



Check Your Catch Length!

Some fish caught in Indiana's Lake Michigan waters and tributaries flowing into Lake Michigan might fall under the Advisory Group 4 or 5 category based on fish length or type of fish.

To calculate a fish length accurately, measure a straight line from the tip of the jaw (mouth closed) to the tip of the compressed tail fin.

For a list of advisory sites and fish, visit:

<http://www.eregulations.com/indiana/fishing/fish-consumption/>

Guidelines to Reduce Your Risk

1. If the site where you are fishing is not listed or the fish is not listed at the site on the advisory webpage, then assume that any fish you catch is a Group 2.
2. Eat smaller, less fatty fish like panfish (bluegill, perch and crappie).
3. Remove fat near the skin of the fish before cooking. Broil, bake or grill the fish so that the fat drips away.
4. Unless noted otherwise in the advisory, consider all carp from rivers and streams to fall under these groups depending on length: Group 3, 15-20 in.; Group 4, 20-25 in.; Group 5, over 25 in.

Wild Fish Consumption – Advisory Group

Group	General	Sensitive Population
1.	Unlimited Consumption	Unlimited Consumption
2.	1 meal per week	1 meal per week
3.	1 meal per month	1 meal per month
4.	1 meal every 2 months	DO NOT EAT
5.	DO NOT EAT	DO NOT EAT

