### Restraints:
- **No cast netting.**
- Adhere to fishing limits for each species (see limits on right).
- Do not catch or injure snapping turtles. If hooked, cut the line.
- Do not catch or take frogs, snails or mussels.

### Fishing Limits:
- **Sunfish:** Bluegill, Green, Longear, Pumpkinseed & Redear: Sizes between 6” to 8”, limit 20 per day. All other sizes Catch & Release.
- **Blue, Channel & Flathead Catfish:** Catch & Keep up to 10 per day, no weight limit.
- **Bullhead Catfish:** Catch & Keep up to 2 per day, no weight limit.
- **Largemouth Bass:** Catch & Release.
- **Black Crappie:** Under 9 inches Catch & Release / 9+ inches, limit 30 per day.
- **Common Carp:** Catch & Keep, No Limit.
- **Gizzard Shad:** Catch & Release.

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#### Sunfish

- **Bluegill Sunfish**
  - Identification: Deep slab-sided fish with small mouth and long pectoral fin. Colors vary; however, ear flap is always black and bluegills often have a black blotch near the end of the soft dorsal fin.
  - Adult Size: 6-10 inches

- **Green Sunfish**
  - Identification: Moderately compressed body, mouth is large with upper jaw reaching back to middle of eye. Back is bluish-green and below is yellow to white. Anal fin has 3 hard spines.
  - Adult Size: 3-7 inches

- **Longear Sunfish**
  - Identification: Back is olive-green with blue-green specks on sides. Belly is orange or yellow. Ear flaps are black, occasionally with a white border.
  - Adult Size: 4-6 inches

- **Pumpkinseed Sunfish**
  - Identification: Colorful, deep-bodied, slab-sided fish with small mouth. Breast and belly are orange to yellow with lighter sides in variety of colors. Ear flap is black bordered with an orange red spot.
  - Adult Size: 5-8 inches

- **Redear Sunfish**
  - Identification: Deep, slab-sided fish similar to bluegill, except ear flap is black with a red or orange margin. Black blotch at base of dorsal fin is absent.
  - Adult Size: 9-11 inches

#### Catfish

- **Blue Catfish**
  - Identification: Forked tail, light gray or silver colored body. Differs from channel catfish by having longer anal fin (30-36 rays compared to 24-30 on a channel catfish) with straight bottom edge. No black spots appear on body like those on young channel catfish.
  - Adult Size: 30-40 inches and 20-40 pounds. Can reach upwards of 60 inches.

- **Bullhead Catfish**
  - Identification: Bullheads are often difficult to identify. They are scaleless and colors vary from yellow-olive brown to brownish-black.
  - Adult Size: 10-12 inches

- **Channel Catfish**
  - Identification: Scaleless and slender bodied, deeply forked tails, barbels around mouth, curved anal fins with 24-30 rays. Color is generally bluish-silver on upper half of body and silver to white on lower half.
  - Adult Size: 12-14 inches and up to 10 pounds or more.

- **Flathead Catfish**
  - Identification: Only catfish in Ohio with a flattened head between the eyes. Lower jaw is longer than upper jaw. Tail is square, body color is usually yellow-olive or dark brown with dark brown blotches.
  - Adult Size: 15-30 inches and 5 to 40 pounds. Have been known to exceed 5 feet and 80 pounds.

#### Other Species

- **Largemouth Bass**
  - Identification: Black part of jaw extends beyond back border of the eye when mouth is closed. Dark lateral band extends from head to tail.
  - Adult Size: 12-15 inches weighing 1 to 3 pounds. Can reach over 25 inches and 13 pounds.

- **Black Crappie**
  - Identification: Deep bodies with head, back and sides mottled with dusky or black blotches. Most reliable characteristic are 7 or 8 dorsal spines.
  - Adult Size: 8-12 inches

- **Common Carp**
  - Identification: Stout, bronze-gold to golden-yellow fish with a yellowish belly. Upper jaw has two barbels on each side.
  - Adult Size: Generally between 1-10 pounds, occasionally up to 50-60 pounds and 40 inches long.

- **Gizzard Shad**
  - Identification: Small bait fish with silvery bodies.
  - Adult Size: Under 4’