

# Spring 2026 Fish Order Form

## Washington County Soil & Water Conservation District

2530 State Route 40, Greenwich, NY 12834      518-692-9940 x 5      washingtoncountynyswcd.org

Orders must be received with payment at the above address **by 4:00 pm on April 16, 2026**

**\*Mail your completed Triploid Grass Carp Stocking Permit or General Fish Stocking Permit application(s) to**

**NYS-DEC Region 5, 232 Golf Course Road, P.O. Box 220, Warrensburg, NY 12885**

Contact NYS-DEC directly at 518-623-1200 for further information

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Species	Size	Stocking Rate/Acre	Price	No. Ordered	Cost \$
Fathead Minnows (approx. 200/lb.)	1 – 2"	50 lbs.	\$27.00 per lb.		
Largemouth Bass	4 – 6"	100	\$6.00 per fish		
Channel Catfish	4 – 6"	100	\$4.00 per fish		
Brook Trout	4 – 6"	300	\$5.00 per fish		
Rainbow Trout	4 – 6"	300	\$5.00 per fish		
				Subtotal	
<b>*****Add 7% NYS Sales Tax</b>					
Subtotal with Sales Tax					
<b>Grass Carp</b>	8 – 10"	<u>Up to 15</u>	<u>Each Grass Carp is</u> <b>\$28.00 – Non-Taxable</b>	<b>**      **</b>	
<b>***YOU MUST SUBMIT A COPY OF YOUR GRASS CARP PERMIT WITH ORDER***</b>					
<b>Total Due with Applicable Sales Tax</b>					

I agree that the Washington County SWCD is not responsible for any loss of fish occurring during transport from pick-up location to pond by the pond owner or a representative of same. Refunds will **not** be given for failure to pick up your fish on the designated pick-up day/time. Payment must accompany order. Make check payable to Washington County SWCD.

*Signature of pond owner*



**\*\*PLEASE TEAR OFF THIS PORTION AND KEEP – FISH PICK-UP INFORMATION\*\***

Fish pickup will take place on **Thursday, April 30 at 2:00 PM** at the USDA Service Center parking lot, 2530 State Route 40, Greenwich, NY. It is imperative that fish are picked up at the designated time due to survival limitations in transport.

**\*\*\*Orders will be pre-placed in oxygenated bags & boxed for travel – no container is needed for fish pickup\*\*\***

Washington County SWCD (518) 692-9940, Ext. 5

# General Information on Fish

Stocking fish requires a valid NYS-DEC permit

Contact DEC Bureau of Fisheries at 518-623-1200 (Region 5) for specific permit information

or visit website [www.dec.ny.gov/permits](http://www.dec.ny.gov/permits)

Permit Duration: Up to 5 years for Fish Stocking Permit - No Fee

Permit Duration: March 1 – November 30 for Triploid Grass Carp - No Fee

Submit your completed application to your local Regional Fisheries Office

## Trout:

- Brook Trout will only survive in colder ponds which rarely exceed 65°F.
- For rainbow trout the pond should not exceed a maximum summer temperature of 72° F at average depth, during the first two weeks of August, although fluctuating surface temperatures near 78° F for a couple of days are acceptable. Spring-fed ponds exceeding 10' of depth usually meet the temperature requirements. This is especially true at higher elevations where summers tend to be cooler. Ponds in wooded or shady areas will also stay cooler during the critical mid-summer period.
- Trout usually do not reproduce in a pond unless there is a spring-fed inlet stream of adequate size. For this reason, trout populations usually die out in most ponds over a 2-5 year period. After this time, restocking is required to maintain populations.
- The recommended stocking rate for rainbow trout is 400 fish per surface acre of pond, or 100 fish for the average 1/4-acre farm pond.

## Bass:

- Ponds should average a maximum water temperature of 75°-85° F during the last two weeks of July. A depth exceeding 6' is desirable, and 8-10' offers better protection against winter kill from oxygen depletion.
- The recommended stocking rate for largemouth bass is 100 fish per acre of pond surface (1 acre = 200'x 200', or 25 fish for the average 1/4-acre farm pond).
- Largemouth bass will actively reproduce in most farm ponds that fit the above-mentioned depth and temperature requirements.

## Channel Catfish:

- Channel catfish are a warm water fish and a prized game fish. They can reach sizes of up to 3' long and 20 pounds in farm ponds. A stocking rate of 50 fish is suggested for 1/4-acre (100' x 100') ponds. Catfish can live in both cold and warm water ponds, but do not spawn unless water temperatures exceed 72° for at least 3 weeks.
- Contrary to popular belief, channel catfish do not burrow in the mud and create cloudy water conditions as do their cousins the bullhead.
- Under normal pond conditions, 6-8" channel catfish will reach sizes of well over 1' in 2 years, and eventually 2-3' in size.

**Fathead Minnows:** Minnows may be stocked as a forage fish with bass to increase food supply and growth rate but are not required for the bass to survive.

