



2023 FRESHWATER TROPHY FISH AWARDS

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ABOUT THE CONNECTICUT DEEP TROPHY FISH AWARD PROGRAM

Trophy fish awards are acknowledged in two categories for each species that meets or exceeds the minimum size criteria listed on our web page. A state record fish is the single largest individual of a species that has been submitted and verified by CT DEEP.

- **Harvest = the largest fish by weight. New state records must be weighed on a certified scale.**
- **Catch and Release = the largest fish by length. New state records verified by photo next to a ruler.**

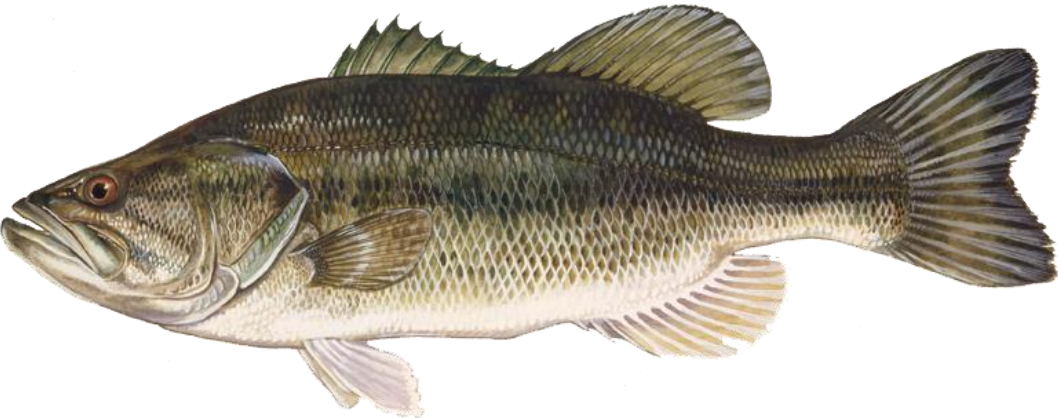
Submit your trophy fish using the online portal.

Questions about the freshwater catches can be directed to mike.beauchene@ct.gov

HARVEST CATEGORY / 2023

THE LARGEST FISH BY WEIGHT

YOUTH (under age 16)

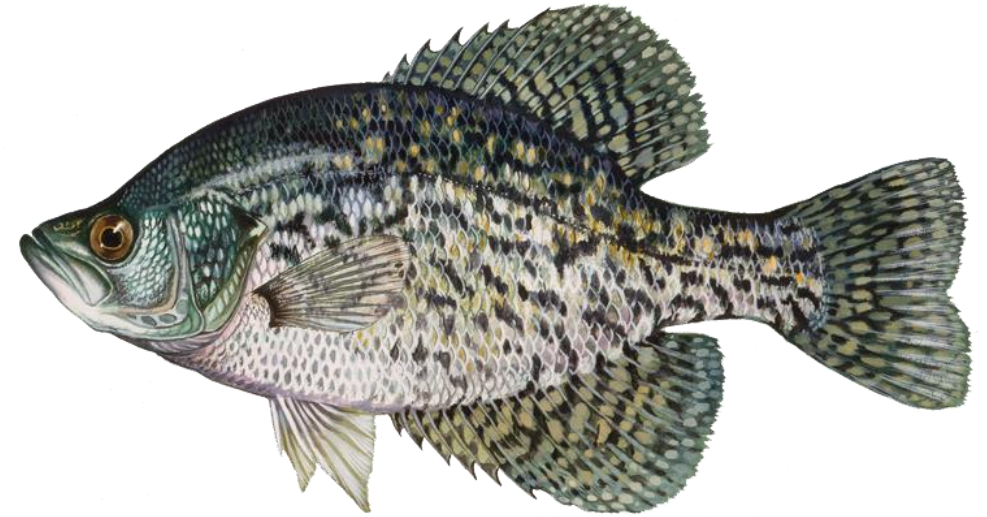


Fish	Weight (pounds)	Waterbody	Angler
Bowfin	7.0	Connecticut River	Adam Chrzanowski
Brook Trout	2.0	Beach Pond	Sage Nicholson
Brown Trout	5.2	East Twin Lake	Griffen Bailey
Black Crappie	3.5	Saugatuck Reservoir	Evander Prapopulos
Rainbow Trout	7.5	Wepawaug River	Colton Johnson
Yellow Perch	1.0	Connecticut River	Adam Chrzanowski

