



**WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES**

# **Great Lakes Guide Fishing Report Instruction Manual**



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# Download Instructions

## FOR PC

1. Download and install ESRI Survey 123 Field App to your PC.

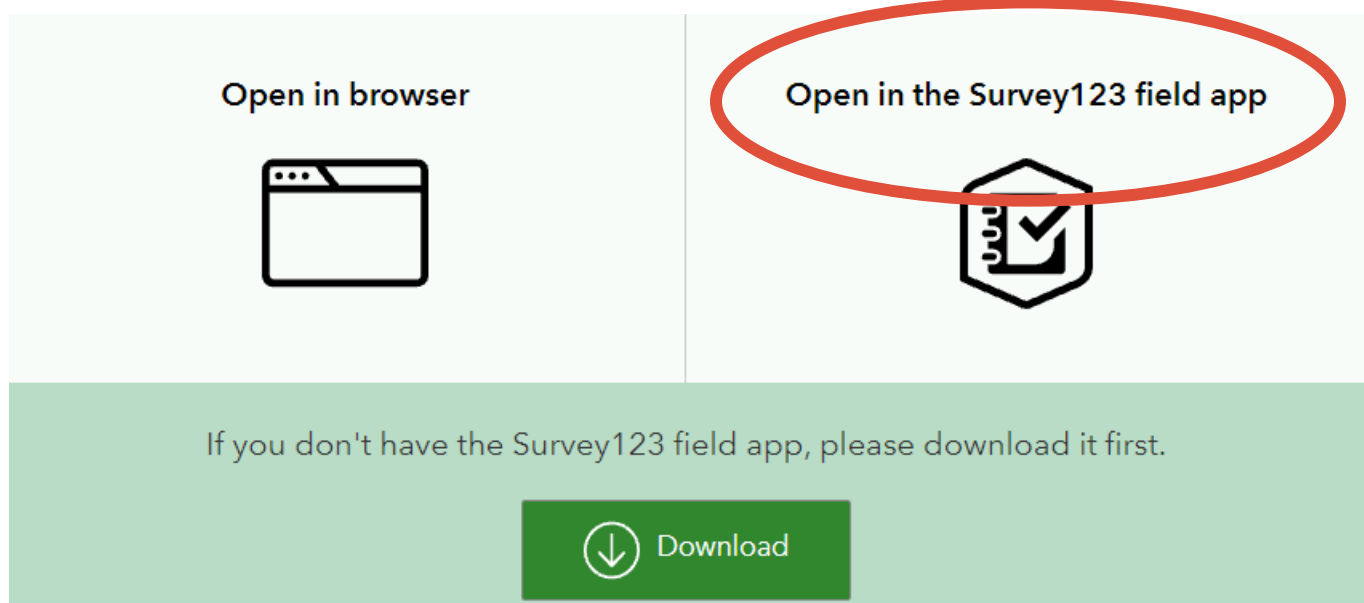
**Windows (64):** <https://links.esri.com/survey123/windows64>

**Windows (86):** <https://links.esri.com/survey123/windows>

**Mac:** <https://links.esri.com/survey123/macOS>

2. Enter URL into web browser: <https://arcg.is/0aPnq1>

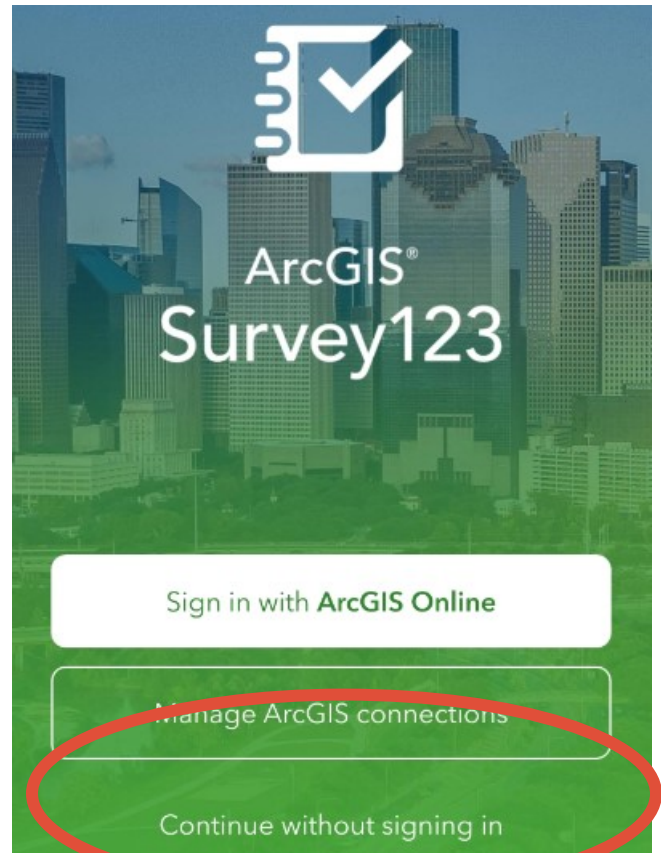
3. Choose “Open app in the Survey123 field app.”



