

Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules:

6264

DESIGNATED SPECIAL MANAGEMENT WATERS; UPPER RED LAKE

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[For text of subs 2 to 58, see permanent rules.]

Subp. 59. Upper Red Lake and listed tributaries.

[For text of item A, see permanent rules.]

B. ~~Except as provided in item C,~~ While a person is on or fishing in the waters listed under item D, the following walleye regulations apply:

(1) Unless otherwise provided in this subpart, the walleye daily and possession limits are as follows:

(a) the daily and possession limit for walleye is two fish, of which not more than one walleye shall be over 26 inches in length;

~~(2)~~ (b) all walleye in possession must be less than 17 inches or greater than 26 inches in length; and

~~(3)~~ (c) all walleye that are 17 inches to 26 inches in length, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water; and.

(2) The waters listed in item D will be closed to the taking of or angling for walleye at all times:

(a) if the walleye cumulative kill estimate figured from December 1, 2006, to February 25, 2007, at any time equals or exceeds 120,000 pounds. This unit is effective five days after notice through February 25, 2007; and

(b) if the walleye cumulative kill estimate figured from December 1, 2006, to November 30, 2007, at any time equals or exceeds 240,000 pounds. This unit is effective five days after notice through November 30, 2007.

If this subitem is implemented, the notice will consist of a posting on the Department of Natural Resources Web site and at water access sites.

(3) Notwithstanding subitem (1), unit (a), if the cumulative walleye kill estimate from December 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007, is less than 134,000 pounds, then the daily and possession limit for walleye in waters listed in item D is four fish, of which not more than one walleye shall be over 26 inches in length. If this subitem is implemented, it is effective July 14, 2007, through November 30, 2007. Notice of the change will be posted on the Department of Natural Resources Web site and at water access sites.

~~(4) C. A person's statewide bag possession limit shall not include more than two for walleye taken from Upper Red Lake and the tributaries listed under item D shall not exceed the possession limit that is in effect as described under item B, subitem (1) or (3).~~

~~C. Notwithstanding item B, if walleye kill estimates at any time from May 13 to November 30, 2006, equal or exceed 108,000 pounds, then the walleye regulation changes according to this item: the waters listed in item D are closed to the taking of or angling for walleye at all times. If this item is implemented, it is effective five days after notice of the change is posted on the Department of Natural Resources Web site and at water access sites until December 1, 2006.~~

[For text of item D, see permanent rules.]