HARVEST CATEGORY / 2023

THE LARGEST FISH BY WEIGHT

Adult Female

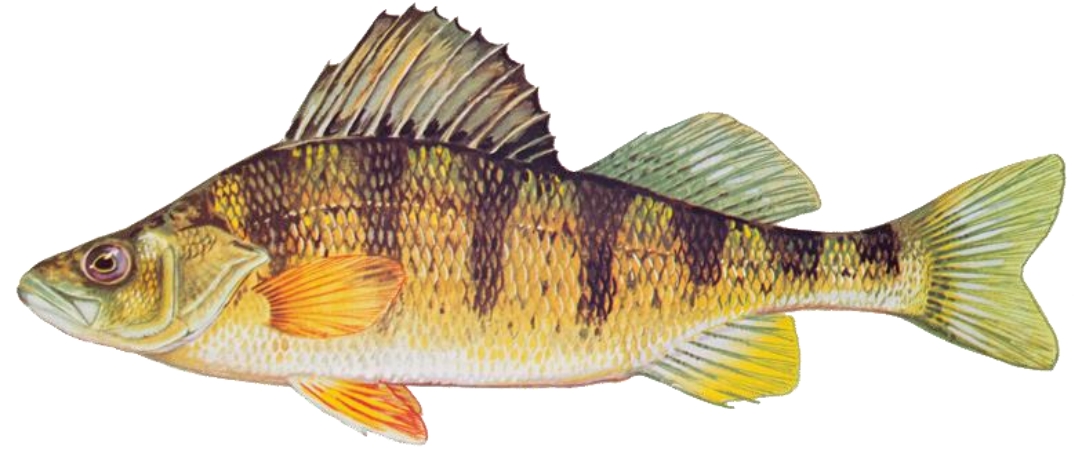


Fish	Weight (pounds)	Waterbody	Angler
Brown Trout	9.5	East Twin Lake	Christy White
Channel Catfish	5.1	Hopeville Pond	Yevette Lehn

HARVEST CATEGORY / 2023

THE LARGEST FISH BY WEIGHT

Adult Male



Fish	Weight (pounds)	Waterbody	Angler
Calico Bass (Black Crappie)	2.05	Black Rock Pond	Tom Vo
Common Carp	45.05*	Lake Lillinonah	Robert Jagiello
Lake Trout	14.2	Coventry Lake	Warren Herrington
Largemouth Bass	7.01	Nova Scotia Pond	Daniel Hanscom
Northern Pike	15.6	Connecticut River	Blake Arel
Kokanee	1.8	West Hill Pond	Christopher Kagey
Rainbow Trout	7.29	Farmington River	Peter Kantor
White Perch	2.40	Housatonic River	Bing Shen

* New State Record

CATCH AND RELEASE CATEGORY / 2023

THE LARGEST FISH BY LENGTH

YOUTH (under age 16)



Fish	Length (Inches)	Waterbody	Angler
Bluegill	10.50*	Saugatuck Reservoir	Jude Lundbye
Bowfin	26.00	Keeney Cove	Adrian Swietek
Brook Trout	19.50	Wepawaug River	Colton Johnson
Brown Bullhead	15.50	Batterson Park Pond	Adrian Swietek
Brown Trout	30.00*	Saugatuck Reservoir	Liam Sikora
Calico Bass (Black Crappie)	15.50	Pecauset Pond	Adam Chrzanowski
Channel Catfish	29.00	Shetucket River	Luke Michaud
Common Carp	34.00	Mirror Lake	Adam OBrien
Fallfish	15.00	Eagleville Lake	Mallori Sparks
Rainbow Trout	22.25	Farmington River	Colton Johnson
Redbreast Sunfish	9.50	East Twin Lake	Adrian Swietek
Rock Bass	11.00	Washinee Lake	Adrian Swietek
Sunfish Hybrid	11.00	Private Pond	Ryan Szarkowicz
White Catfish	20.00	Shetucket River	Luke Michaud
White Sucker	19.00	Wepawaug River	Oakley Johnson

