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FISHING LICENSES

2020 FISHING LICENSES

Code	Type of Fishing License or Permit	Age	Cost*
101	Resident (Annual)	16-64	\$22.90
104	Senior Resident (Annual)	65 & up	\$11.90
105	Senior Resident (Lifetime)	65 & up	\$51.90
108	1-Day Resident (not valid March 15-April 30)	16 & up	\$11.90
102	Non-Resident (Annual)	16 & up	\$52.90
106	1-Day Tourist ** (not valid March 15-April 30)	16 & up	\$26.90
103	3-Day Tourist	16 & up	\$26.90
107	7-Day Tourist	16 & up	\$34.90
110	Voluntary Youth Fishing License (Annual)	Less than 16	\$2.90
109	Mentored Youth Permit	Less than 16	\$0.00
150	Trout-Salmon Permit	16 & up	\$9.90
140	1-Year Trout/Salmon Permit ***	16 & up	\$9.90
143	3-Year Senior Lifetime Trout-Salmon Permit	65 & up	\$25.90
144	5-Year Senior Lifetime Trout-Salmon Permit	65 & up	\$41.90
145	10-Year Senior Lifetime Trout-Salmon Permit	65 & up	\$81.90
151	Lake Erie Permit	16 & up	\$9.90
152	Combination Trout-Salmon/Lake Erie Permit	16 & up	\$15.90
136	Alternate Display Annual Fishing License Button	Any Age	\$10.00

*Includes issuing agent fee of \$1.00 and \$0.00 PAIS transaction fee. Excludes the 100 Mentored Youth Permit. **Includes Trout-Salmon and Lake Erie permits, not valid March 15-April 30. ***Applies to Senior Lifetime purchase done on or after 1/1/2015 or may also be purchased as a trout program donation.

Fishing licenses are sold by license issuing agents through an electronic point-of-sale (P.O.S.) system. This system brings increased efficiency, more options and easier upgrades for anglers. Internet fishing licenses are sold online at: www.GoneFishingPa.com.

A current license, signed in ink, is required of persons age 16 and over to fish or angle for any species of fish and to take fishbait, baitfish and species of amphibians and reptiles from Commonwealth waters by those legal methods described in this booklet.

FISHING is defined as the act of angling, or to catch, take, kill or remove, or the attempt to catch, take, kill or remove, from any waters or other areas within or bordering this Commonwealth any fish by any means or method for any purpose whatsoever. CASTING and/or RETRIEVING, whether by rod, reel and line, or by handline, for oneself or for others, requires a current license, unless specifically exempted by law. See "Assistance to Children" on page 8 for specifics on when a license is required when assisting a child (15 years of age and under).

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A lost fishing license or replacements – All replacement licenses include permits or privileges previously purchased by the customer. The total cost for a replacement license and previously purchased permits or privileges that were printed on the base license is \$6.90. Replacement cost for 1-year permits or multi-year Senior trout/salmon permits is \$6.90

You qualify for a RESIDENT fishing license if you are a bona fide resident of Pennsylvania. When purchasing a resident fishing license, you must show positive proof of permanent residency by presenting one of the following documents:

- a) valid PA driver's license
- b) a valid non-driver photo identification card
- c) a previous year's PA state income tax return showing proof of payment of personal income tax as a resident of PA
- d) a previous year's local earned income tax return showing tax paid to a PA municipality
- e) a current PA voter registration card.

All issued resident fishing licenses will remain valid for the year or years for which they are issued, regardless of whether the license holder is no longer a bona fide Pennsylvania resident.

National Guard & Armed Forces Reserve licenses and Prisoner of War (POW) licenses are available only at Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission and county treasurer offices.

National Guard & Armed Forces Reserve licenses are available to those persons who provide documentation that within the previous 24 months the person was deployed overseas as a member of the reserve component of the armed forces for a period of 60 consecutive days or more or was released early from service because of an injury or disease incurred in the line of duty.

POW licenses are available to persons who provide military documentation stating the person is a former prisoner of war.

Senior resident and senior lifetime licenses are available to those persons at anytime during the year in which they will become age 65.

