REGULATIONS – Summary

Species	Daily Creel Limit	Minimum Size	Possession Limit	*Special Regulations
Black Bass Smallmouth, Largemouth, and Spotted	6* (in aggregate)	None*	12* (in aggregate)	**Jennings Randolph Lake:** 12-inch minimum size limit, daily creel limit 5, and possession limit 10. See ***Special Area Regulations*** for additional restrictions.
Trout Rainbow, Golden, Brook and Brown	6* (in aggregate)	None	12* (in aggregate)	Jennings Randolph Lake: Daily creel limit 5, and possession limit 5. See ***Special Area Regulations*** for additional restrictions.
Muskellunge	2*	30 inches*	4*	**Jennings Randolph Lake:** 36-inch minimum size limit, daily creel limit 1, and possession limit 1 for muskellunge in aggregate with Tiger Musky. See ***Special Area Regulations*** for additional restrictions.
Tiger Musky	2*	28 inches*	4*	
Northern Pike	2	28 inches*	4*	**Jennings Randolph Lake:** 30-inch minimum size limit, daily creel limit 2, and possession limit 2.
Hybrid Striped Bass	4*	15 inches*	8*	**Beech Fork, Bluestone and R.D. Bailey lakes and all rivers:** Daily creel limit 4 and possession limit 8 applies to fish 15 inches or larger in aggregate with striped and white bass. No restrictions for these fish under 15 inches. **Mt. Storm and East Lynn:** 15-inch minimum size limit. **Rollins Lake:** catch-and-release
Striped Bass	4*	None*	8*	**Beech Fork, Bluestone and R.D. Bailey lakes and all rivers:** Daily creel limit 4 and possession limit 8 applies to fish 15 inches or larger in aggregate with hybrid striped, striped, and white bass. No restrictions for these fish under 15 inches.
White Bass				
Paddlefish	0	0	0	All fish must be returned to the water immediately.
Shovelnose Sturgeon				
Lake Sturgeon				
Sauger	Lakes - 8* Rivers - 10* (in aggregate)	None*	Lakes - 16* Rivers - 20 (in aggregate)	**Jennings Randolph Lake:** 15-inch minimum size limit, daily creel limit 5, and possession limit 5 for walleye. See ***Special Area Regulations*** for additional restrictions on walleye.
Saugeye				
Walleye				
Blue Catfish	2*	24 inches*	None	**Statewide:** 24-inch minimum size limit and daily creel limit 2.
Channel Catfish	4*	None	16*	**In state-managed impoundments:** Daily creel limit 4, possession limit 16. Does not apply to Mt. Storm, Stonecoal, Cheat, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers lakes and all rivers and streams. See ***Public Fishing Lakes and Ponds Chart***.
Yellow Perch	None*	None	None	**Cheat Lake:** Daily creel limit 15
All Others	None*	None*	None*	**Jennings Randolph Lake:** 14-inch minimum size limit, daily creel limit 5, and possession limit 5 for chain pickerel.
Frogs	10	None	20	**Season:** 9 p.m. DST, June 12 to midnight July 31. **Big Sandy and Tug Fork rivers bordering Kentucky Season:** Noon, May 21 to midnight, October 31.
	Check the 2010 Maryland Fishing Regulations for special regulations on the North Branch of the Potomac and Potomac rivers.			

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