

## What kind, and How Many Fish

### Fish for Stocking Ponds

The Schoharie County Soil and Water Conservation District is offering fish to stock local ponds once again this year. You will notice that some of our prices are down from previous years, and some are up... we try and provide our landowners with the fish they want, while keeping them as affordable as possible. You will also notice that we have more species of trout this year. For several years, because of a particular disease, hatcheries were not raising Rainbow Trout. We have been fortunate to find another hatchery that is making them available.

On the back panel you'll find descriptions and information on stocking rates, etc.



Brook Trout

Trout or Bass? While we receive this question quite often, a simple answer isn't readily available. First, consider the pond you're stocking. If the bottom temperature of your pond usually reaches above 70 degrees in August, it is unlikely to support trout. If it is cooler than that, you can consider trout. Next, consider the time and money spent stocking your pond. Trout need to be re-stocked every 2-3 years. Bass, once stocked, should reproduce and usually do not need to be re-stocked. Lastly, consider what you're going to do with the fish—Do you love the taste of trout—well, there's your answer, but if you're stocking these for the grandchildren, maybe bass, which are a little easier to catch, may be the way to go.

You will not want to stock bass and trout together in the same pond, as bass will eat trout fingerlings you put in later. You can, however, stock different species of trout together in the same pond.

How many? Initial suggested stocking rates are 600-800 per acre of trout fingerlings, Bass are 100 per surface acres and 400 minnows. (Minnows are the food source for the bass.) Rates for restocking trout are 300 per acre if stocked every year, and 600 per acre if stocked every-other year.

**Order Deadline: September 18th**

**Pick up Date: September 25**

Pick up times will depend on number of fish ordered. We will send a reminder letter with instructions on September 18th. Approximate times between 1:00—3:00 pm

**SCHOHARIE COUNTY SOIL & WATER  
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

Schoharie County SWCD  
173 S Grand Street, Room 11  
Cobleskill, NY 12043

Phone: 518-234-4092  
Fax: 518-234-4093

E-mail: [brenda.weaver@schohariesoilandwater.org](mailto:brenda.weaver@schohariesoilandwater.org)



Rainbow Trout

## Fish Price List & Order Form 2009

Order deadline—September 18

Pick up date—September 25

Bass, Minnows & Grass Carp 1:00 pm  
Trout between 2:00 & 3:00 pm

Tel: 518-234-4092

# Fish Orders



## SCHOHARIE COUNTY SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Make checks payable, and mail to:  
 Schoharie County SWCD  
 173 S Grand Street, Room 11  
 Cobleskill, NY 12043  
 Phone: 518-234-4092  
 Fax: 518-234-4093  
 E-mail: [brenda.weaver@schohariesoilandwater.org](mailto:brenda.weaver@schohariesoilandwater.org)

### Which Type of Trout

**Brook Trout**—are easiest to catch, and kids love to catch them. We're also told they are the best tasting. Water should be between 50-65 degrees. They grow to 16-20" and weight in at 3-6 lbs .

**Brown Trout**—have red and black spots on the head and body. Brown trout were introduced to N America in 1883 and are a common species used in various stocking programs throughout the country. Browns can grow to over 20 inches and weight 5-8 lbs. They are quite fun to catch. They will survive in ponds even in the 70 degree range

**Tiger Trout**—are a variant hybrid mixture of brown and brook trout. They have distinct markings, and do surprisingly well in a warmer pond environment considering trout are a coldwater fish. However being a hybrid, they are also born without the ability to reproduce naturally. They will grow to 22" and about 4 lbs.

**Rainbow Trout**—This is a sportsman's delight as they put up the best fight. They do best in cooler ponds in the 50-65 degree range. Grow to 23-30" and up to 10 lbs.

### Price List

Brown Trout

<b>Largemouth Bass</b>	<b>\$32.50</b>
3-5" Fingerlings—Price per 25 fish	
<b>Minnows</b>	<b>\$5.00</b>
Forage food for Bass—Price per 25 fish	
<b>Brook Trout</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>
4-6" Fingerlings—Price per 25 fish	
<b>Tiger Trout</b>	<b>\$25.00</b>
4-6" Fingerlings—Price per 25 fish	
<b>Brown Trout</b>	<b>\$37.75</b>
3-5" Fingerlings—Price per 25 fish	
<b>Rainbow Trout</b>	<b>\$36.25</b>
3-5" Fingerlings—Price per 25 fish	
<b>Grass Carp</b>	<b>\$17.00</b>
Special Permit required for purchase (note no sales tax on carp)	
<b>Bagging charge for Brown and Rainbow Trout (collected at pick up)</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>

### 2009 Fish Order Form

Fish Type	Qty.	Subtotal
Order total:		_____
Tax: 8%		_____
Total:		_____

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Billing Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Method of Payment

- Check
- Visa
- MasterCard

Credit Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. date \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_