

INVASIVE SPECIES AND YOUR BUSINESS

JOIN US IN PROTECTING MINNESOTA WATERS - SELL ONLY LOW-RISK SPECIES AND HELP TO PREVENT RELEASES AND ESCAPES

The invasive plants and animals pictured here have been documented in the seafood trade and are illegal to possess or sell in Minnesota without a permit. Invasive species are non-native species that present risks to Minnesota's fish, wildlife and plant communities, water quality and recreation or human health. Please note, this is not a complete list of species that are illegal to possess or sell.

Visit <https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/invasives/restaurants-and-food-markets.html> for a complete list.

DO NOT OFFER THESE SPECIES FOR SALE AT YOUR BUSINESS!

Silver carp
(*Hypophthalmichthys molitrix*)



Grass carp
(*Ctenopharyngodon idella*)



Non-native crayfish (*Procambarus clarkii*, *Cherax destructor*, etc.)



Bighead carp
(*Hypophthalmichthys nobilis*)



Mitten crab
(*Eriocheir sinensis*)*



*Mitten crabs are federally regulated species and are proposed state prohibited invasive species.

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Snakehead fishes (*Channa* and *Parachanna* spp.)*



Crucian carp (*Carassius carassius*)



Wels catfish (*Silurus glanis*)



Walking catfish (*Clarias batrachus*)*



Nile perch (*Lates niloticus*)*



White perch (*Morone americana*)



Tench (*Tinca tinca*)*



*Snakehead fishes, Nile perch and tench are either federally regulated and/or proposed state prohibited invasive species. Northern snakehead (*Channa argus*) is already a state prohibited invasive species.

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