

Free Fishing Weekend is June 10th, 11th

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Once again, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife Department is offering a Free Fishing Weekend June 10-11. Observed in Oregon each June, Free Fishing Weekend invites Oregon residents and visitors to enjoy a full weekend to fish, crab and clam without a license. All fishing and shell harvest regulations continue to apply.

The celebration began in 1988 as a way to encourage more people to become involved in angling and the outdoors. ODFW encourages experienced anglers to make a point of introducing friends, family members and especially children to the fun of fishing throughout the year, and Free Fishing Weekend makes it even easier by allowing people to fish without a license.

ODFW and others sponsor Free Fishing Weekend events at sites throughout the state, mostly geared toward introductory angling opportunities for young people. Many of the events are accessible to disabled anglers. Details are available on ODFW's Web site, www.dfw.state.or.us/

Many of the most popular fishing waters around the state are stocked with additional rainbow trout in preparation for Free Fishing Weekend. Interested anglers also are encouraged to use the ODFW Recreation Report, available on the Department's Web site and updated weekly, to help them select a fishing destination. Bend Oregon Central Oregon

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