

NEBRASKA GAME AND PARKS COMMISSION ORDER

Order C06: Sport Fishing

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C06 SPORT FISHING ORDERS

The following Commission Order is prescribed by the Game and Parks Commission, State of Nebraska in accordance with Neb. Rev. Stat. §§ 37-301, 37-304, 37-305, 37-308, 37-314, 37-315, 37-344, 37-411, 37-426, 37-4,104, 37-4,107, 37-4,109, 37-4,111, 37-501 through 37-504, 37-508 and 37-543 through 37-545. For purposes of this Order, unless context otherwise requires, the definitions found in Chapter 37, sections 207 through 247 of the Game Law, are used. This Order is effective January 1,2025 following enactment by the Commission and fifteen (15) days after posting on the Commission’s website.

C06.01 AREA OPEN: The entire state is open to fishing, except those areas closed by the Commission by posting, or by regulations, by federal or state law, or by city ordinance.

C06.02 SEASON: Open the entire year on all species of fish, except specific closures as defined in C06.03J, C06.04, C06.05, C06.06, C06.07, C06.08, and C06.09.

C06.03 BAG, POSSESSION AND LENGTH LIMITS:

C06.03A The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for TROUT:

All species singly or in the aggregate (Except Fee Fishing Areas, see below)

Species – RAINBOW, RAINBOW x CUTTHROAT HYBRID & TIGER TROUT (singly or in the aggregate)	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
STATEWIDE	5	12	None
The daily bag limit shall include no more than one (1) trout 16 inches or greater in length except that the Sutherland Supply (Keystone) Canal below Lake Ogallala to the Sutherland Reservoir will be exempt.	5	12	None
Exception: the daily bag limit will be two (2) trout at the Soldier Creek Wilderness Area (Sioux County).	2		

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Exception: the bag limit will be twelve (12) trout at Two Rivers Lake #5 with the possession of three (3) tags. There is no restriction on the number of trout in the daily bag limit that can be over 16 inches.	12		
BROWN TROUT – daily bag limit of five (5), of which only one (1) can be 16 inches or greater in length in the bag. Possession limit is 10.	5	10	
BROOK & CUTTHROAT TROUT – daily bag limit of two (2), of which only one (1) can be 12 inches or greater in length in the bag. Possession limit is 4.	2	4	

C06.03B The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for BLACK BASS:

Largemouth, smallmouth and spotted bass singly or in the aggregate.

Species – BLACK BASS	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
Largemouth, smallmouth and spotted bass singly or in the aggregate.	5	10	15
INLAND WATERS			
Exception: the daily bag limit shall include no more than one (1) black bass 21 inches or greater in length.			
Exception: the daily bag limit shall be five (5) fish with no more than one (1) fish 18 inches or longer on the following:	5		See Exception
GRANT COUNTY: Frye Lake WMA			
Exception: the daily bag limit shall be five (5) fish with a protected slot of 15 – 18 inches with no more than one (1) fish 18 inches or longer on the following:	5		See Exception
DOUGLAS COUNTY: Prairie View Lake			
LANCASTER COUNTY: Wagon Train SRA/WMA			

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NEMAHA COUNTY:	Duck Creek Recreation Area			
SARPY COUNTY:	Prairie Queen Recreation Area			
Exception: In the NPPD Canal starting at the Sutherland Reservoir outlet to the confluence with the South Platte River in Lincoln County (including Lake Maloney), there shall be no minimum length limit on smallmouth bass of which only one (1) may be 15 inches or greater in length in the daily bag.				See Exception
Exception: there shall be a maximum length limit of 12 inches on smallmouth bass in:		2		See Exception
SARPY COUNTY:	Portal Recreation Area			
	Big Elk (WP #7)			
Species – BLACK BASS		Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
Exception: there shall be a minimum length limit of 21 inches on black bass in:		1	10	21
ADAMS COUNTY:	Crystal Lake			
BUFFALO COUNTY:	Archway Lakes Bufflehead WMA Cottonmill Lake Fort Kearny SRA Ravenna Lake Sandy Channel SRA War Axe SRA Windmill SRA Yanney Park Lake			
BUTLER COUNTY:	David City Park Ponds Timber Point Lake			
CASS COUNTY:	Century Link Lake Louisville SRA			
CUMING COUNTY:	Neligh Park Pond			

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CUSTER COUNTY:	Ansley Lake Arnold Lake Melham Park Pond		
DAWSON COUNTY:	Lake Helen Kirkpatrick Memorial Park Patriot Park Lake Plum Creek Park Lake		
DIXON COUNTY:	Buckskin Hills Lake WMA Powder Creek Reservoir		

