



Qualify Your Catch For a New Mexico State Record

Award Rules

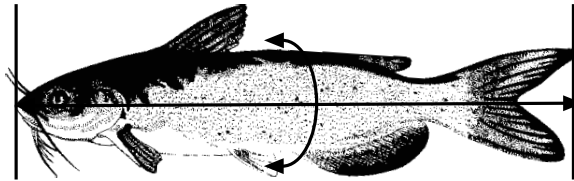
- Your fish weight must exceed existing state record by one ounce or more to be considered.
- Your fish must be caught in New Mexico waters open to the public without charge or fee. Fish taken from farm ponds, fee-fishing lakes, ponds or streams or in waters restricted to use by club members or their guests do not qualify.
- Your fish must be caught by legal methods during legally open season.
- Your fish must be weighed on a certified scale (grocer, feed store, etc.). One person, not including the angler or any companions accompanying the angler at the time of catch, must witness weighing.
- Measurements must be made with a metal ruler or tape. One person, not including the angler or any companions accompanying the angler at the time of catch, must witness measurement.
- A Department of Game and Fish biologist or District Officer **MUST VERIFY** species.
- A clear side-view photograph of the fish **IS REQUIRED**. Fins should be spread open to the extent possible. The photograph should be in color.
- Application must be received within 30 days of the catch.
- Resident and nonresident anglers can qualify.
- Completed application must be signed by applicant, testifying to its validity.
- The New Mexico Department of Game and Fish reserves the right to investigate the identification, methods used in catching and the accuracy of measuring and weighing. It also reserves the right to reject any application.

Application for a state record should be mailed to:

New Mexico Department of Game and Fish
 ATTN: Leslie Coleman
 PO Box 25112
 Santa Fe, NM 87504

CURRENT RECORDS	
Largemouth bass	15 lb. 13 oz.
Smallmouth bass	6 lb. 14 4/10 oz.
Spotted bass	4 lb. 8 oz.
White bass	4 lb. 13 oz.
Striped bass	54 lb. 8 oz.
Walleye	16 lb. 9 oz.
Common carp	20 lb. 6 oz.
Crappie	4 lb. 9 oz.
Blue catfish	33 lb. 8 oz.
Channel catfish	36 lb. 8 oz.
Flathead catfish	78 lb. 0 oz.
Longnose gar	12 lb. 8 oz.
Northern pike	36 lb. 0 oz.
Ring (yellow) perch	2 lb. 5 1/3 oz.
Bluegill sunfish	3 lb. 1.5 oz.
Green sunfish	1 lb. 6 oz.
Longear sunfish	1 lb. 12 oz.
Brook trout	5 lb. 0 oz.
Brown trout	20 lb. 4 oz.
Cutthroat trout	10 lb. 2 oz.
Lake trout	31 lb. 6 oz.
Rainbow trout	31.78 lb.
Kokanee salmon	4 lb. 0 oz.
Coho salmon	4 lb. 6 oz.
Other species	write

How to measure your fish



APPLICATION FOR NEW MEXICO FISHING AWARD

Name: _____ Signature: _____

Address: _____

Species: _____ Weight: _____ Lbs. _____ Oz.

Length: _____ Girth: _____

Nearest 1/2 inch Nearest 1/4 inch

Bait or lure used: _____

Where caught: _____

Date caught: _____

Measured and weighed by: _____

Witnessed by: _____