CATCH AND RELEASE CATEGORY / 2023

THE LARGEST FISH BY LENGTH

Adult Female

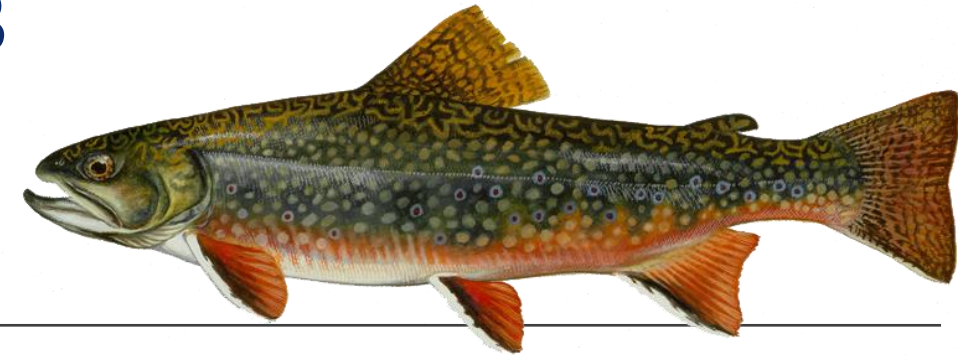


Fish	Length (Inches)	Waterbody	Angler
White Sucker	17.37	Natchaug River	Lea Rychiovsky

CATCH AND RELEASE CATEGORY / 2023

THE LARGEST FISH BY LENGTH

Adult Male



Fish	Length (Inches)	Waterbody	Angler
Bowfin	28.50*	Connecticut River	Benjamin Florian
Brown Bullhead	15.50	Secret Lake	Dylan Seaburg
Brown Trout	26.00	Crystal Lake	Cole Ricardi
Calico Bass (Black Crappie)	15.50	Connecticut River	Blake Antrim
Channel Catfish	30.00	Connecticut River	David Potter
Common Carp	41.00	Lake Lillinonah	Robert Jagiello
Fallfish	14.00	Shunock River	Calvin Neff
Kokanee	16.25	West Hill Pond	Connor Valentine
Lake Trout	32.00*	Coventry Lake	Chris Rinaldi
Largemouth Bass	22.50	Mitchell Pond	Brad Porter
Northern Pike	36.50	Hockanum River	Benjamin Florian
Rainbow Trout	26.00	Wepawaug River	Shawn LaLond
Smallmouth Bass	21.50	Colebrook River Lake	Kyle Mosakowski
Walleye	26.25	Squantz Pond	George DeLaVergne
White Sucker	22.00*	Wepawaug River	Blake Antrim
Yellow Perch	14.00	Maltby Lake	Robert Battaglino

2023 Trophy Fish – Harvest Category (all catches). Bold font indicates largest fish for category combinations of age and gender.

