

Article 7  
Sportfishing in Masso Reservoir

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**NOTE:** Rule-making authority cited for formulation of regulations for sportfishing in Masso Reservoir by the Department of Agriculture, 5 GCA §60108 and §63127. These Rules were filed with the Legislative Secretary on May 4, 1983.

**§12700. Authority.** Pursuant to the procedures set forth in the Administrative Adjudication Act, 5 GCA Chapter 9, Article 3, the following regulations pertaining to sportfishing in Masso Reservoir are hereby promulgated.

**§12701. Gear Restrictions.** (a) The use of nets, traps or spears is not permitted. Possession of nets, traps or spears in or near the water shall be construed as use of such.

(b) Fish can only be taken with a single hand-held hook and line per fisherman. Only one (1) baited hook per line or one (1) artificial lure, which may have up to three (3) barbs originating at a common shaft, may be used.

(c) No tucunare or body parts thereof or any freshwater organism that is not already present in the Reservoir may be used as bait.

**§12702. Creel Limits. (a) Tilapia:**

(1) There is no size limit on tilapia.

(2) No more than ten (10) tilapia may be taken per person per day.

**(b) Tucunare:**

(1) No tucunare under ten inches (10") in total length may be taken. Every effort must be made to return those fish under this size limit to the Reservoir alive and in good condition.

(2) No more than two (2) tucunare of legal size may be taken per person per day.

**§12703. License.** (a) All persons fishing in Masso Reservoir are required to purchase an annual license from the Division of Aquatic and Wildlife Resources,

Department of Agriculture at a cost of Five Dollars (\$5.00) per calendar year.

(b) The fishing license must be in the possession of the holder while fishing at Masso Reservoir.

(c) Persons over sixty (60) years of age are exempt from the license requirement. Children under the age of twelve (12) are not required to have a license but must be accompanied by an adult.

**§12704. Fishing Hours.** (a) Fishing is permitted only during the daylight hours, between dawn and dusk.

(b) No swimming or boating is permitted in the Reservoir.

**§12705. Penalties.** (a) Any person violating any of the above regulations is guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished as prescribed in 5 GCA §§63128 and 63129.

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