

Henry County SWCD 2016 Fall Fish

THE POND Sale

Fish, like all other animals, need suitable shelter and food for survival and reproduction. However, not all ponds can support game fish populations. To produce and maintain good sport fishing, the pond must be managed. Good pond management begins with proper shape and depth (pond design) and proper living conditions (water quality) within that pond.

Proper construction and maintenance of the dam and spillway are essential. The dam must be built so that it will not wash out or develop leaks. The spillway should be designed to handle excessive amounts of water during heavy rainfall.

The ideal pond should be at least 1 acre in size when full. Smaller ponds are difficult to manage for any length of time. Their fish populations tend to be unstable and unpredictable. Excess aquatic plants can seriously interfere with recreational uses of the pond, and also, can provide too many hiding places for small fish. Summer and winter fish kills occur more frequently in small ponds because they are often shallow. Small ponds can seldom support enough fishing pressure to make management worth while. They are likely to dry up or provide marginal habitat during extended periods of below average rainfall.



**TRIPLOID GRASS
CARP
ORDER DUE**

October 11, 2016!

October 11, 2016-Triploid Grass Carp Orders Due!

October 18, 2016-All Orders Due!

October 28, 2016-Pick Up Fish @ 7:00 A.M.

HENRY COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS
CAMBRIDGE, ILLINOIS

This is not an all day event!

*We do our best to have all customers on the road
as quickly as possible!*

PHONE NUMBER: 309-937-5263 EXT. 3

USDA-NRCS-SWCD
An Equal Opportunity Employer and Provider

Bring containers such as garbage cans or totes to put your bagged fish in.

All fish will be bagged at the time of pick-up and sealed in oxygenated water.

PLEASE NOTE:

**8 inch to 10 inch
CATFISH**

Cannot be bagged!

You **Must** Provide a Container
With **Pond Water** To Transport
Your Catfish!

CHANNEL CATFISH

4" - 6" \$0.70 EACH

6" - 8" \$0.90 EACH

8"-10" \$1.10 EACH

New: Albino Catfish 4"- 6" \$1.25 EACH

A slender fish having a deeply forked tail, 8 barbels around the mouth, a rounded fin containing 24 – 20 rays and 3 serrated spines at the front of the dorsal and pectoral fins. Similar to other members of the catfish family, a channel catfish's scaleless skin is smooth. Color varies depending on the back, blending to a silvery white belly. During early summer, the spawning male channel catfish acquires a deep color that confuses its identity with that of the blue catfish.

Albino Catfish: Winter hardy and fast growing

HYBRID SUNFISH

1" - 2" \$70.00 PER BAG OF 250

3"- 5" \$0.85 EACH

5"- 7" \$1.35 EACH

The term hybrid sunfish is extremely general, referring to any number of potential crosses involving the Centrachiadae (sunfish) family.

LARGEMOUTH BASS

2"- 3" \$0.90 EACH

5"- 8" \$2.85 EACH

The color of the largemouth bass is usually dark green on the back, becoming lighter green on the sides. The largemouth bass most closely resembles the spotted bass in color but does not have the series of prominent, horizontal streaks along the lower sides that are characteristic of the spotted bass.

BLUEGILL

1"- 2" \$70.00 PER BAG OF 250

3"- 5" \$0.85 EACH

The bluegill's color varies depending on sex, age, and habitat. Generally, the body is light to dark olive with a touch of purple in older individuals. The bluegill has a prominent dark blotch at the posterior base of the dorsal fin, (usually not present in young fish).

CRAPPIE (Black)

2" - 3" \$57.00 PER BAG OF 100

The two crappies are differentiated by the number of dorsal spines present. Both have more silvery colored and deeper bodies than the other sunfish. The hybrid crappies usually have 6 dorsal spines whereas the black crappies have 7 or 8 dorsal spines.

REDEAR

1" - 2" \$70.00 PER BAG OF 250

The redear sunfish is a deep, compressed fish with an oblong body the shape of a human hand. It has a small mouth similar to the bluegill and a yellow-green colored body.

FATHEAD MINNOWS

\$11.25 PER POUND (100 to 150 per pound)

Fathead minnows, commonly called the tuffy or blackhead, are a very important bait minnow for fisherman, but also provide forage for larger fish.

TRIPLOID GRASS CARP

8" - 11" \$11.25 EACH

These fish can control certain aquatic plants in moderately or small-sized lakes. In private ponds, where sport fishing is not the primary activity, stocking triploid grass carp can be an environmentally sound, cost-effective way of controlling aquatic plants.

PLEASE ORDER GRASS CARP

BY October 9, 2015!

IT IS IMPORTANT YOU PLACE YOUR ORDER

BY THE ABOVE DATE

THE STATE OF ILLINOIS REQUIRES
PERMITS!