Species – BLACK BASS		Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
DOUGLAS COUNTY:	Bennington Lake Bennington Lions Club Pond Carter Lake Flanagan Lake Fontenelle Park Pond Glenn Cunningham Reservoir Lawrence Youngsman Lake Papio D-4 Two Rivers SRA Zorinsky Lake Recreation Area	1	10	21
FILLMORE COUNTY:	Lone Star Recreation Area			
HALL COUNTY:	Alda DOT Cheyenne SRA Heartland Shooting Center Pond L.E. Ray Lake Mormon Island SRA West Wood River WMA			
KNOX COUNTY:	Niobrara State Park ponds			

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LANCASTER COUNTY:	Bowling Lake Conestoga Lake SRA/WMA Cottontail Lake Hedgefield WMA Lake Holmes Lake Olive Creek Lake SRA/WMA Stagecoach Lake SRA/WMA Wildwood Lake WMA Yankee Hill Lake WMA			
Species – BLACK BASS		Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
LINCOLN COUNTY:	Birdwood WMA East Sutherland WMA North Platte I-80 City Lake	1	10	21
NEMAHA COUNTY:	Auburn Rotary Club Lake			
OTOE COUNTY:	Steinhart Park ponds			
PAWNEE COUNTY:	Burchard Lake WMA Iron Horse Trail Lake Pawnee City Pond			
PHELPS COUNTY:	Holdrege City Lake			
RICHARDSON COUNTY:	Humboldt City Park Lake Stanton Lake Verdon Lake SRA			
SALINE COUNTY:	Friend City Lake Swan Creek 67 Walnut Creek 2A Willard L. Meyer Recreation Area			
SARPY COUNTY:	Kramer Park Lake Lake Halleck			

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	Midlands Lake Schwer Park Pond Shadow Lake Walnut Creek Lake Recreation Area Wehrspann Lake Recreation Area			
SAUNDERS COUNTY:	Lake Wanahoo			
Species – BLACK BASS		Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
SEWARD COUNTY:	Meadowlark Lake WMA	1	10	21
SHERMAN COUNTY:	Bowman Lake			
ALL COUNTIES:	Open Fields and Waters lakes and ponds			
WATERS OF THE MISSOURI RIVER		Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
Exception: that the daily bag limit shall include no more than one (1) black bass 21 inches or greater in length.		5	10	None
Exception: that there shall be a 12-inch minimum length limit on all black bass in that section of the Missouri River between Nebraska and Iowa and Nebraska and Missouri and that there shall be a 15-inch minimum length limit on largemouth bass in DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge Lake (Washington County), Snyder Bend Lake (Dakota/Thurston Counties), and Lake Yankton {Cottonwood Lake} (Cedar County)				

Other special regulations listed under “Special Areas” in C06.09.

C06.03C The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for STRIPED BASS, WHITE BASS, AND STRIPED BASS HYBRID, singly or in the aggregate:

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Species – STRIPED BASS WHITE BASS STRIPED BASS HYBRID		Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
STATEWIDE		15	30	None
Exception: the daily bag limit shall include no more than one (1) fish 18 inches or greater in length, in inland waters.				
Exception: in the following, the daily bag limit is three (3) fish:		3	30	None
GOSPER COUNTY:	Elwood Reservoir WMA			
PIERCE COUNTY:	Willow Creek Reservoir SRA			
Exception: no harvest allowed:		0	0	
LANCASTER COUNTY:	Branched Oak Reservoir SRA/WMA			
DOUGLAS COUNTY:	Zorinsky Lake SRA			

C06.03D The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for CHANNEL CATFISH:

Species – CHANNEL CATFISH	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
STATEWIDE	10	20	None
Exception: the daily bag limit shall include no more than one (1) fish 30 inches or greater in length, in inland waters.			
Rivers, streams and canals			
Standing waters (reservoirs, lakes, ponds, and pits) Exception: the daily bag limit shall be ten (10) at the following:	5		

