



Ornamental fish owners – important information

If you keep ornamental fish, have your say about proposed additions to our banned fish species list

Fish species that pose a significant risk to our aquatic habitats and native species can be prohibited (banned) in the State. Many high risk species are officially listed on the Noxious Fish List, under the *Fish Resources Management Act 1994*.

As part of a national strategy¹ to prevent non-native, ornamental fish getting into Australia's waters and damaging our aquatic habitats and native species, the Department of Fisheries is considering adding another group of fish species to Western Australia's Noxious (banned) Fish List.

Most of the species proposed are not expected to be kept or traded in WA, as they have little or no commercial, industry or hobby value. However, we want to make sure fish owners have been properly consulted before progressing with any noxious fish list additions. In the unlikely situation that fish on the proposed list are currently present in the State's waters, there will be an amnesty period allowing owners to dispose of them in an environmentally safe and humane manner before penalties will apply.

Let us know what you think:

- Do you possess any of the species proposed for listing (see details on the list below)?
- Are you aware of any of them being currently present in any part of Western Australia?
- Do you have any comments or particular objections to the proposed species being added to the State Noxious Fish List?

Send us your information and comments by:

- **Email:** biosecurity@fish.wa.gov.au
- **Post:** Aquatic Environment Branch
Department of Fisheries
Locked Bag 39, Cloisters Square Post Office
Perth, WA 6850

¹ Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry (2006). *A Strategic Approach to the Management of Ornamental Fish in Australia*. BRS Publications, GPO Box 858, Canberra ACT 2601

Noxious fish restrictions and penalties:

Under Western Australian legislation², a person must not:

- keep, breed, hatch or culture any noxious fish;
- have in the person's possession any noxious fish;
- consign or convey any noxious fish;
- release any noxious fish into any waters; or
- put any noxious fish into a container or receptacle in which it might remain alive.

You may face significant penalties (\$10,000 or higher) if you are found to be in breach of this part of the legislation.

For the current [Noxious Fish List](http://www.fish.wa.gov.au/Sustainability-and-Environment/Aquatic-Biosecurity/Translocations-Moving-Live-Fish/Pages/Noxious-Banned-Fish.aspx), please go to www.fish.wa.gov.au/Sustainability-and-Environment/Aquatic-Biosecurity/Translocations-Moving-Live-Fish/Pages/Noxious-Banned-Fish.aspx

This public consultation process will conclude on 15 February 2016.

Species proposed for addition to the Noxious Fish List

Please note: while some of the species below have common names, many do not. Common names have been given where appropriate.

Scientific name	Common name
<i>Acipenser baerii</i>	Siberian Sturgeon
<i>Acipenser oxyrinchus</i>	Atlantic Sturgeon
<i>Astyanacinus moorii</i>	
<i>Astyanax abramis</i>	
<i>Astyanax altiparanae</i>	
<i>Astyanax angustifrons</i>	
<i>Astyanax anterior</i>	
<i>Astyanax aramburui</i>	
<i>Astyanax argyrimarginatus</i>	
<i>Astyanax asuncionensis</i>	
<i>Astyanax atratoensis</i>	
<i>Astyanax biotae</i>	
<i>Astyanax bockmanni</i>	
<i>Astyanax brachypterygium</i>	
<i>Astyanax caucanus</i>	
<i>Astyanax chaparae</i>	
<i>Astyanax cordovae</i>	Mojarra
<i>Astyanax correntinus</i>	Mojarra

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<i>Astyanax daguae</i>	
<i>Astyanax depressirostris</i>	
<i>Astyanax eigenmanniorum</i>	Mojarra Piava
<i>Astyanax elachylepis</i>	
<i>Astyanax endy</i>	
<i>Astyanax erythropterus</i>	
<i>Astyanax fasslii</i>	
<i>Astyanax festae</i>	
<i>Astyanax filiferus</i>	
<i>Astyanax gisleni</i>	
<i>Astyanax goyacensis</i>	
<i>Astyanax gracilior</i>	
<i>Astyanax guianensis</i>	
<i>Astyanax gymnogenys</i>	
<i>Astyanax henseli</i>	
<i>Astyanax integer</i>	
<i>Astyanax ita</i>	Mojarra
<i>Astyanax janeiroensis</i>	