4. When you get this splash screen during the install, hit “Continue without signing in”.

Once the survey is installed:

5. Go to the “X” in the top left of your screen and select “Close survey and lose changes.”



The Survey123 app and the Great Lakes Fishing Guide Report are now loaded on your computer and ready for you to record your observations.

6. Continue on [page 7](#) to start using the application.

# FOR MOBILE DEVICE

1. Download and install ESRI Survey 123 Field App to your device from your app store.



Apple: <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/arcgis-survey123/id993015031>



Google: <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.esri.survey123>



Amazon: <https://www.amazon.com/Esri-Inc-Survey123-for-ArcGIS/dp/B01MAV32GO>



Microsoft: <https://www.microsoft.com/store/apps/9NBLGGH5WMRR>

The app name and image (as seen on Apple AppStore) is below.



**ArcGIS Survey123** 4+

ESRI

Designed for iPad

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2. Enter the URL: <https://arcg.is/0aPnq1>
3. Choose “Open app in the Survey123 field app.”



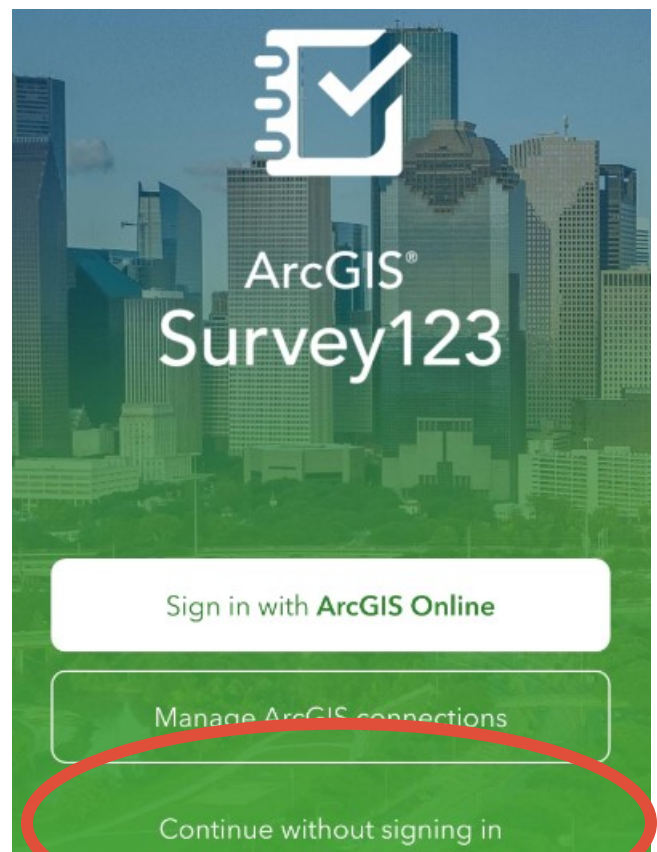
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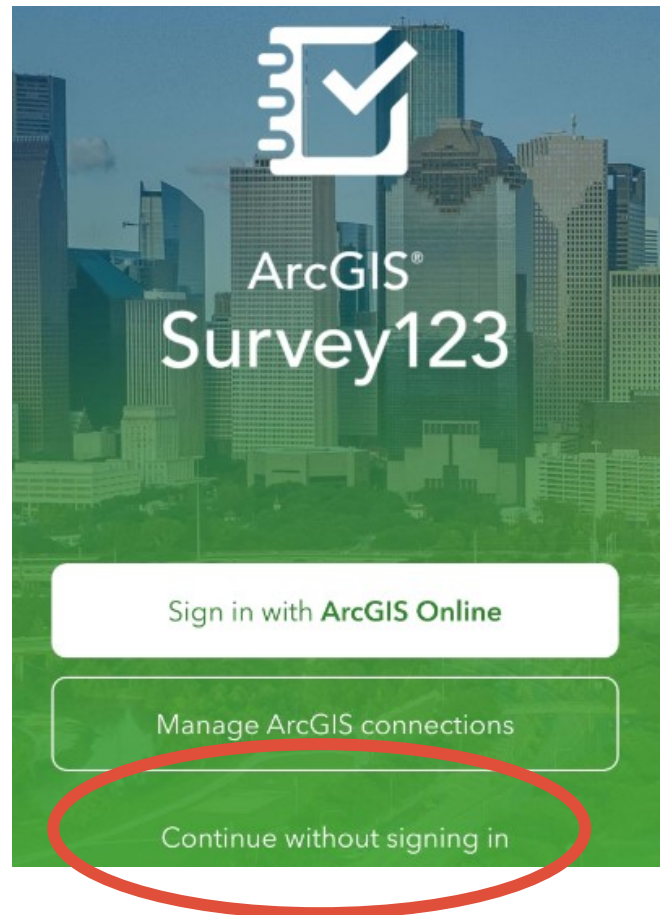
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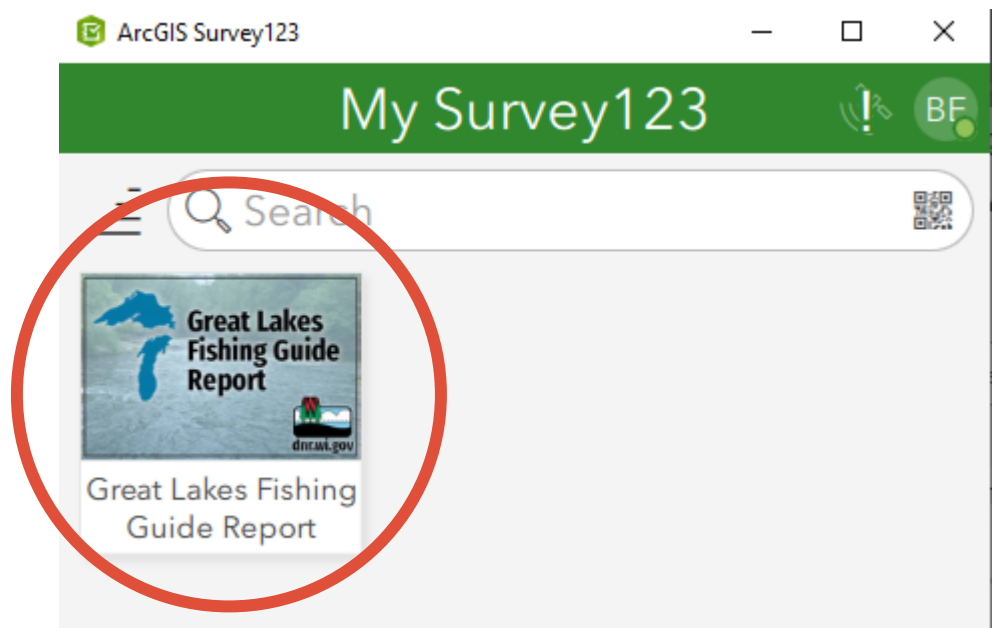