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CEDAR/KNOX COUNTIES:	Lewis and Clark Lake SRA	10		
DAWSON COUNTY:	Gallagher Canyon Reservoir SRA Midway Canyon Reservoir Plum Creek Canyon Reservoir			
DAWSON/GOSPER COUNTIES:	Johnson Lake SRA			
GOSPER COUNTY:	Phillips Canyon Reservoir			
HARLAN COUNTY	Republican River upstream of Hwy. 89 bridge west of Orleans			
KEITH COUNTY	North Platte River west of the Hwy. 26 bridge			
LINCOLN COUNTY:	Jeffrey Reservoir Lake Maloney SRA Sutherland Reservoir SRA			
PLATTE COUNTY:	Lake Babcock Lake North			
Exception: no harvest allowed at the following:		0	0	
BUFFALO COUNTY:	Windmill SRA Lake #3			
DOUGLAS COUNTY:	Two Rivers SRA Lakes 3 and 4			
KEARNEY COUNTY:	Fort Kearny SRA Lake #2			
LANCASTER COUNTY:	Wildwood Lake WMA			

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C06.03E The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for FLATHEAD CATFISH:

Species – FLATHEAD CATFISH		Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
STATEWIDE		5	10	None
Exception: the daily bag limit shall include no more than one (1) fish 30 inches or greater in length.				
Exception: no harvest is allowed in the following:				
LANCASTER COUNTY:	Branched Oak Reservoir SRA/WMA	0		

C06.03F The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for BLUE CATFISH:

Species – BLUE CATFISH		Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
STATEWIDE		1	2	None
Exception: no harvest is allowed in the following:				
BUFFALO COUNTY:	Windmill SRA Lake #3	0		
DOUGLAS COUNTY:	Two Rivers SRA Lakes 3 and 4			
KEARNEY COUNTY:	Fort Kearny SRA Lake #2			
LANCASTER COUNTY	Wildwood Lake WMA			

C06.03G The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for WALLEYE, SAUGER AND SAUGEYE, singly or in the aggregate:

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Species – WALLEYE SAUGER SAUGEYE		Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches	
INLAND WATERS		4	8	15	
Exception: the daily bag limit shall include no more than one (1) fish 22 inches or greater in length.					
Exception: at the following waterbodies, the daily bag limit may include two (2) fish 15 inches to 18 inches and two (2) fish over 18 inches of which no more than one (1) fish may be 22 inches or greater in length.				See exception	
GARFIELD/LOUP COUNTIES:	Calamus Reservoir SRA/WMA				
Exception: at the following waterbodies, the daily bag limit may include one (1) fish 15 inches to 18 inches and three (3) over 18 inches or four (4) over 18 inches and that the daily bag limit shall include no more than one (1) fish 22 inches or greater in length.					See exception
CHERRY COUNTY:	Merritt Reservoir SRA/WMA				
GOSPER COUNTY:	Elwood Reservoir WMA				
HARLAN COUNTY:	Harlan County Reservoir including Republican River upstream to the Hwy. 89 bridge west of Orleans				
Exception: there shall be a slot length limit protecting walleye with lengths ranging from 20 inches to 28 inches [the daily bag limit can include two (2) fish between 15 inches and not greater than 20 inches and one (1) fish greater than 28 inches at the following:		3		See exception	

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SHERMAN COUNTY:	Sherman Reservoir SRA/WMA			
WATERS OF THE MISSOURI RIVER		4	8	None
Exception: the minimum length shall be 15 inches on the following:				
That portion of the Missouri River from Gavins Point Dam upstream to the Nebraska-South Dakota border and that there shall be a 15-inch minimum length limit on the following:				15
WASHINGTON COUNTY:	DeSoto Bend National Wildlife Refuge Lake			

C06.03H The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for NORTHERN PIKE:

Species – NORTHERN PIKE	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
STATEWIDE: The daily bag limit shall include not more than one (1) fish 34 inches or greater in length.	3	10	None
Exception: the daily bag limit shall be three (3) fish with a protected slot of 24 – 34 inches with no more than one (1) fish 34 inches or longer on the following:			
CHERRY COUNTY: Clear Lake (FWS) Dewey Lake (FWS) Hackberry Lake (FWS) Pelican Lake (FWS)	3		
Exception: the daily bag limit shall be ten (10) fish of which no more than one (1) may be 34 inches or longer on the following:	10		
SCOTTS BLUFF	Lake Minatare SRA		

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COUNTY:				
Exception: the daily bag limit shall be ten (10) fish of which only three (3) fish can be over 22 inches and only one (1) of those can be over 34 inches.		10		See exception
DAWES COUNTY:	Box Butte Reservoir SRA/WMA			
SHERIDAN COUNTY:	Smith Lake WMA			
Exception: there shall be a minimum length limit of 34 inches at the following:		1		34
ANTELOPE COUNTY:	Grove Lake			
BUFFALO COUNTY:	Cottonmill Lake			
FRONTIER COUNTY:	Red Willow Reservoir SRA/WMA			
HALL COUNTY:	Alda DOT			
SHERMAN COUNTY:	Sherman Reservoir SRA/WMA			
Exception: no harvest allowed at the following:		0		
DOUGLAS COUNTY	Flanagan Lake			

