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## Marion Reservoir Walleye Harvest Regulations First Year of Harvest Phase Begins January 1, 2022

Walleye harvest regulations will be changing at Marion Reservoir on January 1, 2022. A four-year pilot study to improve walleye fishing opportunities at Marion Reservoir began on January 1, 2020 with the implementation of the first Grow Phase. Under the Grow Phase, Marion walleye were managed with a 21-inch minimum length limit and 5/day creel limit. The two-year Grow Phase closes at the end of 2021 and the Harvest Phase will begin January 1, 2022.

Beginning January 1, 2022 Harvest Phase walleye regulations will be:

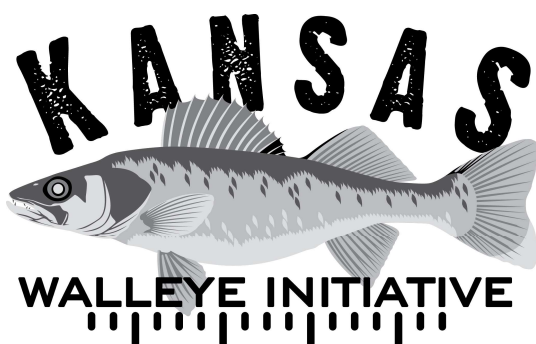
**18-inch minimum length limit, 3/day creel with no more than one fish 21 inches or longer.**

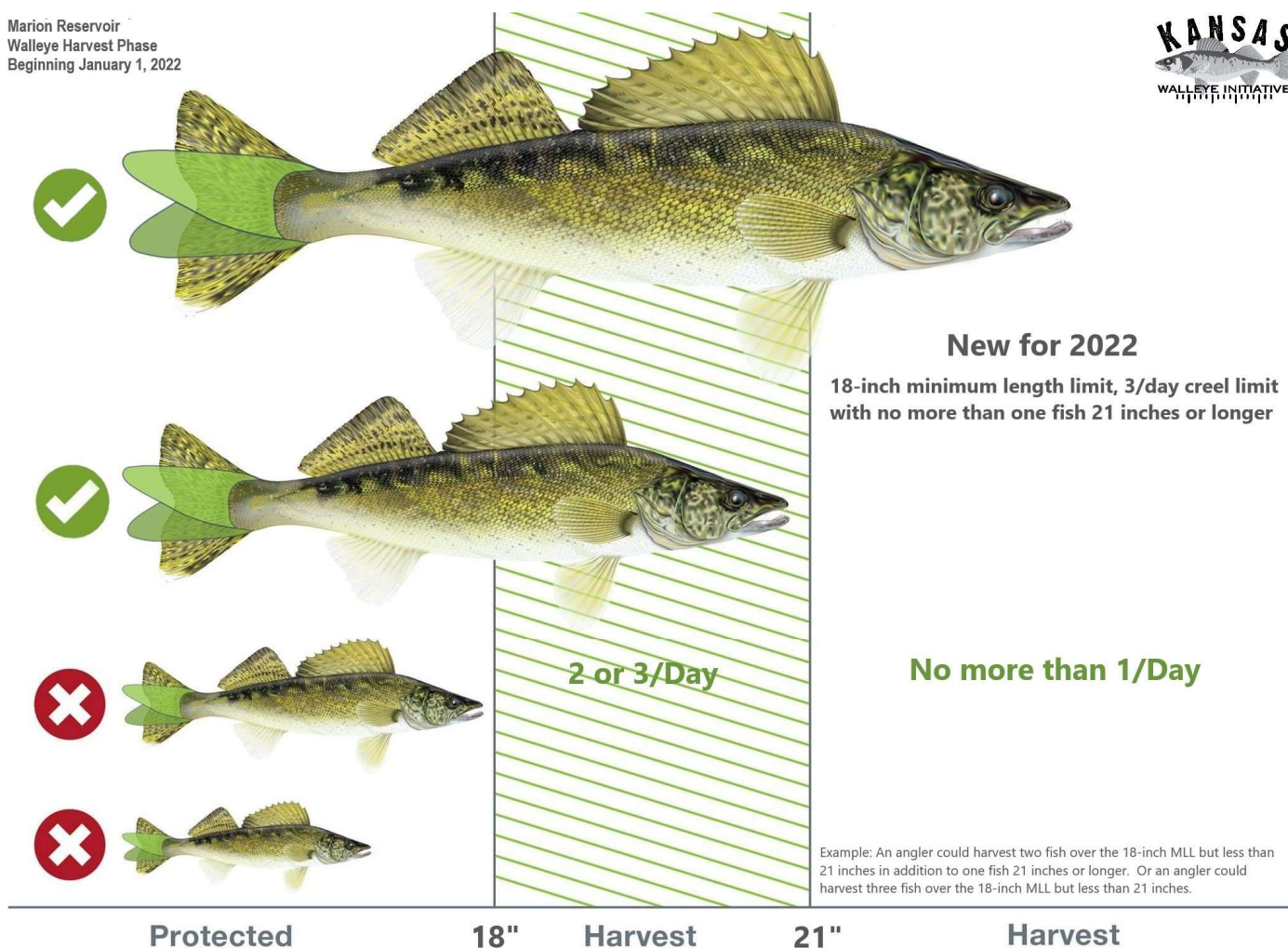
The Harvest Phase regulations will allow an angler to harvest up to three walleye between 18 and 21 inches OR two walleye between 18 and 21 inches and one walleye over 21 inches for a maximum of three walleye per day. No more than one walleye over 21 inches may be kept per angler per day.

A creel survey is planned to run from March through October 2022. Creel clerks will be interviewing anglers to gather catch data on walleye as well as all other fish species. Please take a few minutes to answer the creel questions as these surveys provide valuable information used to improve Kansas fishing.

Objectives of the pilot study are to increase walleye broodfish density to improve natural recruitment production levels, increase density of catchable walleye to increase catch rates, and increase size of walleye available for harvest. KDWP fisheries biologists will continue to closely monitor the walleye population throughout the duration of the study.

See informational graphic on Page 2.





## Last Cast!

District Fisheries Biologists from across the state have been writing newsletters to keep anglers up to date on local projects, sampling results, and status of fish populations. You can find all published newsletters online at <https://ksoutdoors.com/KDWPT-Info/News/Newsletters>.

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Fish On!

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