Persons who possess a SENIOR RESIDENT LIFETIME license dated before Jan. 1, 1991, are not required to purchase a trout/salmon permit. However, a Senior Resident Lifetime license holder who purchased a trout/salmon permit or a Combination trout/Lake Erie permit before Jan. 1, 2015, remains exempt from the requirement to purchase a trout/salmon permit annually. SENIOR RESIDENT LIFETIME license holders who purchase their license as of Jan. 1, 2015, are required to purchase a trout/salmon permit each year that the license holder desires to fish for trout. License holders can purchase the trout/salmon permit annually or purchase the permit for a 3-, 5-, 10-year period. License holders are required to purchase only one Lake Erie permit for a lifetime. In the event the license holder is no longer a Pennsylvania resident, the license continues to be valid.

Disabled Veterans Licenses – Any disabled veteran who has a disability incurred in any war or armed conflict that consists of the loss of one or more limbs or the loss of use of one or more limbs, or total blindness, or who is 100 percent disabled as certified by the United States Veterans Administration and is a resident of this Commonwealth may obtain a free resident fishing license upon application to the Commission or county treasurer.

Reduced Disabled Veterans Licenses – Any disabled veteran who has a disability incurred in any war or armed conflict who is between 60 and 99 percent disabled as certified by the United States Veterans Administration and is a resident of this Commonwealth may obtain a reduced fee resident fishing license upon application to the Fish & Boat Commission or county treasurer.

Military personnel are required to purchase a fishing license. Those who are stationed in Pennsylvania under permanent change of station orders (PCS) for a duration of 6 months or more, who produce documentation proving

same, qualify for a resident fishing license. All others must obtain a tourist or non-resident license.

Certain active duty military personnel are exempt from Pennsylvania's fishing license requirement. To be eligible for the military waiver, an angler must be a bona fide Pennsylvania resident, be on active duty, be stationed outside Pennsylvania and be here on authorized leave. While in the act of fishing, the military personnel must carry proof of each of these requirements, such as a PA driver's license, a military ID and valid military orders showing the place of assignment and leave status.

Under the law, a qualifying soldier, sailor, airman or Marine does not receive a free Pennsylvania fishing license. Instead, eligible active duty military personnel can legally fish without a license under the limited circumstances outlined in the law. The Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission recommends that anyone taking advantage of this provision display a military ID while in the act of fishing in much the same way as one would display a conventional fishing license.

The law does not exempt military personnel on leave from any other requirements of fishing or boating laws and regulations.

Students from out of state who are attending school in Pennsylvania but who have not become residents of Pennsylvania are not eligible to purchase a resident fishing license and must obtain a tourist or non-resident license.

Social Security Number requirements – Since 1998, federal and state laws require purchasers of a Pennsylvania fishing license to provide their Social Security Number when applying to purchase a fishing license.

Vouchers - A voucher may be purchased as a gift for another individual that can be redeemed for a license and/or stamp or privilege. A voucher may be redeemed at any issuing agent. The voucher is non-refundable and expires as noted. A voucher is not a fishing license and individuals using a voucher to fish are in violation of the Fish and Boat Code and may be subject to legal action. Individuals wishing to purchase vouchers for Christmas presents need to wait until December 1 of that year before purchasing a voucher.

1-Day Tourist and 1-Day Resident licenses - 1-Day Tourist and 1-Day Resident licenses are not valid for fishing during the period from March 15th to April 30th of any year. 1-Day Tourist or 1-Day Resident licenses issued to be used on March 14 will expire at 11:59 p.m. on March 14, regardless of what time the license begins.

TROUT/SALMON PERMIT



A current Pennsylvania trout/salmon permit is required to fish for trout or salmon in Pennsylvania waters. Permits are printed on the license. An angler "fishes for trout or salmon" when he or she:

- Takes, kills or possesses, while in the act of fishing, a trout or salmon from any PA or boundary waters.
- Fishes in waters under special trout/salmon regulations.
- Fishes in any Class A Wild Trout Waters or Wilderness Trout Streams or their tributaries.
- Fishes in streams and rivers designated as stocked trout waters on March 1 through May 31.

PERMIT EXEMPTIONS: The following persons are NOT required to possess a trout/salmon permit or Lake Erie permit:

- Persons under 16 years of age.
- Disabled persons and other individuals who are exempt from fishing license requirements, or who are authorized to fish using an institutional license.
- Persons who possess a 1-Day Tourist license.

LAKE ERIE PERMIT



All anglers fishing in the waters of Lake Erie, Presque Isle Bay and their tributaries, including waters that flow into those tributaries are required to possess a valid Lake Erie permit or Combination trout/salmon/Lake Erie permit. See page 14 for a list of main tributaries that require a permit.

