It is unlawful to fish in designated and posted delayed-harvest, artificial lures only areas except in compliance with the following requirements:

1. Fishing may be done with artificial lures only constructed of metal, plastic, rubber, or wood or with flies and streamers constructed of natural or synthetic materials. All such lures may be used with spinning or fly fishing gear.

2. The use or possession of any natural bait, baifish, fishbait, bait paste and similar substances, fish eggs (natural or molded) or any other edible substance is prohibited.

3. Open to fishing year-round (no closed season).

4. Fishing hours shall be: One hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset.

5. Minimum size shall be: Nine inches, caught on, or in possession on, the waters under these regulations from one hour before sunrise on June 15 to one hour after sunset on Labor Day, caught on or in possession on the waters under these regulations. From the day after Labor Day until one hour before sunrise on June 15, the daily creel limit is zero.

6. Daily creel limit – Three combined species from one hour before sunrise on June 15 to one hour after sunset on Labor Day, caught on or in possession on the waters under these regulations. From the day after Labor Day until one hour before sunrise on June 15, the daily creel limit is zero.

IE. June 15 to Labor Day: 3 combined species.
Day after Labor Day to June 14: 0 combined species.

7. Taking of baitfish and fishbait is prohibited at all times.

8. A current trout/salmon permit is required.

For further information contact:
Northwest Regional Fish Commission office at 814-337-0444.

Following are Delayed Harvest Areas in Oil Creek State Park and Drake Well Museum.

1. Petroleum Centre Area. From PennDOT bridge at Petroleum Centre downstream to OC&T Railroad bridge at Columbia Farm (does not extend to ice dam), total of 1.6 miles.

2. Drake Well Area. From Drake Well Museum Monument (two green posts) downstream to Boughton Bridge, one mile.