Angler First Name:	Angler Last Name:	Freshwater Species Name	Weight (Pounds)	Name of Waterbody:	Age Category:	Gender:
Adam	Chrzanowski	Bowfin	7	Connecticut River	Youth	Male
Sage	Nicholson	Brook Trout	2	Beach Pond	Youth	Female
Christy	White	Brown Trout	9.5	East Twin Lake	Adult	Female
Griffin	Bailey	Brown Trout	5.2	East Twin Lake	Youth	Male
Christopher	Barto	Brown Trout	5	West Hill Pond	Youth	Male
Evander	Prapopulos	Calico Bass (Black Crappie)	3.5	Saugatuck Reservoir	Youth	Male
Tom	Vo	Calico Bass (Black Crappie)	2.05	Black Rock pond	Adult	Male
Kyle	Mosakowski	Calico Bass (Black Crappie)	2	East Twin Lake	Adult	Male
Kyle	Mosakowski	Calico Bass (Black Crappie)	2	East Twin Lake	Adult	Male
Yevette	Lehn	Channel Catfish	5.1	Hopeville Pond	Adult	Female
Robert	Jagiello	Common Carp	45.05	Lake Lillinonah	Adult	Male
Michael	Baidya	Common Carp	30.8	Wethersfield Cove	Adult	Male
Warren	Herrington	Lake Trout	14.2	Crystal Lake	Adult	Male
Daniel	Hanscom	Largemouth Bass	7.01	Nova Scotia Pond	Adult	Male
Blake	Arel	Northern Pike	15.6	Connecticut River	Adult	Male
Cha	Kagey	Kokanee	1.8	West Hill pond	Adult	Male
Colton	Johnson	Rainbow Trout	7.5	Wepawaug River	Youth	Male
Peter	Kantor	Rainbow Trout	7.29	West Branch Farmington River	Adult	Male
Peter	Kantor	Rainbow Trout	7.25	West Branch Farmington River	Adult	Male
Darryl	Scavetta	Rainbow Trout	7.25	Farmington River	Adult	Male
Colton	Johnson	Rainbow Trout	7	Wepawaug River	Youth	Male
Connor	Gerardi	Rainbow Trout	6.875	Farmington River	Adult	Male
James	Stroffolino	Rainbow Trout	6.4	Farmington River	Adult	Male
Peter	Kantor	Rainbow Trout	6	West Branch Farmington River	Adult	Male
Wayne	Biroscak	Rainbow Trout	5.6	Berlin sports club	Adult	Male
Peter	Kantor	Rainbow Trout	5.36	West Branch Farmington River	Adult	Male
Adam	Chrzanowski	Yellow Perch	1	Connecticut River	Youth	Male

2023 Trophy Fish – Catch and Release Category (all catches). Bold font indicates largest fish by age and gender categories.

First Name	Last Name	Freshwater Species Name	Length (Inches)	Waterbody	Age Category:	Gender:
Jude	Lundbye	Bluegill	10.50	Saugatuck Reservoir	Youth	Male
Tyler	Smith	Bluegill	10.00	Connecticut River	Youth	Male
Benjamin	Florian	Bowfin	28.50	Crow point cove	Adult	Male
David	Potter	Bowfin	26.00	Connecticut River	Adult	Male
Adrian	Swietek	Bowfin	26.00	Keeney Cove	Youth	Male
Colton	Johnson	Brook Trout	19.50	Wepawaug River	Youth	Male
Adrian	Swietek	Brown Bullhead	15.50	Batterson Park Pond	Youth	Male
Dylan	Seaburg	Brown Bullhead	15.50	Secret Lake	Adult	Male
Connor	Valentine	Brown Bullhead	15.25	Secret Lake	Adult	Male
Liam	Sikora	Brown Trout	30.00	Saugatuck Reservoir	Youth	Male
Cole	Ricardi	Brown Trout	26.00	Crystal Lake	Adult	Male
Jeffery	Ward	Brown Trout	25.50	Long Pond	Adult	Male
Anthony	Lupoli	Brown Trout	25.25	West Hill Pond	Adult	Male
Carl	Moeller	Brown Trout	24.00	Salmon River	Adult	Male
Jonathan	Michonski	Brown Trout	22.00	Farm River	Adult	Male
Adam	Chrzanowski	Calico Bass (Black Crappie)	15.50	Pecauset Pond	Youth	Male
Blake	Antrim	Calico Bass (Black Crappie)	15.50	Connecticut River	Adult	Male
William	Killoran	Calico Bass (Black Crappie)	15.25	Rogers Lake	Adult	Male
David	Potter	Channel Catfish	30.00	Connecticut River	Adult	Male
Luke	Michaud	Channel Catfish	29.00	Shetucket River	Youth	Male
Cayleb	Lee	Channel Catfish	28.00	Hopeville pond	Youth	Male
Emmanuel	Galarza	Channel Catfish	26.50	Connecticut River	Adult	Male
Tyler	Smith	Channel Catfish	26.50	Connecticut River	Youth	Male
David	Potter	Channel Catfish	26.00	Connecticut River	Adult	Male
Tyler	Smith	Channel Catfish	25.50	Connecticut River	Youth	Male
Emmanuel	Galarza	Channel Catfish	25.50	Connecticut River	Adult	Male
Adam	Chrzanowski	Channel Catfish	25.50	Pacauset Pond	Youth	Male

