**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

**Crested Butte Reservoir - Gunnison**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

**Crested Butte Reservoir Dam to Grand Lake**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

**Crawford Reservoir - Lake County**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

**Creekside Reservoir - Fremont**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

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1. Artifical flies and lures only.
2. Bag, possession and min. size for trout is 2, 16 inches long.

Conejos River, Lake Fork - Conejos
From the headwaters including Big Lake, Downstream to Rod and Including Rock Lake and its Outlet:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

Connected Lake - Mesa
1. Bag, possession and min. size for largemouth bass is 2, 18 inches long.

Cooper Lake - Hilsdale
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

Cornelius Creek - Lamir
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

Corral Creek - San Juan
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

Middle Colorado and Eagle Rivers

Regulations

Statewide regulations apply to all waters except:

1. Bag, and possession limit for trout is 2.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.

From the Confluence with the Williams Fork River downstream to the State Line:
1. No bag or possession limit for channel catfish, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, northern pike, walleye, green sunfish, bluegill, bullhead, yellow perch or crappie.
2. Fishing prohibited Sept. 1 - Nov. 30, is in season and upstream 3/4 mile.

Lake Regulations

Statewide regulations apply to all waters except:

1. Bag, and possession limit for trout is 2.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.

From the Confluence with Troublesome Creek downstream to the upper boundary of Aspen Glade campground:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag, possession and min. size for trout is 2, 16 inches long.

From Menkenhaven Resort downstream to the upper boundary of Aspen Glade campground:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag, possession and min. size for trout is 2, 16 inches long.

From the Confluence with Troublesome Creek downstream to the upper boundary of Aspen Glade campground:
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Cutthroat trout © CPW

CUTTHROAT TROUT: HOLDING ON TO A LEGACY

The rugged topography of the Rocky Mountain West has allowed stream isolation and, in turn, the evolution of 14 recognized subspecies of cutthroat trout, making it the most diverse and wide-ranging trout species in North America. The greenback, Colorado River and Rio Grande cutthroat trout still call Colorado home, but all three have endured dramatic reductions in their native ranges, primarily due to the introduction of non-native trout. Rainbow trout hybridize with native cutthroat trout, while brook and brown trout tend to replace them in streams and rivers where they occur together.

All three cutthroat trout subspecies are either currently listed or have been petitioned to be listed under the Endangered Species Act as a result. In an effort to preserve the legacy of these prized game fish, multiagency conservation teams have been established for each subspecies. Aquatic biologists on these teams use a variety of conservation measures to reclaim historic habitats and establish new populations.

PROTECTED CUTTHROAT WATERS Various cutthroat waters, specifically those considered Cutthroat Conservation and Recreation Waters, are protected throughout the state. In these waters, fishing is allowed by artificial flies and lures only, and all cutthroat trout must be returned to the water immediately upon catch. These restrictions protect the growing number of cutthroat trout streams and lakes that are being included in conservation and recovery efforts.

DIXON LAKE - LAURIER
1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.

DOLORES RIVER - DOLORES, MESA, MONTEZUMA, MONTROSE, SAN MIGUEL
FROM CONFLUENCE WITH WEST FORK OF THE DOLORES RIVER DOWNSTREAM TO THE STANDING WATER LINE OF MCPHEE RESERVOIR:
1. Taking kokanee prohibited except Nov. 15–Dec. 31 when snagging permitted.

FROM MCPHEE DAM DOWNSTREAM APPROXIMATELY 11 MILES TO THE BRADFIELD BRIDGE:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.

FROM MCPHEE DAM DOWNSTREAM TO THE STATE LINE:
1. No bag or possession limit for channel catfish, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, northern pike, walleye, green sunfish, bluegill, bullhead, yellow perch or crappie.

FROM THE BRADFIELD BRIDGE DOWNSTREAM TO THE STATE LINE:
1. No bag or possession limit for brown trout.

DOTT PARK LAKE - MORGAN
1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.

DOUG CREEK - MONTROSE
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

DUKE LAKE - MESA
MAP PAGE 12
1. Bag, possession and min. size for largemouth bass is 2, 18 inches long.

EAGLE RIVER - EAGLE
MAP PAGE 14
FROM THE CONFLUENCE OF THE EAST FORK AND THE SOUTH FORK DOWNSTREAM TO THE CONFLUENCE WITH THE COLORADO RIVER:
1. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

CONEJOS AND ALAMOSA RIVER DRAINAGES

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ELK RIVER - ROUTT
1. Bag limit for whitefish is 4.
2. Possession limit for whitefish is 8.

ELK RIVER (NORTH, SOUTH, AND MIDDLE FORKS) - ROUTT
1. Bag limit for whitefish is 4.
2. Possession limit for whitefish is 8.

ELKHEAD RESERVOIR - MOFFAT, ROUTT
1. Bag and possession limit for crappie is 10.
2. Bag, possession and min. size for largemouth bass is 2. 15 inches long.

