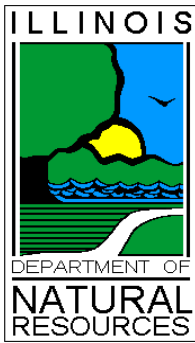


# WORLD SHOOTING COMPLEX LAKES



## 2017 FISHERIES FACT SHEET

**LOCATION:** The World Shooting Complex is located approximately 5 miles north of Sparta in Randolph County on State Route 4 (turn west on County Road 18).

**DESCRIPTION:** The site contains three lakes (East Lake-134 acres, Derby Lake-21 acres, and RV Lake-15 acres) that are open to fishing. Derby and East Lakes have concrete boat ramps and ample parking, while RV Lake has no boat ramp but plenty of shoreline access for anglers. East Lake has a 10 HP boat motor limit. Gas motors are not allowed at Derby or RV Lakes.

**CONCESSION:** None.

**HISTORY AND STATUS OF THE SPORT FISHERY:** The IDNR Division of Fisheries has been active in the management of the shooting complex lakes since they opened to public fishing in 2008. Rainbow trout are stocked in the spring and fall at Derby Lake. East and Derby Lakes contain a diverse fishery comprising over 20 species of fish, while RV Lake contains principally sport fishes.

**LARGEMOUTH BASS** - East Lake has a nice population of bass. Bass up to 20 inches and weighing 5 plus pounds have been collected in previous East Lake surveys. Derby Lake also has a nice population of bass. Bass up to 18 inches and weighing 3.5 pounds have been collected in previous Derby Lake surveys. Although bass up to 19 inches and weighing 3.5 pounds have been collected in previous RV Lake surveys, most of the bass are in poor condition.

**CRAPPIE** – All three lakes have crappie populations. The majority of the crappie are white crappie. Fish over ten inches are present and the best lakes are Derby and East Lakes.

**BLUEGILL** – RV Lake has some bluegill over 7 inches in length. The other lakes contain mainly smaller fish with a few bluegill over 7 inches

**CHANNEL CATFISH** - East Lake and Derby Lake are stocked annually with channel catfish.

**RAINBOW TROUT** – Derby Lakes has spring and fall trout seasons.

### **FISHING REGULATIONS:**

Species	Creel Limit	Minimum Length Limit
Largemouth Bass	1	18 inch
Channel Catfish	6	None
Bluegill or Redear Sunfish	15	None
Rainbow Trout	5*see fishing info booklet for details on closed season	None
White, Black, Hybrid Crappie	10	10 inch
All Fish	2 Pole and Line Fishing Only	Bow Fishing is Allowed

**RECREATIONAL USE RESTRICTIONS** - Swimming, wading, and waterskiing are prohibited.

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