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PART 830  
COMMERCIAL FISHING AND MUSSELING IN CERTAIN WATERS OF THE STATE

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30 Code [515 ILCS 5].

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54 effective June 30, 2022; amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_.

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56 **Section 830.5 Definitions**

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58 a) Bar mesh – means all net mesh measurements shall be from the outside of one  
59 knot to the inside of the adjoining knot on the same thread or strand. ~~A relie (dead)~~  
60 ~~mussel shell is defined as one which apparently died of natural causes within the~~  
61 ~~water and contains no meat or soft parts; it readily exhibits noticeable sediment,~~  
62 ~~vegetation, algal or mineral stains, discolorations, soiling, weathering or other~~  
63 ~~visual evidence on its interior surface which clearly and unambiguously shows the~~  
64 ~~mussel shell has not been cooked out or freshly cleaned.~~

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66 b) Basket dredge – means mussel harvesting device consisting of a heavy metal box  
67 or square which collects the shells in a net or wire cage, weighs over 70 pounds,  
68 and is not operated by hand fork. ~~A legal-size mussel for a particular species is~~  
69 ~~defined as a mussel size as set out in Section 830.70 which will not pass through a~~  
70 ~~minimum harvest size circle cutout in a metal plate.~~

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72 c) Code – means the Fish and Aquatic Life Code [515 ILCS 5]. ~~Basket dredge—~~  
73 ~~mussel harvesting device consisting of a heavy metal box or square which collects~~  
74 ~~the shells in a net or wire cage, weighs over 70 pounds, and is not operated by~~  
75 ~~hand as described in subsection (e).~~

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77 d) Commercial fishing – means the commercial harvest of both fish and  
78 crayfish. ~~Hand dredge (hand rake, hand powered rake) – mussel harvesting device~~  
79 ~~weighing less than 70 pounds consisting of a metal frame having coarse teeth on~~  
80 ~~the bottom to which a bag constructed of wire mesh or netting material is attached~~  
81 ~~and fastened by a line to a boom attached to the bow of the boat and held on the~~  
82 ~~bottom by means of a long handle.~~

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84 e) Commercial fishermen – means any individual who uses any of the commercial  
85 fishing devices, as defined by Section 15-15 of the Fish and Aquatic Life Code  
86 (Code) [15 ILCS 5/15-15], for the taking of any aquatic life, except mussels,

87 protected by the terms of the Code.~~Hand fork = mussel harvesting device similar~~  
88 ~~in appearance to a common cornfork and utilized while wading.~~

89  
90 f) Commercial musselor – means any individual who takes mussels by hand, except  
91 as provided by administrative rule, or who uses any of the mussel devices defined  
92 by this Code for the taking of mussels protected by the terms of this Code. [515

93 ILCS 5/15-10]~~Mechanical devices – refers to dredges and suction devices~~  
94 ~~operated by motorized (internal combustion or electrical) power used in the actual~~  
95 ~~harvest of mussels and does not refer to the manner in which the mussel harvest~~  
96 ~~device is raised into the boat or the device used in propelling the boat.~~

97  
98 g) Crib – means a pen, cage, or similar device used to hold or store fish after being  
99 sorted from a commercial fishing device as defined in 515 ILCS 5/15-

100 15.~~Commercial fishing – includes the commercial harvest of both legal fish and~~  
101 ~~legal crayfish.~~

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103 h) ~~Bar mesh measure – all net mesh measurements shall be determined by bar~~  
104 ~~measure from the outside of one knot to the inside of the adjoining knot on the~~  
105 ~~same thread or strand.~~

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107 i) ~~Blue Book – Suggested Procedures for the Detection and Identification of Certain~~  
108 ~~Finfish and Shellfish Pathogens, American Fisheries Society, Fish Health Section,~~  
109 ~~5410 Grosvenor Lane, Bethesda, Maryland 20814 (2010 Edition), with no later~~  
110 ~~amendments or editions included.~~

111  
112 hj) Daily fee fishing area – any privately owned water area that is controlled,  
113 operated or managed for fishing and utilized by persons who pay a daily fee,  
114 either directly or indirectly;~~water bodies that are controlled, operated or managed~~  
115 ~~as private club lakes, organizational lakes or lake developments are not eligible to~~  
116 ~~receive a daily fee fishing area license.~~

117  
118 ik) Dead fish – means fish will be considered dead if one of the following is  
119 met:~~Commercial fishermen – any individual who uses any of the commercial~~  
120 ~~fishing devices, as defined by Section 15-15 of the Fish and Aquatic Life Code~~  
121 ~~(Code) [515 ILCS 5-15-15], for the taking of any aquatic life, except mussels,~~  
122 ~~protected by the terms of the Code.~~

123  
124 1) the fish are packed on ice only while directly enroute to a fish market or  
125 processor (addition of water to iced and packed fish is not permitted);

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127 2) dry (in box, barrel, crate, etc.) while directly enroute to a fish market or  
128 processor;

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- 130                   3)     the isthmus has been severed;  
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 132                   4)     the gills have been removed; or  
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 134                   5)     the fish have been eviscerated.  
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 136       j)     Eye Fork Length – the length from the anterior edge of the eye to the fork of the  
 137             tail (from the front of the eye to the fork of the tail).  
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 139       k)     Fork Length – the length from the most anterior part of the fish to the tip of the  
 140             median caudal fin rays (from tip of the snout to the fork of the tail).  
 141  
 142       l)     Hand dredge (hand rake, hand powered rake) – means mussel harvesting device  
 143             weighing less than 70 pounds consisting of a metal frame having coarse teeth on  
 144             the bottom to which a bag constructed of wire mesh or netting material is attached  
 145             and fastened by a line to a boom attached to the bow on the boat and held on the  
 146             bottom by means of a long handle. ~~Fish Health Inspection Report or FHIR—~~  
 147             ~~official document reporting health status of inspected fish issued by a trained,~~  
 148             ~~qualified fish health professional in accordance with Blue Book or OIE standards~~  
 149             ~~(see 17 Ill. Adm. Code 875.40).~~  
 150  
 151       m)     Hand fork – means mussel harvesting device similar in appearance to a common  
 152             cornfork and utilized while wading. ~~OIE—the World Organization for Animal~~  
 153             ~~Health, 12, rue de Prony 75017 Paris, France or at <http://www.oie.int>.~~  
 154  
 155       n)     Helper – means a person assisting a licensed commercial fisherman engaged in  
 156             commercial fishing. A helper receiving compensation or remuneration for their  
 157             assistance to a commercial fisherman is not a requirement of this definition. ~~Lot—~~  
 158             ~~a population of fish as defined in the Blue Book.~~  
 159  
 160       o)     Live fish – means fish will be considered live if one of the following is met:  
 161  
 162             1)     the fish~~they~~ are being held in any type of container with water; or  
 163  
 164             2)     the fish~~they~~ are being held in any solution of salt, electrolyte, other  
 165             substance, or combinations of these substances, used to promote health or  
 166             longevity; or  
 167  
 168             3)     the fish~~they~~ are being maintained by addition of oxygen, or compressed or  
 169             supplied air, for purposes of preserving health during captivity.  
 170  
 171       p)     Mechanical devices – means dredges and suction devices operated by motorized  
 172             (internal combustion or electrical) power used in the actual harvest of mussels and

173 does not refer to the manner in which the mussel harvest device is raised into the  
174 boat or the device used in propelling the boat. ~~Dead fish — fish will be considered~~  
175 ~~dead if one of the following is met:~~

- 176
- 177 1) ~~they are packed on ice only while directly en route to a fish market or~~  
178 ~~processor (addition of water to iced and packed fish is not permitted);~~
  - 179
  - 180 2) ~~dry (in box, barrel, crate, etc.) while directly en route to a fish market or~~  
181 ~~processor;~~
  - 182
  - 183 3) ~~the isthmus has been severed;~~
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  - 185 4) ~~the gills have been removed; or~~
  - 186
  - 187 5) ~~the fish have been eviscerated.~~

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189 q) Moribund – means fish will be considered moribund if one of the following is  
190 met:

- 191
- 192 1) the fish are at the point of death; or
  - 193
  - 194 2) the fish are in terminal decline. Signs of terminal decline include, but are  
195 not limited to: loss of buoyancy, pale color, swollen abdomen, bulging or  
196 cloudy eyes, pinkish gills, or fungal infections.

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198 r) Relic (dead) mussel shell – means one of which died of natural causes within the  
199 water and contains no meat or soft parts; it readily exhibits noticeable sediment,  
200 vegetation, algal or mineral stains, discolorations, soiling, weathering or other  
201 visual evidence on its interior surface which clearly and unambiguously shows the  
202 mussel shell has not been cooked-out or freshly cleaned.