COMBINATION TROUT/SALMON/LAKE ERIE PERMIT



In many cases, an angler may need both a trout/salmon permit and a Lake Erie permit to fish in waters in the Erie area. Rather than purchasing these individually, a combination Trout/Salmon/Lake Erie permit may be purchased.

CHARTER BOAT/FISHING GUIDE PERMITS

Charter boat operators and fishing guides are required to obtain a permit when conducting business on the waters of the Commonwealth including the boundary waters. The annual fee for the permit is \$100.00 for residents and \$400.00 for non-residents. Permit applications are available from the Harrisburg office, regional headquarters or the PFBC website: www.fishandboat.com/Fish/Pages/CharterBoatsFishingGuides.aspx. For additional information about Charter Boat/Fishing Guide permits, contact the Bureau of Law Enforcement at 717-705-7861.

ANGLERS:

To find a charter boat operator or fishing guide for a fish species or location you wish to fish, go to the Commission's website: www.fishandboat.com/chboat.htm.



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MULTI-YEAR FISHING LICENSES: A 3-year fishing license is valid through 2022, a 5-year fishing license is valid through 2024, and a 10-year fishing license is valid through 2029. Customers who buy multi-year licenses save money by not having to pay agent/transaction fees each year. Anglers can also purchase multi-year trout/salmon, Lake Erie and combo permits and experience similar savings or purchase single year trout/salmon, Lake Erie and combo permits. To order and for more information on multi-year licenses and permits, including receiving a free subscription to the digital version of *Pennsylvania Angler & Boater* magazine: www.GoneFishingPa.com.

2020 MULTI-YEAR FISHING LICENSES

Code	Type of Fishing License or Permit	Age	Cost*
140	1-Year Trout/Salmon Permit **	16 & up	\$9.90
141	1-Year Lake Erie Permit	16 & up	\$9.90
142	1-Year Combo Trout/Salmon Lake Erie Permit	16 & up	\$15.90
030	3-Year Resident	16-64	\$64.90
031	3-Year Non-Resident	16 & up	\$154.90
032	3-Year Senior Resident	65 & up	\$31.90
033	3-Year Trout-Salmon Permit	16 & up	\$25.90
034	3-Year Lake Erie Permit	16 & up	\$25.90
035	3-Year Combo Trout-Salmon/Lake Erie Permit	16 & up	\$43.90
050	5-Year Resident	16-64	\$106.90
051	5-Year Non-Resident	16 & up	\$256.90
052	5-Year Senior Resident	65 & up	\$51.90
053	5-Year Trout-Salmon Permit	16 & up	\$41.90
054	5-Year Lake Erie Permit	16 & up	\$41.90
055	5-Year Combo Trout-Salmon/Lake Erie Permit	16 & up	\$71.90
060	10-Year Resident	16 & up	\$211.90
061	10-Year Non-Resident	16 & up	\$511.90
063	10-Year Trout-Salmon Permit	16 & up	\$81.90
064	10-Year Lake Erie Permit	16 & up	\$81.90
065	10-Year Combo Trout-Salmon/Lake Erie Permit	16 & up	\$141.90

* Includes Issuing agent fee of \$1.00 and \$0.90 PALS transaction fee. ** May also be purchased as a trout program donation.

VOLUNTARY PERMITS

2020 VOLUNTARY PERMITS

Code	Type of Voluntary Permits	Age	Cost*
073	Voluntary Bass Permit	Any	\$11.90
077	3-Year Voluntary Bass Permit	Any	\$31.90
081	5-Year Voluntary Bass Permit	Any	\$51.90
085	10-Year Voluntary Bass Permit	Any	\$101.90
071	Voluntary Musky Permit	Any	\$11.90
075	3-Year Voluntary Musky Permit	Any	\$31.90
079	5-Year Voluntary Musky Permit	Any	\$51.90
083	10-Year Voluntary Musky Permit	Any	\$101.90
070	Voluntary Habitat/Waterways Conservation Permit	Any	\$11.90
074	3-Year Voluntary Habitat/Waterways Conservation Permit	Any	\$31.90
078	5-Year Voluntary Habitat/Waterways Conservation Permit	Any	\$51.90
082	10-Year Voluntary Habitat/Waterways Conservation Permit	Any	\$101.90
072	Voluntary Wild Trout & Enhanced Waters Permit	Any	\$26.90
076	3-Year Voluntary Wild Trout & Enhanced Waters Permit	Any	\$76.90
080	5-Year Voluntary Wild Trout & Enhanced Waters Permit	Any	\$126.90
084	10-Year Voluntary Wild Trout & Enhanced Waters Permit	Any	\$251.90

* Includes Issuing agent fee of \$1.00 and \$0.90 PALS transaction fee.

