

**PROPOSED REGULATION OF THE
BOARD OF WILDLIFE COMMISSIONERS**

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *italics* is new; matter in brackets ~~[omitted material]~~ is material to be omitted.

AUTHORITY: §1, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 503.300; §2, NRS 501.105, 501.181 and 503.310.

A REGULATION relating to fishing; providing that gizzard shad may be used as live bait fish in certain waters; and providing other matters properly relating thereto.

Section 1. NAC 503.507 is hereby amended to read as follows:

503.507 1. The Southern Region consists of all waters in Clark, Esmeralda, Lincoln and Nye Counties.

2. In the waters of Lake Mead, Lake Mohave and the Colorado River located in Clark County:

(a) Only golden shiner, fathead minnow, mosquitofish, red shiner, *gizzard shad*, threadfin shad, carp and goldfish may be used as live bait fish.

(b) Other forms of aquatic and animal life, including, but not limited to, the waterdog, grasshopper, earthworm and crayfish, may be used as bait.

(c) A person holding a fishing license may purchase fish authorized for use as bait from a dealer in bait licensed in Arizona, California or Nevada or may, for his or her own use, take fish authorized for use as bait by:

(1) A dipnet;

(2) A cast net with a radius not exceeding 4 feet measured from the horn to the leadline;

(3) A seine not exceeding 10 feet in length and 4 feet in width; or

(4) A trap for minnows not exceeding 12 inches in depth, 12 inches in width or 24 inches in length.

3. Only artificial lures may be used in the Dacey Reservoir.

4. In all other waters of the Southern Region, the capture, possession while fishing or use of fish as bait, whether dead or alive, or parts thereof, other than preserved salmon eggs is prohibited.

Sec. 2. NAC 503.508 is hereby amended to read as follows:

503.508 In the waters of the Colorado River, Lake Mead and Lake Mohave:

1. In addition to fish used as live bait, forms of animal life such as waterdogs, grasshoppers, earthworms and crayfish may be used for bait.

2. Only the following species of live fresh-water fish may be lawfully raised, possessed, transported, sold, offered for sale, imported, used or taken from the waters of the Colorado River for use as live bait:

(a) Golden shiner.

(b) Fathead minnow.

(c) Mosquitofish.

(d) Red shiner.

(e) Threadfin shad.

(f) Carp.

(g) Goldfish.

(h) Gizzard shad.

3. A fisherman with a valid license may possess or use as live bait only the species of fish named in subsection 2. These species of fish may be purchased only from a dealer in bait licensed in Arizona, California or Nevada or may be taken for personal use only with a:

- (a) Dipnet;
- (b) Cast net with a radius not exceeding 4 feet measured from the horn to the leadline;
- (c) Seine not exceeding 10 feet in length and 4 feet in width; or
- (d) Trap for minnows not exceeding 12 inches in depth, 12 inches in width and 24 inches in length.