MASTER ANGLER ENTRY FORM

Mail this form with photo to:

Master Angler Program
Iowa Department of Natural Resources,
57744 Lewis Road, Lewis, IA 51544-5103
Or email information to Holly.Luft@dnr.iowa.gov

ish Released? YES NO			
Photo Enclosed (required)? YES NO			







HOW TO ENTER

Complete the entry form in this brochure and mail with a photo (will be returned)
of angler and fish to:

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IOWA MASTER ANGLER AWARD SPONSORED BY THE IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

The Master Angler Award recognizes the accomplishments of anglers who catch memorable fish in lowa.

AWARD LEVELS

SPECIES SPECIALIST	Catch five of the same species meeting the minimum length criteria of any species. Receive a certificate.
MASTER ANGLER	Catch one species meeting the minimum length criteria. Angler will receive a certificate and car/boat decal.
SILVER MASTER ANGLER	Catch five different species meeting the minimum length criteria. Angler will receive a silver medallion, certificate and car/boat decal.
GOLD MASTER ANGLER	Catch 10 different species meeting the minimum length criteria. Angler will receive a gold medallion, certificate and a car/boat decal.

In addition, the master angler's name and fish information will appear on the Department of Natural Resources' website.

The DNR will keep track of entries and award silver and gold levels once enough qualifying entries are received over time.

HOW TO MEASURE FISH LENGTH

Length is measured from tip of the snout to the tip of the tail, except paddlefish, which are measured from the front of the eye to the fork in the tail. If there is doubt about species

identification, contact the nearest DNR personnel for verification.



CRITERIA

- Fish must meet the minimum species length listed.
- For many species, fish may be released and still qualify for a Master Angler award by meeting the minimum length criteria.
- Anglers must have a valid lowa fishing license and fish must be caught by legal methods according to lowa law (refer to lowa fishing regulations).
- One witness must attest to the length of the fish to the nearest ¼ inch.
- By participating in this program, your photo and fish information may be shared on the DNR website, social media and other promotional materials.



GOOD LUCK AND GOOD FISHING!

AWARD SPECIES AND LENGTHS (INCHES)

Bass (Largemouth)	20"
Bass (Rock)	8"
Bass (Smallmouth)	20"
Bass (White)	17"
Bass (Wiper)	24"
Bass (Yellow)	10"
Bowfin (Dogfish)	26"
Buffalo	32"
Bullhead	15"
Carp (Common)	32"
Catfish (Blue)	40"
Catfish (Channel)	30"
Catfish (Flathead)	35"
Crappie	14"
Freshwater Drum	25"
Gar (Longnose)	45"
Gar (Shortnose)	26"
Goldeye/Mooneye	15"
Muskellunge	45"
Muskie (Tiger)	36"
Northern Pike	35"
Paddlefish	40"
Perch (Yellow)	12"
Sauger	20"
Saugeye	25"
Sturgeon (Shovelnose)	26"
Sucker (Blue)	27"
Sucker (White or Spotted)	18"
Sucker (Northern Hog)	16"
Sucker (Carpsucker)	22"
Sucker (Redhorse)	22"
Sunfish (Bluegill)	10"
Sunfish (Green)	10"
Sunfish (Pumpkinseed)	9"
Sunfish (Red Ear)	11"
Sunfish (Warmouth)	7"
Trout (Brook)	15"
Trout (Brown)	18"
Trout (Rainbow)	18"
Walleye	26"