# Starting The Application

1. When you open the Survey123 application and get this splash screen during startup, hit “Continue without signing in”



2. Click on the “Great Lakes Fishing Guide Report” to start.



2. If you get this screen, you can click “Close.”


We are not collecting location information with this app.

### Location Inaccessible

Please ensure:

1. Location services are turned on.
2. The app has permission to access your location.

 Retry

 Close

### WI DNR Survey Form for Great Lakes Fishing Guide Rep...



Owner:  
David.Winston\_wi\_dnr  
Created: 12/3/21 2:33 PM  
Modified: 12/17/21 12:09 PM

This survey is for the use of great lakes fishing guides to submit required reports on location, effort, and catch. Reports are due within 24 hours of the fishing event and need to be fully completed in order to submit the form.

2. To begin entering data, click on the “Collect” icon below.





# Collecting Information


1. Enter your DNR customer number.
2. Enter your first name.
3. Enter your last name.
4. Enter the date of your trip.
5. Select if you are reporting as an individual or as a group.

Individual reporting continues on [page 10](#).

Group guide reporting with you as the designated reporter continues on [page 16](#).

Group guide reporting with someone else as the designated reporter continues on [page 24](#).

Great Lakes Fishing Guide Report



**Welcome! Please fill out the questions below to complete and submit this report.**

DNR Customer Number \*

💡 Go Wild assigned Customer ID # (must be 9 digits - no dashes; use leading zeros if less than 9 digits)

First Name \*

Last Name \*

Date of Guided Trip \*

📅 Thursday, December 16, 2021

▼ **Fishing Guide Information**

Are you reporting as an individual or as a group? \*

Individual  Group

# INDIVIDUAL GUIDE REPORTING

1. Select the major and sub-waterbodies that you are fishing in.

Depending on your sub-waterbody choice, enter the grid, harbor or tributary water that you are fishing in. This example shows the tributary selection.

2. Enter how many people were in your fishing party (excluding guides).
3. Enter the length of the fishing trip in whole hours.
4. Indicate whether your guided fishing clients caught any fish during the fishing trip.

## ▼ Location Description

*Note: If you fished at more than one waterbody during your trip, please enter each location as a separate report.*

Please Select a Major Waterbody \*

Lake Michigan     Lake Superior     Green Bay

Please Select a Sub-Waterbody \*

Main Lake     Harbor     Tributary Water

Pick One \*

## ▼ Fishing Report

Size Of Fishing Party \*

Duration Of Fishing Trip In Hours? \*

Did The Clients Catch Any Fish? \*

Yes  
 No

If your guided fishing clients caught fish during the trip:

1. Select “Yes.”
2. Click on the “+” button to enter your fishing information.
3. Continue to [page 12](#).

If your guided clients did not catch any fish during your trip:

1. Select “No.”
2. Enter any trip comments.
3. Check the “Certify” button.
4. Click the green check mark on the bottom of the app to complete your entry.
5. See [page 15](#) to complete the submission of your trip.

