

## ANNUAL JSWCD POND STOCKING SALE



A properly stocked and managed pond will provide years of quality fishing. Some of the finest fishing in Ohio for largemouth bass, bluegills, and channel catfish can be found in the state's farm ponds according to information provided by ODNR, Division of Wildlife and Ohio State University Extension documents. An initial stocking of a combination of these fish is usually recommended for new or renovated ponds. Properly managed largemouth bass and bluegills will produce self-sustaining populations, whereas channel catfish usually require periodic restocking.

Stocking the recommended sizes and numbers of fish is very important for good fishing. Fingerling fish (1"-3") are recommended for stocking new or renovated ponds. Starting a pond off by stocking larger fish is tempting, but can lead to an "unbalanced" pond with too many fish of one kind and too few of another.

Biological vegetation control reduces the amount of aquatic vegetation by stocking plant-eating fish. The white amur is a certified triploid grass carp legalized for stock in 1988; these fish are incapable of reproducing in your pond.

For additional guidance on managing your pond, download the Ohio Pond Management Handbook.

<https://wildlife.ohiodnr.gov>

## Stocking Recommendations for One-Acre Established Pond

100 Bass	200 Bluegill
100 Perch	100 Shell Cracker
100 Crappie	50-100 Catfish
1000 Minnows	10-12 White Amur

(Depending on present vegetation)

For ponds with a surface covered by more than 60 percent vegetation, stock them at 10 fish per acre, but reduce the rate to 5 fish per acre for ponds with 40 to 60 percent vegetative cover, and to 2-3 fish per acre for ponds with 20-40 percent vegetative cover.

### DEADLINE FOR ORDERING IS MARCH 27, 2020

Send or drop off order form and payment to:  
Jefferson Soil and Water Conservation District

500 Market Street, Suite 4  
Steubenville, OH 43952  
Phone: (740) 264-9790

### Fish pick-up:

Thursday, April 2, 2020

1:00 pm to 2:00 pm

JSWCD parking lot

Please bring buckets lined with plastic trash bags filled with your own pond water for transport.

\*\*\*No Refunds on orders not picked up\*\*\*

### 2020 FISH POND STOCKING ORDER FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Species Descriptions	Price/Item	# Ordered	Line Total
2-3" Largemouth Bass (most popular predator fish)	\$1.00		
2-4" Bluegill (most popular forage fish)	\$1.00		
4-5" Channel Catfish (diet consists of insects, fish, crayfish)	\$1.00		
2-3" Yellow Perch (predator that consume insects and small fish)	\$1.00		
2-4" Hybrid Bluegill (great gaming appeal and table fare)	\$1.00		
2-4" Red Ear Shell Cracker (consume snails and small mollusks)	\$1.00		
2-4" Black Crappie (one of the most popular panfish species)	\$1.00		
2-3" Fathead Minnows (used as feeder fish) *Must order 100 at a time*	\$10.00		
8-10" White Amur (used to consume aquatic vegetation)	\$14.00		
6-8" Japanese Koi (colorful fish/used to consume aquatic vegetation)	\$12.00		
Pond Management Book by Steve Fender	\$20.00		
Nature's Pond Conditioner - 1 gallon, does 1/4 acre (all natural bacteria + dye in one)	\$90.00		
Nature's Pond Conditioner - 5 gallon, does 1 acre (all natural bacteria + dye in one)	\$375.00		
If you have any questions or need assistance with selecting species, please feel free to call our office at 740-264-9790.			GRAND TOTAL

OFFICE USE ONLY: DATE \_\_\_\_\_ CHECK# \_\_\_\_\_ CASH \_\_\_\_\_ RECEIPT# \_\_\_\_\_