**Quantities** of fish for stocking are determined per surface acre of open water 1 acre = 200' x 200'



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Permit Duration: Up to 5 years
Permit Fee: No fee

Fish Stocking Permit Application

For more information about this license visit: www.dec.ny.gov/permits/25026.html

License #: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Information

\*Name: Last First M.I. \*Date of Birth: MM / DD / YYYY

\*Address: Street Address Apartment/Unit City County State Zip Code

\*Phone: ( ) - Email:

Owner/Lessee Information (\*Complete this section if water to be stocked is privately owned & contact is different than above)

\*Name: Last First M.I. \*Phone: ( ) -

\*Address: Street Address Apartment/Unit City State Zip Code

Stocking Location Information

Waterbody Name: (if applicable) Waterbody Location: Town County

Lake or Pond Characteristics (Complete this section if fish will be stocked into a lake or pond)

Type of lake/pond: [ ] Natural [ ] Artificial/Man-made Surface Area (Acres): If the lake/pond has an outlet, name the nearest water it drains into:

Fish Species

\*Identify the fish species you intend to stock and the source from which you will acquire the fish:

Species: Source:

If applicable, indicate the fish species that currently inhabit the water:

Required Document(s) (must be submitted with your application)

[ ] Map depicting the location/pond to be licensed (Example maps: topographic, road/highway, etc.)

Application Checklist

(Before sending this application, please verify the following) [ ] All application fields marked with an asterisk ( \* ) are complete [ ] You signed and dated below

NOTICE: Pursuant to ECL Section 3-0301(2)(Q), false statements made on this application are punishable in accordance to Section 210.45 of the New York State Penal Code.

Applicant's Signature Date

Please allow 45 days for DEC to review and process your application. Incomplete or vague applications will be returned and delay the processing of your permit.



**DEC Regions:** Use the map to find the appropriate DEC Regional Fisheries Office to mail your application.

**Region 1**

50 Circle Rd  
Stony Brook, NY 11790  
(631) 444-0280

**Region 2**

47- 40 21st Street  
Long Island, NY 11101  
(718) 482-4922

**Region 3**

21 South Putt Corners Rd.  
New Paltz, NY 12561-1696  
(845) 256-3161

**Region 4**

65561 State Hwy 10, Suite 1  
Stamford, NY 12167-9503  
(607) 652-7366

**Region 5 (multiple offices)**

Route 86, PO Box 296  
Ray Brook, NY 12977-0296  
(518)897-1200

**-OR-**

232 Golf Course Road, PO Box 220  
Warrensburg, NY 12885  
(518) 623-1200

**Region 6**

State Office Building  
317 Washington Street  
Watertown, NY 13601-3787  
(315) 785-2263

**Region 7**

1285 Fisher Avenue  
Cortland, NY 13045-1090  
(607) 753-3095

**Region 8**

Attn: Bait License  
6274 East Avon-Lima Rd.  
Avon, NY 14414-9519  
(585) 226-2466

**Region 9 (multiple offices)**

182 East Union St. Suite 3  
Allegany, NY 14706  
(716)372-0645

**-OR-**

270 Michigan Avenue  
Buffalo, NY 14203-2999  
(716)851-7000



# Triploid Grass Carp Stocking Permit Application

For Office Use Only

**Permit Duration:**  
March 1 – November 30  
**Permit Fee:** No fee

For more information about this license visit:  
[www.dec.ny.gov/permits/25024.html](http://www.dec.ny.gov/permits/25024.html)

License #: \_\_\_\_\_

## Applicant Information

\*Name: \_\_\_\_\_ \*Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Last First M.I. MM DD YYYY

\*Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street Apartment/Unit City State Zip Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Business/Organization Name (if applicable) \*Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## Pond Owner/Lessee Information (\*Complete if different than above)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First M.I.

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street City State Zip Code

## Pond Location & Characteristics

\*Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street/Nearest Intersection City/Town County

\*Principal Use(s) of Pond: (Check all that apply)  Fishing  Boating  Swimming  Aquaculture  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Surface Area (Acres): \_\_\_\_\_ \*Maximum Depth (Feet): \_\_\_\_\_ \*Average Depth (Feet): \_\_\_\_\_

\*Pond Type:  Artificial/Man-made  Natural  
\*Water Supply: (Check all that apply)  Spring  Stream  Surface/rain water  
If the pond has an outlet, identify the nearest body of water it drains into: \_\_\_\_\_

## Fish Species

If applicable, list fish species in pond: \_\_\_\_\_

If previously stocked with grass carp, indicate the year and number stocked: \_\_\_\_\_  
Year Number stocked

## Plant Species/Vegetation

\*Briefly describe the plant problem: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Indicate the plant species and the percent coverage and density of each species in the pond:

Plant Species	Coverage (%)	Density (see descriptions to right)	Density Classification and Descriptions
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Low <input type="checkbox"/> Medium <input type="checkbox"/> High	<b>Low</b> = Plants scattered; small patches of dense growth may occur; fishing lure can easily be retrieved without fouling.
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Low <input type="checkbox"/> Medium <input type="checkbox"/> High	<b>Medium</b> = Intermediate between low and high.
_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/> Low <input type="checkbox"/> Medium <input type="checkbox"/> High	<b>High</b> = Dense mats; usually obvious on surface of pond; fishing lure being retrieved is fouled.

### Required Document(s)

(must be submitted with your application)

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