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<i>Astyanax kompi</i>	
<i>Astyanax kullanderi</i>	
<i>Astyanax lacustris</i>	
<i>Astyanax laticeps</i>	
<i>Astyanax lineatus</i>	
<i>Astyanax longior</i>	Mojara
<i>Astyanax maculisquamis</i>	
<i>Astyanax marionae</i>	Lambari
<i>Astyanax maximus</i>	
<i>Astyanax megaspilura</i>	
<i>Astyanax microlepis</i>	
<i>Astyanax microschemos</i>	
<i>Astyanax mutator</i>	
<i>Astyanax myersi</i>	
<i>Astyanax nasutus</i>	
<i>Astyanax nicaraguensis</i>	
<i>Astyanax ojiara</i>	
<i>Astyanax orbignyanus</i>	
<i>Astyanax orthodus</i>	
<i>Astyanax paraguayensis</i>	
<i>Astyanax parahybae</i>	
<i>Astyanax paranae</i>	
<i>Astyanax paranahybae</i>	
<i>Astyanax pedri</i>	Lambari
<i>Astyanax pelecus</i>	
<i>Astyanax poetzschkei</i>	
<i>Astyanax potaroensis</i>	
<i>Astyanax pynandi</i>	
<i>Astyanax ribeirae</i>	
<i>Astyanax rivularis</i>	Piaba
<i>Astyanax ruberrimus</i>	
<i>Astyanax saguazu</i>	
<i>Astyanax saltor</i>	
<i>Astyanax scabripinnis</i>	Piaba; Tetra; Mojarra

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<i>Astyanax scintillans</i>	
<i>Astyanax stenohalinus</i>	
<i>Astyanax superbus</i>	
<i>Astyanax symmetricus</i>	
<i>Astyanax taeniatus</i>	Piaba-branca
<i>Astyanax trierythropterus</i>	
<i>Astyanax troya</i>	Mojarra
<i>Astyanax tupi</i>	
<i>Astyanax turmalinensis</i>	
<i>Astyanax utiariti</i>	
<i>Astyanax venezuelae</i>	
<i>Ctenobrycon hauxwellianus</i>	Mojara; Lambari
<i>Ctenobrycon multiradiatus</i>	
<i>Boulengerella cuvieri</i>	Bicuda; Pirapucu
<i>Boulengerella lucius</i>	Golden Pike- characin; Pirapoco
<i>Boulengerella xyrekes</i>	Pirapoco
<i>Eleotris andamensis</i>	
<i>Eleotris annobonensis</i>	
<i>Eleotris aquadulcis</i>	Sepik-Ramu Freshwater Gudgeon
<i>Eleotris balia</i>	
<i>Eleotris brachyurus</i>	
<i>Eleotris daganensis</i>	
<i>Eleotris fasciatus</i>	
<i>Eleotris feai</i>	
<i>Eleotris lutea</i>	Lutea Sleeper
<i>Eleotris macrocephala</i>	
<i>Eleotris macrolepis</i>	
<i>Eleotris mauritianus</i>	Widehead Sleeper
<i>Eleotris melanura</i>	
<i>Eleotris oxycephala</i>	
<i>Eleotris pellegrini</i>	

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<i>Eleotris perniger</i>	Smallscaled Spinycheek Sleeper
<i>Eleotris picta</i>	Spotted Sleeper
<i>Eleotris pisonis</i>	Spinycheek Sleeper
<i>Eleotris pseudacanthopomus</i>	
<i>Eleotris senegalensis</i>	
<i>Eleotris soaresi</i>	
<i>Eleotris tecta</i>	
<i>Eleotris tubularis</i>	
<i>Eleotris vittata</i>	
<i>Eleotris vomerodentata</i>	
<i>Pangasius bedado</i>	
<i>Pangasius bocourti</i>	Basa
<i>Pangasius djambal</i>	
<i>Pangasius humeralis</i>	
<i>Pangasius kinabatanganensis</i>	
<i>Pangasius lithostoma</i>	
<i>Pangasius mahakamensis</i>	
<i>Pangasius mekongensis</i>	
<i>Pangasius myanmar</i>	
<i>Pangasius polyuranodon</i>	
<i>Pangasius rheophilus</i>	

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<i>Pangasius sabahensis</i>	
<i>Pangasius sanitwongsei</i>	Giant Catfish; Giant Pangasius
<i>Pangasius tubbi</i>	Shortbarbel Pangasius
<i>Alfaro amazonus</i>	
<i>Schilbe angolensis</i>	
<i>Schilbe banguelensis</i>	Golden Barbel
<i>Schilbe bocagii</i>	
<i>Schilbe brevianalis</i>	Butterfish
<i>Schilbe congensis</i>	
<i>Schilbe djemeri</i>	
<i>Schilbe durinii</i>	
<i>Schilbe grenfelli</i>	
<i>Schilbe laticeps</i>	
<i>Schilbe mandibularis</i>	
<i>Schilbe micropogon</i>	
<i>Schilbe moebiusii</i>	
<i>Schilbe multitaeniatus</i>	
<i>Schilbe mystus</i>	African Butter Catfish
<i>Schilbe nyongensis</i>	
<i>Schilbe tumbanus</i>	
<i>Schilbe uranoscopus</i>	
<i>Schilbe yangambianus</i>	Yangambi Butterbarbel
<i>Schilbe zairensis</i>	

Further information

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