

Write name as you would like it to appear on your certificate



_____ First Name M. Init. _____ Last Name

_____ Mailing Address

_____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____ Area Code _____ Phone Number

Email address: _____

I certify that I caught the following trout species listed below in Arizona waters. I have included a labeled photo of each trout.

	Species Caught	Date Caught (MM/DD/YYYY)	Location Caught	Gear			
				Fly	Lure	Bait	Trout Released (Y/N)
1.	_____	____/____/____	_____				
2.	_____	____/____/____	_____				
3.	_____	____/____/____	_____				
4.	_____	____/____/____	_____				
5.	_____	____/____/____	_____				
6.	_____	____/____/____	_____				
7.	_____	____/____/____	_____				
8.	_____	____/____/____	_____				

Signature: _____

Application Date: _____

- To qualify for the Wild Trout Challenge:
☐ Catch all 4 wild trout in Arizona
- To qualify for the Arizona Trout Challenge:
☐ Catch at least 6 of the 8 trout in Arizona
- For both:
☐ Submit a labeled photo of each trout, labeled with the species, date, and location caught

Email this application and photos to:
aztroutchallenge@azgfd.gov or Mail the application to
Arizona Game and Fish Department
Aquatics Branch, Native Trout Program
5000 W. Carefree Highway
Phoenix, AZ 85086



*Photos will not be returned with awarded certificates of completion. Anglers will be notified by email or postal mail.

Arizona's Trout Challenge Program was developed to encourage anglers to learn more about fishing opportunities in the state. Arizona Game and Fish Department manages many waters statewide to provide anglers the opportunity to catch several different species of trout, including two found only in the Southwest, Gila and Apache trout.

Wild Trout Challenge: The Arizona Wild Trout Challenge highlights unique fisheries in Arizona that offer anglers the chance to pursue wild trout. Many of these fisheries are managed by Arizona Game and Fish Department either through special regulations (i.e. Catch-and-Release, Limited Harvest) or habitat improvement projects. This Challenge also highlights the opportunity to fish for native Apache trout in Arizona. The species are listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act, but thanks to conservation efforts led by Arizona Game and Fish, are currently open to angling. A second trout native to Arizona, the Gila trout, is also listed as threatened under the Endangered Species Act. Unfortunately, there are currently no populations open to angling. As recovery efforts for each of these species progress, additional waters will be added to the list of locations where anglers can catch some of the rarest trout species in the world.

Arizona Trout Challenge: The Arizona Trout Challenge was developed to get people out fishing across the state. Arizona Game and Fish Department manages over 100 waters for trout, providing anglers opportunities in nearly every region of the state. Currently, eight species of trout are stocked in Arizona including Gila, Apache, Brown, Brook, Rainbow, Cutthroat, and Tiger trout and Grayling. This Challenge highlights the breadth of the waters stocked in Arizona and the diversity of opportunities to catch unique trout species in the state.

There are two ways to complete the Challenge:

1. Wild Trout Challenge

Catch all four species of wild trout in Arizona

- Apache Trout
- Brown Trout
- Brook Trout
- Rainbow Trout

2. Arizona Trout Challenge

Catch at least 6 of the 8 trout species in Arizona

- Apache Trout
- Arctic Grayling
- Brown Trout
- Brook Trout
- Cutthroat Trout
- Gila Trout
- Rainbow Trout
- Tiger Trout

Rules for the Challenge

1. Anglers must submit a completed application with species, location caught, and date caught.
2. Anglers must submit photographs of each species caught.
3. Fish must be caught legally in Arizona waters.
4. Anglers will only be eligible to complete each Challenge once.
5. Waters not listed for a given species will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. The program committee reserves the right to accept or deny any application

Successful anglers will receive a certificate with color images of each of the species they caught and submitted for the Challenge. Anglers are eligible to receive both the Wild Trout Challenge Certificate and the Arizona Trout Certificate; however, all fish submitted for the second Challenge must be submitted from different waters in Arizona.

For more information: 623-236-7653