

**NOTICE OF EMERGENCY CHANGES
TO THE UTAH FISHING GUIDEBOOK
OF THE WILDLIFE BOARD FOR THE TAKING
OF FISH AND CRAYFISH 2021**

I. Rory Reynolds, by authority granted in Section 23-14-8 of the Wildlife Resources code of Utah declare an emergency amendment to the 2021 Utah Fishing Guidebook. The following has been amended:

1) Statewide:

All COMMUNITY FISHERIES

-Bonus limit of 2 trout, any species (total limit of no more than 4 fish if at least 2 are any species of trout)

Change is effective immediately and will remain in effect until August 31, 2021. All other rules established in the 2021 Utah Fishing Guidebook remain in effect.

This regulation change is prompted by on-going hot, dry conditions. Community fisheries are small ponds and it is anticipated that temperatures in these ponds this summer will exceed the maximum temperature tolerated by trout. The intention of this regulation change is to liberalize harvest and provide anglers the opportunity to harvest additional fish prior to fish loss, if loss occurs.

2) Waterbody Specific:

KENTS LAKE, MIDDLE (Beaver County)

-Limit 8 trout

LOWER BOWNS RESERVOIR (Garfield County)

-Limit 8 trout

MINERSVILLE RESERVOIR (Beaver County)

- Limit 4 trout, no size restrictions

- No restriction on the use of bait

PUFFER LAKE (Beaver County)

- Limit 8 trout

VERNON RESERVOIR (Tooele County)

- Limit 8 trout

These changes are effective immediately and will remain in effect until October 31, 2021. All other rules, established in the 2021 Utah Fishing Guidebook remain in effect.

These regulation changes are prompted by on-going drought conditions. The waters identified by these changes are expected to experience low water levels this year and fish loss is expected due to adverse conditions. The intention of these regulation changes are to liberalize harvest and provide anglers the opportunity to harvest additional fish prior to fish loss, if loss occurs.

UTAH DIVISION OF WILDLIFE RESOURCES

By Rory Reynolds
Director

Date June 30, 2021

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of June 2021.

Paige Wiren
Notary

My Commission Expires: April 23, 2024