EMERALD LAKES (BIG AND LITTLE) - HINSDALE
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag, possession and max. size for trout is 2, 14 inches long.

IN THE LAKE CREEK INLET FOR 0.5 OF A MILE ABOVE BIG EMERALD LAKE:

ERIE LAKE - BOULDER
1. All largemouth and smallmouth must be released to water immediately.

EVANS CITY LAKE (RIVERSIDE PARK) - WELD
1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.

FALL CREEK - MINERAL
FROM THE HEADWATERS DOWNSTREAM TO WOLF CREEK:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Catfish must be returned to water immediately.

FALL CREEK - SAN MIGUEL
FROM THE HEADWATERS DOWNSTREAM TO WOODS LAKE:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Catfish must be returned to water immediately.

FAWN CREEK - RIO BLANCO
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Catfish must be returned to water immediately.

FISH CREEK - ROUTT
1. Bag limit for whitefish is 4.
2. Possession limit for whitefish is 8.

FLORIDA RIVER - LA PLATA
FROM THE HEADWATERS DOWNSTREAM TO LEMON RESERVOIR:

FROM THE U.S. 160 BRIDGE EAST OF DURANGO DOWNSTREAM TO THE CONFLUENCE WITH THE ANIMAS RIVER:
1. No bag or possession limit for channel catfish, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, northern pike, walleye, green sunfish, bluegill, bullhead, yellow perch or crappie.

FORBES PARK LAKE - COSTILLA
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.

FORT MORGAN PONDS - MORGAN
1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.

FOURMILE CREEK - GARFIELD
1. Walleye limit, minimum 18 inches; 20 yellow perch limit

JUNIATA RESERVOIR
1. Fly/lure only; All cutthroat must be released

PARACHUTE CREEK
1. Fly/lure only; 2 trout limit, minimum 16 inches

TAYLOR RIVER:
FROM THE UPSTREAM PROPERTY BOUNDARY:
1. Bag, possession and max. size for trout is 2, 12 inches long.
3. Taking kokanee prohibited.

FROM ROARING JUDY HATCHERY OUTLET DOWNSTREAM TO SOUTHERN ROARING JUDY SFU BOUNDARY:

ECHO CANYON RESERVOIR - ARCHULETA
1. Largemouth bass 12–15 inches long must be released.
3. No bag or possession limit on yellow perch

ELK RIVER - GUNNISON
FROM THE UPSTREAM PROPERTY BOUNDARY AT THE ROARING JUDY FISH HATCHERY DOWNSTREAM TO CONFLUENCE WITH THE TAYLOR RIVER:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag, possession and max. size for trout is 2, 12 inches long.
3. Taking kokanee prohibited.

ELAINE T. VALENTE OPEN SPACE LAKES, NORTH LAKE - ADAMS
1. Artificial flies and lures only. Scented flies or lures may be used if longer than 1.5 inches; Largemouth bass between 12 and 15 inches must be released; Only 2 largemouth bass greater than 15 inches allowed

ELEVEN MILE RESERVOIR - PARK
1. Ice-fishing shelters must be portable.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 4. Only 2 may be longer than 16 inches.
3. No bag or possession limit on yellow perch

ELK CREEK - SAN MIGUEL
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Catfish must be returned to water immediately.

FAWN CREEK - RIO BLANCO
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Catfish must be returned to water immediately.

Thank you. Your hunting and fishing licenses pay to protect Colorado habitat.

HUG AN ANGLER
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

Gunnison Reservoir, Lake Reservoir.
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

MAP: PAGE 14
1. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

Hahn Creek - Rio Blanco
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

Hallebeck (Purdy Mesa) Reservoir - Mesa
1. Artificial flies and lures only. Scaled flies or lures must be 1.5 inches or longer.
2. Largemouth bass 12–15 inches long must be returned to water immediately.

No more than 2 largemouth bass in any bag and possession limit can be longer than 15 inches.

Hamilton Creek - Grand
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

Hang Lake - Garfield
1. Fishing prohibited.

Harvey Gap Reservoir - Garfield
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

HIDDEN LAKES - LAKE
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

HORSESHOE RESERVOIR - Huerfano
1. Min. size for largemouth, smallmouth bass is 12 inches long.
2. Fishing prohibited in inlet area as posted March 15–May 31.

HORSETOOTH RESERVOIR - Larimer
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

HUNDTOWN POND - Weld
1. Bag, possession limit and min. size for largemouth bass is 15 inches long.

HUNTY LAKE - Chaffee
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

HURON LAKE - Lake Co.
1. Bag, possession limit and min. size for largemouth bass is 15 inches long.
2. Fishing prohibited in outlet ditch below dam.

HURON LAKE RESERVOIR - Huerfano
1. Min. size for largemouth, smallmouth and spotless bass is 15 inches long.
3. Bag, possession limit and min. size for trout is 2.

