

NDG&F November 18th Newsletter

Register to Darkhouse Spearfish

North Dakota's darkhouse spearfishing season opens on most state waters December 1. The season extends through March 15. Legal fish are northern pike and nongame species.

Darkhouse spearing is allowed for all residents with a valid fishing license and for residents under age 16. Nonresidents may darkhouse spearfish in North Dakota if they are from states that offer the same privilege for North Dakota residents.

All individuals who participate in darkhouse spearfishing [must register](#) with the North Dakota Game and Fish Department prior to participating. Registration is available at the department's website, gf.nd.gov, or through any Game and Fish Department office.

All waters open to hook and line fishing are open to darkhouse spearing except:

Braun Lake – Logan County

East Park Lake, West Park Lake, Lake Audubon – McLean County

Heckers Lake – Sheridan County

McClusky Canal

New Johns Lake – Burleigh County

Red and Bois de Sioux rivers

Red Willow Lake – Griggs County

Sweet Briar Dam – Morton County

Anglers should refer to the 2012-14 North Dakota Fishing Guide for more information.

Lakes Closed to Ice Fishing

Anglers are reminded that three North Dakota lakes are closed to ice fishing.

The State Fair Pond in Ward County, McDowell Dam in Burleigh County and Lightning Lake in McLean County are closed when the lakes ice over.

Anglers should refer to the 2012-14 North Dakota Fishing Guide for open water and winter fishing regulations.