

SPORT FISHING

Emergency Order

ALASKA DEPARTMENT
OF FISH & GAME

Under Authority of AS 16.05.060

Emergency Order No. 2-RT-2-31-12

Issued at: Palmer, Monday, July 2, 2012

Effective Date: 6:00 a.m., Friday, July 6, 2012

Expiration Date: 11:59 p.m., Monday,
December 31, 2012, unless superseded by
subsequent emergency order.

EXPLANATION:

This emergency order increases the bag and possession limit for rainbow trout in Reflections Lake, located on the Palmer Hay Flats, to five per day and five in possession, of which only one may be 20 inches or greater in length. This emergency order is effective beginning at 6:00 a.m., Friday, July 6, 2012, through 11:59 p.m., Monday, December 31, 2012. Rainbow trout 20 inches or longer that are harvested must be recorded; the annual limit for rainbow trout 20 inches or longer from stocked lakes is 10.

REGULATION:

The provisions of 5 AAC 60.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Knik Arm Drainage Area. (3)(B) are superseded by this emergency order. Under this emergency order, the following provisions are effective, beginning 6:00 a.m., Friday, July 6, 2012, through 11:59 p.m., Monday, December 31, 2012.

5AAC 60.120. General provisions for seasons, bag, possession, and size limits, and methods and means for the Knik Arm Drainage Area.

(3) rainbow/steelhead trout,

(B) may be taken in stocked lakes and ponds from January 1 – December 31; bag and possession limit of five fish, of which only one may be 20 inches or greater in length; for the purposes of this subparagraph, “stocked lakes and ponds” include; Barley Lake, Bear Paw Lake, Bench Lake, Beverly Lake, Big Beaver Lake, B-J Lake, Boot Lake, Bruce Lake, Butterfly Lake, Canoe Lake, Carpenter Lake, Coyote Lake, Dawn Lake, Diamond Lake, Echo Lake, (Bradley Kepler), Farmer Lake, Finger Lake, Florence Lake, Golden Pond, Homestead Lake, Honey Bee Lake, Ida Lake, Irene Lake, Kepler/Bradley Lakes, Klair Lake, Kalmbach Lake, Knik Lake, Knob Lake, Lalen Lake, Little Beaver Lake, Little Lonely Lake, Little No Luck Lake, Loberg (Junction)Lake, Long Lake (MP 86 Glenn Hwy), Loon Lake, Marion Lake, Matanuska Lake, Meirs Lake, Memory Lake, Morovo Lake, North Knob Lake, North Rolly Lake, Prator Lake, Ravine Lake, Reed Lake, Reflections Lake, Rhein Lake, Rocky Lake, Ruby Lake, Seventeen Mile Lake, Seymour Lake, Slipper Lake, South Rolly Lake, Tanaina Lake, Threemile Lake, Twin Island Lake, Vera Lake, Victor Lake, Visnaw Lake, Walby Lake, Weiner Lake, and Wolf Lake;

Cora Campbell,
Commissioner

By delegation to:

Samantha Oslund,
Assistant Area Management Biologist

JUSTIFICATION:

The department stocks various lakes in the Northern Cook Inlet to increase fishing opportunity. Stocked lakes are managed for maximum yield with a bag and possession limit of 5 rainbow trout, of which only one may be over 20 inches in length. Reflections Lake has recently met requirements for stocking under the lake stocking policy, has been added to the list of stocked lakes within the statewide stocking plan, and will be stocked July 6, 2012 with 500 catchable rainbow trout. Therefore, it is warranted to increase the bag and possession limit of rainbow trout to five fish.

DISTRIBUTION:

The distribution list for this emergency order is on file at the Region II Office of the Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Sport Fish, 333 Raspberry Road, Anchorage, AK 99518, (907) 267-2218.