

# North Dakota Record Fish and Top Whopper Club Qualifications for 2008

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## NORTH DAKOTA RECORD FISH

SPECIES	STATE RECORD WEIGHT	WATER	YEAR	NAME	ADDRESS	MINIMUM WHOPPER WEIGHT	MINIMUM CATCH AND RELEASE CLUB
GAME FISH							
Tiger Muskellunge	40 lbs.	Gravel Lake	1975	Marvin Lee	Rolette ND	20 lbs.	40 Inches
Pure Muskellunge	46 lbs. 8 oz.	New Johns Lake	2007	Cory Bosch	Mandan ND	20 lbs.	40 Inches
Northern Pike	37 lbs. 8 oz.	Lake Sakakawea	1968	Melvin Slind	Roseglen ND	20 lbs.	32 Inches
Channel Catfish	33 lbs. 4 oz.	Red River	1991	Bruce Pannkuk	Minneapolis MN	12 lbs.	30 Inches
Burbot (Ling)	18 lbs. 4 oz.	Knife River	1984	Orland Kruckenberg	Hazen ND	8 lbs.	28 Inches
Walleye	15 lbs. 12 oz.	Wood Lake	1959	Blair Chapman	Minnewaukan ND	8 lbs.	25 Inches
Saugeye	11 lbs. 12 oz.	Lake Sakakawea	1984	David Groth	Williston ND	8 lbs.	25 Inches
Zander	8 lbs.	Spiritwood Lake	2007	Roger Krapp	Jamestown ND	8 lbs.	25 Inches
Lake Trout	14 lbs. 4 oz.	Missouri River-Garrison Dam Tailrace	1982	Allen Leier	Bismarck ND	5 lbs.	24 Inches
Rainbow Trout	21 lbs. 4 oz.	Missouri River-Garrison Dam Tailrace	1998	Wade Weltz	Anamoose ND	5 lbs.	21 Inches
Brown Trout	31 lbs. 11 oz.	Missouri River-Garrison Dam Tailrace	2005	Timmy Johansen	Beulah ND	5 lbs.	21 Inches
Cutthroat Trout	10 lbs. 1 oz.	Missouri River-Garrison Dam Tailrace	2003	Chris Vernon	Bismarck ND	5 lbs.	21 Inches
Sauger	8 lbs. 12 oz.	Lake Sakakawea	1971	Mike Fischer	Chaseley ND	4 lbs.	20 Inches
Largemouth Bass	8 lbs. 8 oz.	Nelson Lake	1983	Leon Rixen	Minot ND	5 lbs.	18 Inches
White Bass	4 lbs. 8 oz.	Devils Lake	2000	Jordan Neve	Albert Lea MN	3 lbs.	18 Inches
Smallmouth Bass	6 lbs. 13 oz.	Lake Darling	2007	Bruce Elberg	Burlington ND	3 lbs.	16 Inches
Yellow Perch	2 lbs. 15 oz.	Devils Lake	1982	Kyle Smith	Carrington ND	1 lb. 12 oz.	13 Inches
Crappie	3 lbs. 4 oz.	Lake Oahe	1998	Don Newcomb	Mandan ND	1 lb. 8 oz.	13 Inches
Bluegill	2 lbs. 12 oz.	Strawberry Lake	1963	Budd Hystad	Velva ND	1 lb. 8 oz.	11 Inches
Paddlefish	120 lbs.	Upper Missouri River-Confluence Area	1993	Brian W Johnson	Williston ND	70 lbs.	
Chinook Salmon	31 lbs. 2 oz.	Missouri River-Garrison Dam Tailrace	1986	Thomas Schwartz	Beulah ND	12 lbs.	
NONGAME FISH							
Common Carp	31 lbs.	Sheyenne River	2003	Austin Loberg	Thompson ND	15 lbs.	
Bigmouth Buffalo	40 lbs. 6 oz.	Heart Butte Reservoir (Lake Tschida)	2002	Trey Opp	Mandan ND	15 lbs.	
Freshwater Drum	26 lbs. 2 oz.	Lake Sakakawea-Bear Den Bay	1988	Larry Harris	Sidney MT	6 lbs.	
Lake Whitefish	8 lbs. 11 oz.	Missouri River-Garrison Dam Tailrace	1984	Bill Mitzel	Bismarck ND	4 lbs.	
Goldeye	3 lbs. 13 oz.	New Johns Lake	1998	Craig Unser	Mandan ND	2 lbs.	
Black Bullhead	4 lbs. 1 oz.	Devils Lake	1988	Riley Zavada	Wolford ND	2 lbs.	
Cisco	2 lbs. 8 oz.	Missouri River-Garrison Dam Tailrace	2000	Taylor/Scott Jr Borup	Pick City ND	1 lb. 12 oz.	