203

204 s) Roe-bearing species – means fish species that can be commercially harvested for  
205 their roe and are limited to Shovelnose Sturgeon, Paddlefish, and Bowfin ~~roe-~~  
206 ~~bearing species means sturgeon, paddlefish, bowfin, and any other fish listed as~~  
207 ~~such by the Department in this Part.~~

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209 (Source: Amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_)

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## 211 **Section 830.10 Waters Open to Commercial Harvest of Fish**

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213 ~~The following Illinois waters are open to commercial harvest of fish:~~

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- 215 a) Mississippi River and connected public (~~wholly~~ accessible by boat during normal  
216 flows or stages; see also Section 830.50) backwaters, including that portion of the  
217 Kaskaskia River below the navigation lock and dam, except:  
218
- 219 1) Quincy Bay, including Quinssippi Island and Quincy Bay Waterfowl  
220 Management Area (except by special permit); and
  - 221
  - 222 2) All U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Wildlife Refuge  
223 backwaters. ~~Spring Lake in the Upper Mississippi River Wildlife and Fish~~  
224 ~~Refuge; and~~
  - 225
  - 226 3) ~~Mark Twain U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Wildlife Refuge~~  
227 ~~Waters (except by special permit).~~
  - 228
- 229 b) Illinois River and connected public (~~wholly~~ accessible by boat during normal  
230 flows or stages; see also Section 830.50) backwaters from Route 89 highway  
231 bridge downstream, except for:
- 232
  - 233 1) U.S. Fish and Wildlife National Wildlife Refuge waters;
  - 234
  - 235 2) Donnelly/Depue State Fish and Wildlife Area;
  - 236
  - 237 3) Rice Lake Complex, including all of Big Lake;
  - 238
  - 239 4) Meredosia Lake in Cass and Morgan Counties during the central zone  
240 duck season;
  - 241
  - 242 5) Clear Lake in Mason County 7 days prior to and during the central zone  
243 duck season; ~~and~~
  - 244
  - 245 6) Goose Lake and portions of Upper Peoria Lake that border and include,  
246 Woodford State Fish and Wildlife Area 7 days prior to and during the  
247 central zone duck season;
  - 248
  - 249 7) Marshall State Fish and Wildlife Area, including Marshall Unit, Duck  
250 Ranch Unit, and Sparland Unit, 7 days prior to and during the central zone  
251 duck season; and
  - 252
  - 253 8) Route 89 highway bridge to Starved Rock Dam for the commercial  
254 removal of Bighead Carp, Silver Carp, Grass Carp and Black Carp ~~Asian~~  
255 ~~carp~~ only by a limited number of restricted period contracts.
  - 256
- 257 c) Wabash River.

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- 259 d) Embarras River, except from Route 130 in Coles County upstream to the Harrison
- 260 Street Bridge, ~~except including Lake~~ Charleston Side Channel Lake.
- 261
- 262 e) Sangamon River, downstream of Belt Route 48 southwest of Decatur to mouth in
- 263 Cass County.
- 264
- 265 f) Kaskaskia River south of Route U.S. 50 Bridge to mouth in Randolph County.
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- 267 g) Little Wabash River.
- 268
- 269 h) Big Muddy River south of State Route 14 highway bridge in Franklin County to
- 270 mouth in Jackson County.
- 271
- 272 i) Skillet Fork River.
- 273
- 274 j) Cache River from Route 51 downstream to the Mississippi River via Cache
- 275 Diversion Channel but not including that portion of the Cache River between the
- 276 Cache Diversion Channel Levee and the Ohio River.
- 277
- 278 k) Saline River in Gallatin and Saline Counties.
- 279
- 280 l) Ohio River, except for:
- 281
- 282 1) Olmstead Locks and Dam downstream to a line perpendicular with the end
- 283 of the longest lock wall, including the circular cell portion;
- 284
- 285 2) Smithland Dam downstream to a line perpendicular to the end of the outer
- 286 lock wall; and
- 287
- 288 3) Within 50 yards of the mouth of any tributary or stream.
- 289
- 290 m) South Fork of the Sangamon River from State Highway 48 bridge downstream to
- 291 the Sangamon River in Christian and Sangamon Counties.

(Source: Amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_)

**Section 830.11 Special Regulations for the Commercial Harvest of VHS-Susceptible Fish Species**

- 297
- 298 a) Commercial fishermen shall be allowed to harvest and transport live, to a ~~State-~~
- 299 licensed wholesale aquatic life dealer, any permitted commercial species
- 300 identified in Section 830.60 and in 17 Ill. Adm. Code 875.20 (except Bighead

Carp, Silver Carp, Black Carp and Grass Carp which have additional requirements for live transport, see Section 830.12 and VHS susceptible species imported into Illinois require VHS Susceptible Species Permits, see 17 Ill. Adm. Code 875.50).

b) Commercial fishermen who wish to transport viral hemorrhagic septicemia (VHS)-susceptible fish species for live stocking into water bodies that are entirely privately owned must first procure a Special Circumstances Authorization (see 17 Ill. Adm. Code 875.50(b)), pursuant to 17 Ill. Adm. Code 875, through the Department Aquaculture Program, by writing to: Aquaculture Specialist, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Aquatic Nuisance Species and Aquaculture Program, One Natural Resources Way, Springfield IL 62702-1271 or email: DNR.Aquaculture@illinois.gov, or calling 217-782-6302, and meet all of the following conditions:

- 1) Commercial fishermen must have their Special Circumstances Authorization in their possession at all times while transporting VHS-susceptible species; and
- 2) All of the following information shall be documented on the back of the Authorization:
  - A) date of catch;
  - B) date of transport;
  - C) location fish caught;
  - D) destination address; and
  - E) private landowner's signature.

~~e) Commercial fisherman who wish to offer gizzard shad for sale or barter must first procure a Fish Health Inspection Report (FHIR) for every lot of fish, as required by 17 Ill. Adm. Code 875.40. FHIR applies only to the lot of fish tested and approved for sale. Lot number or accession identification number on the FHIR shall be labeled on any fish containers or fish products sold.~~

- ~~1) An official FHIR must be issued by and received directly from one of the following entities:
  - A) the State competent authority for fish health;~~

- 344 B) ~~a Department approved veterinarian offering diagnostic services~~  
345 ~~for aquatic animals;~~  
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347 C) ~~a Department approved laboratory for certifying lots of fish as~~  
348 ~~VHS free.~~  
349  
350 2) ~~It is the responsibility of the commercial fisherman to arrange for~~  
351 ~~appropriate delivery of the FHIR.~~  
352  
353 3) ~~The FHIR must contain the commercial fisherman's contact information,~~  
354 ~~lot designation, location where fish were harvested, pathogens tested,~~  
355 ~~number of individuals tested, results and original signature of the~~  
356 ~~inspector.~~  
357  
358 4) ~~The FHIR and supporting documentation must state that the fish were~~  
359 ~~sampled and tested negative for VHS virus in accordance with procedures~~  
360 ~~set forth in either:~~  
361  
362 A) ~~Standard Procedures for Aquatic Animal Health Inspections~~  
363 ~~section of the Blue Book (Suggested Procedures for the Detection~~  
364 ~~and Identification of Certain Finfish and Shellfish Pathogens); or~~  
365  
366 B) ~~The World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) Manual of~~  
367 ~~Diagnostic Tests for Aquatic Animals, Fifth Edition (2006),~~  
368 ~~Chapter 2.1.5, OIE, Paris, France.~~  
369  
370 cd) Commercial fishermen are allowed to harvest gizzard shad for use as bait on the  
371 waters (river reach or pool) from which they are collected.  
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373 (Source: Amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_)  
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375 **Section 830.12 Special Regulations for the Commercial Harvest of Bighead Carp, Silver**  
376 **Carp, Grass Carp and Black Carp**  
377