VOLUNTARY YOUTH FISHING LICENSE

To participate in a Mentored Youth Fishing Day, anglers 16 years of age or older (adult anglers) must possess a valid Pennsylvania fishing license and be accompanied by a youth (less than 16 years of age) who has obtained a Mentored Youth Permit OR a Voluntary Youth Fishing License. In addition to a valid fishing license, the adult angler (mentor) must possess a valid trout permit when the Mentored Youth Fishing Day relates to trout. While mentors will be permitted to fish for trout, they are not permitted to harvest trout and must release them unharmed. Youth may harvest up to two trout (combined species) with a minimum size of 7 inches. All other Commonwealth Inland Water Regulations apply.

• The Mentored Youth Permit is free, and the Voluntary Youth Fishing License is \$2.90 (\$1.00 cost plus \$1.90 in agent/transaction fee).

• While both the permit and the Voluntary Youth Fishing License provide the opportunity for youth to fish on Mentored Youth Fishing Days, the Voluntary Youth Fishing License provides an extended return for both Pennsylvania's youth and the Commission. For each license purchased for \$2.90, the Commission receives \$5 back in funding as a federal reimbursement. The same applies for each Voluntary Youth Fishing License Voucher, once it is redeemed. The Commission receives no federal reimbursement for Mentored Youth Permits.

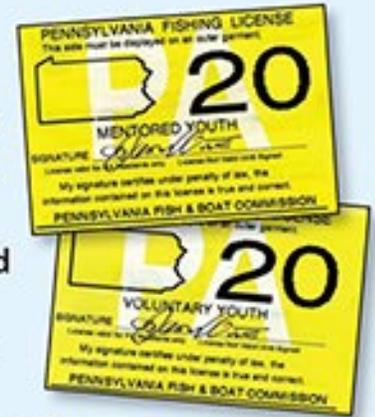
• The funds received from the sales of the license reimbursement are then dedicated toward investment in youth outreach and education programs.

• While both the permit and the license provide the opportunity to participate in Mentored Youth Fishing Days, the Commission encourages anglers to purchase either a Voluntary Youth Fishing License or a Voluntary Youth Fishing License Voucher—for the future of fishing!

2020 MENTORED YOUTH TROUT DAY: April 11 (Statewide)

Mentored Youth Trout Day Regulations:

- Youth anglers must obtain a 2020 Mentored Youth Permit OR a Voluntary Youth Fishing License from the Commission and be accompanied by a licensed adult angler in order to participate.
- Anglers 16 years of age or older must possess a valid Pennsylvania fishing license and current trout/salmon permit and be accompanied by a youth (less than 16 years of age) who has obtained a Mentored Youth Permit OR a Voluntary Youth Fishing License from the Commission.
- Only youth anglers with a 2020 Voluntary Youth Fishing License OR Mentored Youth Permit may possess a total of two trout (combined species) with a minimum length of 7 inches. Adult anglers are prohibited from possessing trout.
- All other Commonwealth inland regulations apply.
- It is unlawful to fish in waters designated as part of the Mentored Youth Fishing Day Program except when participating in the program.
- The waters included in the Mentored Youth Fishing Day Program on April 11, 2020 are the Stocked Trout Waters statewide.
- Other waters may be added to the list of waters available for Mentored Youth Trout opportunities. For more information visit: www.fishandboat.com/mentoredyouth.htm.
- Special regulation areas are not included in the program.



The PFBC is providing this opportunity for youth to fish with their mentors and is not intended as a chance for mentors to get an early start to trout season. Mentors fishing with youth on these dates should follow these guidelines:

- Youth should be capable of fishing on their own, with limited assistance from mentor.
- Mentor should be fishing within a reasonable distance of actively fishing youth.
- The PFBC is discouraging youth organizations to not use this as an opportunity to get a large group of youth fishing, with minimal adult supervision.

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GENERAL FISHING REGULATIONS

NURSERY WATERS are closed to fishing at all times.

REFUGE AREAS on streams are **CLOSED TO ALL ENTRY AND FISHING** during the period March 1 through June 14.

