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Re: Stockies: Keep or Release?

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Quote:

L_soult wrote:

Is there any good reason this dad shouldn't bring home some fish to fry up for the kids?

Nope - none at all.

If harvest is allowed by law, then it's a personal choice whether you care to keep fish. Like you, I don't harvest wild trout as a general rule (or any bass - they're pretty much all wild and slow growing).....but I do enjoy eating fish and I keep some stocked trout every year. Although you live "upstate" where waters are colder, it's worth remembering that many of PA's streams and rivers get too warm for trout to survive the summer anyway. You might as well eat 'em - that's what they're stocked for.

Regarding a fish fry - you should be aware that there are some consumption guidelines for fishes caught by anglers in PA that recommend that you limit how many you eat per day or week. This is due to (minor) contamination with PCBs. These consumption guidelines can be seen on the PFBC website.