- 378 a) Commercial fishermen shall be allowed to harvest from the wild, and transport to  
379 a ~~State~~-licensed wholesale aquatic life dealer, Bighead Carp~~bighead carp~~, Silver  
380 Carp~~silver carp~~, Grass Carp~~grass carp~~ and Black Carp~~black carp~~, providing all of  
381 the following criteria are met:  
382  
383 1) The fish are dead. Transportation of dead fish is allowed if the fish meet  
384 the definition of "dead fish" in Section 830.5(ip).  
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- 386 2) The fish are not transported in an aerated live tank or any other manner  
387 intended to maintain the fish alive as defined in Section 830.5(o) unless  
388 commercial fishermen first obtain~~under~~ a Restricted Species  
389 Transportation Permit (RSTP) (see 17 Ill. Adm. Code 870.60), ~~in an~~  
390 ~~aerated live tank or in any other manner intended to maintain the fish alive~~  
391 ~~unless first obtaining an RSTP~~. An RSTP can be obtained through the  
392 Department Aquaculture Program at the address in Section 830.11(b).  
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- 394 b) With a Department approved RSTP, commercial fishermen are allowed to:  
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- 396 1) transport live Grass Carp~~grass carp~~ to an Illinois licensed wholesale  
397 aquatic life dealer~~a State licensed slaughter facility or equivalent outside~~  
398 ~~the State of Illinois~~, providing this facility is not located in the counties of  
399 Will, Cook or Lake or a licensed dealer outside the State of Illinois. Fish  
400 must be~~and that the fish are~~ processed or stored on ice immediately upon  
401 arrival at the facility;  
402
- 403 2) transport live Bighead Carp~~bighead carp~~, Silver Carp~~silver carp~~, Grass  
404 Carp~~grass carp~~ and Black Carp~~black carp~~ directly to a crib ~~(net pen)~~ or  
405 licensed wholesale aquatic life dealer~~State licensed slaughter facility~~,  
406 provided that the fish are transported not more than a 15 mile radius to or  
407 from a crib or facility, or as otherwise designated on the RSTP, and that  
408 the fish are processed or stored on ice immediately upon arrival at a fish  
409 processing~~slaughter~~ facility.  
410
- 411 c) Bighead Carp, Silver Carp, Grass Carp and Black Carp~~Asian carp~~ may be held  
412 live in a crib ~~(net pen)~~ provided that:  
413
- 414 1) they are cribbed in the waters where caught (within a 15 mile radius of the  
415 crib) and not transported upstream of a lock and dam or other barrier;  
416
- 417 2) they are removed within 72 hours; and  
418
- 419 ~~3) they are killed by one of the methods specified in Section 830.5(p)~~  
420 ~~immediately upon removal from the crib; and~~  
421
- 422 34) all other regulations pertaining to commercial fishing, transport and  
423 commercial fishing devices are followed.  
424

425 (Source: Amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_)  
426

427 **Section 830.13 Special Regulations for the Commercial Harvest of Roe-Bearing Species**  
428

- 429 a) Shovelnose ~~Sturgeon~~sturgeon may only~~not~~ be commercially harvested ~~except~~ in  
 430 the Mississippi River upstream of the Melvin Price Lock and Dam located in  
 431 Alton (excluding the area from Lock and Dam 19 to the State Highway 9 Bridge  
 432 in Niota), the Ohio River or the Wabash River. Shovelnose ~~Sturgeon~~sturgeon  
 433 may only be commercially harvested from October 1 through May 31 from the  
 434 Mississippi and Wabash River and from October 15 through May 15 from the  
 435 Ohio River .  
 436
- 437 b) Shovelnose Sturgeon and Shovelnose Sturgeon X Pallid Sturgeon hybrids may  
 438 not be commercially harvested from the Mississippi River downstream of Lock  
 439 and Dam 26. Pallid Sturgeon are Federally and State listed endangered fish  
 440 species that cannot be taken and must be immediately released unharmed back to  
 441 the water.  
 442
- 443 ~~cb)~~ Paddlefish may only~~not~~ be commercially harvested~~except~~ in the Ohio River, the  
 444 Illinois River below Route 89, and the Mississippi River below Lock and Dam 19.  
 445 Paddlefish may only be commercially harvested from ~~November~~October 1  
 446 through ~~April 15~~May 31 from the Mississippi and Illinois Rivers. Paddlefish may  
 447 only be commercially harvested from November ~~15~~1 through April ~~15~~30 from the  
 448 Ohio River.  
 449
- 450 ~~e) Shovelnose sturgeon and shovelnose sturgeon X pallid sturgeon hybrids may not~~  
 451 ~~be commercially harvested from the Mississippi River downstream of Lock and~~  
 452 ~~Dam 26. Pallid sturgeon are federally and State listed endangered fish species that~~  
 453 ~~cannot be taken and must be immediately released unharmed back to the water.~~  
 454
- 455 d) All commercial roe harvesters engaged in harvesting of roe-bearing species,  
 456 including Shovelnose Sturgeon, ~~Paddlefish~~paddlefish and Bowfinbowfin, shall:  
 457
- 458 1) leave the roe of harvested Shovelnose Sturgeon~~shovelnose sturgeon~~,  
 459 Paddlefishpaddlefish and Bowfinbowfin whole, intact and inside the body  
 460 cavity of the fish while on the water or adjacent bank. However, the intact  
 461 ovaries of Paddlefishpaddlefish harvested from the Mississippi or Illinois  
 462 Rivers may be removed while on the water with the carcasses of the fish  
 463 the ovary is harvested from being retained for identification purposes;  
 464
  - 465 2) after complete retrieval of fishing tackle, commercial fishermen shall  
 466 immediately remove all aquatic species that are not in compliance with  
 467 size limits or are illegal species to take or possess and immediately return  
 468 them without unnecessary injury to the waters from which taken, unless it  
 469 is unsafe to remove fish where the net was pulled. In such case, fishermen  
 470 shall immediately move to a shore area no more than ¼ mile from the  
 471 location where the net was set, and then remove fish not legal for

472 commercial fishermen to take. "Complete retrieval" means as soon as an  
473 individual piece of fishing tackle has been retrieved in whole to the  
474 fisherman's boat;

475  
476 3) not kill roe-bearing species to check for eggs. Commercial roe harvesters  
477 may use a 10 or 12 gauge needle to examine roe-bearing species for the  
478 presence of eggs; and

479  
480 4) not set any tackle prior to 10:00 a.m. on October 1 on the Mississippi and  
481 Wabash Rivers. Any commercial gear that is being operated under a  
482 commercial roe harvest permit prior to 10:00 a.m. on October 1 on the  
483 Mississippi or Wabash River shall be considered an illegal device.

484  
485 e) Commercial Roe Permit

486  
487 1) Commercial Roe Harvest Permits shall be valid only on the water specified  
488 on the permit: the Mississippi River, the Illinois River, the Ohio River or  
489 the Wabash River. The Mississippi River will be further divided into two  
490 zones, from Lock and Dam 26 upstream to the Wisconsin border (Northern  
491 Zone) and from Lock and Dam 26 downstream to the mouth of the Ohio  
492 River (Southern Zone).

493  
494 2) Commercial fishermen ~~may~~will be allowed to procure permits for  
495 additional ~~zones~~water bodies at the same commercial roe harvest permit  
496 ~~fee~~rate as the first permit, based on availability.

497  
498 3) Commercial Roe Harvest Permit holders shall provide an up-to-date  
499 listing of all helpers to IDNR on a form provided by IDNR (at the  
500 beginning of the commercial season prior to initiation of fishing activities  
501 and immediately during the commercial fishing season for any helper  
502 changes prior to initiation of fishing activities). An up-to-date helper list  
503 must be on file with IDNR prior to the initiation of fishing activities. A  
504 helper is defined as anyone aboard the boat of a commercial roe harvester.

505  
506 4) IDNR shall have the authority to restrict the number of permits issued for  
507 each body of water in order to establish a limited entry fishery to maintain  
508 a sustainable fishery for all roe-bearing~~caviar-bearing~~ species based on the  
509 following criteria:

510  
511 A) The best biological information available pertaining to maintaining  
512 a sustainable level of harvest for target fish species based on the  
513 size, structure and abundance of each population of roe-bearing  
514 species.

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- B) A determination of the potential impact of commercial fishing activities on other water-based recreational activities.
  - C) Harvest Pressure. No more than the following number of permits, unless specifically authorized by IDNR by water area and type, may be issued in each commercial fishing season: 50 permits for the Mississippi North/Mississippi South Zones allowing commercial harvest of paddlefish, bowfin and shovelnose sturgeon (shovelnose sturgeon only in the Mississippi North Zone); 10 permits for the Ohio River/Mississippi South Zone allowing commercial harvest of paddlefish, bowfin and shovelnose sturgeon (shovelnose sturgeon only in the Ohio River); 35 permits for the Wabash River allowing commercial harvest of shovelnose sturgeon and bowfin; and 15 permits for the Illinois River allowing commercial harvest of paddlefish and bowfin.
  - D) Commercial roe harvest permits are not transferable.
- 5) Application for permit (under a limited entry fishery)
- A) Legally licensed Illinois resident commercial fishermen and non-resident commercial fishermen from states ~~who share reciprocal waters (with commercial fishing reciprocal agreements, including the states of~~ (Iowa, Indiana, Missouri and Kentucky) who held a commercial roe harvest permit in the previous year and provided a complete monthly report to the Department of their harvest in compliance with Section 830.90(c) catch each month are eligible to obtain a commercial roe harvest permit in the first computerized random drawing. ~~To~~~~In addition to the previously stated qualifications, to~~ be eligible for this drawing, fishermen must also provide the following information to the Department: name, current address, date of birth and; choice of water body (Mississippi River North/Mississippi River South, Wabash River, Illinois River, or Ohio River/Mississippi River South). Applications shall be submitted to the Department from June 1 through 15 and the computerized random drawing will be held on July 1. Applications postmarked after June 15 will not be included in the computerized random drawing.
  - B) Legally licensed Illinois resident commercial fishermen and non-resident commercial fishermen from states with commercial fishing reciprocal agreements with Illinois are eligible to obtain a

