

(13) "Telemetry device" means any device attached or implanted in fish that transmits a sonic or electronic signal to aid in fishing.

(13m) "Troll" or "trolling" means fishing by trailing any lure, bait or similar device that may be used to attract or catch fish from a boat propelled by a means other than drifting or rowing. Casting and immediate retrieval of a bait, lure or similar device while the motor is running or position fishing is not trolling.

(14) "Unattended line" means a line where the person using the line is not actively directing attention to it. Failure to immediately respond to a line upon indication of a bite shall be prima facie evidence that the line is unattended.

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#### NR 20.02 Waters classified; hook and line fishing in outlying waters.

(1) For the purpose of regulating hook and line fishing in the outlying waters, the closed seasons, size limits, bag and possession limits, number of hooks and lines and ice fishing regulations shall be the same as those prescribed for the inland waters of the county in which such outlying waters are located, except as otherwise specifically provided in the following table:

Species	Area	Open season	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (in.)
(a) WALLEYE, SAUGER AND HYBRIDS THEREOF (Bag limit means total of all)	1. Lake Michigan and Green Bay except the Fox river from its mouth upstream to the dam at DePere	At all times	3	No size limit
	2. Fox river from its mouth upstream to the dam at DePere	First Saturday in May to March 1 March 2 to the day before the first Saturday in May.	3 1	No size limit 28
	3. Lake Superior	At all times	5, of which no more than one may be over 20 inches long	15
(b) NORTHERN PIKE	Lake Michigan and Green Bay	At all times	5	No size limit
(c) YELLOW PERCH	Lake Superior	At all times	2	26
	Green Bay	Continuous	25	No size limit
	Lake Michigan	July 1 to May 31	25	No size limit
	Lake Superior	Continuous	50	No size limit

Species	Area	Open season	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (in.)
(d) TROUT AND SALMON	1. Lake Michigan and Green Bay, except as provided in subd. 2.	All year except the open season for lake trout is from March 1 through October 31, except as provided in subd. 2.	5 in total of which only 2 may be lake trout, except as provided in subd. 2., and, from April 1, 1995, through March 31, 1996, no more than 3 may be coho salmon.	10
	2. Lake Michigan, within the following area: From the end of the south pier at the entrance of the Sturgeon Bay ship canal on a course of 136° from true north for 17.5 statute miles, then west for 16.8 statute miles to the end of the Algoma north pier, then along the north side of that pier to the shore of Lake Michigan, then north along the shore to the base of the south pier at the entrance of the Sturgeon Bay ship canal, then along the south side of that pier to its end.	All year except there is no open season for lake trout.	5 in total of which none may be lake trout, and, from April 1, 1995, through March 31, 1996, no more than 3 may be coho salmon. No person may possess lake trout when fishing in this area of Lake Michigan.	10

Species	Area	Open season	Daily bag limit	Minimum length (in.)
	3. Lake Superior	All year except the open season for lake trout is from December 1 through September 30.	10 in total, of which no more than 5 may be salmon and no more than 5 may be trout. Of the 5 trout, no more than 2 may be brown trout longer than 20 inches; no more than 1 may be a rainbow trout; no more than 3 may be lake trout; and no more than 1 may be a lake trout longer than 25 inches.	28 for rainbow trout; 15 for other trout and salmon
(e) LARGEMOUTH AND SMALL-MOUTH BASS	1. Lake Michigan and Green Bay (excluding waters within 1/4-mile of Washington, Detroit, Plum, Pilot, Hog and Rock Islands)	First Saturday in May to March 1	5 of each	12
	2. Waters within 1/4-mile, of Washington, Detroit, Plum, Pilot, Hog and Rock Islands.	July 1 to March 1	5 of each	12
	3. Lake Superior and Kakagon river and connected sloughs	First Saturday in May to Friday nearest June 20 Saturday after Friday nearest June 20 to March 1	None may be kept  1	  22
(f) LAKE STURGEON	Lake Superior	Continuous	1 per yr	50
(fg) RUFFE	Green Bay Lake Michigan Lake Superior	No open season	—	—
(fh) WHITE PERCH	Lake Superior	No open season	—	—
	Lake Michigan	Continuous	None	None

(g) Herring of any size with no bag limit may be taken by hook and line at all times in the outlying waters.

(h) All species of fish of lawful size may be taken from the outlying waters including Chequamegon Bay by trolling from a motor driven boat

or sailboat during the open season therefor. It shall be unlawful to spear any species or variety of fish in the outlying and reserve waters at any time, except that rough fish may be speared from sunrise to sunset in all outlying waters and may be taken with the use of spear guns by the method commonly known as skin diving by divers under the water in Lake Michigan. Northern pike may be speared through the ice in Lake Superior.

(2) As used in sub. (1), Green Bay shall mean Green bay, Sturgeon bay, Sawyer's harbor, the Sturgeon bay ship canal from Sturgeon bay to a line located in the NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of the NW  $\frac{1}{4}$ , section 22, T27N, R26E, Door county, commencing at a point on the southwest shore of the Sturgeon bay ship canal directly beneath the center of the Wisconsin public service company power line and extending in a northeasterly direction directly beneath and parallel to the center of the power line to a point on the northeast shore of the ship canal, and the Fox river from its mouth up to the dam at DePere.

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**NR 20.03 Season tables; open and closed seasons, size and bag limits and measurements.** (1) The open seasons specified in the following table apply to fishing in open waters and fishing through the ice. The department may, following scientific investigation and study, establish bag limits and size limits on the individual inland waters when it finds that the taking of fish will aid in management of the fishery and insure the citizens of this state additional opportunities for good fishing. Such special regulations shall become effective only after public informational meetings are held. The department may also establish an urban fishing program by posting the open and closed seasons on specified waters. For open seasons in specified waters see s. NR 20.04. The possession limit for each species of fish, except trout as specified in sub. (5), shall be double