Did The Clients Catch Any Fish? \*

- Yes  
 No

Click the + Sign Below to Enter Catch Report \*



Did The Clients Catch Any Fish? \*

- Yes  
 No

#### Trip Comments

Please enter any comments about your trip here. (e.g. fin clips or tags, weather, etc.)

#### Legal Attestation

By checking this box, I certify that I have reviewed and entered information I am about to submit and that it is true and accurate, as required by s. NR 20.65, Wis. Adm. Code. I further certify that the act of checking this box constitutes my electronic signature, which is the legal equivalent of my actual signature:

Certification \*

I Certify to the Above



If your guided fishing clients caught fish during your fishing trip:

1. Follow the instructions in **RED**.
2. Click on the first species that your guided fishing clients caught during your trip.

Did The Clients Catch Any Fish? \*

- Yes  
 No

▼ **Click the + Sign Below to Enter Catch Report \***

**Instructions:** Select one species at a time. Add new species using the + sign in the lower right. Delete entries using the trash can in the lower left. If multiple species are entered, toggle between them using the page arrows at either side of the entry number. **Repeat until all species caught have been reported.**

Species \*

- |                                      |   |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Lake Whitefish | <input type="radio"/> Burbot              |
| <input type="radio"/> LM Bass        | <input type="radio"/> SM Bass             |
| <input type="radio"/> Northern Pike  | <input type="radio"/> Musky               |
| <input type="radio"/> Walleye        | <input type="radio"/> Yellow Perch        |
| <input type="radio"/> Chinook Salmon | <input type="radio"/> Coho Salmon         |
| <input type="radio"/> Rainbow Trout  | <input type="radio"/> Brown Trout         |
| <input type="radio"/> Lake Trout     | <input type="radio"/> Siscowet Lake Trout |
| <input type="radio"/> Brook Trout    | <input type="radio"/> Splake              |
| <input type="radio"/> Rainbow Smelt  | <input type="radio"/> Cisco               |
| <input type="radio"/> Lake Sturgeon  | <input type="radio"/> Other               |

3. Enter the number of fish caught for the species you selected.
4. Enter the number of fish kept for the species you selected.

This feature shows you the species entered on your trip. Note that as soon as you select a species it shows up here.

5. Hit the “+” icon to enter the next species caught.
6. Repeat steps 2-5 for all species caught during the trip.

### Total Caught \*



### Total Kept \*



**Add new species using the + sign in the lower right. Delete entries using the trash can in the lower left. If multiple species are entered, toggle between them using the page arrows at either side of the entry number**

### Species entered:



7. After you have entered all the fish caught during your guided fishing clients trip, enter any trip comments.
8. Check the “Certify” box.
9. Click on the green check mark to complete the entry.

### Trip Comments

Please enter any comments about your trip here. (e.g. fin clips or tags, weather, etc.)

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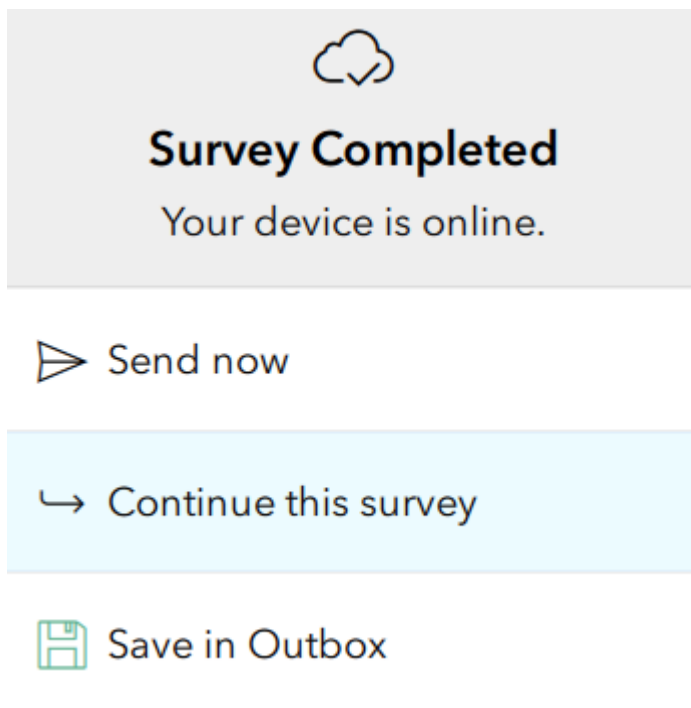



Once you have completed your entry, you have the option to send the survey now, continue with the survey or save it to your outbox.


If you don't have a cell phone or computer connection, please save it to your outbox and submit it as soon as you can.