558 commercial roe harvest permit in the second computer random  
559 drawing if the commercial fisherman~~who~~ did not obtain a permit in  
560 the July computerized random drawing or desires~~who desire~~ to  
561 obtain a permit for additional water bodies are eligible to obtain a  
562 commercial roe harvest permit in the second computerized random  
563 drawing. ~~To~~In addition to the previously stated qualifications, to  
564 be eligible for the second computerized random~~this~~ drawing,  
565 fishermen must also provide the following information to the  
566 Department: name, current address, date of birth and; choice of  
567 water body (Mississippi River North/Mississippi River South,  
568 Wabash River, Illinois River or Ohio River/Mississippi River  
569 South). Applications shall be submitted to the Department from  
570 August 1 through 15. Applications postmarked after August 15  
571 will not be included in the second computerized random drawing.  
572 If there are more applications than available permits, a  
573 computerized random drawing will be held on August 31 and  
574 successful applicants will be issued a permit.  
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576 C) Any remaining permits will be allocated on a first-come,  
577 first-served basis.  
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579 6) Penalties for Violations

580 Any commercial fisherman who is found guilty (~~including supervision or~~  
581 ~~conditional discharge~~) of violating any of the regulations in this Section or  
582 committing any commercial fishing violation pursuant to the Fish and  
583 Aquatic Life Code involving the taking or attempted taking of any roe-  
584 bearing species shall have his or her commercial roe harvest license  
585 revoked and his or her privileges suspended for a period of 36 months  
586 from the date indicated in the Department's Notice of Suspension. The  
587 procedure by which suspensions and revocations are made, the  
588 determination of the dates of the suspensions, the rights of the licensee to  
589 notice and hearing, and the procedures governing those hearings are set  
590 forth in 17 Ill. Adm. Code 2530.  
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592 (Source: Amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_)  
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594 **Section 830.14 License Requirements**  
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596 a) All commercial fishermen shall have a commercial fishing license. All  
597 helpers~~individuals~~ assisting a licensed commercial fisherman shall have a  
598 commercial fishing license unless these helpers~~individuals~~ are under the direct  
599 supervision of and aboard the same watercraft as the licensed commercial  
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- b) All commercial fishermen shall obtain a sport fishing license in addition to their commercial fishing license, unless they are exempted from being required to obtain a sport fishing license. All ~~helpers~~ **individuals** assisting a licensed commercial fisherman shall first obtain a sport fishing license, unless they are exempted from being required to obtain a sport fishing license.
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- c) All commercial fishermen shall procure a commercial roe harvest permit in addition to their commercial fishing and sport fishing license before taking roe-bearing species with commercial fishing devices from the waters of the State legally open to commercial fishing.
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- ~~d) Commercial fishermen who wish to use their watercraft as a primary collection device for the harvest of commercial fish shall first obtain a commercial watercraft device tag.~~
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- de) Reciprocity with Neighboring States – All Illinois-licensed commercial fishermen shall conform to the regulations of the state in which they are fishing, unless the Illinois regulations are more restrictive than the other state. When the Illinois regulation is more restrictive, the fisherman must conform to the Illinois regulation.
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- 1) The States of Illinois and Iowa will recognize and accept as valid the commercial fishing license of either state when legally possessed and used on the Mississippi River proper. This includes any backwater lakes and bayous contiguous with the flow of waters in the main channel, subject to the following conditions:
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- A) No device or equipment is attached to the main bank of the Mississippi River under the jurisdiction of the State of Iowa; and
- B) No fishing is conducted in any Iowa tributaries.
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- 2) Pursuant to the reciprocal agreement for the Mississippi River between the States of Iowa and Illinois, the center of the navigation channel as surveyed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers shall constitute the boundary between the States of Illinois and Iowa.
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- 3) The States of Illinois and Missouri will recognize and accept as valid the commercial fishing license of either state when legally possessed and used on the Mississippi River proper, subject to the following conditions:

- 643 A) No device or equipment is attached to the main bank of the  
644 Mississippi River under the jurisdiction of the State of Missouri;  
645 and  
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- 647 B) No fishing is conducted in any Missouri tributaries.  
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- 649 4) Pursuant to the reciprocal agreement for the Mississippi River between the  
650 States of Missouri and Illinois, the center of the navigation channel as  
651 surveyed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers shall constitute the  
652 boundary between the States of Illinois and Missouri, except in situations  
653 where it is clearly shown to be elsewhere.  
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- 655 5) The States of Illinois and Kentucky will recognize and accept as valid the  
656 commercial fishing license of either state when legally possessed and used  
657 on the Ohio River, excluding embayments and tributaries, defined as a  
658 straight line between opposite points where the tributary ~~or~~ embayment  
659 connects with the main body of the Ohio River.  
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- 661 6) Illinois commercial ~~fishermen~~ ~~fishing anglers~~ shall abide by Kentucky's  
662 restricted areas below the locks and dams in this shared section of the  
663 Ohio River.  
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- 665 7) The States of Illinois and Indiana will recognize and accept as valid the  
666 commercial fishing license of either state when legally possessed and used  
667 on the Wabash River proper, subject to the following conditions:  
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- 669 A) No fishing is conducted beyond the natural and ordinary river  
670 banks of the state in which the commercial fisherman is not  
671 licensed to fish;  
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- 673 B) No fishing is conducted from land attached to or taxed now by the  
674 state in which he or she is not licensed to fish;  
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- 676 C) No fishing is conducted in any tributaries, bayous or backwaters of  
677 the state in which he or she is not licensed to fish;  
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- 679 D) No device or equipment is attached to land under the jurisdiction  
680 of the state in which he or she is not licensed to fish; and  
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- 682 E) Fishermen fishing beyond the center of the main channel in waters  
683 they are not licensed to fish must comply with all the laws, rules  
684 and regulations of the adjoining state.  
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686 8) Pursuant to the reciprocal agreement for the Wabash River between the  
687 States of Indiana and Illinois, the center of the navigation channel as  
688 surveyed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers shall constitute the  
689 boundary between the States of Illinois and Indiana.  
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691 (Source: Amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_)  
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693 **Section 830.15 Waters Open to Commercial Harvest of Crayfish**  
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695 The Illinois River and [connected public \(accessible by boat during normal flows or stages; see](#)  
696 [Section 830.50\)](#)~~adjacent~~ backwaters from the Route 89 highway bridge downstream are open to  
697 commercial harvest of crayfish, except for:  
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- 699 a) [All](#) U.S. Fish and Wildlife National Wildlife Refuge waters;
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- 701 b) Donnelly/Depue [State](#) Fish and Wildlife Area;
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- 703 c) Rice Lake Complex, including all of Big Lake;
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- 705 d) Meredosia Lake in Cass and Morgan Counties during the central zone duck  
706 season; and
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- 708 e) Clear Lake in Mason County 7 days prior to and during the central zone duck  
709 season.  
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711 (Source: Amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_)  
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713 **Section 830.20 Waters Open to Commercial Harvest of Mussels and Seasons**  
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- 715 a) Mississippi River and [connected public \(accessible by boat during normal flows](#)  
716 [or stages; see Section 830.50\)](#) backwaters, April 1 to ~~September 30~~[August 31](#)  
717 inclusive, except for the following areas:  
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- 719 1) All of the area directly above Lock and Dam 12 (RM 556.7) from the  
720 center of the navigation channel east to the Illinois shoreline and  
721 northward to a line extending from RM 558.4 to the Blanding's Landing  
722 boat ramp, including but not limited to all of the area contained within the  
723 designated U.S. Military Reservation area.  
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- 725 2) All of the waters contained within Sylvan Slough from the Interstate 74  
726 highway bridge (RM 485.8) west to the lower tip of Arsenal Island (RM  
727 482.6).  
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- 729 3) All of the area north of and perpendicular to the center line of the  
730 navigation channel to the Illinois shoreline lying between RM 433.0 (New  
731 Boston Boat Launching Ramp) to RM 433.8 (lower tip of the first  
732 upstream island along the Illinois shoreline).  
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- 734 4) Pontoosuc Bay contained within and described as that area from the center  
735 of the main navigation channel and perpendicular to the Illinois shoreline  
736 located between RM 388.0 (Pontoosuc light and daymark) and RM 390.2  
737 (Dallas City boat access area).  
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- 739 5) All of the area southward of the center of the navigation channel and  
740 perpendicular to the Illinois shoreline on a line from the Des Moines River  
741 daymark (Iowa side) and the Des Moines River lighted buoy (Illinois  
742 side), both of which are at RM 361.7, to Lock and Dam 19 (RM 364.5)  
743 including any slough channels of the Mud Island area along the Illinois  
744 side.  
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- 746 6) All of the area east of the center of navigation channel and perpendicular  
747 to the Illinois shoreline between RM 314.0 (Whitney light and daymark)  
748 and RM 316.0 (Hadley Island Goale light and daymark).  
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- 750 7) All of the area east of the center of navigation channel and perpendicular  
751 to the Illinois shoreline between River Mile 238.4 (Hasting's Landing light  
752 and daymark) and River Mile 246.8 (Turner Landing light and daymark).  
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- 754 8) ~~All~~ Mark Twain U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service National Wildlife Refuge  
755 Waters.  
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- 757 b) Ohio River and connected public (accessible by boat during normal flows or  
758 stages; see Section 830.50) backwaters, April 1 to September 30 inclusive.  
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- 760 c) Illinois River, from the LaGrange Lock and Dam downstream to the confluence  
761 of the Mississippi and Illinois Rivers at Grafton, from April 1 ~~July 15~~ through  
762 September 30 ~~August 31~~ inclusive.  
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- 764 d) Wabash River, April 1 through September 30.  
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766 (Source: Amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_)  
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768 **Section 830.25 Daily Fee Fishing Area**  
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- 770 a) Persons wishing to obtain a fee fishing area license shall submit an application to  
771 the Department that contains all of the following information:

