



**FLY FISHING DIVISION ONLY**  
**Fresh & Salt Water**  
**LOUISIANA FISH RECORD APPLICATION**  
**LOUISIANA OUTDOOR WRITERS ASSOCIATION**  
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**PLEASE NOTE: All applications are held for 30 days before certification is sent to allow for rebuttals**

NAME OF ANGLER: \_\_\_\_\_

SPECIES OF FISH: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE CAUGHT \_\_\_\_\_

Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ lb. \_\_\_\_\_ Oz. Weight: \_\_\_\_\_ lb. \_\_\_\_\_ hundredths Total length: \_\_\_\_\_ inches

Where caught: \_\_\_\_\_

If offshore, name of boat, captain and port where landed: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of tackle used: Make/Size Fly rod: \_\_\_\_\_ Make/Size Fly reel: \_\_\_\_\_

Length of leader: \_\_\_\_\_ inches Length of Shock: \_\_\_\_\_ inches Test weight of tippet: \_\_\_\_\_ lbs.

Type of Fly line: \_\_\_\_\_ Type of Fly used: \_\_\_\_\_

(Fly, leader and if used, shock, must be submitted along with application---fly will NOT be returned)

Where weighed: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of scales used (Name & Model #): \_\_\_\_\_ digital  standard

LA Inspection Certification #: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Inspected: \_\_\_\_\_

I hereby certify that the information in this application is true and that the fish was caught as specified by the official LOWA record rules:

Signature of the applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

(City, State, Zip code): \_\_\_\_\_

Area Code/Phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

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**WITNESS SECTION: We hereby declare that we personally witnessed the weighing of the fish and that the weight is correct (please print clearly):**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

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**FISH BIOLOGIST SECTION:**

I hereby declare that I have examined the fish described above  by photo for 2<sup>nd</sup>—10<sup>th</sup> place or  physically if new #1 state record and that it is correctly listed as to species and data. I also certify that the fish shows no signs of mutilation by shooting, foul hooking, snagging or other illegal capture methods as described in Rule #2 of the Official LOWA Fish Record Rules. **Photo entries; 1 close-up photo of each side of the fish. Fish that can't be identified by photo must be presented to a biologist.**

Scientific name of fish: \_\_\_\_\_ Common name of fish: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Print name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Position: \_\_\_\_\_ AC/Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

When complete, make a copy for your records  
 SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR RULES

**THIS RULES PAGE MUST BE CHECKED OFF AND SENT WITH APPLICATION**

**LOWA FISH RECORDS RULES**

**FLY FISHING DIVISION/ FRESH & SALTWATER**

(a \$25.00 Non-refundable money order or personal check must accompany each individual application to cover verification costs. Payment should be made out to: LOWA Fish Records) *If you paid online, a copy of your PayPal receipt must be included*

**READ THIS NOTICE:** ALL SPECIES OF FISH MUST BE EXAMINED BY A FISH BIOLOGIST  PHYSICALLY IF NEW #1 RECORD OR  BY PHOTO FOR 2<sup>ND</sup> - 10<sup>TH</sup> PLACE FROM THE LOUISIANA DEPT. OF WILDLIFE & FISHERIES OR A BIOLOGIST OR RECOGNIZED AUTHORITY FROM A LOCAL COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY. THAT INDIVIDUAL WILL CORRECTLY IDENTIFY THE SPECIES, VERIFY ALL DATA AND WILL CHECK THE FISH FOR ANY SIGNS OF MUTILATION FROM SHOOTING, FOUL HOOKING, SNAGGING OR OTHER VIOLATIONS TO RULE #2.

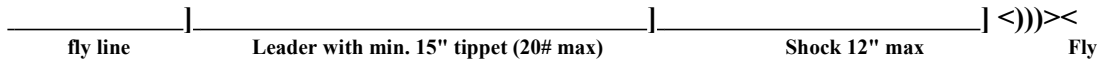
**CHECK TO MAKE SURE SPECIES IS LISTED IN PRESENT RECORDS BY GOING TO: [www.louisianaoutdoorwriters.com](http://www.louisianaoutdoorwriters.com) UNDER THE "RECORDS" TAB.**

1.  Fish must be caught in Louisiana waters with access to the general public. If caught offshore in the Gulf of Mexico, the fish must be caught from a boat fishing out of a Louisiana port and weighed in Louisiana. For Toledo Bend fish to be eligible or fish from other border waters the fish must be caught by an angler fishing out of a dock on the Louisiana side and the angler must land and weigh the fish on the Louisiana side.

2.  Fish must be caught by a sporting means (hooked by the mouth) on rod, reel and line using conventional fly fishing tackle. Flies must be of the recognized type including streamer, popper, buck tail, bug, hand tied spoons, etc.. Commercially manufactured A fly rod sized @ plugs, spoons, jigs or spinner in conjunction with or without a fly will not be accepted. No scent, either natural or artificial, is allowed.

3.  Eligibility requires that the "cast and retrieve", if from a boat, must be made with the main power plant(s) either off or in neutral. Trolling a fly behind a moving watercraft is not permitted.

4.  The class tippet shall be a minimum of 15" long and the breaking strength may be no greater than 20 lbs. A heavier mono or wire shock not to exceed 12" may be used. There is no limit to the breaking strength of the shock leader. The leader/tippet with shock attached, along with the fly, must be submitted (Fly will NOT be returned to angler).



5.  Only one angler may handle the rod, reel or line while the fish is being hooked, played or landed. One or more persons may assist by using a net or gaff to land the fish after it has been brought to the side of the boat. Gaffs and nets may not exceed 8' in overall length

6.  Application must be filled out completely and be submitted within 60 days of catch.

7.  Only scales inspected by the Louisiana Dept. of Agriculture may be used. The total weight must include fractional weight information. For larger fish, scales regularly inspected and used in salt water rodeos at major boat docks are acceptable. However, fish must be examined by a biologist from the scientific community.

8.  A clear photograph showing the side of the fish from nose to tail must be submitted with the application, along with a photo of the angler and fly rod/reel used to catch the fish. LOWA reserves the right to publish/distribute any photographs. (*Digital photos are preferred.*) *Send hardcopy print with application and email jpg photo file to [fishrecords@yahoo.com](mailto:fishrecords@yahoo.com) with your name in subject line*

9.  Each application must be signed by the angler making the application for a record and by two witnesses who declare that they personally witnessed the weighing of the fish and that the weight shown is correct.

10.  Completed applications, photographs and \$25.00 non-refundable application processing fee should be sent to the chairman of the Fish Records Committee of the Louisiana Outdoor Writers Association:

LOWA Fish Records  
13168 Bayou Terrace Dr  
St Amant, LA 70774

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11.  Applications will be automatically rejected if: (a) any rule is violated, (b) Application fee is not enclosed, (c) Application is improperly filled out, (d) Required photographs are not included or, (e) Leader/fly not included, (f) checked off rules page omitted.