<u>FISH</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>	<u>COST</u>	<u>TOTAL DUE</u>
Catfish 4"-6 "		\$0.70 Each	
Catfish 6"-8"		\$0.90 Each	
Catfish 8"-10" <u>(Provide Pond Water)</u>		\$1.10 Each	
Albino Catfish 4"-6"		\$1.25 Each	
Hybrid Sunfish 1"-2" (Bag of 250)		\$70.00/Bag	
Hybrid Sunfish 3"-5"		\$0.85 Each	
Hybrid Sunfish 5"-7"		\$1.35 Each	
Largemouth Bass 2"-3"		\$0.90 Each	
Largemouth Bass 5"-8"		\$2.85 Each	
Bluegill 1"-2" (Bag of 250)		\$70.00/Bag	
Bluegill 3"-5"		\$0.85 Each	
Crappie (Black) 2"-3" (Bag of 100)		\$57.00/Bag	
Redear 1"-2" (Bag of 250)		\$70.00/Bag	
Fathead Minnows	#LBS.	\$11.25/Lb	
Triploid Grass Carp 8"-11"		\$11.25 Each	
TOTAL AMOUNT DUE			\$

ORDER FORM: MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO HENRY COUNTY SWCD
ADDRESS: 301 EAST NORTH STREET P.O. Box 162 CAMBRIDGE, ILLINOIS 61238

If you are ordering grass carp, we need the Township, Range, and Section of pond location.
EXAMPLE: TWP 17N, Range 3E, Section 23 (If you need help, please call the office at 309-937-5263 ext. 3)

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

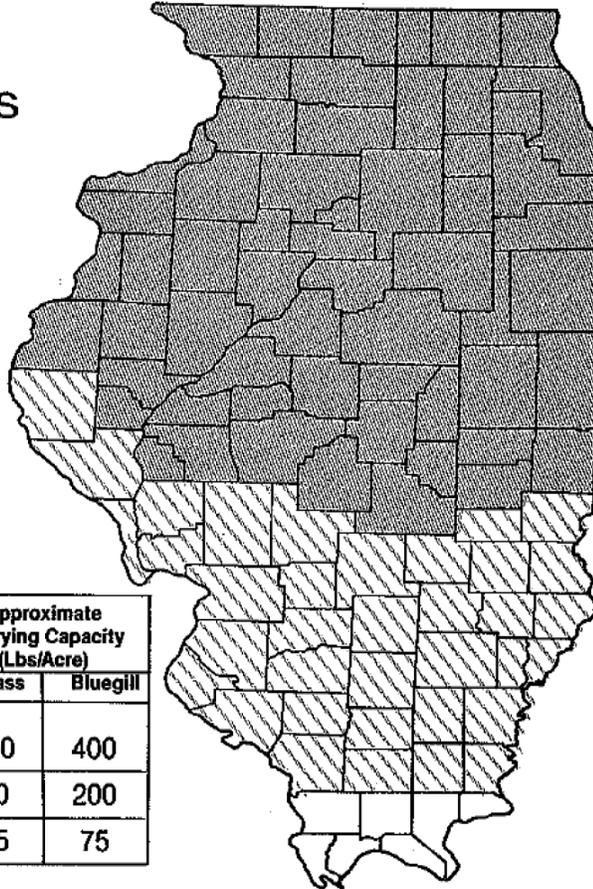
COUNTY: _____ TWP: _____

RANGE: _____ SECTION: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

ILDNR Initial Stocking Recommendations

FERTILITY
MAP OF
ILLINOIS IMPOUNDMENTS
BASED ON ALKALINITY
OF THE WATER



Alkalinity	Fertility Rating	Fertility Key	Approximate Carrying Capacity (Lbs/Acre)	
			LM Bass	Bluegill
More than 100 PPM*	Good		100	400
50 to 100 PPM*	Average		50	200
Less than 50 PPM*	Fair		25	75

*Parts per million

Locate your pond in the black, crosshatched, or clear areas in the map above. Use the following chart as a guide for its initial stocking.

Initial Fish Stocking Guide

Fertility Key									
Soil Type of Pond	Black	Light	Forest	Black	Light	Forest	Black	Light	Forest

Number of fingerling fish stocked per surface acre

Largemouth Bass	100	80	60	90	70	50	80	60	40
Channel Catfish	100	80	60	90	70	50	80	60	40
Bluegill	1000	700	500	800	600	400	700	500	300

Bluegill/Redear Combination

Bluegill	700	560	490	490	420	350	350	310	245
Redear	300	240	210	210	180	150	150	140	105

*Rates do not consider artificial feeding which can potentially increase stocking rates.