2023 Trophy Fish – Catch and Release Category (all catches continued). Bold font indicates largest fish by age and gender categories.

FirstName	Last Name	Freshwater Species Name	Length (Inches)	Waterbody	Age Category:	Gender:
Tyler	Smith	Channel Catfish	25.50	Connecticut River	Youth	Male
Connor	Gerardi	Channel Catfish	25.00	Woodridge Lake	Adult	Male
David	Potter	Channel Catfish	25.00	Connecticut River	Adult	Male
David	Potter	Channel Catfish	25.00	Connecticut River	Adult	Male
Marek	Swietek	Channel Catfish	25.00	Connecticut River	Adult	Male
Benjamin	Florian	Channel Catfish	25.00	Hockanum River	Adult	Male
Ryan	Smith	Channel Catfish	25.00	Connecticut River	Adult	Male
Tyler	Smith	Channel Catfish	23.50	Connecticut River	Youth	Male
Justin	Armack	Channel Catfish	23.25	Silver Lake	Adult	Male
Adrian	Swietek	Channel Catfish	23.00	Connecticut River	Youth	Male
Tyler	Smith	Channel Catfish	23.00	Connecticut River	Youth	Male
David	Potter	Channel Catfish	22.00	Connecticut River	Adult	Male
Justin	Armack	Channel Catfish	22.00	Silver Lake	Adult	Male
Adam	OBrien	Channel Catfish	22.00	Mirror Pond	Youth	Male
Robert	Jagiello	Common Carp	41.00	Lake Lillinohah	Adult	Male
David	Potter	Common Carp	39.00	Housatonic River	Adult	Male
David	Potter	Common Carp	35.50	Lake Zoar	Adult	Male
Mark	Shumaker	Common Carp	34.25	Shetucket River	Adult	Male
Danis	Michaud	Common Carp	34.00	Shetucket River	Adult	Male
Adam	OBrien	Common Carp	34.00	Mirror Lake	Youth	Male
Mallori	Sparks	Fallfish	15.00	Eagleville lake	Youth	Female
Calvin	Neff	Fallfish	14.00	Shunock River	Adult	Male
Connor	Valentine	Kokanee	16.25	West Hill Pond	Adult	Male
Chris	Rinaldi	Lake Trout	32.00	Wangumbaug Lake / Coventry Lake	Adult	Male
Michael	Pio Jr.	Lake Trout	32.00	Crystal Lake	Adult	Male

2023 Trophy Fish – Catch and Release Category (all catches continued). Bold font indicates largest fish by age and gender categories.