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Once you have successfully submitted your fishing trip, it will appear on the main page under "Sent."



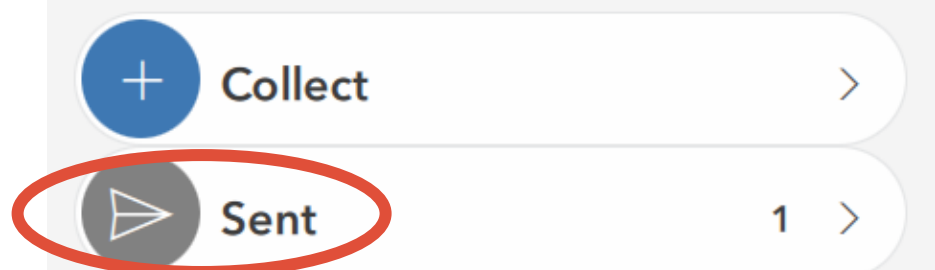
  
**Survey Completed**  
Your device is online.


 Send now


 Continue this survey

 Save in Outbox

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 Collect >

 Sent 1 >

# GROUP GUIDE REPORTING

## YOU AS THE DESIGNATED REPORTER

1. Select the group guide option if you are reporting as a group.
2. If you are the designated reporter for your group, click “Yes.”

If you are not, click “No” and continue to [page 24](#).

3. Click the “+” sign to enter the DNR customer number and names of the guides in your group.

### ▼ Fishing Guide Information

Are you reporting as an individual or as a group? \*

Individual

Group

Are you the designated reporter for fishing information in your guide group? \*

Yes

No

**Please Add All Other Guides In Your Guide Group:**

▼ **Click the + Sign Below to Add Additional Guides**





4. Add the DNR customer number for the first guide in your group.
5. Enter their first name.
6. Enter their last name.
7. If you have additional guides in your group, hit the “+” button and enter their information.
8. Repeat steps 4-7 for all the guides in your group.
9. When you have added all of the guides in your group, continue to the next step.

## Please Add All Other Guides In Your Guide Group:

### Click the + Sign Below to Add Additional Guides

Instructions: Enter info for each guide below. Add new guides using the + sign in the lower right. Delete entries using the trash can in the lower left. If multiple guides are entered, toggle between them using the page arrows at either side of the entry number. **Repeat until all group guides have been identified.**

#### Other Guide Customer Number \*

💡 Go Wild assigned Customer ID # (must be 9 digits - no dashes; use leading zeros if less than 9 digits)

#### Other Guide First Name \*

#### Other Guide Last Name \*

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10. Enter the waterbody and sub-waterbody that you are fishing in.

Depending on your sub-waterbody choice, enter the grid, harbor or tributary water you are fishing in. This example shows the tributary selection.

**▼ Location Description**

*Note: If you fished at more than one waterbody during your trip, please enter each location as a separate report.*

Please Select a Major Waterbody \*

Lake Michigan     Lake Superior     Green Bay

Please Select a Sub-Waterbody \*

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Pick One \*

▼

11. Enter how many people were in your fishing party (excluding guides).
12. Enter the length of the fishing trip in whole hours.
13. Indicate whether your guided fishing clients caught any fish during the fishing trip.

**▼ Fishing Report**

Size Of Fishing Party \*

Duration Of Fishing Trip In Hours? \*

Did The Clients Catch Any Fish? \*

Yes

No

If your guided fishing clients caught fish during your trip:

1. Click on the “+” button to enter your fishing information.
2. Continue on [page 20](#).

If your guided fishing clients did not catch any fish during your fishing trip:

1. Select “No.”
2. Enter any trip comments.
3. Check the “Certify” box.
4. Select the green check mark on the bottom of the app to complete your entry.
5. Continue on [page 23](#).

Did The Clients Catch Any Fish? \*

- Yes  
 No

Click the + Sign Below to Enter Catch Report \*



Did The Clients Catch Any Fish? \*

- Yes  
 No

#### Trip Comments

Please enter any comments about your trip here. (e.g. fin clips or tags, weather, etc.)

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If your guided fishing clients caught fish during your fishing trip:

1. Follow the instructions in **RED**.
2. Click on the first species that your guided fishing clients caught during your trip.

Did The Clients Catch Any Fish? \*

- Yes  
 No

Click the + Sign Below to Enter Catch Report \*

Instructions: Select one species at a time. Add new species using the + sign in the lower right. Delete entries using the trash can in the lower left. If multiple species are entered, toggle between them using the page arrows at either side of the entry number. **Repeat until all species caught have been reported.**

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5. Hit the “+” icon to enter the next species caught.
6. Repeat steps 2-5 for all species caught during the trip.