C06.031 The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for MUSKELLUNGE and MUSKELLUNGE X NORTHERN PIKE HYBRID (tiger muskellunge):

Species – MUSKELLUNGE MUSEKLLUNGE X NORTHERN PIKE HYBRID (tiger muskellunge)	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
STATEWIDE	1	2	40

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Exception: The daily bag limit shall include not more than one (1) fish 34 inches or greater in length:				
CHERRY COUNTY:	Pelican Lake (FWS)	3	3	See Exception
Exception: there shall be a minimum length of 50 inches at the following:				
CHERRY COUNTY:	Merritt Reservoir SRA/WMA	1		50

C06.03J The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for PADDLEFISH:

Species – PADDLEFISH	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
Inland Waters (Closed to harvest)	0	0	None
Waters of the Missouri River, downstream from Gavins Point Dam to the mouth of the Big Sioux River at mile marker 734, except for closed areas as defined in Title 163, Chapter 2, Fisheries Regulations, <u>006.03C14</u> and Fisheries Orders, <u>C06.07A</u> . Special permits are required. See Title 163, Chapter 2, Fisheries Regulations, <u>006.03C</u> and <u>006.07D</u> .	2	2	See text
Exception: there shall be a 35-45 inch (front of the eye to the natural fork of the tail) protected slot limit during the snagging season only.			

C06.03K The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for SHOVELNOSE STURGEON:

Species – SHOVELNOSE STURGEON	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
Inland waters and waters of the Missouri River downstream from the mouth of the Big Sioux River.	10	20	None
Waters of the Missouri River upstream from the mouth of the Big Sioux River.	0	0	None

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C06.03L The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for PALLID AND LAKE STURGEON, BOWFIN AND AMERICAN EEL:

Species – PALLID STURGEON LAKE STURGEON BOWFIN AMERICAN EEL	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
STATEWIDE	0	0	None

C06.03M The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for BULLFROGS:

C06.03M1 Open Season is August 15 – November 1.

C06.03M1A Length shall be measured from snout to vent.

C06.03M2 West of Highway 81 – Season open year round with no minimum length limit and all legal harvest methods are allowed.

Species – BULLFROGS	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
East of Highway 81	8	16	4½
West of Highway 81	8	16	None

C06.03N The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for SNAPPING TURTLES:

Species – SNAPPING TURTLES	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
STATEWIDE	5	10	None

C06.03O The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for BLACK CRAPPIE, WHITE CRAPPIE, BLUEGILL, YELLOW PERCH, ROCK BASS, GREEN SUNFISH, PUMPKINSEED SUNFISH, ORANGE-SPOTTED SUNFISH AND REDEAR SUNFISH and their hybrids, singly or in the aggregate: This group of fish is defined as Panfish.

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Species – PANFISH		Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches	
STATEWIDE		15	30	None	
Exception: the bag limit will be fifteen (15) individually for crappie, yellow perch, rock bass, and sunfish on the border waters with South Dakota to include Lewis and Clark Lake and Lake Yankton (Cottonwood Lake)					
Exception: the minimum length limit for crappie shall be ten (10) inches at the following:				10	
LANCASTER COUNTY:	Branched Oak SRA/WMA				
SAUNDERS COUNTY:	Czechland Lake				
SHERMAN COUNTY:	Sherman Reservoir SRA/WMA				
Exception: the maximum length for bluegill and redear sunfish shall be 8 inches and the maximum length for crappie shall be 10 inches at the following:					
DOUGLAS COUNTY	Flanagan Lake				See exception
Exception: the daily bag limit for Yellow Perch shall include only five (5) fish 10 inches or greater in length, and of those only one (1) fish 12 inches or greater in length.					
CHERRY COUNTY:	Home Valley Lake				
	Rat and Beaver WMA				
GARDEN COUNTY:	Blue Lake (FWS)				
	Island Lake (FWS)				
	Smith Lake (FWS)				
GRANT COUNTY:	Frye Lake WMA				