First Name	Last Name	Freshwater Species Name	Length (Inches)	Waterbody	Age Category:	Gender:
Brad	Porter	Largemouth Bass	22.50	Mitchell Pond	Adult	Male
Michael	Buchanan	Largemouth Bass	22.00	Beaver brook pond	Adult	Male
Hunter	Landen	Largemouth Bass	22.00	Savin Lake	Adult	Male
Justin	Fenn	Largemouth Bass	22.00	Mansfield Hollow	Adult	Male
David	Krug	Largemouth Bass	22.00	Amos Lake	Adult	Male
David	Krug	Largemouth Bass	22.00	Pachaug Pond	Adult	Male
Brent	Harmon	Largemouth Bass	22.00	Hopeville Pond	Adult	Male
Benjamin	Florian	Northern Pike	36.50	Hockanum River	Adult	Male
Shawn	LaLond	Rainbow Trout	26.00	Wepawaug River	Adult	Male
Keith	Bonenfant	Rainbow Trout	25.00	Saugatuck Reservoir	Adult	Male
Jonathan	Michonski	Rainbow Trout	24.00	Mill River Hamden	Adult	Male
Lou	Chesery	Rainbow Trout	24.00	Mill River	Adult	Male
Blake	Antrim	Rainbow Trout	24.00	Wepawaug River	Adult	Male
Shawn	LaLond	Rainbow Trout	23.50	Farmington River	Adult	Male
Shawn	LaLond	Rainbow Trout	23.00	Farmington River	Adult	Male
Connor	Valentine	Rainbow Trout	23.00	Stratton Brook	Adult	Male
Ahmad	Mohammed	Rainbow Trout	22.50	Stratton Brook Parkpond	Adult	Male
Colton	Johnson	Rainbow Trout	22.25	Farmington River	Youth	Male
Shawn	LaLond	Rainbow Trout	22.00	Pequonnock River	Adult	Male
Colton	Johnson	Rainbow Trout	22.00	Farmington River	Youth	Male
Shawn	LaLond	Rainbow Trout	22.00	Farmington River	Adult	Male
Peter	Johnson	Rainbow Trout	22.00	Farmington River	Adult	Male
Luke	Hatter	Rainbow Trout	22.00	Saugatuck Reservoir	Adult	Male
Colton	Johnson	Rainbow Trout	21.50	Farmington River	Youth	Male

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FirstName	Last Name	Freshwater Species Name	Length (Inches)	Waterbody	Age Category:	Gender:
Adrian	Swietek	Redbreast Sunfish	9.50	Twin lake	Youth	Male
Adrian	Swietek	Rock Bass	11.00	Washinee Lake	Youth	Male
Kyle	Mosakowski	Smallmouth Bass	21.50	Colebrook River Lake	Adult	Male
Ryan	Szarkowicz	Sunfish Hybrids	11.00	Private Pond	Youth	Male
Andy	Wang	Sunfish Hybrids	10.40	Milano Pond	Youth	Male
George	DeLaVergne	Walleye	26.25	Squantz Pond	Adult	Male
Luke	Michaud	White Catfish	20.00	Shetucket River	Youth	Male
Blake	Antrim	White Sucker	22.00	Wepawaug River	Adult	Male
Shawn	LaLond	White Sucker	21.00	Wepawaug River	Adult	Male
Justin	Armack	White Sucker	19.75	Hanover Pond	Adult	Male
Oakley	Johnson	White Sucker	19.00	Wepawaug river	Youth	Female
Jack	Armack	White Sucker	18.00	Hanover Pond	Adult	Male
Robert	Rychlovsky	White Sucker	17.75	Natchaug River	Adult	Male
Ray	Strong	White Sucker	17.75	Blackledge River	Adult	Male
Colton	Johnson	White Sucker	17.50	Wepawaug River	Youth	Male
Jack	Armack	White Sucker	17.50	Hanover Pond	Adult	Male
Justin	Armack	White Sucker	17.50	Hanover Pond	Adult	Male
Lea	Rychlovsky	White Sucker	17.37	Natchaug River	Adult	Female
Xuanhao	Sun	White Sucker	17.00	AW Stanley Park Pond	Adult	Male
Jack	Armack	White Sucker	17.00	Hanover Pond	Adult	Male
ROBERT	BATTAGLINO	Yellow Perch	14.00	MALTYBY LAKE 2	Adult	Male
Shawn	LaLond	Yellow Perch	13.50	Mondo Pond	Adult	Male
Peter	Johnson	Yellow Perch	13.25	Mondo Pond	Adult	Male

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