

## Bag and Size Limit Review

### Minnesota/Wisconsin Border Waters of the Mississippi River

The Minnesota and Wisconsin DNRs are jointly reviewing fishing regulations on Pools 3-9 of the Mississippi River border waters from Hastings, MN / Prescott, WI downstream to the Iowa border. Bag and size limits on the border waters have been largely unchanged since the 1940s and 1950s. The Minnesota and Wisconsin DNRs are now seeking public input on the proposed changes to daily bag and size limit regulations. More information is available [HERE](#).

Three public meetings have been scheduled to discuss the regulation proposals:

**November 13 – Red Wing Environmental Learning Center, 442 Guernsey Lane, Red Wing, MN**

**November 14 – Winona Middle School, 1570 Homer Road, Winona, MN**

**November 15 – Wisconsin DNR Service Center, 3550 Mormon Coulee Road, La Crosse, WI**

Meetings will run from 6-8 PM and will be “open house” format. Staff from MN and WI DNRs will be available for questions and discussion. Those interested in the regulation proposals are invited to come any time during the two hour meetings.

#### PROPOSED REGULATIONS FOR PUBLIC INPUT

**White Bass:** Daily bag limit of 10 with no size limit.

**Largemouth/Smallmouth Bass:** Daily Bag limit of 5 and a 14” min. length (NO CHANGE)

**Channel/Flathead Catfish:** Daily bag of 10 (combined), only 1 over 30 inches daily.

**Northern Pike:** Daily Bag limit of 3, with only 1 over 30 inches daily OR a Daily Bag limit of 2, with no size limit

**Sunfish, Crappie, and Yellow Perch:** Daily Bag limit of 10 OR 15 EACH for Sunfish, Crappie, and Yellow Perch

**Walleye and Sauger:** (two options are proposed)

##### Split River Option

- Pools 3 and 4 = Daily Bag of 4 combined, 15 inch minimum length for Walleye, only 1 Walleye or Sauger over 20 inches daily.
- Pools 5, 5A, 6, 7, 8, and upper 9 = same as above, but only 2 Sauger in the Daily Bag.

**OR**

##### All Pools Option

- Pools 3-9 = Daily Bag of 4 combined, 15 inch minimum length for Walleye, only 1 Walleye or Sauger over 20 inches daily.

**Shovelnose Sturgeon:** = Daily Bag Limit of 3 with no size limit.

Comments and completed questionnaires on the regulation proposals will be accepted through November 30, 2018. Input received will be used to make a final recommendation on regulation changes. The earliest any regulation changes would go into effect is March 2020 and there will be additional opportunities for public review and input in both states prior to any final decisions.

If you have questions about the regulation review process, please contact:

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