

WFFI FISHING PREPARATION CHECKLIST

NOTE: This checklist can seem overwhelming to a new angler. Don't worry! We will teach you what you need and when. You don't need all these items every time you fish. Please come to a few meetings and/or reach out to our board and/or experienced members to help you. Some club members are also willing to share or let you try equipment.

Required

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

Equipment

- Rod(s) And Reel(s)
- Landing Net
- Flies
- Leaders
- Reading/Fly-Tying Glasses (for older eyes)
- Headlight For low light fishing
- Chair and Shower Mat/Rug for 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
- Tippet
- Flotant
- Nippers
- Hemostat
- Strike Indicators
- Weights
- Waders
- Wading Belt
- Wading Boots
- Wading Staff

Float Trips:

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

Clothing:

Layer! Layer! Layer! You can always take it off, but you can't put it on if you don't have it with you!

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

Personal

- Sleeping Bag
- Pillow
- Air Mattress
- Sleeping Pad Towel
- Toiletries
- Medications
- Mosquito Repellant
- Sunscreen
- 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