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- 1) the legal location of the site for which the license is intended;
  - 2) the size and number of water bodies located at the site;
  - 3) source of fish for stocking; and
  - 4) species of fish to be stocked.
- b) A representative of the Department shall inspect the proposed site and approve the fee fishing area application, providing all of the following criteria are met:
- 1) the applicant is deemed capable of supervising a property of this character;
  - 2) the site is suitable for the purpose intended, but water bodies that are controlled, operated or managed as private club lakes, organizational lakes or lake developments are not eligible to receive a daily fee fishing area license;
  - 3) the operation of the property is not a menace or being established contrary to the laws of the State of Illinois;
  - 4) the operation of the fee fishing area will not work a fraud upon individuals utilizing the facilities; and
  - 5) Issuance of the license will be in the public's interest.
- c) The fee for a fee fishing area license shall be \$50 annually, and the license shall expire on January 31 following its issuance.
- d) The Department may refuse to issue, refuse to renew, suspend or revoke any fee fishing area license if the Department finds that the licensed site or its operator is not in compliance with this Section. The affected licensee must be given at least 15 days' notice, in writing, of the reasons for the action of the Department and given an opportunity to appear before the Department or its representative in opposition to the action of the Department, unless the Department deems the operation of the site to pose a threat to public health and safety or if the site is being operated unlawfully (see 17 Ill. Adm. Code 2530).

(Source: Amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_)

**Section 830.30 Special Regulations**

- 815 a) Commercial fishing and musseling will not be permitted in any streams, ditches,  
816 or tributaries connected to the backwaters of the waters listed in Section 830.10,  
817 830.15 or 830.20.  
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- 819 b) Any person harvesting mussels for commercial use may possess during the open  
820 season only those mussels identified in Section 830.60 of legal size as established  
821 by Section 830.70. Mussels smaller than the legal size and all mussels not  
822 identified in Section 830.60 must be immediately returned to the mussel bed or  
823 location from which they were taken.  
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- 825 c) It shall be illegal to possess commercially harvested mussel ~~shells~~ ~~shell~~ more than  
826 15 days after the close of the season (October 15) without a mussel dealer license.  
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- 828 d) Paddlefish may not be commercially harvested except in the Ohio River, the  
829 Illinois River below Route 89, and in the Mississippi River below Lock and Dam  
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- 832 e) Commercial fishing devices must be checked and emptied of catch at the  
833 following time intervals:  
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- 835 1) Hoop nets and basket traps must be attended at least once every 72 hours  
836 during open water conditions. During ice cover conditions, hoop nets and  
837 basket traps must be attended at least once every 20 days.  
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- 839 2) Trammel and gill nets must be attended at least every 24 hours during  
840 open water conditions, except when operating under a Commercial Roe  
841 Harvester Permit. When operating and taking or possessing roe-bearing  
842 species, nets must be attended from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. During ice cover  
843 conditions, trammel and gill nets must be attended at least every 96 hours.  
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- 845 3) Trotlines and other hook and line devices must be checked at least every  
846 24 hours.  
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- 848 4) Seines and trammel or gill nets fished by driving or drifting methods must  
849 be constantly attended.  
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- 851 5) Commercial gear containing dead or moribund fish as a result of failure to  
852 check gear and empty catch shall be considered an illegal device.  
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- 854 f) Department approved crayfish species listed in Section 830.60(c) may be taken by  
855 licensed commercial fishermen with legal seine only on waters open to the  
856 commercial harvest of crayfish. Any species not listed in Section 830.60(c) shall  
857 not be imported or possessed alive without a letter of authorization from the

858 Department to import/possess those species (see 17 Ill. Adm. Code  
859 870.10). ~~Washboard mussels may not be taken on the Mississippi River.~~

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861 g) Department approved crayfish species listed in Section 830.60(c) may be  
862 possessed and used as live bait ~~Crayfish may be taken~~ by licensed commercial  
863 fishermen on the same body of water where legally taken. Any species not listed  
864 in 830.60(c) shall not be imported or possessed alive without a letter of  
865 authorization from the Department to import/possess those species (see 17 Ill.  
866 Adm. Code 870.10). ~~with legal seine only on waters open to the commercial~~  
867 ~~harvest of crayfish. Nothing in this Part shall prohibit a licensed commercial~~  
868 ~~fisherman from using as bait legal species of crayfish taken and used by a~~  
869 ~~commercial fisherman on those bodies of water open to the commercial harvest of~~  
870 ~~crayfish.~~

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872 h) No aquatic life species listed as State or Federally endangered or threatened are  
873 authorized to be taken under this Part ~~In accordance with Section 830.60(b),~~  
874 ~~crayfish may be possessed and used as bait by licensed commercial fishermen~~  
875 ~~while operating commercial gear on other bodies.~~

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877 (Source: Amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_)

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879 **Section 830.40 Devices**

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881 a) Commercial Fishing

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883 1) Devices used in the waters listed in Section 830.10 shall conform to all  
884 regulations as outlined in Article 15 of the Fish and Aquatic Life Code  
885 [515 ILCS 5/Art.15]. Hoop nets, basket traps, trot lines and dip nets may  
886 be used in all of the aforementioned waters.

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888 2) It shall be unlawful:

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890 A) To use trammel nets and gill nets except in the Illinois River up to  
891 Route 89 Highway bridge, the Ohio River and the Mississippi  
892 River, unless authorized by a Special Use Permit issued pursuant  
893 to Section 830.80;

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895 B) To use seines except in the Illinois, Mississippi, Ohio and Wabash  
896 Rivers (except seining will not be permitted in Boston Bay and its  
897 connected backwaters above the mouth of Boston Bay in Mercer  
898 County) unless authorized by a Special Use Permit issued pursuant  
899 to Section 830.80; and

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901 C) To use trammel nets or gill nets in the Ohio River with less than 4  
902 inch bar mesh netting, except that, from ~~April 16~~ ~~May 1~~ through  
903 ~~November 14~~ ~~October 31~~, bar mesh size cannot be less than 4  
904 inches or greater than 4.5 inches.

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906 D) To use a commercial fishing device as a crib.  
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908 b) Commercial Musseling  
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910 1) Devices used in waters open to commercial musseling shall conform to all  
911 regulations as outlined in this subsection (b) and in Articles 1 and 15 of  
912 the Fish and Aquatic Life Code [515 ILCS 5/Arts. 1 and 15].  
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914 2) It shall be unlawful:

915 A) To use hand forks;  
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917 B) To use basket dredges, mechanical devices ~~or~~ ~~and~~ hand dredges in  
918 the taking of mussels;  
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920 C) To harvest mussels in the Ohio River except by using crowfoot  
921 bars; and  
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923 D) To tether or hold mussels in any containment device. Mussels  
924 must be taken to the boat or released each day.  
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926 3) Brail or crowfoot bars must be 20 feet or less in length. No more than 3  
927 bars may be possessed in each boat.  
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930 c) Crayfish Harvest  
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932 Seines are the only commercial devices legal to use to commercially harvest  
933 crayfish in waters open to the commercial harvest of crayfish. They can be of any  
934 length, but not more than 6 feet in depth with a bag not more than 6 feet in height  
935 with a mesh no greater than 1/2 inch bar measurement.  
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937 (Source: Amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_)  
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939 **Section 830.50 Permission**  
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941 Commercial fishermen and ~~musselors~~ ~~musselers~~ are responsible for obtaining permission to carry  
942 out fishing or musseling activity from the landowner(s) controlling ~~portion~~ ~~portions~~ of the  
943 aforementioned waters as necessary. Landowner permission is required to carry out commercial

944 fishing or musseling activity on private property in all situations, including during high water  
945 conditions that make the property wholly accessible by boat.

