

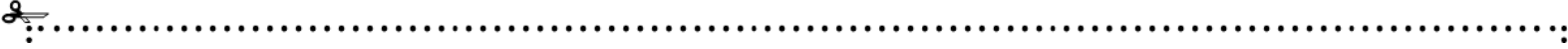
2024 Fish Sale

October 3rd Pick-up Hours: 8:30-9:30 A.M.

In SWCD Parking Lot (21330 SR 676 Marietta)

PLEASE BRING WITH YOU WHEN YOU PICK UP YOUR FISH:

1. CONTAINER: 5 GAL BUCKET OR 10-20 GAL TRASH CAN.
2. UNSCENTED PLASTIC LINER IN CONTAINER TO HOLD OXYGEN.
3. LINER HALF FULL OF POND WATER.



Species	Price	Quantity	Subtotal
Largemouth Bass 2" to 3"	\$1.35		
Bluegill 2" to 4"	\$1.05		
Channel Catfish 4" to 5"	\$0.90		
Hybrid Bluegill 2" to 4"	\$1.05		
Red Ear Shellcracker 2" to 4"	\$1.05		
Fat Head Minnows 1" to 3"	\$9.00/ 100		
Koi 5" to 7" (will eat duck weed)	\$14.00		
White Amur 8" to 10" (recommend 10-12 per acre)	\$16.00		
Perch 2" to 3"	\$1.10		
NPC Bacteria (good preventative care for your pond)	\$90.00/ 1 gal.		
NPC Bacteria	\$375.00/ 5 gal.		
Optimal Fish Food 40# bag (40% protein) small pellet	\$48/ bag		
Pond book by Steve Fender	\$20.00		
TOTAL:		Sales Tax @ 7.25%	
		Grand Total	

2024 Fish Sale Order Form

Order deadline: September 25, 2024

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____

Cell #: _____

Make Checks Payable to:

Washington SWCD

PAYMENT MUST BE MADE AT TIME OF ORDERING THE FISH. TO ORDER, CLIP THE ORDER FORM FROM THIS FLYER AND MAIL IT ALONG WITH PAYMENT TO:

WASHINGTON SWCD
21330 SR 676 Suite E
Marietta, OH 45750

Additional order forms available at:
washingtontcountyswcd.com

Tips for Stocking Your Pond

Stocking your pond will not only bring you lots of fishing fun, but you will be helping to keep the algae, weeds, insects, leeches and worms under control.

CREATING A BALANCE

Your fish stocking strategy for your pond should ensure that your predator fish will have a bountiful selection of prey, while still giving the prey fish a sporting chance to mature and reproduce. Keep in mind that catfish will have little effect on the prey to predator ratio as they will pretty much stick to themselves at the bottom of the pond.

When you have properly stocked your pond, your fish population tends to keep itself in check. When you first stock your pond it is recommended to add some fathead minnows to feed the predator fish while the prey fish get established. In proper conditions, minnows can be a snack for your fish that will replenish themselves.

FISH TYPES

When stocking your pond, selecting fish of similar size will also help the population grow together. The number of fish you add to your population will ultimately depend on the surface area of your lake or pond.

NUMBER OF FISH TO STOCK PER ACRE

<u>STOCKING COMBINATION</u>	<u>BASS</u>	<u>BLUEGILL</u>	<u>REDEAR</u>	<u>CATFISH</u>
Bass - Bluegill	100	500	0	0
Bass - Bluegill - Catfish	100	500	0	100
Bass - Redear	100	0	500	0
Bass - Bluegill - Redear	100	350	150	0
Bass - Bluegill - Redear - Catfish	100	350	150	100

When stocking your pond with fish, make sure you take stock of any fish you may already have in the pond.

BEST TIME TO STOCK

Spring or fall is the ideal time for stocking fish in your pond. Temperatures are mild and oxygen levels are high, so the stress factors affecting your fish will be at their lowest. Once acclimated to your pond, they will be primed to flourish.

ACCLIMATING FISH

Acclimating fish is simple just place the transportation bag in a shaded area of the pond and let float for 15-20 minutes. This allows your fish to slowly adjust to water temperatures in your pond. Next open the bag and let the fish swim out on their own. If you are adding fish to a pond where fish are already present, release minnows at one end of the pond to attract larger fish and release the smaller fish at the opposite end so they have a chance to find shelter.

HABITAT

Keep in mind when stocking fish in your pond, adding habitat will increase the area for the smaller prey fish and minnows to hide and safely reproduce. Weeds and other structures already in your pond will provide some cover. Habitat structures can be constructed from many different natural and man-made materials. Easily obtained materials such as discarded Christmas trees can be banded together, weighted and sunk, although trees such as oak, hickory, and cedar work best due to their resistance to decay. Man-made materials such as PVC pipe, field tile, concrete block, and wooden pallets can also be fashioned into fish attracting devices.

MAINTENANCE

To keep the population of both predator and prey fish healthy, make sure your water is well oxygenated when you are stocking fish in your pond. An aeration system and use of beneficial bacteria, will increase the amount of dissolved oxygen in the water, and prevent harmful stratification from occurring.

Try to catch some of the fish in your pond each season and record how many of each type you are pulling out of the pond while inspecting them for healthy color, weight, and size. Occasionally checking up on your fish will decrease the frequency and severity of population issues, while making your pond an enjoyable addition to your home with fun activities for the entire family.