### Total Caught \*

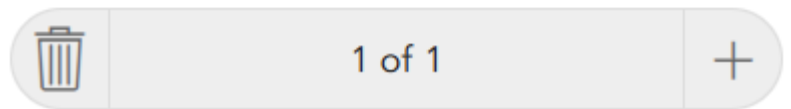


### Total Kept \*



**Add new species using the + sign in the lower right. Delete entries using the trash can in the lower left. If multiple species are entered, toggle between them using the page arrows at either side of the entry number**

### Species entered:



7. After you have entered all the fish caught during your guided fishing clients' trip, enter any trip comments.
8. Check the "Certify" box.
9. Click on the green check mark to complete the entry.

### Trip Comments

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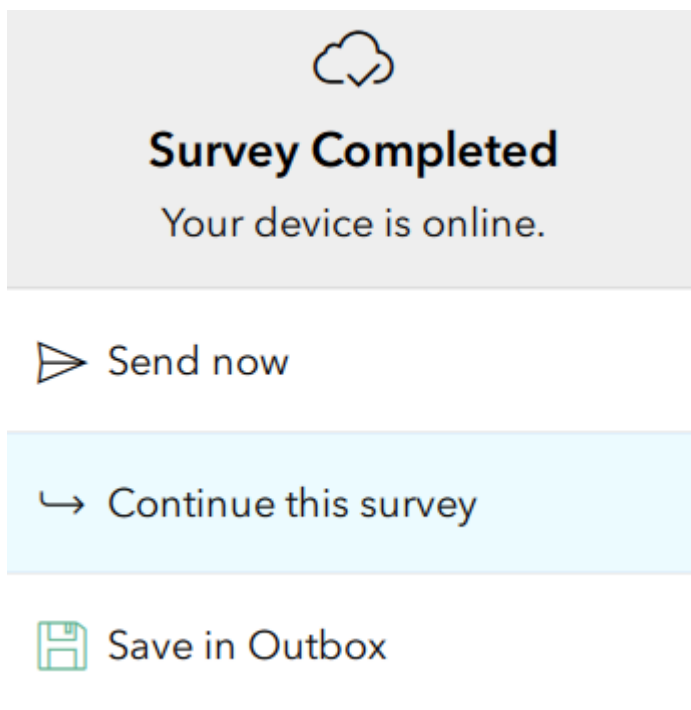


Once you have completed your entry, you have the option to send the survey now, continue with the survey or save it to your outbox.

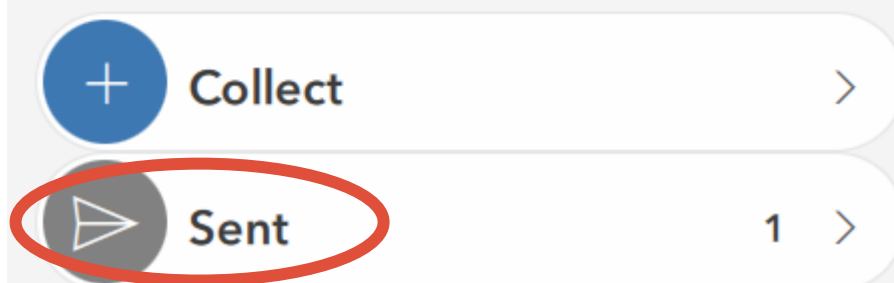
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Once you have successfully submitted your fishing trip, it will appear on the main page under "Sent."



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# GROUP GUIDE REPORTING

## SOMEONE ELSE AS THE DESIGNATED REPORTER

1. Select the group guide option if you are reporting as a group.
2. If you are NOT the designated reporter for your group, click “No.”
3. Enter the DNR customer number of the guide that is reporting for your group.
4. Enter their first name.
5. Enter their last name.

Are you reporting as an individual or as a group? \*


Individual  Group

Are you the designated reporter for fishing information in your guide group? \*

Yes  
 No

**Who is the designated reporter for your guide group?**

Reporting Guide Customer Number \*

 Go Wild assigned Customer ID # (must be 9 digits - no dashes; use leading zeros if less than 9 digits)

Reporting Guide First Name \*

Reporting Guide Last Name \*



6. If you have additional guides in your group, click the “+” button and enter their information.
7. Add the DNR customer number for the other guide(s) in your group.
8. Enter their first name.
9. Enter their last name.
10. Repeat steps 6–9 for any additional guides.
11. When you have added all of the guides in your group, continue to the next step.

**Please Add All Other Guides In Your Guide Group:**

▼ **Click the + Sign Below to Add Additional Guides**



**Please Add All Other Guides In Your Guide Group:**

▼ **Click the + Sign Below to Add Additional Guides**



**Instructions: Enter info for each guide below. Add new guides using the + sign in the lower right. Delete entries using the trash can in the lower left. If multiple guides are entered, toggle between them using the page arrows at either side of the entry number. Repeat until all group guides have been identified.**

Other Guide Customer Number

💡 Go Wild assigned Customer ID # (must be 9 digits - no dashes; use leading zeros if less than 9 digits)

Other Guide First Name

Other Guide Last Name


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12. Add any trip comments.
13. Check the “Certify” box.
14. Click the green check mark to complete the entry.

