

Ice Fishing Regulations

- All members and guests 16 years or older must possess an Illinois resident or non-resident fishing license when fishing on Lake Summerset. Members must also have in their possession their Lake Summerset Member ID card.
- All non-family guests must be accompanied by a Principal or Associate Hosting Member of the Association when fishing on Lake Summerset. Unaccompanied non-family guest fishing is not allowed. Family member guests may fish alone if in possession of a "Family Member Monthly or Annual Fishing Permit". When accompanied by a Principal or Associate Hosting Member, guest fisherman can fish alone in their own ice shelter but must be within speaking distance (maximum of 40 yards) of the hosting member.
- No permanent ice fishing shelters may be placed on the ice. All shelters must be removed at night.
- Ice fishing shelters must be marked with the name and address of the owner in accordance with State of Illinois regulations and also with the name and lot number of the LSA member if it is different than the owner of the shelter.
- It is illegal to use or possess any live bait other than worms or spikes (larvae). Live bait includes minnows, live fish from Lake Summerset used as bait, crayfish or leeches. VHS free packaged bait is allowed; however, you must save the packaging for inspection if requested.
- Cut bait from Lake Summerset, caught bluegills and sunfish is allowed. Cut bait bluegills count against creel limits, and the head must be saved for inspection if requested. It is illegal to cut up, dress, or be in possession of cut up or dressed fish where there is a size limit posted for the species of fish (catfish, walleye, muskie, northern, perch, and bass).
- Each angler may use up to three poles or tip-ups with no more than two hooks on each line.
- Holes cut in the ice may not be larger than eight inches.
- See the latest LSA Fishing Rules and Regulations pamphlet (available at the guardhouse, LSA Office, and on the LSA website) for the complete set of rules, regulations, creel limits, etc.
- Fish Committee and Public Safety will enforce these regulations.