

Notice of Hearing

The Department of Natural Resources announces that it will hold a public hearing on a permanent rule FH-14-20 to revise chapters NR 19 to 23 relating to minor changes to fishing regulations on inland, outlying and boundary waters (2021 Fisheries Management housekeeping rule). In accordance with s. 227.17, Wis. Stats., the DNR is seeking public comment and feedback on permanent rule FH-14-20 at the time and virtual location shown below.

Hearing Information

Date: August 25, 2021

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Virtual Location Link: [Skype link](#) or by phone at 608-316-9000, 782 849 38#

Rule Information: These rules are minor in nature and mainly clarify regulations, correct outdated language and drafting errors, and address inconsistencies in administrative code language. Specifically, these rules will amend fishing regulations found in chs. NR 19-23, Wis. Admin. Code. Fishing regulations, such as length and bag limits or season dates, are used as a tool to ensure that good fishing exists into the future.

Accessibility

For the hearing or visually impaired, non-English speakers, or those with other personal circumstances which might make communication at the meeting/hearing difficult, DNR will, to the maximum extent possible and with reasonable advance notice, provide aids including an interpreter, or a non-English, large-print, or recorded version of hearing documents. To access these resources, please contact the email address or phone number listed below as soon as possible.

Appearances at the Hearing and Submittal of Written Comments

The public has the opportunity to testify at the hearing. Registration will take place at the hearing by completing a Hearing Appearance form, which is available here: <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/news/input/ProposedPermanent.html>. Pre-registration is strongly encouraged if you plan to provide spoken comments during the hearing. To pre-register, please download and complete the fillable [Hearing Appearance form](#) and send it to Meredith.Penthorn@wisconsin.gov.

Comments on the proposed rule must be received on or before August 25, 2021. Written comments may be submitted by U.S. mail, E-mail, or through the internet and will have the same weight and effect as oral statements presented at the public hearing. **Written comments and any questions on the proposed rules should be submitted to:**

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Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis:

The department expects no economic impact directly related to these minor rule changes. The proposed rule does not impose any compliance or reporting requirements on small businesses, nor are any design or operational standards contained in the rule.

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