946 (Source: Amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_)  
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949 **Section 830.60 Species**

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951 a) The following species of fish may be taken by licensed commercial fishermen:

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953 1) The following species of the Carp family (Cyprinidae):~~Common Carp and~~  
954 ~~Black Carp~~

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956 Common Carp – Cyprinus carpio

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958 Goldfish – Carassius auratus

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960 2) The following species of the Sharpbellies family  
961 (Xenocyprididae):~~Buffalo~~

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963 Bighead Carp – Hypophthalmichthys nobilis

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965 Silver Carp – Hypophthalmichthys molitrix

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967 Grass Carp – Ctenopharyngodon Idella

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969 Black Carp – Mylopharyngodon piceus

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971 3) The following species of the Minnow family (Leuciscidae):~~Freshwater~~  
972 ~~drum~~

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974 Golden Shiner – Notemigonus crysoleucas

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976 Creek Chub – Semotilus atromaculatus

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978 Lake Chub – Coesius plumbeus

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980 Hornyhead Chub – Nocomis biguttatus

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982 Speckled Chub – Macrhybopsis aestivalis

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984 Silver Chub – Macrhybopsis storeriana

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986 Blacknose Dace – Rhinichthys atratulus

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988	<a href="#"><u>Longnose Dace – <i>Rhinichthys cataractae</i></u></a>
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990	<a href="#"><u>Suckermouth Minnow – <i>Phenacobius mirabilis</i></u></a>
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992	<a href="#"><u>Emerald Shiner – <i>Notropis atherinoides</i></u></a>
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994	<a href="#"><u>River Shiner – <i>Notropis blennius</i></u></a>
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996	<a href="#"><u>Ghost Shiner – <i>Notropis buchani</i></u></a>
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998	<a href="#"><u>Bigmouth Shiner – <i>Notropis dorsalis</i></u></a>
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1000	<a href="#"><u>Spottail Shiner – <i>Notropis hudsonius</i></u></a>
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1002	<a href="#"><u>Rosyface Shiner – <i>Notropis rubellus</i></u></a>
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1004	<a href="#"><u>Silverband Shiner – <i>Notropis shumardi</i></u></a>
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1006	<a href="#"><u>Sand Shiner – <i>Notropis stramineus</i></u></a>
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1008	<a href="#"><u>Mimic Shiner – <i>Notropis volucellus</i></u></a>
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1010	<a href="#"><u>Ribbon Shiner – <i>Lythrurus fumeus</i></u></a>
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1012	<a href="#"><u>Redfin Shiner – <i>Lythrurus umbratilis</i></u></a>
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1014	<a href="#"><u>Red Shiner – <i>Cyprinella lutrensis</i></u></a>
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1016	<a href="#"><u>Spotfin Shiner – <i>Cyprinella spiloptera</i></u></a>
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1018	<a href="#"><u>Steelcolor Shiner – <i>Cyprinella whipplei</i></u></a>
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1020	<a href="#"><u>Striped Shiner – <i>Luxilus chrysocephalus</i></u></a>
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1022	<a href="#"><u>Common Shiner – <i>Luxilus cornutus</i></u></a>
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1024	<a href="#"><u>Silverjaw Minnow – <i>Ericymba buccata</i></u></a>
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1026	<a href="#"><u>Southern Redbelly Dace – <i>Phoxinus erythrogaster</i></u></a>
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1028	<a href="#"><u>Silvery Minnow – <i>Hybognathus nuchalis</i></u></a>
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- 1030 Bluntnose Minnow – Pimephales notatus
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- 1032 Fathead Minnow – Pimephales promelas
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- 1034 Bullhead Minnow – Pimephales vigilax
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- 1036 Central Stoneroller – Campostoma anomalum
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- 1038 Largescale Stoneroller – Campostoma oligolepsis
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- 1040 4) The following species of the Sucker family (Catostomidae): ~~Catfishes~~
- 1041 ~~(includes bullheads)~~
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- 1043 Bigmouth Buffalo – Ictiobus cyprinellus
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- 1045 Black Buffalo – Ictiobus niger
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- 1047 Smallmouth Buffalo – Ictiobus bubalus
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- 1049 River Carpsucker – Carpiodes carpio
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- 1051 Quillback – Carpiodes Cyprinus
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- 1053 Highfin Carpsucker – Carpiodes carpio
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- 1055 White Sucker – Catostomus commersonii
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- 1057 Blue Sucker – Cycleptus elongatus
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- 1059 Spotter Sucker – Minytrema melanops
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- 1061 Western Creek Chubsucker – Erimyzon claviformis
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- 1063 Lake Chubsucker – Erimyzon sucetta
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- 1065 Northern Hog Sucker – Hypentelium nigricans
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- 1067 Silver Redhorse – Moxostoma anisurum
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- 1069 Black Redhorse – Moxostoma duquesnei
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- 1071 Golden Redhorse – Moxostoma erythrurum
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- 1073 Shorthead Redhorse – Moxostoma macrolepidotum  
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1075 5) Freshwater Drum (Aplodinotus grunniens)~~Paddlefish (only in waters~~  
1076 ~~specified in Section 830.13) (roe harvester permit required)~~  
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1078 6) The following species of the freshwater Catfish family  
1079 (Ictaluridae):~~Carp~~suckers  
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1081 Blue Catfish – Ictalurus furcatus  
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1083 Flathead Catfish – Pylodictis Olivaris  
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1085 Channel Catfish – Ictalurus punctatus  
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1087 Yellow Bullhead – Ameiurus natalis  
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1089 Brown Bullhead – Ameiurus nebulosus  
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1091 Black Bullhead – Ameiurus melas  
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1093 7) The following species of the roe-bearing fish group:~~Suckers (except~~  
1094 ~~Longnose Sucker)~~  
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1096 Paddlefish – Polydon spathula, only in waters specified in Section 830.13  
1097 (roe harvester permit required)  
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1099 Bowfin – Amia calva, roe harvester permit required from October 1  
1100 through May 31  
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1102 Shovelnose Sturgeon – Scaphirhynchus platyrhynchus, only in waters  
1103 specified in Section 830.13) (roe harvester permit required)  
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1105 8) The following species of the Mooneye family (Hiodontidae):~~Redhorses~~  
1106 ~~(except River Redhorse and Greater Redhorse)~~  
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1108 Goldeye – Hiodon alosoides  
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1110 Mooneye – Hiodon tergisus  
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1112 9) The following species of the Gar family (Lepisosteidae):~~Goldeye and~~  
1113 ~~Mooneye~~  
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1115 Longnose Gar – Lepisosteus osseus

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Shortnose Gar – Lepisosteus platostomus

Spotted Gar – Lepisosteus oculatus

10) The following species of the Clupeidae family: ~~Gar (except alligator gar)~~

Gizzard Shad – Dorosoma cepedianum

Threadfin Shad – Dorosoma petenense

11) American Eel (Anguilla rostrata) ~~Bowfin (roe harvester permit required from October 1 through May 31)~~

~~12) Shovelnose sturgeon (only in waters specified in Section 830.13)(roe harvester permit required)~~

~~13) Gizzard shad~~

~~14) White amur (grass carp)~~

~~15) Minnows~~

~~16) Goldfish~~

~~17) Bighead Carp and Silver Carp~~

b) It will be unlawful to have a crib containing any sub-legal sized commercial fish species or any species not considered a commercial fish.

cb) ~~The following species of~~ With the exception of the ~~crayfish species listed in 17 Ill. Adm. Code 1010 (Illinois List of Endangered and Threatened Fauna) and the rusty crayfish, all crayfish species~~ are legal to possess and may be taken by licensed commercial fishermen with legal commercial devices (seines only); ~~and used, consumed or sold for bait.~~

White River Crayfish – Procambarus acutus

Papershell Crayfish – Faxonius immunis

Northern (Virile) Crayfish – Faxonius virilis

Devil Crayfish – Lacunicambarus nebrascensis and L. polychromatus

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de) The following species of mussels may be taken by licensed commercial musselors~~musselers~~:

Basket Clams – Corbicula spp.

