WAC 220-220-230 Free fishing weekend. The Saturday and Sunday following the first Monday in June is declared to be free fishing weekend in Washington. On this weekend a fishing license is not required for any person, regardless of age or residency, to fish for or possess fish for which a catch record card is not required. On free fishing weekend, anglers may fish with two poles in all lakes where it is legal to do so without purchasing a two-pole endorsement, and a fish and wildlife lands vehicle access pass is not required to use department parking facilities. Only the license, endorsements, and permit provided for in this section are affected, and all other rules remain in effect.

Free fishing weekend does not apply to fish that require a catch record card or shellfish, and any licensure requirements otherwise provided for by rule continue to apply to those species.

[Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.047, 77.32.010, 77.32.025, and 77.32.090. WSR 22-18-068, § 220-220-230, filed 9/1/22, effective 10/2/22. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.055, 77.12.240, 77.12.800, 77.32.090 and 77.32.470. WSR 19-20-074 (Order 19-240), § 220-220-230, filed 9/27/19, effective 10/28/19. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.012, 77.04.013, 77.04.020, 77.04.055, and 77.12.047. WSR 17-05-112 (Order 17-04), recodified as § 220-220-230, filed 2/15/17, effective 3/18/17. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.04.020 and 77.12.047. WSR 11-16-103 (Order 11-184), § 220-55-160, filed 8/3/11, effective 9/3/11. Statutory Authority: RCW 77.12.047. WSR 06-13-023 (Order 06-135), § 220-55-160, filed 6/13/06, effective 7/14/06. Statutory Authority: RCW 75.08.080 and 77.12.040. WSR 99-08-029 (Order 99-13), § 220-55-160, filed 3/30/99, effective 5/1/99.]