

## **Fish Stocking Rates**

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| Channel Catfish     | 100-200 per acre w/o feeding or up to 2000 per acre/feeding   |
| Hybrid Sunfish      | 500-1000 per acre   |
| Largemouth Bass     | 100 fingerlings per acre  |
| Crappie             | not recommended for ponds under 5 acres-recommend stock 100 Crappie per acre.   |
| Bluegill            | 500-1000 per acre   |
| Redear Sunfish      | 500-1000 per acre (stock ½ rate if stocked w/Bluegill)  |
| Triploid Grass Carp | 3-5 fish per acre in a pond w/ severe weed problem. Grass carp do not muddy the water as do common carp. They will not reproduce in ponds or eat other fish. When properly stocked in ponds, Grass Carp can control filamentous algae, duckweed and submerged plants. |
| Fathead Minnows     | 5 pounds per surface acre. These should be used to stock new ponds. They should also be stocked prior to stocking Largemouth Bass so they have an opportunity to spawn and provide plenty of feed for the young bass.   |

*\* Conservation Note: These stocking rates are always recommended. It is easier to add fish than to remove unwanted fish.*