- 1) ~~Washboard (Megaloniaias nervosa) (Ohio River Only)~~
- 2) ~~Threeridge (Amblema plicata)~~
- 3) ~~Mapleleaf (Quadrula quadrula)~~
- 4) ~~Asian Clam (Corbicula fluminea)~~

(Source: Amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_)

**Section 830.70 Size and Creel Limit**

- a) No channel catfish, blue catfish, flathead catfish or white catfish under 15 inches in length, undressed, or 12 inches in length, dressed, or 10.7 inches when dressed with the first vertebrae (T bone) removed, may be taken except in the Ohio River and Wabash River.
- b) No shovelnose sturgeon under 24 inches or over 32 inches in length may be taken from the Mississippi River or the Ohio River. No shovelnose sturgeon under 25 inches in length may be taken from the Wabash River. All shovelnose sturgeon shall be measured using fork length, ~~defined as: "the length from the most anterior part of the fish to the tip of the median caudal fin rays" (from tip of the snout to the fork of the tail).~~
- c) No paddlefish less than 28 inches in length may be taken from the Illinois or Mississippi Rivers, no paddlefish less than 32 inches may be taken from the Ohio River. All paddlefish shall be measured using the eye fork length, ~~defined as "the length from the anterior edge of the eye to the fork of the tail" (from the front of the eye to the fork of the tail).~~
- d) No channel catfish, blue catfish or flathead catfish less than 13 inches in total length may be taken from the Wabash and Ohio Rivers. Only one channel catfish per day equal to or greater than 28 inches may be harvested from the Wabash and Ohio Rivers. Only one blue catfish and one flathead catfish per day equal to or greater than 35 inches may be harvested from the Wabash or Ohio Rivers.

1201 e) ~~All washboard mussels shall measure not less than 4.0 inches. All relic (dead)~~  
1202 ~~Washboards shall measure not less than 4.0 inches.~~

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1204 f) ~~All mapleleaf mussels shall measure not less than 2.75 inches.~~

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1206 g) ~~All threeridge mussels shall measure not less than 3.0 inches.~~

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1208 (Source: Amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_)

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1210 **Section 830.80 Commercial Fishing and Musseling in Additional Waters**

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1212 a) Additional public waters may be open to targeted commercial fishing or  
1213 musseling by a Special Use Permit. Any licensed commercial fisherman or  
1214 ~~musselor~~~~musseler~~ who wishes to fish in any water not listed under Section  
1215 830.10, 830.20 or 830.80(i) must request permission from the Division of  
1216 Fisheries. The Division will determine whether the fish, crayfish or mussel  
1217 resource can support such activity and whether the activity is in the best interests  
1218 of the general public. If so, the Department shall issue a Special Use Permit for  
1219 targeted removal specifying the type of gear, season, species of fish, crayfish or  
1220 mussel that shall be removed, and any other regulations as shall be necessary to  
1221 protect the resource.

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1223 b) The standards for determining whether or not an additional fishery will be open to  
1224 targeted commercial fishing or musseling shall include: a biological sampling of  
1225 the commercial fish, crayfish or mussel population to determine the relative  
1226 abundance of the species present; an assessment of the impact of commercial  
1227 fishing or musseling gear on sport fish, crayfish or mussel populations; a  
1228 determination of the potential impact of commercial fishing or musseling  
1229 activities on other water-based recreation; a determination of whether the fish are  
1230 safe for public consumption (U.S. Food and Drug Administration standards are  
1231 followed (21 CFR 109.30 (20242014)); and a fair and equitable allocation of  
1232 commercial fishing or musseling opportunities.

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1234 e) ~~For commercial musseling, in addition to the criteria listed in subsection (b), both~~  
1235 ~~of the specific criteria listed below must be met for areas to be open or remain~~  
1236 ~~open to commercial harvest of selected mussel species:~~

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1238 1) ~~sub-legal to legal mussel (same species) ratio equal to or exceeding 2:1;~~  
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1241 2) ~~catch rate (CPUE) of individual specimens of a given species, as measured~~  
1242 ~~by a timed diver sample equal to or exceeding 60 per hour.~~

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1244 cd) For commercial fishing, in addition to the criteria listed in subsection (b), the  
1245 specific criteria that must be met for areas to be open or remain open to  
1246 commercial harvest of selected fish includes: the results of a biological survey of  
1247 the fish population present that indicates the total biomass of fish species listed in  
1248 Section 830.60(a), with the exception of catfish, paddlefish and shovelnose  
1249 sturgeon, is more than the combined biomass of the sport fishes listed in  
1250 subsection (de).

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1252 de) The following fishes shall be considered "sport fishes" for the purposes of  
1253 determining whether a body of water meets the criteria established under  
1254 subsection (cd):

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1256 1) The following species~~members~~ of the Sunfish~~sunfish~~ family  
1257 (Centrarchidae):

1258 Black Crappie~~black-crappie~~ – Pomoxis nigromaculatus

1259 Bluegill~~bluegill~~ – Lepomis macrochirus

1260 Largemouth Bass~~largemouth-bass~~ – Micropterus salmoides

1261 Rock Bass~~rock-bass~~ – Ambloplites rupestris

1262 Redear Sunfish~~redear-sunfish~~ – Lepomis microlophus

1263 Smallmouth Bass~~smallmouth-bass~~ – Micropterus dolomieu

1264 Spotted Bass~~spotted-bass~~ – Micropterus punctulatus

1265 White Crappie~~white-crappie~~ – Pomoxis annularis

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1267 2) The following species~~members~~ of the Catfish~~catfish~~ family (Ictaluridae):

1268 Blue Catfish~~blue-catfish~~ – Ictalurus furcatus

1269 Brown Bullhead~~brown-bullhead~~ – Ameiurus nebulosus

1270 Black Bullhead~~black-bullhead~~ – Ameiurus melas

1271 Channel Catfish~~channel-catfish~~ – Ictalurus punctatus

1272 Flathead Catfish~~flathead-catfish~~ – Pylodictis olivaris

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- 1287 Yellow Bullhead~~yellow bullhead~~ – Ameiurus natalis  
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1289 3) The following species~~members~~ of the Pike~~pike~~ family (Esocidae):  
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1291 Muskellunge~~muskellunge~~ – Esox masquinongy  
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1293 Northern Pike~~northern pike~~ – Esox lucius  
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1295 4) The following species~~members~~ of the Perch~~perch~~ family (Percidae):  
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1297 Sauger~~sauger~~ – Sander canadensis  
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1299 Saugeye (Sauger X Walleye hybrid) – S. canadensis X.S. vitreus  
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1301 Walleye~~walleye~~ – Sander vitreus  
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1303 Yellow Perch~~yellow perch~~ – Perca flavescens  
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1305 5) The following species~~members~~ of the Temperate Bass~~temperate bass~~  
1306 family (Moronidae):  
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1308 Striped Bass~~bass~~ – Morone saxatilis  
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1310 Striped Bass~~bass~~ X White Bass~~white bass~~ hybrid – M. saxatilis~~Saxatilis~~ X  
1311 M. chrysops  
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1313 White Bass~~bass~~ – Morone chrysops  
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1315 f) Commercial fishing or musseling Special Use Permits will not be issued:  
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1317 1) for non-commercial purposes; or  
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1319 2) if a commercial fisherman~~an individual~~ has been found guilty of violating  
1320 any of the regulations in this Section or committing any commercial~~a~~  
1321 violation pursuant to the~~of a State~~ Fish and Aquatic Life Code [515 ILCS  
1322 5/15]~~law or this Part~~ during the past 12 months.  
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1324 g) Commercial fishing Special Use Permits may be issued for private bodies of  
1325 water at the request of the owner or his or her authorized agent, if all of the  
1326 following conditions have been satisfied:  
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- 1328 1) The body of water is completely encompassed by land that is owned by an  
1329 individual, leased by a tenant residing upon it, or controlled by ownership  
1330 or lease by a private club or association.  
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- 1332 2) The commercial fisherman has obtained permission in writing from the  
1333 owner, tenant or private club who controls the property and either:  
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- 1335 A) None of the commercially-harvested fish are offered for barter or  
1336 sale; or  
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- 1338 B) If commercially-harvested fish are offered for barter or sale, ~~it has~~  
1339 ~~been determined that~~ either:  
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- 1341 i) the fish ~~must be~~are tested and found safe for public  
1342 consumption (FDA standards are followed (21 CFR 109.30  
1343 (~~2024~~2004))); or  
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- 1345 ii) the fish are sold to a market utilizing them for a product  
1346 other than human consumption.  
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- 1348 h) Application procedures for targeted commercial fish removal Special Use Permits  
1349 for the waters identified under subsections (i) and (j):  
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- 1351 1) Illinois resident and non-resident commercial fishermen can submit an  
1352 application for a Special Use Permit from June 1 through 15 of each year  
1353 for any of the waters designated in subsection (i) or (j). Legally licensed  
1354 Illinois resident commercial fishermen and non-resident commercial  
1355 fishermen from states with commercial fishing reciprocal agreements ~~who~~  
1356 ~~share reciprocal waters (with commercial fishing reciprocal agreements,~~  
1357 ~~including the states of~~ (Iowa, Indiana, Missouri and Kentucky) who were  
1358 issued a commercial fish removal Special Use Permit in the previous year  
1359 for the water body to which they are submitting an application and  
1360 successfully harvested a minimum of 1,000 pounds of fish and abided by  
1361 all provisions of the permit are eligible to obtain a Special Use Permit in  
1362 the first computerized random drawing. In addition to the previously  
1363 stated qualifications, to be eligible for this drawing, fishermen must  
1364 provide the following information to the Department: name, current  
1365 address, date of birth, choice of water body (see subsections (i) and (j)). If  
1366 there are more applications than permits available, a computerized random  
1367 drawing will be conducted on July 1 to allocate available permits.  
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- 1369 2) Illinois resident and non-resident ~~Non-resident or resident~~ commercial  
1370 fishermen from states with commercial fishing reciprocal agreements

