

GRAFTON COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

250 Swiftwater Road, Room 6
Woodsville, NH 03785
(603) 747-2001, ext 103

2008 TROUT STOCKING PROGRAM

DELIVERY DATE: MONDAY, MAY 12, 1:00 - 1:30 pm

IMPORTANT: You must pick up your trout promptly at 1:00 - 1:30 pm or designate someone to pick them up for you. Trout **MUST** be released into your pond as soon as possible for best survival

**LOCATION: GRAFTON COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT OFFICE
USDA FIELD SERVICE CENTER, 250 SWIFTWATER ROAD
WOODSVILLE, NH**

BROOK TROUT		RAINBOW TROUT	
6-8" (lots of 25, \$1.95 each)	\$48.75	6-8" (lots of 25, \$1.95 each)	\$48.75
10-12" (lots of 50, \$3.60 each)*	\$180.00	10-12" (lots of 50, \$3.60 each)*	\$180.00
1/2 bag floating feed	\$21.00	1 bag floating feed	\$31.00

** Orders of 10-12" trout will be delivered to the ponds directly, following the delivery to the GCCD office. This requires detailed, written directions including:*

- *Customer's name and telephone number*
- *Town where pond is located*
- *Road names along the route*
- *Landmarks such as a General Store or Post Office*
- *Mileage between landmarks*
- *Description of the property (number on mailbox, color of buildings, etc.)*

Please complete and return order form by APRIL 25, 2008

Make check payable to: Grafton County Conservation District
and return to: 250 Swiftwater Road, Room 6
Woodsville, NH 03785

Name:		Telephone:	
Address:			
Town:		State:	Zip:
Pond Location: (attach complete directions for 10-12" trout)			
Trout Type	Size	Number	Cost
Brook Trout	6-8" 25/\$48.75		
Brook Trout	10-12" 50/\$180.00		
Rainbow Trout	6-8" 25/\$48.75		
Rainbow Trout	10-12" 50/\$180.00		
1/2 bag floating feed	\$21.00		
1 bag floating feed	\$31.00		
TOTAL COST			\$

Grafton County Conservation District will be offering trout for pond stocking this year. Before ordering your fish, here are some thoughts to consider. Trout require cold water. Trout ponds must have at least one quarter acre of surface area, and side slopes of 2:1 or 3:1 to a minimum depth of three feet to suppress vegetation. For trout, the deeper the pond, the better. Spring fed ponds should have a depth of eight feet over one quarter of the total area. Runoff ponds should be at least ten feet deep over one quarter of the total area. Pond Design, Installation & Maintenance, a guidebook produced by the Merrimack County Conservation District, suggests the following stocking rates: 30-40 6-8" fish for a 1/4 acre pond; 60-85 6-8" fish for a 1/2 acre pond; and 120-170 6-8" for a 1 acre pond. Water temperature measured six inches below the surface should not exceed 70 degrees Fahrenheit during the warmest time of the year. Brook trout prefer 45-60 degrees Fahrenheit. Rainbows are hardier and will tolerate slightly warmer temperatures. On the hottest summer days, trout seek the lower, cooler levels of water between 55-60 degrees Fahrenheit. When feeding trout, water temperatures should be between 45-65 degrees Fahrenheit. Feed only the amount of pellets that will be eaten in 15 minutes. Once fish reach 8-9" in length, pond may be fished heavily. Remaining fish will gain weight faster. The pH should range between 6 and 9, 7 is desirable. Dissolved oxygen should be 5 ppm or more. Because trout usually do not reproduce in small ponds, it may be necessary to restock the pond every two years.

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