HURON LAKE - Lake Co.
1. Bag, possession limit and min. size for largemouth bass is 15 inches long.
2. Fishing prohibited in outlet ditch below dam.

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JERRY CREEK RESERVOIRS NO. 1 AND 2 - MESA PAGE 19
1. Artificial flies and lures only. Scented flies or lures must be 1.5 inches or longer.
2. All fish must be returned to the water immediately.
3. Float tubes with chest-high waders permitted.

JIM CREEK - CONJOYS PAGE 17
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Catch must be returned to water immediately.

JOE WRIGHT RESERVOIR - LARIMER PAGE 24
FROM THE CONFLUENCE WITH JOE WRIGHT RESERVOIR UPSTREAM TO COLON: 1. Artificial flies and lures only.

JOHN MARTIN RESERVOIR - BENT PAGE 24
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Catch must be returned to water immediately.

JUNIATA RESERVOIR - MESA PAGE 25
1. Artificial flies and lures only.

KETNER LAKE - JEFFERSON PAGE 17
1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.

LAMARRIE RIVER - LARIMER PAGE 17
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

LAKE JOHN - JACKSON PAGE 17
1. Bag and possession limit for trout is 4.

LAKE MESA RESERVOIR - MESA PAGE 19
1. Bag and possession limit for channel catfish, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, northern pike, walleye, green sunfish, blue-gill, bullhead, yellow perch or crappie.
2. Catch must be returned to water immediately.

LAKE TAYLOR - GILPIN PAGE 17
1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.

LAKE TAYLOR - NORTHERN PAGE 17
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LARIMER STATE WILDLIFE AREAS PAGE 17
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Catch must be returned to water immediately.

LONE PINE CREEK - LARIMER PAGE 24
1. Artiﬁcial ﬂies and lures only.

LONGMONT RESERVOIR - BERN PAGE 25

LOS PINOS CREEK - SAGUACHE PAGE 24
1. Artificial flies and lures only.

LONGHORN STATE WILDLIFE AREA PAGE 17
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

LON HAGLER RESERVOIR - LARIMER PAGE 24
1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.

MADDONI LAKE - GARFIELD PAGE 24
1. Bag and possession limit for lake trout is 2.

MAIN CREEK PAGE 19
1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.

MARGARET RESERVOIR - CONTOUR PAGE 25
1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.

MARK MEADOWS FISH HATCHERY PAGE 19
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Catch must be returned to water immediately.

MEADOW CREEK - EAGLE PAGE 19
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Catch must be returned to water immediately.

MEADOW CREEK - MIDDLE CREEK PAGE 17
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2. Catch must be returned to water immediately.

MEADOW CREEK, EAST - SAGUACHE PAGE 24
1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.

MEADOWS LAKE: FROM THE HEADWATERS DOWNSTREAM TO THE STATE LINE: PAGE 17
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2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

MEADOWS LAKE: FROM THE MEADOWS LAKE INLET UPSTREAM TO 0.5 MILE: PAGE 17
1. Artificial flies and lures only.

MEADOWS LAKE: FROM THE SPRINGS FISH HATCHERY TO THE MEADOWS LAKE INLET: PAGE 24
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Catch must be returned to water immediately.

MEADOWS LAKE: FROM THE WINDERMERE WILDERNESS BOUNDARY: PAGE 27
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NAVAJO RESERVOIR - ARCHULETA
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

NAVAJO RIVER - ARCHULETA, CONEJOS FROM THE HEADWATERS DOWNSTREAM TO BRIDAL VEIL FALLS:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

FROM THE U.S. DIVERSION DAM DOWNSTREAM TO THE STATE LINE:
1. No bag or possession limit for channel catfish, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, northern pike, walleye, green sunfish, bluegill, bullhead, yellow perch or crappie.

NEE GRONDA RESERVOIR - KIOWA
NOTE: At publication, this reservoir is dry.
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

NEE NOSE RESERVOIR - KIOWA
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

NEE SO PAH RESERVOIR (SWEETWATER AND JET) - KIOWA
NOTE: At publication, this reservoir is dry.
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

NEWLIN CREEK - CLUSTER, FREMONT FROM THE HEADWATERS DOWNSTREAM TO THE USFS BOUNDARY:
1. Fishing prohibited.

NICKELSON CREEK - PITKIN
MAP PAGE 27
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

NO NAME CREEK - GARFIELD
MAP PAGE 27
FROM THE CONFLUENCE WITH THE COLORADO RIVER UPSTREAM FOR 0.5 MILE:

NOLAN CREEK - EAGLE
MAP PAGE 14
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

NORTH LAKE STATE WILDLIFE AREA - LAS ANIMAS
1. Artificial flies and lures only.

NORTH PLATTE RIVER - JACKSON WITHIN BROWNLEE II OR VERNER STATE WILDLIFE AREAS:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

NORTH PLATTE RIVER, NORTH FORK - JACKSON
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

NORTH SHIELDS PONDS - LARIMER
1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.

