MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, AND PARKS MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, AND PARKS

Title 40: Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks

Part 3. Fisheries

Part 3, Chapter 2: State fishing lakes, and Community Fishing Assistance Program lakes.

RULE 2.2 REGULATIONS REGARDING COMMUNITY FISHING ASSISTANCE PROGRAM LAKES.

A. Only rod and reel or line and pole gear may be used in the following public waters which are open to fishing. Unless otherwise stated, all persons possessing a valid fishing license or who are legally exempt from the license requirements may fish these waters. Boating, swimming, littering and alcoholic beverages are not allowed except where noted. City or county ordinances may also regulate activities at these waters.

B. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes may be closed to public use and the use regulations may be changed for special events only upon mutual agreement by the Cooperator who owns the water body and the Mississippi Department of Wildlife, Fisheries, and Parks (MDWFP). Cooperators shall request such closures and use changes from the MDWFP at least thirty (30) days in advance of any special events.

1. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes: Creel limits - Poplarville

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
Poplar Springs Lake,	Largemouth bass	2
Poplarville, Pearl River	Bream	20
County	Catfish	5

a. Poplar Springs Lake is open to fishing on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday of each week.

b. Poplar Springs Lake is closed to fishing on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of each week.

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
Brookhaven Fishing Pond	Largemouth bass	0
Brookhaven, Lincoln County	Bream	10
	Catfish	5

a. The Brookhaven Fishing Pond is only open for fishing to persons 14 years old or younger or handicapped persons of any age as defined in this rule.

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
Olive Branch City Park	Largemouth bass - Release all	2
Ponds	bass 15 inches & under	
Olive Branch, Desoto County	Catfish	5
	Bream	10
	Crappie	5

3. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes: Creel limits – Olive Branch

a. Olive Branch City Park Ponds are open to fishing each day.

4. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes: Creel limits - Carthage

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
McMillian Park Pond	Largemouth bass	2
Carthage, Leake County	All other species combined	8

a. McMillan Park Pond is open to fishing each day.

5. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes: Creel limits - Oxford

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
Lake Patsy	Largemouth bass	0
Oxford, Lafayette County	Bream	10
	Catfish	5

a. Lake Patsy is only open for fishing to persons 15 years old and younger or handicapped persons of any age, as defined in this rule.

b. Fishing hours are from sunrise to sunset each day.

6. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes: Creel limits - Tupelo

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
Ballard Lake	Largemouth bass	5
Tupelo, Lee County	Bream	25
	Catfish	5

a. Ballard Lake is open to fishing each day from sunrise to 10:00 p.m.

7. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes: Creel limits - Hattiesburg

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
Forrest County Lake	Largemouth bass	5
Hattiesburg, Forrest County	Bream	20
	Catfish	5

a. Forrest County Lake is open to fishing on Thursday and Friday of each week and only to persons fourteen (14) years old or younger or handicapped persons of any age as defined in this rule.

b. All minors must be accompanied by a supervising adult and handicapped persons in need of personal assistance must provide such.

c. The lake is open to the general public for fishing on Saturday of each week from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

d. The lake is closed to fishing Sunday through Wednesday and for special events at the discretion of the Forrest County Board of Supervisors.

8. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes: Creel limits - Clarksdale

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
Coahoma County Lake	Largemouth bass	2
Clarksdale, Coahoma County	Bream	20
	Catfish	5

a. Coahoma County Lake is open to fishing each day from sunrise to sunset.

b. The lake will be closed to fishing at the discretion of the Coahoma County Board of Supervisors for special events.

9. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes: Creel limits – Walnut Grove

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
Willow Lake	Largemouth bass	0
Walnut Grove, Leake County	All other species combined	8

a. Willow Lake is open to fishing on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from sunrise to sunset.

10. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes: Creel limits - Hernando

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
Lee's Summit Park Lake	Largemouth bass	0
Hernando, Desoto County	Bream	100
	Crappie	30

a. Lee's Summit Park Lake is open to fishing each day from sunrise to

b. The lake will be closed to fishing at the discretion of the City of Hernando Parks and Recreation Department for special events.

sunset.

11. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes: Creel limits - Pascagoula		
Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit

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Whitehead Lake	Largemouth bass	5
Pascagoula, Jackson County	Bream	10
	Catfish	5

a. Whitehead Lake is open to fishing each day.

b. The lake will be closed to fishing at the discretion of the City of Pascagoula Parks and Recreation Department for special events.

12. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes: Creel limits - Pascagoula

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
Chateau Lake	Largemouth bass	5
Pascagoula, Jackson County	Bream	10
	Catfish	5

a. Chateau Lake is open to fishing each day.

b. The lake will be closed to fishing at the discretion of the City of Pascagoula Parks and Recreation Department for special events.

13. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes: Creel limits - Byram

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
Lake Dockery	Largemouth bass	5
Byram, Hinds County	Bream	25
	Catfish	5

a. Lake Dockery is open to fishing each day from 30 minutes before dawn until 30 minutes before sunset.

b. The lake will be closed to fishing at the discretion of the City of Byram for special events.

c. See posted use rules at lake.

14. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes: Creel limits - Amory

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
McAlpine Lake	Largemouth bass	1
Amory, Monroe County	Bream	10
	Catfish	2

a. McAlpine Lake is open to fishing to persons 15 years old and younger on Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday. One pole per youth.

b. The lake will be closed to fishing at the discretion of the City of Amory for special events.

15.	Community I	Fishing A	ssistance F	Program Lal	kes: Creel	limits -	Hattiesburg

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
Duncan Lake	Largemouth bass	5
Hattiesburg, Forrest County	Bream	10
	Catfish	5

a. Duncan Lake is open daily from sunrise to sunset.

b. All pets must be kept on a leash.

c. The lake will be closed to fishing at the discretion of the City of Hattiesburg for special events.

16. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes: Creel limits - Cleveland

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
Bear Pen Park Lake	Largemouth bass	0
Cleveland, Bolivar County	Bream	15
	Catfish	5

a. Bear Pen Park Lake is open daily from sunrise to sunset.

b. The lake will be closed to fishing at the discretion of the City of Cleveland for special events.

17. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes: Creel limits – Eupora

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
White's Creek Lake	Largemouth bass – Release	5
Eupora, Webster County	all bass 15 inches & under	
	Bream	25
	Catfish	10
	Crappie – Release all crappie	15
	10 inches & under	

a. White's Creek Lake is open daily from sunrise to 9:00 pm.

b. No campfires, firearms, fireworks or explosives allowed.

c. No jug fishing.

d. Bank fishing allowed in the park area only.

e. Boating allowed. Launching fees may apply.

f. Camping allowed in designated areas.

g. See posted rules at lake.

18. Community Fishing Assistance Program Lakes: Creel limits - Greenwood

Water and Location	Species	Daily Creel Limit
Florewood River Plantation	Largemouth bass	2
Lake, LeFlore County	Bream	10
	Catfish	5

a. Florewood River Plantation Lake will open to fishing at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 26, 2021.

b. The lake is open to the general public for fishing on Saturdays from 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

c. The lake will be closed to fishing at the discretion of the Leflore County Board of Supervisors for special events.

B. The term "handicapped persons" used in this Rule means paraplegics, hemiplegic, anyone permanently dependent upon a wheelchair for mobility, anyone who requires the permanent use of braces, full prosthesis or crutches for walking or blindness.

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