### State Record Requirements:

- All new state record fish must be weighed on a scale used commercially and subject to certification by the Weights and Measures Division, North Dakota Public Service Commission.
- The catch must be verified by an employee of the North Dakota Game and Fish Department.
- A recognizable photo must be furnished to the Department.

## Whopper/Catch and Release Club Program

Anglers who think they have caught a bigger-than-average fish are reminded to check the qualifications of the North Dakota Whopper and Catch and Release Club programs.

The Game and Fish Department offers a Whopper Club for anglers who catch a fish that meets a minimum weight. In addition, the Catch and Release Club recognizes anglers

who catch a fish that meets a minimum length requirement and return it unharmed to the water.

To learn more about these programs access the Game and Fish Department's website, [gf.nd.gov](http://gf.nd.gov), and click on the fishing link; or refer to the 2008-10 North Dakota Fishing Guide.



## TOP WHOPPER CLUB APPLICATIONS FOR 2008



- Buffalo – 23 pounds, 4 ounces, Lake Sakakawea; 19-12, Lake Sakakawea; 17-5, Missouri River; 16-0, Heart Butte Reservoir (Lake Tschida).



- Bullhead – 3-5, Sweet Briar Dam; 3-0, Lake Hoskins; 2-14, Sweet Briar Dam; 2-8, Pipestem Reservoir.



- Bluegill – 1-14, Odland Dam; 1-8, Odland Dam.



- Brown Trout – 12-0, Missouri River; 11-9, Missouri River; 8-8, Missouri River; 7-13, Missouri River; 7-6, Missouri River.



- Burbot (Ling) – 8-0, Missouri River.



- Channel Catfish – 27-9, Red River; 22-2, Red River; 20-0, Red River; 19-0, Red River; 18-4, Dickinson Reservoir (Patterson Lake).



- Chinook Salmon – 13-12, Lake Sakakawea; 13-6, Lake Sakakawea; 13-4, Lake Sakakawea; 13-1, Lake Sakakawea; 13-0, Lake Sakakawea.



- Carp – 17-4, GDU Canal Lakes; 17-0, Missouri River; 17-0, Heart Butte Reservoir (Lake Tschida); 15-8, GDU Canal Lakes.



- Crappie – 2-8, Pipestem Reservoir; 2-6, Pipestem Reservoir; 2-5, Pipestem Reservoir; 2-4, Dickinson Reservoir (Patterson Lake); 2-3, Pipestem Reservoir.



- Cutthroat Trout – 8-10, Missouri River.



- Drum – 11-6, GDU Canal Lakes; 11-4, Lake Audubon; 7-8, Missouri River; 7-0, Lake Audubon; 6-9, Missouri River.



- Goldeye – 3-8, Heart Butte Reservoir (Lake Tschida); 2-13, Lake Audubon; 2-8, McClusky Canal.



- Largemouth Bass – 6-0, Brewer Lake; 5-5, Heart River; 5-4, Brewer Lake; 5-3, Missouri River.



- Northern Pike – 28-0, Lake Sakakawea; 26-13, Lake Sakakawea; 25-0, Lake Irvine; 24-15, Missouri River; 23-0, Devils Lake.



- Paddlefish – 102-0, Yellowstone River; 99-0, Missouri River; 98-0, Missouri River; 97-0, Missouri River; 96-0, Missouri River.



- Pure Muskellunge – 22-4, GDU Canal Lakes.



- Rainbow Trout – 11-7, Camp Loop Pond; 6-9, Missouri River; 6-1, Missouri River; 6-0, Missouri River; 5-12, Missouri River.



- Smallmouth Bass – 5-14, Lake Darling; 5-3, Lake Audubon; 4-9, Spiritwood Lake; 4-8, Lake Darling; 4-7, Spiritwood Lake.



- Walleye – 13-8, Missouri River; 13-3, Devils Lake; 12-14, Missouri River; 12-5, Missouri River; 12-0, Devils Lake.



- White Bass – 3-14, Devils Lake; 3-13, Devils Lake; 3-11, Devils Lake; 3-8, Devils Lake; 3-8, Devils Lake.



- Yellow Perch – 2-8, Lake Irvine; 2-5, Devils Lake; 2-4, Rice Lake; 2-4, Devils Lake; 2-4, Lake Darling.