

115-25-14. Fishing; creel limit, size limit, possession limit, and open season. (a) The open season for the taking of fish in Kansas shall be January 1 through December 31, with the following exceptions:

(1) The flowing portions and backwaters of the Missouri river and any oxbow lake through which the Kansas-Missouri boundary passes, for which the open season for the taking of paddlefish shall be March 15 through May 15; and

(2) those areas closed by posted notice.

(b) Pursuant to K.A.R. 115-18-12, a trout permit shall be required to fish for and possess trout on the following waters during the specified time periods:

(1) October 15 through April 15:

(A) Cedar Bluff Stilling Basin;

(B) Cimarron Grasslands Pits;

(C) Dodge City Lake Charles;

(D) Finney Refuge Sandpits;

(E) Fort Scott Gun Park Lake;

(F) Garnett Crystal Lake;

(G) Glen Elder State Park Pond;

(H) Great Bend Veterans Memorial Park Lake;

(I) Hutchinson Dillon Nature Center Pond;

(J) Kanopolis Seep Stream;

(K) Kanopolis State Park Pond;

- (L) KDOT East Lake, located in Wichita;
 - (M) Lake Henry, located in Clinton State Park;
 - (N) Moon Lake, located in Fort Riley;
 - (O) Pratt Centennial Pond;
 - (P) Salina Lakewood Lake;
 - (Q) Scott State Fishing Lake;
 - (R) Scott State Park Pond;
 - (S) the following Sedgwick County Park waters:
 - (i) Moss Lake;
 - (ii) Horseshoe Lake;
 - (iii) Vic's Lake; and
 - (iv) Slough Creek;
 - (T) Sherman County Smoky Gardens Lake;
 - (U) Solomon River between Webster Reservoir and Rooks County #2 Road;
 - (V) Topeka Auburndale Park;
 - (W) Walnut River Area, located in El Dorado State Park; and
 - (X) Webster Stilling Basin.
- (2) October 15 through October 14:
- (A) Tuttle Creek Reservoir Seep Stream; and
 - (B) Unit number 30, located in the Mined Land Wildlife Area.

(c) The following daily creel limits and size limits shall apply to each pond, lake, impoundment, and other water of the state that is open to public fishing access, and to all perennial and intermittent watercourses of the state.

| <u>Species</u> | <u>Creel Limit</u> | <u>Size Limit</u> |
|---|--------------------|-------------------|
| Black Bass: largemouth, spotted, or smallmouth | 5* | 15" |
| Channel catfish or blue catfish | 10* | -- |
| Trout | 5* | -- |
| Flathead catfish | 5 | -- |
| Walleye, sauger, saugeye | 5* | 15" |
| Pike family: northern pike, tiger or muskellunge | 2* | 30" |
| Striped bass | 2 | -- |
| Wiper: striped bass hybrid | 2 | -- |
| Paddlefish | 2 | -- |
| Crappie: white or black | 50* | -- |
| All other species | No limit | -- |

* The daily creel limit is composed of a single listed species or a combination of the species in the listed species group.

(d) The possession limit shall be three daily creel limits.

(e) Special size limits and creel limits may be established on designated waters by an order of the secretary through posted notice or as published annually in the fishing brochure. All fish caught from these designated waters that are of a size or number that is illegal to possess shall be released unrestrained to the water immediately.

(f) This regulation shall be effective on and after November 1, 2005. (Authorized by K.S.A. 32-807; implementing K.S.A. 32-807 and K.S.A. 32-1002, as amended by L. 2005, Ch. 182, Sec. 3.)