NORTH STERLING RESERVOIR - LOGAN
1. Min. size for largemouth bass is 15 inches long.
2. Min. size for smallmouth bass is 12 inches long.
3. Min. size for wipers is 15 inches long. Only 1 can be longer than 25 inches.
4. Min. size for walleye and sauger is 15 inches long.
5. Only 1 walleye or sauger in the aggregate longer than 21 inches may be taken per day.
6. Min. size for crappie is 10 inches long.

NORTH TAYSOR CREEK - CLUSTER
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

NORTHWATER CREEK - GARFIELD
MAP PAGE 19
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

OLD DILLON RESERVOIR - SUMMIT
MAP PAGE 12
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag, possession and min. size for golden trout 1, 16 inches long.

OSIER CREEK - CONEJOS
MAP PAGE 11
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

OVERLAND TRAIL POND - LOGAN
1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.

PAONIA RESERVOIR - GUNNISON
FROM THE TOP OF PAONIA DAM DOWNSTREAM TO THE BOUNDARY FENCE BELOW THE STILLING BASIN:
1. Fishing prohibited as posted.

PARACHUTE CREEK, EAST FORK - GARFIELD
MAP PAGE 10
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

PARACHUTE CREEK, EAST MIDDLE FORK - GARFIELD
MAP PAGE 19
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

PARVIN LAKE - LARIMER
MAP PAGE 28
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

PINE CREEK, EAST FORK - MINERAL, HINSDALE
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

PIKES PEAK NORTH SLOPE RECREATION AREA - EL PASO, TELLER
CRYSTAL, NORTH CATAMOUNT & SOUTH CATAMOUNT RESERVOIRS:
1. Bag and possession limit for lake trout is 2.

NORTH CATAMOUNT RESERVOIR ONLY:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.

PIKES PEAK SOUTH SLOPE RECREATION AREA - EL PASO, TELLER
Permits Required. Visit Colorado Springs Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services website and then Open Space for more information on opening and closing dates, permits and other rules.

BOEHMER RESERVOIR, BOEHMER CREEK:
1. Fishing prohibited in Bohemier Reservoir and Bohemier Creek, from the headwaters to Mason Reservoir.

MASON RESERVOIR:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag, possession and max. size for trout is 1, 16 inches long.

McREYNOLDS RESERVOIR:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.

PEARL LAKE - ROUTT MAP PAGE 25
INCLUDING INLET STREAM FOR 0.25 OF A MILE ABOVE INLET AND THE OUTLET STREAM FOR 0.25 OF A MILE BELOW THE OUTLET:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag, possession and min. size for trout is 2, 18 inches long.

PELLA CROSSING RECREATION AREA PONDS (ALL PONDS) - BOULDER
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Scented flies or lures must be 1.5 inches or longer.
3. All largemouth and smallmouth bass must be returned to the water immediately.

PIEDRA RIVER - ARCHULETA FROM PIEDRA RIVER BRIDGE ON USFS 631 (PIEDRA ROAD) DOWNSTREAM TO THE LOWER BOUNDARY OF THE TRES PIEDRA RANCH (1.5 MILES ABOVE U.S. 160):
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.

FROM THE U.S. 160 BRIDGE DOWNSTREAM TO NAVAJO RESERVOIR:
1. No bag or possession limit for channel catfish, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, northern pike, walleye, green sunfish, bluegill, bullhead, yellow perch or crappie.

PIEDRA RIVER, EAST FORK - MINERAL, HINSDALE
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

RIO COLORADO - EAGLE, GARFIELD rt.1 2
FROM THE HEADWATER ON USFS 22 TO EAGLE ROCK CREEK, INLET STREAM TO THE BOUNDARY FENCE:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.

ROARING CREEK - ROBERTS
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

ROARING CREEK, SOUTH FORK - ROBERTS
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

RUSHLAND CREEK - ROBERTS
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

SOUTH FULTON PONDS (ALL PONDS) - BOULDER
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Scented flies or lures must be 1.5 inches or longer.
3. All largemouth and smallmouth bass must be returned to the water immediately.

SOUTH SHIELDS PONDS - LARIMER
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

STILLING BASIN:
FROM THE CONFLUENCE WITH THE COLORADO RIVER DOWNSTREAM TO THE BOUNDARY FENCE BELOW THE STILLING BASIN:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.

SUPERIOR CREEK - GARFIELD
MAP PAGE 28
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

THICKET PONDS (ALL PONDS) - BOULDER
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Scented flies or lures must be 1.5 inches or longer.
3. All largemouth and smallmouth bass must be returned to the water immediately.

TOEPECK RESERVOIR - MONTANA
FROM PREVOST MOUNTAIN TO THE SOUTH SHIELDS PONDS:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

UPPER COLORADO - MONTANA
FROM THE CONFLUENCE WITH THE COLORADO RIVER DOWNSTREAM TO PLEASANT MOUNTAIN:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.

