

AN ACT concerning fish.

**Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:**

Section 5. The Fish and Aquatic Life Code is amended by changing Section 10-45 and by adding Section 10-47 as follows:

(515 ILCS 5/10-45) (from Ch. 56, par. 10-45)

Sec. 10-45. Taking of bait fishes ~~shad~~. All casting nets shall not be (1) larger than 24 ~~8~~ feet in diameter or (2) of a mesh larger than 1 ~~3/8~~ inch bar measurement. All shad scoops shall not be (1) larger than 30 inches in diameter, (2) of a mesh not larger than 1/2 inch bar measurement, or (3) longer than 4 feet in length. All individuals using either of these devices shall possess a valid sport fishing license.

(Source: P.A. 89-66, eff. 1-1-96.)

(515 ILCS 5/10-47 new)

Sec. 10-47. Taking of fish by casting net or shad scoop for use as bait. The following fish species may be taken with a casting net or shad scoop and used for bait on the body of water where they are collected if they are killed immediately: bighead carp (Hypophthalmichthys nobilis), black carp (Mylopharyngodon piceus), grass carp (Ctenopharyngodon idella), and silver carp (Hypophthalmichthys molotrix). The

following fish species may be taken with a casting net or shad scoop and used for live or dead bait on the body of water where they are collected: mooneye (Hiodon tergisus), goldeye (Hiodon alosoides), skipjack herring (Alosa chrysochloris), carp (other than bighead carp (Hypophthalmichthys nobilis), black carp (Mylopharyngodon piceus), grass carp (Ctenopharyngodon idella), and silver carp (Hypophthalmichthys molotrix)), and any other fish listed in Section 10-110 of this Code. Any person using casting nets or a shad scoop for the taking of fish under this Section must possess a valid sport fishing license.