1371 (Iowa, Indiana, Missouri and Kentucky) who did not obtain a permit in the  
1372 first drawing or who desire an additional Special Use Permit can submit an  
1373 application on July 1 through 15 of each year for any of the waters  
1374 designated in subsection (i) or (j) for any remaining permits. If there are  
1375 more applications than permits available, a drawing will be conducted on  
1376 July 31 to allocate available permits.  
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1378 3) Any permits remaining after the first two allocations will be issued on a  
1379 first come-first served basis.  
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1381 i) The following water bodies will be open to commercial removal of selected fish  
1382 species under a Special Use Permit to be allocated pursuant to subsection (h) and  
1383 subject to subsection (d):  
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1385 1) Rock River – divided into 6 sections with one Special Use Permit  
1386 allocated per section  
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1388 2) Rend Lake – maximum of 25 Special Use Permits  
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1390 3) Carlyle Lake – maximum of 25 Special Use Permits  
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1392 4) Mississippi River State Fish and Wildlife Area – maximum of 15 Special  
1393 Use Permits  
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1395 5) Anderson Lake State Fish and Wildlife Area – maximum of 15 Special  
1396 Use Permits  
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1398 6) Otter Creek in Green County (from the Route 100 crossing downstream to  
1399 the Illinois River) – maximum of 2 Special Use Permits  
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1401 7) Macoupin Creek in Jersey and Green Counties (from the Reddish Ford  
1402 Bridge downstream to the Illinois River) – maximum of 2 Special Use  
1403 Permits  
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1405 8) Quincy Bay – maximum of 3 Special Use Permits  
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1407 9) Horseshoe Lake in Alexander County – Maximum of 5 Special Use  
1408 Permits  
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1410 10) Horseshoe Lake in Madison County – Maximum of 5 Special Use Permits  
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1412 11) Taylorville City Lake – Maximum of 1 Special Use Permit  
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- 1414 12) Clinton Lake – Maximum of 1 Special Use Permit
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- 1416 13) Rice Lake – Maximum of 15 Special Use Permits
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- 1418 14) Frank Holten State Park Lakes – Maximum of 1 Special Use Permit
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- 1420 15) LaMoine River – Maximum of 10 Special Use Permits
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- 1422 16) Spoon River – Maximum of 10 Special Use Permits
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- 1424 17) Washington County Lake – Maximum of 1 Special Use Permit
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- 1426 18) Mermet Lake – Maximum of 1 Special Use Permit
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- 1428 19) Powerton Lake – Maximum of 1 Special Use Permit
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- 1430 20) Lake Decatur – Maximum of 1 Special Use Permit
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- 1432 21) Bay Creek – Maximum of 2 Special Use Permits
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- 1434 22) Kiser Creek – Maximum of 2 Special Use Permits
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- 1436 23) Sweede Lake – Maximum of 2 Special Use Permits
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- 1438 24) [Lake Shelbyville – Maximum of 25 Special Use Permits](#)
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- 1440 j) The following water bodies, all currently open to commercial fishing under
- 1441 Section 830.10, will be open to commercial removal of selected fish species with
- 1442 the use of trammel and gill nets under a Special Use Permit to be allocated
- 1443 pursuant to subsection (h) and subject to subsection (d):
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- 1445 1) Kaskaskia River – maximum of 20 Special Use Permits
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- 1447 2) Sangamon River – maximum of 15 Special Use Permits
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- 1449 3) Big Muddy River – maximum of 10 Special Use Permits
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- 1451 4) Saline River – maximum of 6 Special Use Permits
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- 1453 k) For any U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) special use permit issued to
- 1454 commercial fisherman for commercial harvest of selected fish species within
- 1455 USFWS National Wildlife Refuge areas, a Special Use Permit pursuant to

1456 subsection (a) must be obtained from the Department. All Illinois laws and  
1457 regulations apply.  
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1459 (Source: Amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_)  
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1461 **Section 830.90 Revocation and Suspension of Commercial Fishing and Musseling**  
1462 **Privileges, Hearings and Appeals and Reporting Requirements**  
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1464 a) In accordance with Section 20-105 of the Fish and Aquatic Life Code [515 ILCS  
1465 5/20-105], failure to comply with the provisions of the Fish and Aquatic Life  
1466 Code of Illinois pertaining to commercial fishing and/or musseling in Illinois  
1467 waters and this Part will result in suspension or revocation of the commercial  
1468 fishing and/or musseling licenses. The procedure by which suspensions and  
1469 revocations are made, the rights of commercial fishermen and ~~musselors~~~~musselers~~  
1470 to notice and hearing, and the procedures governing such hearings are set forth in  
1471 17 Ill. Adm. Code 2530 (Revocation Procedures for Conservation Offenses).  
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1473 b) Where waters of the State are open to commercial fishing or musseling by  
1474 contract, the contract will be revoked upon failure of the contractor to comply  
1475 with all terms of the contract. Furthermore, any violation of a contract issued by  
1476 the Director of the Department of Natural Resources or the Director's agents shall  
1477 be considered a violation of this Part and subject to the penalties as set forth in  
1478 Sections 20-35 and 20-105 of the Fish and Aquatic Life Code.  
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1480 c) Commercial fishermen shall submit an accurate ~~monthly~~~~annual~~ record of the  
1481 ~~undressed weights of the species of~~ fish and/or crayfish harvested to the  
1482 Department by ~~the 10<sup>th</sup> January 31~~ of ~~each month~~~~the~~ following ~~harvest~~~~year~~,  
1483 whether or not any fish and/or crayfish were harvested. Commercial fishermen  
1484 shall ~~report~~~~keep~~ an accurate record of their ~~harvest by completing forms provided~~  
1485 ~~by the Department that includes, but are not limited to date, location, type of gear~~  
1486 ~~used, species, undressed weight and if sold, the location sold and price per pound.~~  
1487 ~~Records~~~~catch. This record, showing the species, number of pounds of fish, type~~  
1488 ~~of device used, location taken and date of harvest,~~ shall be open for inspection by  
1489 employees of the Department at all times and retained for a period of 2 years after  
1490 submission of all associated reports.  
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1492 ~~d) Commercial fishermen on the Ohio River shall submit to the Department an~~  
1493 ~~accurate monthly record of the undressed weights and species of fish harvested by~~  
1494 ~~the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month following harvest, whether or not any fish were harvested.~~  
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1496 ~~de)~~ Commercial roe harvesters shall submit an accurate monthly record containing the  
1497 following information: the undressed weight of roe-bearing species, the  
1498 unprocessed weight of roe from these fishes, and the name, address and date of

1499 sale to whom the roe was sold or given. This information shall be submitted to  
1500 the Department by the 10<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> of the month following harvest. Submission of  
1501 these reports is required whether or not roe-bearing species were harvested.  
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1503 ef) Commercial roe dealers shall submit to the Department by the 10<sup>th</sup> 5<sup>th</sup> of the  
1504 month following harvest an accurate record containing the unprocessed and  
1505 processed weights of roe purchased, the date of transaction, ~~and~~ the name, address  
1506 and license number of the commercial roe harvesters, as well as the weight, name,  
1507 address and date of sale. These reports are required whether or not roe was  
1508 purchased.  
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1510 fg) Holders of a commercial mussel harvest license shall submit an accurate record of  
1511 the types and pounds of each species of mussel and/or relic mussel shells  
1512 harvested or purchased on a monthly basis during the season by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each  
1513 month following harvest, whether or not any mussels or mussel shells were  
1514 harvested. Reports must be submitted on official Department of Natural  
1515 Resources report forms.  
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1517 gh) Holders of a commercial mussel dealers license shall submit an accurate record of  
1518 the types and pounds of each species of mussel and/or relic mussel shells  
1519 purchased on a monthly basis during the season by the 10<sup>th</sup> of each month  
1520 following purchase, whether or not any mussels or mussel shells were purchased.  
1521 Reports must be submitted on official Department of Natural Resources report  
1522 forms.  
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1524 hi) Failure of licensed commercial roe dealers, mussel dealers, fishermen or  
1525 musselors~~musselers~~ to submit the required reports in a manner and timeframe  
1526 specified by the Department is a petty offense subject to the penalties set forth in  
1527 Section 20-35 of the Code and shall be grounds for the Department to refuse to  
1528 issue any license under this Part.  
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1530 (Source: Amended at 50 Ill. Reg. \_\_\_\_\_, effective \_\_\_\_\_)