UPPER ROARING RIVER - GARFIELD, RAPID CITY, TELLER, TURPIN, MONTANA
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

UPPER ROARING RIVER, SOUTH FORK:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.
PIT POND - BOULDER
1. Bag, possession and min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 1 in the aggregate, 15 inches long.

POAGE LAKE - RIO GRANDE
MAP: PAGE 26
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag, possession and max. size for trout is 2, 12 inches long.

POOSE CREEK - RIO BLANCO
MAP: PAGE 26
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Catch and must be returned to water immediately.

PORCUPINE LAKE - ROUTT
MAP: PAGE 26
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Catch and must be returned to water immediately.

POUDRE PONDS NO. 1 - WELD
1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.

POUDRE RIVER - LARIMER
MAP: PAGE 24
FROM ROCKY MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK BOUNDARY DOWNSTREAM TO THE CONFLUENCE WITH JOE WRIGHT CREEK:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

FROM UPPER BOUNDARY OF BIG BEND CAMP-GROUND DOWNSTREAM TO CONFLUENCE WITH BLACK HOLLOW CREEK:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.

PREWITT RESERVOIR - LOGAN, WASHINGTON
1. Min. size for wipers is 15 inches long.
2. Min. size for walleye, saugeye is 15 inches long.
3. Only 1 walleye or saugeye in the aggregate longer than 21 inches may be taken per day.
4. Min. size for crappie is 10 inches long.
5. Min. size for largemouth, smallmouth, and channel catfish is 15 inches; 2 channel catfish limit, maximum 12 inches;

PRONGER POND - LOGAN
1. Artificial flies and lures only. Scented flies or artificial flies and lures only.
2. Min. size for crappie is 10 inches long. Only 1 walleye or saugeye in the aggregate longer than 21 inches may be taken per day.

PROSPECT PONDS NO. 2 AND 3 - LARIMER
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Min. size for largemouth bass is 15 inches; 2 channel catfish limit, maximum 12 inches;

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1. Artificial flies and lures only.
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1. Min. size for wipers is 15 inches long.
2. Min. size for walleye, saugeye is 15 inches long.
3. Only 1 walleye or saugeye in the aggregate longer than 21 inches may be taken per day.

PUEBLA POND - PUEBLO
1. Min. size for largemouth, smallmouth, and spotted bass is 15 inches long.
2. Bag, possession, min. size for walleye and saugeye is 5 in the aggregate, 18 inches long.
3. Only 1 walleye or saugeye in the aggregate longer than 21 inches may be taken per day.

RAE RANCH (BELOW RUSTIC) DOWNSTREAM TO
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.
3. Min. size for largemouth bass is 15 inches; 2 channel catfish limit, maximum 12 inches;
4. Min. size for crappie is 10 inches long.

RIVERSIDE LAKE AND WEST PROSPECT LAKES ONLY:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.
3. Only 1 walleye or saugeye in the aggregate longer than 21 inches may be taken per day.

ROARING FORK RIVER:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.
3. Min. size for crappie is 10 inches long.
4. Min. size for largemouth, smallmouth, and channel catfish is 15 inches; 2 channel catfish limit, maximum 12 inches;

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1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.
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3. Min. size for crappie is 10 inches long.
4. Min. size for largemouth, smallmouth, and channel catfish is 15 inches; 2 channel catfish limit, maximum 12 inches;

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ROARING FORK RIVER:
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**South Platte River from Cheesman Res. to Chatfield Res.**

**Cheesman Res.** - Fishing prohibited 15 Oct. to 1 April; no fishing from 30 minutes after sunrise to 30 minutes before sunset. Prohibited on the dam and around reservoir as posted. Snagging kokanees permitted Sept. 1 - Sept. 30. Ice fishing prohibited.

**Chatfield Res.** and all waters within state park including South Platte Res. - 3 wadeable limit, minimum 18 inches. Only 1 wade per 21 inches per day; Minimum size for largemouth and Smallmouth bass is 15 inches. Fishing prohibited from dam and within 100 feet of dam or wade spawning operation ends March 15 - April 15, or until wade spawning operations are completed.

**Spring Creek Pond.** - Fly only. All fish must be returned to water immediately.

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Rainbow trout must be returned to water immediately.
3. Bag, possession and max. size for brown trout is 2; 12 inches long.
4. Artificial flies only.

**FROM COLD: 149 BRIDGE AT SOUTH FORK FISHING PROHIBITED TO AND DOWNSTREAM FROM THE CONFLUENCES WITH FOUR MILE CREEK, BASS, DRAGONFLY, AND SANDPIPER** - Fishing is prohibited (Homestake Confluence Channel).

**RIO LAHO CREEK - MONTEZUMA**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.
3. Artificial flies and lures only.
4. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

**RIVERBEND PONDS NO. 1, 2, 3, 4 AND 5 - LARIMER**

1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.
2. Artificial flies and lures only.
3. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.
4. Artificial flies and lures only.

