



2020 SPRING FISH STOCKING PROGRAM

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Arrangements must be made to pick up your order on Saturday, May 9th, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Payment and orders must be received by Friday, May 1st, 2020. **NO REFUNDS** will be given if you do not pick up your fish, and Cortland County SWCD is not responsible for fish after they are picked up.

Rainbow Trout 4-6", Largemouth Bass 4-6", Channel Catfish 6-8" and Grass Carp 10-15"

GRASS CARP WILL NOT BE DISTRIBUTED WITHOUT THREE (3) COPIES OF APPROVED STOCKING PERMIT

Applications for FISH STOCKING, FARM FISH POND LICENSE and STOCKING STERILE GRASS CARP can be found at www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/47520.html. Applications should be returned to NYS Department of Environmental Conservation, *not Cortland SWCD* and can take over a month to process.

PICK UP FISH ORDERS AT 10:00 A.M. ON SATURDAY, MAY 9, 2020 AT THE NYS GRANGE HEADQUARTERS. (Do not be late - hatchery will not wait.)

BRING YOUR OWN WATER - See Attached Pick Up Instructions

Hatchery can place orders in bags for \$1 per bag (bring cash day of pick up and pay fish farm directly, not SWCD)

SAMPLE COMPLETED ORDER FORM:	AMOUNT	Price Inc. Sales Tax	COST
Sample Fish Order (order in multiples of 25 fish)	3 (75)	x \$48.00	\$144.00
TOTAL ENCLOSED			\$144.00

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Return with payment by May 1 to: Cortland County SWCD, 100 Grange Place, Room 202, Cortland, NY 13045

	AMOUNT	Price Inc. Sales Tax	COST
RAINBOW TROUT 4-6" (order in multiples of 25)		x \$55.00	\$
LARGEMOUTH BASS 4-6" (order in multiples of 25)		x \$75.00	\$
CHANNEL CATFISH 6-8" (order in multiples of 25)		x \$48.00	\$
STERILE GRASS CARP 10-15" (each)		x \$20.00	\$
FATHEAD MINNOWS (per 100)		x \$11.00	\$
FISH FOOD (40 lb. bag)		x \$43.00	\$
Please make checks payable to: CORTLAND COUNTY SWCD	TOTAL ENCLOSED		\$

NAME:		<input type="checkbox"/> I would like to be added to fish sale email list
MAILING ADDRESS:		
PHONE:	EMAIL:	
WE MUST BE ABLE TO CONTACT YOU DURING THE DAY		

INSTRUCTIONS FOR FISH PICK-UP

- CONTAINERS:** Garbage cans, plastic totes, coolers etc. (lids are recommended)
- SIZE:** Large enough to put 15 gallons of water in each
- WATER:** **BRING YOUR OWN (unless having bagged by hatchery see below)**

Water temperature is very important (water should be less than 60 degrees F for trout, or 80 degrees for bass, catfish and grass carp). The best source of water is the pond they will be stocked in. A household thermometer can be used to take a temperature reading. If the water is too warm, well water can be used to reduce temperature. Well water is usually cold enough but may lack oxygen.

DO NOT USE WATER THAT CONTAINS CHLORINE

A maximum of 25 **PER CONTAINER (trout, bass, or catfish)** is recommended, regardless of travel time. **If you would like to have your fish bagged by hatchery there is a \$1 fee, paid to hatchery at pickup.** Orders of 25 fish typically require 1-2 bags depending on temperature and transportation time to your waterbody.

THERE ARE NO GUARANTEES ON FISH!!! We choose the spring season to give fish time to acclimate to their new homes before the warmer months. The fish farm provides a fish health certificate which certifies that their facility is inspected and fish are pathogen free as required by NYS Department of Environmental Conservation.

Trout Feeding and Stocking Rates

Rainbow trout eat a variety of foods such as minnows, food pellets, and insects. Trout do not reproduce well in ponds so may need to be restocked every 2-3 years. Trout will eat 3% of their body weight per day typically reaching 1-4 lbs. but can occasionally grow to 5+ lbs. ***Trout require a minimum depth of 8-10 feet and temperatures under 60 degrees with a suggested stocking rate of 75 trout per 1/4 acre.***

Largemouth Feeding and Stocking Rates

Largemouth bass eat a variety of foods such as minnows, food pellets, crayfish, and insects. Bass can tolerate both cold and warm water ponds typically reaching 1-4 lbs. but can occasionally grow to 5+ lbs. ***Bass require a minimum depth of 7 to 8 feet with a suggested stocking rate of 25 bass and 150 minnows per 1/4 acre.***

Catfish Feeding and Stocking Rates

Channel catfish eat a variety of foods such as minnows, food pellets, crayfish, algae and insects. Catfish can tolerate both cold and warm water ponds typically reaching 2-5 lbs. and occasionally grow to 20 lbs. Channel catfish may need to be restocked as they often do not reproduce well in ponds. ***Channel catfish require a minimum depth of 7 to 8 feet with a suggested stocking rate of 25-50 catfish and 100 minnows per 1/4 acre.***

Triploid (Sterile) Grass Carp Stocking Rates

Stocking rates for your pond will be dependent on your DEC permit. A copy of the permit can be found at www.dec.ny.gov/outdoor/47520.html, or by calling your NYS DEC Regional Office. Permits need to be obtained prior to pickup. You must bring need to bring 3 copies of the approved permit with.