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26.21 Yo-Yo, Freefloating, Trotline, Setline And Limbline Fishing Requirements

It is unlawful for a person to:

- A. Fish more than 30 yo-yos or other mechanical fishing devices or to leave such unattended (out of sight or hearing) during daylight hours;
- B. Suspend more than one yo-yo or mechanical fishing device from any horizontal line, wire, limb or support;
- C. Use a stake to mount a yo-yo, limbline, or mechanical fishing device on a Commission-owned lake unless the stake is made from wood or cane;
- D. Fail to remove any mounting stake placed in a Commission-owned lake after the stake is no longer in use for fishing; or
- E. Fish in excess of 20 freefloating fishing devices (jugs) and to fail to attend such devices at all times
- F. Use trotlines, setlines and limbelines with drops or hooks less than 24 inches apart statewide;
- G. Use any trotline or snagline below any lock and dam on the Arkansas River from the dam to the nearest arrival point navigation marker downstream;
- H. Fail to run any line and remove catch daily; or
- I. Fish any more than 100 hooks at any time between the main levees of the Mississippi River (Code 26.08).

All fishing devices must be clearly labeled, in a durable manner with one of the following:

- A. the name and address;
- B. driver's license number, or
- C. current vehicle license plate number of the person using such equipment.

EXCEPTIONS:

- A. Freefloating Fishing Devices are not required to be attended from sunset to sunrise.
- B. Trotlines that otherwise comply with the provisions of this regulation may be used on Lake Maumelle, except in areas where signs prohibiting use of trotlines are posted by the Commission or Central Arkansas Water Authority.
- C. Limbines may not be used within the boundaries of Buffalo River National Park.

PENALTY: Class 1