**RIVER OF TIMES NATURAL AREA PONDS (BASS, DRAGONFLY, AND SANDPIPER) - LARIMER**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.
3. Artificial flies and lures only.

**ROCKY FORK CREEK - PITKIN**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag, possession and min. size for trout is 2; 16 inches long.

**ROARING CREEK - LAIMER**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.
3. Artificial flies and lures only.
4. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

**ROARING FORK CREEK - GRAND**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.
3. Artificial flies and lures only.
4. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

**ROARING FORK OF THE NORTH PLATTE - JACKSON**

WITHIN ODD FELLOWS OR MANVILLE STATE WILDLIFE AREAS:

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

**ROCK CREEK - LAKE**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag, possession and min. size for trout is 2; 16 inches long.

**ROCKY FORK CREEK - PITKIN**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag, possession and min. size for trout is 2; 16 inches long.

**ROCKY FORK OF THE NORTH PLATTE - LAKE**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag, possession and min. size for trout is 2; 16 inches long.

**SOUTH PLATTE RIVER - FROM 50 YARDS UPSTREAM AND DOWNSTREAM FROM THE CONFLUENCES WITH FOUR MILE CREEK AND THREEMILE CREEK**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
3. Bag, possession and min. size for trout is 2; 16 inches long.

**SOUTH PLATTE RIVER IN SOUTH PARK**

**Lake Regulations**: Statewide regulations apply to all waters except:

- Antero Res.: 4 trout limit; Only 1 trout over 16 inches; No limit for yellow perch; Portable ice fishing shelters only
- Eleven Mile Res.: 4 trout limit; Only 2 trout over 16 inches; No limit for yellow perch; Portable ice fishing shelters only
- Spinney Mtn. Res.: Fly only; 1 trout over 20 inches; No bag, possession limit for yellow perch; No bag, possession limit for limit for yellow perch; Artificial flies only
- Eleven Mile Res.: 4 trout limit; Only 2 trout over 16 inches; No limit for yellow perch; Portable ice fishing shelters only
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- Fishing is prohibited (Homestake Confluence Channel).

**1. Artificial flies and lures only.**
2. Bag, possession and min. size for trout is 2; 16 inches long.

**2. Fishing is prohibited March 15 - May 15 and Oct. 1 - Nov. 30.**
3. Bag, possession and min. size for trout is 2; 16 inches long.

**FROM UPPER WOODY CREEK BRIDGE DOWNSTREAM TO THE CONFLUENCE WITH THE COLORADO RIVER (EXCLUDING 50 YARDS UPSTREAM AND DOWNSTREAM FROM THE CONFLUENCES WITH FOURMILE CREEK AND THREEMILE CREEK):**