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SHERIDAN COUNTY:	Smith Lake WMA			
Exception: the daily bag limit of Bluegill shall include only one (1) fish 9 inches or greater in length.		15		
CHERRY COUNTY:	Duck Lake (FWS)			See exception
	Pelican Lake (FWS)			
GARDEN COUNTY:	Blue Lake (FWS)			
	Island Lake (FWS)			
	Smith Lake (FWS)			
GRANT COUNTY:	Frye Lake WMA			
SHERIDAN COUNTY:	Smith Lake WMA			
Exception: the daily bag limit shall include only five (5) yellow perch:				
SARPY COUNTY:	Portal Recreation Area	5		
	Big Elk (WP #7)			

C06.03P The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for ALL OTHER GAME FISH AND NONGAME FISH:

Species – ALL OTHER GAME FISH NONGAME FISH	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
STATEWIDE	None	None	None

C06.03Q The following bag, possession and length limits are specified for MUSSELS (clams):

C06.03Q1 No harvest of mussels (clams) shall be allowed in any river or stream, statewide.

Species – MUSSELS	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit	Minimum Length Limit Inches
STATEWIDE	10	20	None

C06.04 ARCHERY FISHING

C06.04A Inland waters are open to the taking of game fish by archery (bow and arrow and crossbow) from sunrise to sunset July 1 through December 31. The taking of nongame fish by archery is allowed from January 1 through December 31, twenty four (24) hours per day.

C06.04B Waters of the Missouri River are open to the taking of game fish by archery from sunrise to sunset July 1 through December 31. Waters of the Missouri River are open to the taking of nongame fish by archery January 1 through December 31, twenty four (24) hours per day, except for a closed area including the north wall of the spillway and immediately below the Gavins Point Dam powerhouse downstream to a line extending from the east end of the south cement wall of the discharge canal northwest to the east end of the north wall of the discharge canal during the archery paddlefish season (C06.04D). Crossbows are only allowed downstream of the U.S. Hwy 81 bridge.

C06.04C The following Commission areas are closed to archery fishing: Platte River State Park and Mahoney State Park (Cass County) and other areas as posted. Closures to archery fishing at non-Commission owned areas are controlled by those respective entities.

C06.04D PADDLEFISH: Paddlefish may be taken by archery and possessed on open waters of the Missouri River only during the season beginning on June 1 and running through June 30. Crossbows are only allowed downstream of the U.S. Hwy. 81 bridge.

C06.04D1 A harvest quota will be managed by issuing a maximum of two-hundred seventy-five (275) paddlefish permits with a limit of no more than two (2) permits per person.

C06.05 SURFACE WATER SPEARFISHING:

C06.05A The entire state is open to the taking of nongame fish by surface spearing January 1 through December 31. The fishing hours shall be sunrise to sunset September 1 through March 31 and shall be unrestricted April 1 through August 31.

C06.06 UNDERWATER SPEARFISHING:

C06.06A The following lakes are only open to underwater spearfishing, sunrise to sunset, for game fish July 1 through December 31, and for nongame fish - January 1 through December 31.

LAKE	COUNTY
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Enders Reservoir SRA/WMA	Chase County
Merritt Reservoir SRA/WMA	Cherry County
Medicine Creek Reservoir SRA/WMA	Frontier County
Red Willow Reservoir SRA/WMA	Frontier County
Elwood Reservoir WMA	Gosper County
Johnson Reservoir SRA	Gosper County
Harlan County Reservoir	Harlan County
Swanson Reservoir SRA/WMA	Hitchcock County
Lake Ogallala SRA	Keith County
McConaughy Reservoir SRA/WMA	Keith County
Lewis and Clark Lake	Knox and Cedar counties
Jeffrey Reservoir	Lincoln County
Maloney Reservoir SRA	Lincoln County
Sutherland Reservoir	Lincoln County
Calamus Reservoir SRA/WMA	Loup and Garfield counties
Lake Minatare SRA/WMA	Scotts Bluff County
Sherman Reservoir SRA/WMA	Sherman County

C06.06B The following lakes only are open to underwater spearfishing, sunrise to sunset, for game fish June 1 through December 31, and for nongame fish - January 1 through December 31.

LAKE	COUNTY
Box Butte Reservoir	Dawes County
Privately-owned lakes with permission of owner	

C06.06C The following lakes only are open to underwater spearfishing, sunrise to sunset, for nongame fish only - January 1 through December 31.

