



Crystal Lakes Fishing

**Complete Fishing Regulations can be found on the Crystal Lakes (CL) Website and in the CL Office*

Badges and Licenses

- All renters (adults and children) must have a guest pass *before* fishing.
- Renters must take the Guest Pass provided by Lone Pine (in the pocket of the car pass) to the Crystal Lakes Office, located at 300 Tami Road, to buy fishing passes. The Crystal Lakes Office is open Tuesday through Saturday from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, closed 11-11:30. The Lone Pine office has a limited supply of fishing passes that may be purchased on days the Crystal Lakes Office is closed (cash only).

Rates for daily guest passes are as follows:

- (a) Adult guests 16 years of age and older: \$40.00 per day
- (b) Youth guests 7-15 years of age: \$20.00 per day
- (c) Child guests age 6 and under: Free with paid adult guest
- The daily guest pass is a 24-hour, midnight-to-midnight pass.
- Renters must *visibly* wear valid fishing passes and have the Guest Pass provided by the Lone Pine Office with them *at all times* while fishing.

A Colorado Fishing License is not required to fish in any lake or pond on Crystal Lakes' property. However, a Colorado Fishing License is required for anglers age 16 and older who fish in the streams.

Equipment

- One (1) rod and a maximum of two (2) hooks.
- No live bait except worms, grasshoppers, and leeches.
- Boats and float tubes are allowed on Crystal Lake only. Boats must have one life jacket on board for each occupant.
- No gasoline motors may be used.
- No vehicles of any type are allowed on the ice.

Daily bag limit: Three (3) fish per day

- Do not continue to fish after you have bagged your limit.
- All fish caught by children ages 6 and under who are fishing with a free child guest pass will be applied to the accompanying paid adult guest's bag limit.

Sportsman Areas:

- Sportsman Areas are:
 - All streams within the Crystal Lakes boundaries.
 - Catawba Pond, Cutthroat Pond, and Crystal Park (located at the west end of Crystal Lake)
- Sportsman areas are catch-and-release ONLY, and all fish caught in these areas must be immediately released. Any fish in an angler's possession in sportsman area waters will be considered to have been caught in that area. The fine for this violation is \$150 plus \$25 for each fish in possession.
- Artificial flies and lures only, no live or artificial bait of any kind, no more than two single hook flies on the same line or a single lure with two treble hooks. Barbless hooks are strongly recommended.

Catch and Release is encouraged in all areas

- Try to keep the fish in the water or a wet net and release it quickly.
- Touch with wet hands and surfaces so you don't remove the fish's slime.
- Support the fish horizontally, not by the jaw. Don't squeeze or touch gills.
- Never rip out a hook. If the hook is swallowed or difficult to remove, just cut your line. The fish will spit out the hook in a few days.
- Gently place fish upright in the water, supporting its belly until it swims.
- *Thank you for protecting CL resources and holding down costs!*

Crystal Lakes Security

- ◆ Crystal Lakes Security, Fishing Patrol, Board members, and personnel have the authority to confiscate fishing permits and guest passes from violators, make creel checks, confiscate fish as evidence, and issue fishing citations.

Please be courteous and cooperate!

- ◆ Crystal Lakes fishing violations are subject to procedures set by the Crystal Lakes Road & Recreation Association (CLRRA) Hearing Panel. Any fine incurred by renters will be billed to them.

Fines:

*Fishing without a valid permit	\$150
*Fishing after loss of privileges	\$150
*Violation of Sportsman Area policies	\$150
*Possession of creeled fish in a Sportsman, catch-and-release area	\$150
*Use of more than one rod while fishing	\$50
*Continued fishing after daily limit is creeled (including fish given away)	\$50
*Use of boat or float tube on any water other than Crystal Lake	\$50
*Possessing a gas powered motor on a boat while in Crystal Lake	\$50
*Cost per fish if over the limit (For EACH fish in possession)	\$25
*In addition to above penalties, the fine per fish in possession	\$25

- ◆ In addition to Crystal Lakes fines, violations may result in prosecution as allowed by Colorado State Law and/or the Colorado Division of Wildlife.

**Crystal Lakes Office
(970) 881-2250**

**Office Hours Tuesday—Saturday
9 AM—5 PM (closed 11-11:30 for lunch)**

**Sheriff's Dispatch
(970) 416-1985**

Emergencies: Call 911

***Please pick up trash and be considerate.
Thank you for taking good care of Crystal Lakes!***

GOOD LUCK!