1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag, possession and min. size for trout is 2; 16 inches long.
FROM IMMEDIATELY BELOW ELEVEN MILE DAM DOWN TO THE MIDDLE ROCKY MOUNTAIN LAKE - DENVER
1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.
ROSEMONT RESERVOIR - TELLER
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.
ROUGH CANYON - CONEJOS
MAP: PAGE 17
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. No bag and possession limit for trout is 2.
RUNYON/FOUNTAIN LAKE STATE WILDLIFE AREA - PUEBLA
1. Ice fishing prohibited.
SAGUACHE CREEK - SAGUACHE
MAP: PAGE 20
FROM CONFLUENCE OF THE MIDDLE AND SOUTH FORKS DOWNSTREAM TO THE CONFLUENCE WITH THE MIDDLE FORK OF SAGUACHE CREEK:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
SAGUACHE CREEK, MIDDLE FORK - SAGUACHE
MAP: PAGE 24
FROM HEADWATERS DOWNSTREAM TO THE CONFLUENCE WITH THE SOUTH FORK OF SAGUACHE CREEK:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
SAGUACHE CREEK, SOUTH FORK - SAGUACHE
MAP: PAGE 29
FROM HEADWATERS DOWNSTREAM TO THE CONFLUENCE WITH THE MIDDLE FORK OF SAGUACHE CREEK:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
ST. VRAIN CREEK (NORTH AND SOUTH) - BOULDER
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.
ST. VRAIN STATE PARK - WELD
BALD EAGLE LAKE FROM:
1. Artificial flies and lures only. Scented flies or lures must be 1.5 inches or longer.
2. All largemouth and smallmouth bass must be returned to the water immediately.
BLUE HERON LAKE:
1. All largemouth and smallmouth bass must be returned to water immediately.
2. Only 1 channel catfish in the bag or possession limit may exceed 20 inches long.
SAN FRANCISCO CREEK (MIDDLE AND WEST FORKS) AND WEST SAN FRANCISCO LAKE - RIO GRANDE
MAP: PAGE 20
PORTION ON USFS LANDS INCLUDING WEST SAN FRANCISCO LAKE:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.
SAN JUAN CREEK - ARCHULETA
FROM THE INTERSECTION OF U.S. 160 AND U.S. 84 DOWNSTREAM THROUGH PASGA SPRINGS TO THE INTERSECTION WITH THE USFS BOUNDARY:
1. Artificial flies and lures only. 2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.
SHEEP CREEK, EAST AND WEST FORKS - LARimer
MAP: PAGE 24
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.
SHEEP CREEK, MIDDLE FORK - LARimer
MAP: PAGE 28
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.
SHEEP CREEK - CONEJOS
MAP: PAGE 17
FROM THE HEADWATERS DOWNSTREAM TO THE CONEJOS RIVER:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.
SINK GULL CHICAGO, SOUTH FORK - SAN JUAN
MAP: PAGE 26
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.
SHEEP CREEK - LAMAR
MAP: PAGE 24
1. Artificial flies and lures only. 2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.
SHEEP CREEK, EAST AND WEST FORKS - LARimer
MAP: PAGE 24
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.
SIGH CREEK - LA PLATA, SAN JUAN
MAP: PAGE 21
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.
SOUTH CONFLUENCE WITH THE MIDDLE FORK OF THE SOUTH PLATTE:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.
SPRAT-PLATTE LAKE - ADAMS
MAP: PAGE 29
1. Artificial flies and lures only. 2. Scented flies or lures must be 1.5 inches or longer.
SPRING CREEK - DOLORES
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.
SPRING GULCH POND - DOUGLAS
MAP: PAGE 20
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. All fish must be returned to water immediately.
SPRING GULCH RESERVOIR - RIO BLANCO
MAP: PAGE 28
1. Artificial flies and lures only. 2. Only 1 walleye longer than 21 inches may be taken per day.
STANDLEY LAKE - JEFFERSON
1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.
SUMMIT RESERVOIR - MONTezuma
1. Min. size for largemouth bass is 15 inches long.
SWAMP LAKES - LAKE
MAP: PAGE 11
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.
SWAN RIVER - SUMMIT
MAP: PAGE 12
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag, possession and min. size for trout is 2, 16 inches long.
SWAN RIVER, NORTH FORK - SUMMIT
MAP: PAGE 13
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.
SWEITZER LAKE - DELTA
1. All fish except carp must be returned to the water immediately.
SYLVAishing lake - EAGLE
MAP: PAGE 14
IN INLET AND UPSTREAM FOR 0.5 OF A MILE:
1. Fished prohibited Sept. 1–Nov. 30
TARREY CREEK - PARK
FOR THAT PORTION OF TARRY CREEK LOCATED ON THE CINCINNATI RIVER:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.
4. Fencing access restricted to designated fishing areas (beats). Each fishing beat restricted to occupants of vehicle in parking stall assigned to that beat (determined by corresponding number). No more than 4 anglers per vehicle. Only 1 vehicle per stall.
STEAMBOAT LAKE - ROURT
REPORT POACHERS
EARN A REWARD FOR REPORTING WILDFOWL VIOLATIONS BY CALLING OPERATION GAME THIEF. CALLERS CAN REMAIN ANONYMOUS. (THIS NUMBER IS NOT FOR INFORMATION REQUESTS OR EMERGENCIES.)
REGULATIONS

White River - Headwaters to Meeker

Lake Regulations

Unofficial regulations apply to all waters except:

- Trapper Lake: Fly-lure only; 2 trout limit, 15-inch minimum size. Fishing prohibited within 100 ft. or other side of outlet and downstream in first falls. No cutthroat, no trout.

- Three Lakes (Lowest and Middle Lakes) - Lake (Approximately 4 Miles):
- Artificial flies and lures only.
- Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

TAYLOR CREEK, LITTLE - MONTEZUMA
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

TAYLOR PARK RESERVOIR - GUNNISON
1. Bag and possession limit for trout is 3. Only 1 may be longer than 26 inches.
2. Gaffs and tail snips prohibited.

TAYLOR RIVER - GUNNISON
1. From the top of Taylor Dam and from the dam downstream for 325 yards:
- Fishing prohibited as posted.

TAYLOR RESERVOIR - GUNNISON

From a point 325 yards below Taylor Dam downstream to the lower boundary of Taylor River State Wildlife Area (approximately 3 miles):
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Trout must be returned to water immediately.

TERRIER CREEK, EAST FORK - DELTA
From the headwaters downstream to the confluence with TERRIER CREEK (including the unnamed tributary below TERRIER CREEK RESERVOIR):
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

THOMAS RESERVOIR - BOULDER
1. Bag, possession limit and min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 1 in the aggregate, 15 inches long.

THREE LAKES (LOWEST AND MIDDLE LAKES) - LAKE
MAP: PAGE 17
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

THREE LICKS CREEK - EAGLE
MAP: PAGE 27
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

THREEMILE CREEK - GUNNISON
MAP: PAGE 37
1. Artificial flies and lures only.

THREEMILE CREEK - GUNNISON
MAP: PAGE 37
1. From the confluence with the Roaring Fork River upstream for 0.5 mile:
- Fishing prohibited March 15–May 15 and October 1–November 30.