LAKE	COUNTY
Bassway WMA	Buffalo County
Blue Hole West WMA	Buffalo County
Bufflehead WMA	Buffalo County

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East Odessa WMA	Buffalo County
Kea Lake WMA	Buffalo County
Kea West WMA	Buffalo County
North Kearney Rest Stop	Buffalo County
Union Pacific SRA	Buffalo County
War Axe SRA	Buffalo County
West Elm Creek WMA	Buffalo County
Cozad WMA	Dawson County
Cozad West WMA	Dawson County
Dogwood East & West WMA	Dawson County
East Gothenburg WMA	Dawson County
Willow Island WMA	Dawson County
Alda DOR	Hall County
Cheyenne SRA	Hall County
West Wood River WMA	Hall County
Sandy Channel SRA	Phelps County

C06.07 SNAGGING:

C06.07A It shall be unlawful to take any fish by snagging fish externally by hook and line except paddlefish and nongame fish in open waters of the Missouri River downstream from Gavins Point Dam to the mouth of the Big Sioux River at mile marker 734 except for a closed area that prohibits snagging off the north wall of the spillway and immediately below Gavins Point Dam downstream to a line that extends from the east end of the south cement wall of the discharge canal northwest to the east end of the chalk point. The snagging season starts on October 1 and ends on October 31 with legal snagging hours running from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Any other game fish accidentally snagged must be returned to the water immediately.

C06.07B A harvest quota will be managed by issuing not more than one-thousand six hundred (1,600) paddlefish permits with a limit of no more than two (2) permits per person. If the number of applicants exceeds the number of permits allocated as authorized by the Commission, successful applicants will be determined by a random draw.

C06.08 REFUGE LAKES:

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C06.08A VALENTINE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE LAKES (Cherry County): It shall be unlawful to fish in any manner other than by hook and line, bow and arrow and hand spear during daylight hours, January 1 through December 31, unless otherwise posted.

C06.08B CRESCENT LAKE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE LAKES (Garden County): Fishing is permitted during daylight hours on Blue Lake, Crane Lake, Island Lake and Smith Lake from January 1 through December 31, as per refuge regulations.

C06.08C NORTH PLATTE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE: (Scotts Bluff County): Fishing is permitted from January 15 through October 14 as posted, except that the dam at Lake Minatare and an area paralleling the shoreline at the dam and extending 150 feet lakeward to points of intersection with the shoreline zones shall be closed to fishing March 1 through April 30 from sunset to sunrise.

C06.09 SPECIAL AREAS: Special area regulations are in effect on the following areas:

C06.09A TWO RIVERS SRA Lake No. 5 (Douglas County)

C06.09A1 Each daily trout fishing tag allows the angler to harvest four (4) trout. A maximum of three (3) tags can be purchased per angler day with a possession limit set at twelve (12) trout.

C06.09A2 The open season dates will be prescribed and posted by the Commission with fishing allowed between sunrise and one-half hour after sunset. Anglers will be allowed to fish without a trout tag from June 1 through January 31st.

C06.09A3 Up to two (2) children, under the age of 16, are allowed to fish with an adult holding a valid trout tag. The bag limit of four (4) trout per tag is maintained for the group.

C06.09B SHERMAN RESERVOIR (Sherman County) Sherman Dam and the area paralleling the shoreline at the dam extending 150 feet lakeward, along with the constructed artificial spawning reef located on the southwest corner of the dam, shall be closed to fishing from sunset to sunrise April 1 through April 20.

C06.09C SCHRAMM PARK (Sarpy County) Fishing is prohibited on all areas of Schramm Park except for the Platte River and for events sponsored by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

C06.09D LAKE MCCONAUGHY (Keith County)

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C06.09D1 From sunset to sunrise, April 1 through April 30, fishing from a boat within 30 yards of the dam shall be allowed only on that portion of the dam 200 feet north of the morning glory (outlet), with boat travel in a south-to-north (counter clockwise) direction required.

C06.09D2 It shall be unlawful to have in possession Walleye, White Bass or Striped Bass Hybrids on that portion of Lonergan Creek and Otter Creek from their junction at the lake shore of Lake McConaughy upstream to and including the culvert under Hwy. 92 from April 1 through June 30th.

C06.09E BLUE LAKE (Garden County) Blue Lake is closed to access during the nine-day (9) firearm deer season.

C06.09F The following areas are total catch and release and no harvest is allowed:

C06.09F1 KEA WEST WMA LAKE (Buffalo County)

C06.09F2 EAST HERSHEY WMA (Lincoln County)

C06.09F3 WEST BRADY WMA (Lincoln County)

C06.09F4 PLATTE RIVER STATE PARK, JENNY NEWMAN LAKE (Cass County)

C06.09F5 E.T. MAHONEY STATE PARK, BARIGHT LAKE (Cass County)