

6259.0100 GENERAL RESTRICTIONS ON TAKING CRAYFISH.

Subpart 1. **Seasons and size restrictions.** The open season for taking crayfish is April 1 through November 30. Crayfish less than one inch in length from tip of rostrum to tip of tail must be returned unharmed to the water.

Subp. 2. **Gear and marking requirements.** The following provisions in this subpart apply to gear and marking requirements on the taking of crayfish:

A. Crayfish may be harvested with gear allowed for rough fish and minnows in addition to gear specified in this part. Crayfish traps or harvesting devices must be identified in a permanent and legible manner with a plastic or metal tag not smaller than one inch by three inches bearing the user's name and address.

B. The mesh size for crayfish traps may not be less than one-half inch, stretch measure.

C. Floats used to mark traps may not be larger than four inches square or four inches in diameter.

D. Rough fish parts may be used within a crayfish trap as bait.

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