THURSTON RESERVOIR - Prowers
NOTE: At publication, this reservoir is dry.
1. Trollers and jigs permitted.

TIMBERLINE LAKE - LAKE
MAP: PAGE 37
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

TORTOISE CREEK - CONJO
MAP: PAGE 37
1. Artificial flies and lures only.

TRAPPER CREEK - GUNNISON
MAP: PAGE 19
1. Artificial flies and lures only.

TWIN LAKES - LAKE
MAP: PAGE 11
1. Bag and possession limit for lake trout is 1. Lake trout 22–34 inches long must be returned to the water immediately.

TWIN LAKES - LAKE
MAP: PAGE 11
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession max. size for cutthroat is 2, 11 inches long.

TRIANGULAR RESERVOIR - LAS ANIMAS
1. Min. size for largemouth, smallmouth and spotted bass is 15 inches long.
2. Bag and possession limit for walleye and sauger is 5 in the aggregate.
3. Only 1 walleye or sauger in the aggregate longer than 18 inches may be taken per day.

TROUT CREEK - ROYAL BLUFF, ROUTT
MAP: PAGE 35
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.
3. Bag limit for whitefish is 4.
4. Possession limit for whitefish is 8.

TURQUOISE LAKE - LAKE
MAP: PAGE 11
1. Bag and possession limit for lake trout is 2.

TURTLE CREEK - SAGUACHE
1. Artificial flies and lures only.

UNION RESERVOIR (CALKINS LAKE) - WELD
1. Min. size for wipers is 15 inches long.

VALLARCO CREEK - LA PLATA, SAN JUAN
From the headwaters downsteam to the southern boundary of the Wemihuche Wilderness:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

WHITE RIVER - MEeker to Utah State Line

Four Rivers to Maine Yacht Club - Uintah
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

WILLIE POND - MORGAN
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

WALKER STATE WILDLIFE AREA - MESA
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Ice fishing prohibited.

WALDEN PONDS (EXCEPT WALDY TOVES POND) - BOULDER
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Scented flies or lures may be 1 1/2 inches or longer.

3. All largemouth and smallmouth bass must be returned to the water immediately.

VALMONDO WILDERNESS DOWNSTREAM TO THE STANDING WATER LINE OF RAUTOR RESERVOIR:
1. Fishing prohibited except as posted.

VARASO CREEK, LITTLE - GRAND
From the headwaters downstream to the Denver Water Board diversion:
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

VAUGHN RESERVOIR - RIO BLANCO
MAP: PAGE 35
1. Bag and possession limit for cutthroat is 2.

VIRGINIA GULCH LAKE, WEST - PLAT.
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Cutthroat must be returned to water immediately.

VIRGINIA LAKE - LAKE
MAP: PAGE 11
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

WACKER PONDS - MORGAN
1. Min. size for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 15 inches long.

WAHATAYA STATE WILDLIFE AREA - HUMEADO
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Ice fishing prohibited.

WALKER STATE WILDLIFE AREA - MESA
MAP: PAGE 35
1. Artificial flies and lures only.
2. Possession limit for whitefish is 8.
WATSON LAKE - LARIMER

1. Min. size for smallmouth bass is 12 inches long.

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WHITE RIVER, SOUTH FORK - RIO BLANCO

MAP: PAGE 33

FROM THE HEADWATERS DOWNSTREAM TO CONFLUENCE WITH THE NORTH FORK OF THE WHITE RIVER.

1. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

WILLIAMS FORK RESERVOIR - GRAND

MAP: PAGE 12-14

1. Northern pike 26-34 inches must be returned to water immediately.

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ON THE SLEEPY CAT EASEMENT, WAHAKA LEASE, AND THE WEEKER PASTURE STATE WILDLIFE AREA EAST OF MEERIK.

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1. Bag and possession limit for trout is 2.

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HOW TO SAFELY REMOVE HOOKS

Use a pair of forceps, long-nosed pliers or a purposely made hook-out to quickly, efficiently remove the hook.

If the fish is hooked deep in the throat or stomach, cut the line as close to the hook as possible and leave the hook in the fish — it could do more damage trying to remove a deeply set hook than leaving it where it is.

 HOW TO RELEASE A FISH

KEEP FISH IN WATER as much as possible.

REMOVE THE HOOK AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE. Single barbless hooks can often be removed while the fish is still in the water.

GENTLE HANDLING IS ESSENTIAL. Avoid squeezing or putting your fingers in the gills or eye sockets. It’s best to hold a fish gently by its belly or by the area in front of the tail.

TO REVIVE AN UNCOOPERATIVE FISH hold it upright in the water. Move the fish forward and backward so that water runs through the gills. This may take a few minutes. When it begins to struggle, release it.

WHEN PHOTOGRAPHING A FISH, hold it horizontally and do not squeeze the fish. Do not put your hands in its gills or hold it vertically by its gills.

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