

WFFI FISHING PREPARATION LIST

NOTE: This checklist can seem overwhelming to a new angler. Don't worry! We will teach you what all of this is for and what you need and when. This full list isn't required every time you fish depending on what exactly you are doing. Please come to a few meetings unless you have an experienced angler to help you. You do not need to "break the bank" to get outfitted to fly fish. Some club members are willing to share or let you try equipment so you can make informed choices.

Required

- Fishing license for the state you are fishing in (mandatory)
- Emergency Contact Info Card – provided and required for club sponsored trips but wise to have at all times.

Equipment

- Rod(s) And Reel(s)
- Tippet
- Strike Indicators
- Wading Boots
- Landing Net
- Floatant
- Weights
- Wading Staff
- Flies
- Nippers
- Waders
- Leaders
- Hemostat
- Wading Belt
- Reading/Fly-Tying Glasses (For Older Eyes)
- Headlight For low light fishing
- Chair and Shower Mat/Rug for ease of getting into and out of waders and boots
- Towel to wipe your hands after releasing your fish. You should wet your hands before touching a fish

Float Trips:

- FloatTube/Pontoon Boat
- Whistle (State Law)
- Extra Tube Valves
- Air Pump
- Flippers
- Safety Flotation Vest
- Tube Patches

Clothing

- Hat (With Keeper)
- Polarized Sunglasses
- Warm Hat
- Wool Socks
- Headband/Neck Scarf
- Keeper/Croaky
- Gloves
- Base Layers
- Buff
- Jacket
- Raincoat

Could be hot. Could be cold. Bring a little of each but LAYER, LAYER, LAYER! You can always take it off, but you can't put it on if you don't have it with you!

Personal

- Sleeping Bag/Bed Roll
- Sleeping Pad Towel
- Mosquito Repellant
- Pillow
- Toiletries
- Sunscreen
- Air Mattress
- Medications
- Toilet Paper

Sustenance

- Lunch Snacks, etc. - enough to make it through the trip
- Water, water, water- bring a water pump if you can't carry enough

Other

- Cooler with ice if you plan to keep fish
- First Aid Kit