

As of May 18, 2024

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission

Code Book

The regulations in this Code Book are hereby adopted by the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission under authority of Amendment 35 to the Constitution of the State of Arkansas. All laws, rules, regulations, or orders in conflict with the regulations in this Code Book are hereby repealed by the Arkansas State Game and Fish Commission.

J1.04 RESERVED

NEW TITLE: J1.04 Prohibited Exotic Aquatic Species List
(Fish, Crustaceans, and Mollusks)

Prohibited Species:

The following organisms have been legally listed as exotic, harmful, or potentially harmful. In accordance with Code [26.13](#), it is unlawful to import, sell, purchase, trade, stock, culture, transport, or possess any live specimen, including viable eggs or hybrids of species commonly known as:

Fish

- Alewife *Alosa pseudoharengus*
- Blueback Herring *Alosa aestivalis*
- Eurasian Ruffe *Gymnocephalus cernua*
- Mexican Banded Tetra *Astyanax aeneus*
- Orfe *Leuciscus idus*
- Piranha Family *Serrasalminidae* (all species)
- Roach *Rutilus rutilus*
- Round Goby *Neogobius melanostomus*
- Rudd *Scardinius erthroptthalmus*
- Snakehead Family *Channidae* (all species)
- Stickleback Family *Gasteroseidae* (all species)
- Walking Catfishes Family *Clariidae* (all species)
- White Perch *Morone americana*
- Yellow Perch *Perca flavescens*
- Prussian Carp *Carassius gibelio*
- Crucian Carp *Carassius carassius*
- Wels Catfish *Silurus glanis*
- Largescale Silver Carp *Hypophthalmichthys harmandi*
- Eurasian Minnow *Phoxinus phoxinus*
- Stone Moroko *Pseudorasbora parva*
- European Perch *Perca fluviatilis*
- Nile Perch *Lates niloticus*
- Amur Sleeper *Perccottus glenii*
- Zander *Sander lucioperca*

Crustaceans

- Chinese Mitten Crab *Ericher sinensis*
- Marbled Crayfish *Procambarus virginalis*
- Everglades Crayfish *Procambarus alleni*
- Redclaw Crayfish Family *Cherax*
- Rusty Crayfish *Orconectes rusticus*
- Smooth Marron *Cherax cainii*

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- Yabby *Cherax destructor*

Mollusks

- Big-Ear Radix *Radix auricularia*
- Channeled Apple Snail *Pomacea canaliculata*
- Giant Apple Snail *Pomacea maculata*
- Golden Mussel *Limnoperna fortunei*
- Chinese Mystery Snail *Cipangopaludina chinensis*
- Japanese Mystery Snail *Cipangopaludina japonica*
- Ghost Ramshorn Snail *Biomphalaria havanensis*
- New Zealand Mud Snail *Potamopyrgus antipodarum*
- Quagga Mussel *Dreissena bugensis*
- Quilted Melania *Tarebia granifera*
- Red-rim Melania *Melanoides tuberculata*
- Zebra Mussel *Dreissena polymorpha*

Modification of Lists:

This list is subject to change. Any individual may petition AGFC to add or remove species on the *Prohibited Exotic Aquatic Species List*. The petition must provide thorough documentation of why a species should or should not be included on a list. Petitions must address the biological threat of the species, including native range, habitats utilized, movement patterns, spawning requirements, reproductive rate, food habits, and temperature, pathogens of concern, and water-quality limitations. Documentation of any introductions or escapes outside the species' native range must be included and evaluate the potential impacts to native species through predation, competition, disease transmission, and displacement. Petitions must include copies of all pertinent reference material.

Petitions to add or remove species on the *Prohibited Exotic Aquatic Species List* will be responded to by the Chief of Fisheries after thorough scientific review of the species and a consultation with an advisory board representing AGFC staff.