

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

FISHERIES DIVISION

IMPORTATION AND TRANSPORTATION OF FISH AND EGGS

(By authority conferred on the director of the department of natural resources by sections 5 and 5a of Act No. 196 of the Public Acts of 1957, as amended, and by sections 9 and 353 of Act No. 380 of the Public Acts of 1965, being SS308.115, 308.115a, 16.109, and 16.353 of the Michigan Compiled Laws)

R 299.1051 Importation, transportation, and sale of live fishes or viable eggs of the salmonidae family.

Rule 1. (1) No person shall import live fishes or viable eggs of the family of the salmonidae from without the state or transport or sell such fishes or viable eggs within the state, except under authority of a permit issued by the director of the department of natural resources, hereinafter referred to as the director.

(2) Applications for permits to import or transport live fishes or viable eggs of the family salmonidae shall be made on forms provided by the director and shall contain the following data and such other information as may be required for the purpose of controlling the spread of diseases of fishes, including, but not limited to, infectious pancreatic necrosis (IPN); viral hemorrhagic septicemia (egtved virus); and myxosoma cerebrales (whirling disease): (a) species, (b) name and address of shipper, (c) name of carrier, (d) type of transportation, (e) name and address of hatchery where fishes or eggs were produced, (f) name of broker through whom shipment is made, if any, and (g) the approximate number or weight of fishes or eggs to be imported or transported.

(3) Importation permits will be issued only for fish stock or eggs, or both, from sources certified free of IPN, egtved, whirling disease, or other diseases of fishes which may threaten resident fish stocks. The certification shall be made by a person holding a degree from an accredited college in 1 of the sciences and specializing in diseases of fishes and whose name appears on a register to be established and maintained by the director. Certification shall be reviewed not less frequently than once every 6 months.

(4) Fish stocks of the family salmonidae held or in transport under authority of a game fish breeder's license shall be subject to inspection by designated representatives of the director. Such inspection may include removal of reasonable quantities of stock for biological samples.

(5) Permits to sell and transport fishes or eggs within the state shall be issued only for stocks certified to be free of diseases, including, but not limited to, IPN, egtved, and whirling disease. Permits to sell and transport fishes and eggs within the state shall be issued for a time period not to exceed 6 months.

(6) Commencing August 15, 1969, licensed game fish breeders shall have available for examination by the director or his designated representatives records of inventory of fish stocks as of August 15, 1969, and evidence of all purchases and sales of fishes and viable eggs made subsequent to August 15, 1969, except that the records need be maintained in any year for the current year and the 2 prior years only. Information obtained from such records shall be confidential to the department of natural resources.

History: 1979 AC.

R 299.1052 Importation of other species.

Rule 2. No fish or eggs of the species *misgurnus anguillicaudatus* (Japanese weatherfish), *ctenopharyngodon idellus* (grass carp), *leuciscus idus* (ide), *scardinius erythrophthalmus* (rudd), *rhodeus sericeus* (bitterling) or *tinca tinca* (tench) shall be imported into Michigan except by permit issued by the director.

History: 1979 AC.