### Trip Comments

Please enter any comments about your trip here. (e.g. fin clips or tags, weather, etc.)

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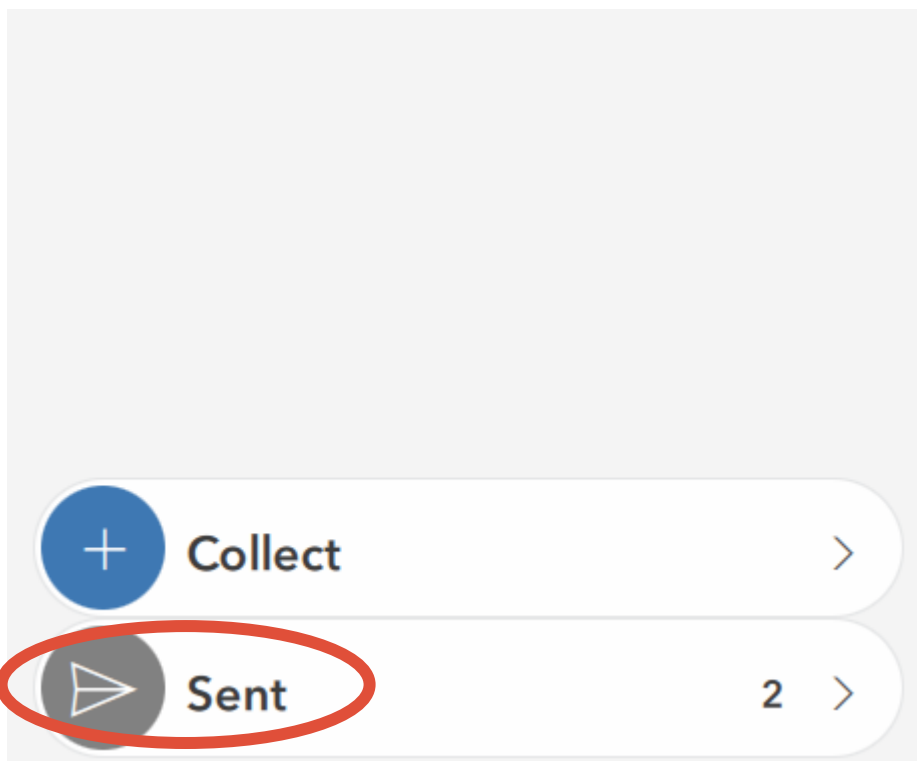
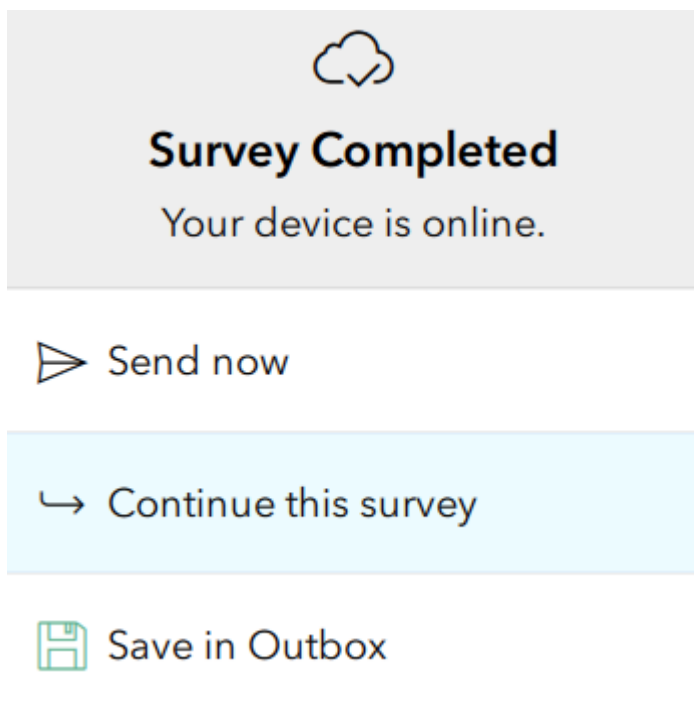


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If you don't have a cell phone or computer connection, please save it to your outbox and submit it as soon as you can.

If you have a cell phone or computer connection, the DNR suggests you send the survey now to complete your submission.

Once you have successfully submitted your fishing trip, it will appear on the main page under "Sent."




# Survey Not Sent

If you have entered the survey and attempted to send it but the survey does not send, you will notice that an outbox now appears in your application.

If this happens:




1. Click on “Outbox” when you have a cell phone or computer connection.



## WI DNR Survey Form for Great Lakes Fishing Guide Reporting

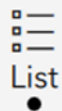
Owner: David.Winston\_wi\_dnr  
Created: 12/3/21 2:33 PM  
Modified: 12/8/21 11:31 AM

This survey is for the use of great lakes fishing guides to submit required reports on location, effort, and catch. Reports are due within 24 hours of the fishing event and need to be fully completed in order to submit the form.

