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**TITLE 312 NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION**

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DIGEST

Temporarily modifies 312 IAC 8-3 to allow dates for fishing tournaments on reservoirs managed by the Department of Natural Resources to be reserved two years in advance. Opens Salamonie Lake, Huntington Lake, Brookville Lake, Hardy Lake, Patoka Lake, Lieber Lake, and Raccoon Lake to fishing tournaments in June, July, and August 2002. Because Mississinewa Lake has been drawn down for rehabilitation, it is temporarily unavailable for fishing tournaments. Effective October 1, 2001.

**SECTION 1. Notwithstanding 312 IAC 8-3-3(a), the division of state parks and reservoirs shall allow the establishment of tournament dates for the following two (2) years during the organizational meeting to be held between October 1 and December 15, 2001.**

**SECTION 2. (a) Notwithstanding 312 IAC 8-3-6(a), the number of watercraft that may participate in a fishing tournament in 2002 shall not exceed the following:**

	Monroe	Salamonie	Mississinewa	Huntington	Brookville	Hardy	Patoka	Lieber	Raccoon
<b>March</b>	100	75	0	18	100	30	178	50	100
<b>April</b>	175	75	0	18	100	30	178	50	60
<b>May</b>	175	75	0	30	100	20	178	28	50
<b>June</b>	175	30	0	30	75	20	125	28	50
<b>July</b>	175	30	0	30	75	20	125	28	50
<b>August</b>	175	30	0	30	75	20	125	28	50
<b>September</b>	175	75	0	30	100	20	178	28	60

**(b) A watercraft used to administer a tournament is excluded in determining the number of participating watercraft.**

**(c) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of SECTION 2 of this document:**

**(1) No more than one hundred (100) watercraft may participate in a fishing tournament on Monroe Lake after October 15.**

**(2) No tournament will be approved on Memorial Day weekend, Fourth of July weekend, or Labor Day weekend.**

**(d) The department may, as a license condition, require the collection of fish catch data for a tournament conducted under this document.**

**(e) To the extent not inconsistent with this document, 312 IAC 2-4 governs the conduct of any tournament held in 2002.**

**SECTION 3. SECTIONS 1 and 2 of this document expire September 30, 2002.**

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