

Utah fishing law for 1876

Violation of the laws for the preservation of game and fish.

Fish not to be caught except with hooks.

(2196) SEC. 366. Every person who, at any time takes, or catches any fish except with hook and line not exceeding three hooks to a line is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Taking fish with nets, etc.. prohibited.

(2197.) SEC 367. Every person who takes, catches or kills, any fish by the use of seines, gill or dip nets, baskets, traps, or any device whatever, excepting as provided in the section three hundred and sixty-eight is guilty of a misdemeanor: Provided, that the use of minnow nets shall not be considered, within the meaning of this section.

Use of poisonous or explosive substances in fishing prohibited.

(2198.) SEC. 368 Every person who puts into the waters of this Territory, or who uses any poisonous or explosive substance for the purpose of taking or destroying fish, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Indians taking fish and game for their own use exempted.

(2199.) SEC 369. Indians, taking fish or game for their own subsistence are exempted from the penalties prescribed in this chapter.

Taking of shad, salmon etc.. within next four years prohibited.

(2200.) SEC 370. Every person who at any time within the next four years shall take from any of the waters of this Territory any shad, salmon, black bass, white fish, silver eel, or any other fish which has been or may be imported or their progeny, or any oysters from any private oyster bed without the consent of the owner, is guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be fined in any sum not exceeding four dollars for each fish or oyster so taken.

Fishways and ladders, penalties for not keeping.

(2201.) SEC. 371 Every person who shall construct or continue to keep any dam across any of the streams of water in this Territory in which fish migrate, in such a manner as to hinder or obstruct the migration of fish to and from their spawning grounds, without providing a fishway and keeping it in repair as provided in the next section, is guilty of a misdemeanor.

Fishways and ladders, how to be constructed.

(2202.) SEC 372. The fishway for the passage of fish in large streams of water, in the dam mentioned in the preceding section must be made of plank, or other material equivalent thereto , in the form of a box, open at each end, not less than four feet wide, and three feet high, and it must be fastened at the top of the dam, and other end must extend to and be fastened in the pool below the dam at an angle not exceeding thirty-five degrees. Inside this box fastened at the bottom and at one end of the side of the box there must be pieces of plank four feet apart placed transversely so as to cause a riffle not less than ten inches high. These pieces of plank must be thirty inches long, and so fastened as to be at right angles with the sides of the box alternately fastened one at one side, the other at the other side of the box. Whenever the stream is small the County court of the county in which the dam is, or is to be constructed may permit the box to be made of less dimensions, the court taking good care to have a suitable passage.

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