-  **Collect** >
-  **Outbox** 1 >
-  **Sent** 2 >

2. Click "Send."

Guide\_username:Bradley.Eggold\_wi\_...  
dnr, DNR\_customer\_id:123456789, ...  
Guide\_name\_first:Brad, Guide\_nam...  
Modified 12/10/2021 8:24 AM



List




Map



Send


3. Once the survey is sent, the outbox will disappear. This indicates that your survey has now be sent in.




## WI DNR Survey Form for Great Lakes Fishing Guide Reporting

Owner: David.Winston\_wi\_dnr  
Created: 12/3/21 2:33 PM  
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 **Collect** >

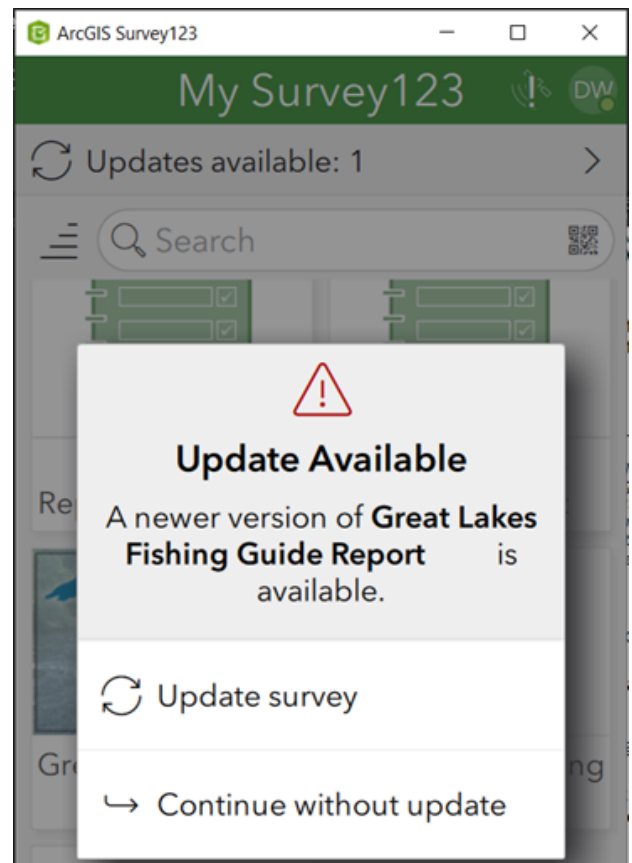
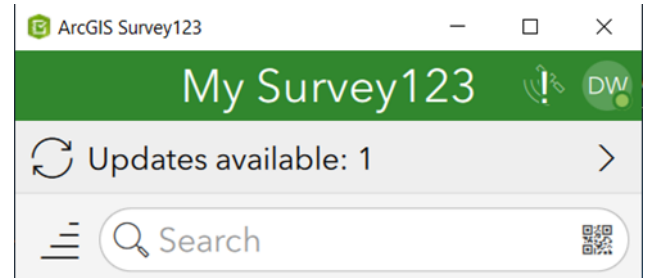
 **Sent** 3 >

# Applying Updates

If you open Survey 123 and see that updates are available, then follow these instructions to update the form for the application.

If updates are available:

1. Select the Great Lakes Fishing Guide Report Survey to open it.
2. When you open the Great Lakes Fishing Guide Report you will be prompted to update the survey or continue without updating. Please select Update Survey and the app will automatically download and apply the update



# Frequently Asked Questions

## QUESTION 1

I sometimes have a large group that all start fishing at the same time, but end as they reach the limit or decide to stop fishing early. What should I report as time spent fishing?

**ANSWER:** The appropriate way to handle different ending times is to treat each group as a separate trip. Enter the time spent fishing and the catch for each group as they end fishing.

*EXAMPLE: A guide(s) takes three groups of anglers out on the ice to their respective shacks in groups of four, six and eight. The fishing begins at 8:00 a.m. The group of four anglers is brought back to shore at 12:00 p.m., the group of six at 2:00 p.m. and the group of eight at 3:00 p.m. The amount of time spent fishing by each group, rounded to the nearest hour, is respectively 4, 6 and 7 hours. This information should be entered independently for each group (along with other required data).*

## QUESTION 2

What should I do if I fished in multiple locations (multiple grids, multiple tributaries, etc.) on one trip?

**ANSWER:** Classify each location as a separate trip.

## QUESTION 3

Do I need to talk to the creel clerk even though I will be reporting my trip using the Great Lakes Fishing Guide Report?

**ANSWER:** Yes, the creel survey will count your effort so we need to be able to appropriately assign the guided effort that is reported.

## QUESTION 4

What will this data be used for?

**ANSWER:** The data collected from guides will be used to improve the DNR's harvest estimates from the Great Lakes to help better inform management decisions.