

## WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §20-2-53

### **§20-2-53. License for privately owned commercial fishing preserve.**

The director may issue a license for the operation of a private pond or privately owned pond or impoundment to be used as a commercial fishing preserve, provided such impoundments meet the requirements of section twenty-seven of this article: Provided, however, That only one license shall be required where more than one private pond or privately owned pond or impoundment is operated under one ownership and management and on one separate commercial fishing preserve. The licensee shall have the authority to establish the fishing seasons, size and creel limits for such licensed pond or impoundment. A person fishing in such lake shall not be required to possess the same statewide fishing license as would be required of him if he were fishing in any of the public waters of this state.

The annual fee for the commercial fishing preserve license shall be \$25.