FIELD DRESSING AND DISPOSAL OF FISH – It is unlawful to possess a fish in any form or condition other than in the whole or having the entrails removed while on shore, along the waters of the Commonwealth, onboard a boat or on a dock, pier, launch area or parking lot adjacent thereto. Fish may be processed fully if they are being prepared for immediate consumption on site. This does not apply to fish processed at a fish cleaning station officially recognized by the Commission or by a permitted charter boat/fishing guide operation.

It is unlawful to discard any fish carcass or parts thereof into the waters of the Commonwealth or upon any public or private lands contiguous to the waters unless disposal is on lands with permission from the landowner or it is where fish are properly disposed into suitable garbage or refuse collection systems or at an officially recognized fish cleaning station.

TAGGED FISH – The Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission and agencies in adjacent states apply tags to fish for special research purposes. If an angler catches a tagged fish and wishes to keep the fish, the tag number and location of the catch should be reported to the address or phone number on the tag or to the Fish & Boat Commission. If the angler doesn't wish to keep the fish, no attempt should be made to remove the tag unless special instructions have been posted at access areas, by the media or elsewhere. For example, sometimes the Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission uses two-part tags and parts of or all of the tags should be removed in some cases with scissors or a knife. This type of tag typically resembles rubber spaghetti, and information such as tag numbers and toll-free phone numbers can be easily read. Tagged fish that are not kept should be returned to the water immediately after removing the tag or recording the information from the tag. In no case should tags be pulled from a fish as this will cause significant injuries.

It is unlawful for a person to implant tracking devices in or to tag, brand, mark or fin clip any fish taken from Commonwealth waters, unless the fish are purchased from an authorized commercial aquaculture facility, are part of a Commission-recognized and sanctioned stocking by a cooperative nursery, are authorized by a scientific collector's permit issued by the Commission, are part of a tagged fish contest in a boundary lake for which the Commission has issued a permit or are part of a Commission-partnered tagged fish contest.

TACKLE AND EQUIPMENT

RODS, LINES AND HOOKS. An angler may use a maximum of three lines fished either by rod or hand when fishing for gamefish, baitfish or both. An exception to this rule exists for those fishing through ice in winter (see Ice Fishing Equipment below). On open water (not covered by ice), it is unlawful for a person to fish with more than three fishing rods at a time. There is no restriction on the number of hooks used on each fishing line. All rods, lines and hooks shall be under the immediate control of the person using them.

SNAGGING HOOKS may not be used or possessed while in the act of fishing. A snagging hook is a device designed or modified to facilitate the snagging of fish and may be a hook with a single barb, weighted on a shank below the eye and above the barbs; or a hook otherwise designed or modified to make the snagging of fish more likely than it would be with a normal hook.

ICE FISHING EQUIPMENT. It is unlawful while ice fishing to use more than five fishing devices, which may consist of rods, hand lines, tip-ups or any combination. Each device shall contain a single fishing line with no restriction on the number of hooks used for fishing, except when fishing in the Pymatuning Reservoir where no more than three hooks shall be attached to each line. Holes cut in ice may not exceed 10 inches between the farthest points as measured in any direction. All lines, rods or tip-ups shall be under the immediate control of the person using them. On Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission lakes, shelters or shanties must be removed when through fishing for the day.

GAFF OR LANDING NET. A gaff or landing net is permitted to assist in landing fish caught using a lawful device. Nets of all types can be no larger (excluding the handle) than 4 feet square or 4 feet in diameter. The use of a cast net or throw net in any Commonwealth waters except waters listed at www.fishandboat.com/Transact/Forms/CommercialPropertyWater/Documents/pfbc168r.pdf are a violation of the Fish and Boat Code. These waterways require permits. Cast net and throw net permits are available online at www.pa.wildlifelicense.com or at any license-issuing agent. It is unlawful to use any type of net or seine to catch or take gamefish.

SPEARS OR GIGS. Spears or gigs may be used to take **ONLY** carp, suckers and catfish. Spears or gigs may not be mechanically propelled, may not have more than five barbed points and may not be used in stocked trout waters.

BOW AND ARROW (including compound bows and crossbows) may be used for taking **ONLY** carp, suckers and catfish on all Commonwealth waters, day or night, with the following exceptions: (1) bow fishing is strictly prohibited in stocked trout waters during the closed season and (2) bowfishing is strictly prohibited in special regulations trout waters.

ASSISTANCE TO CHILDREN

An adult who assists a child (15 years of age and under) by casting or retrieving a fishing line or fishing rod is not required to possess a valid fishing license provided that the **child** remains within arms' reach of the assisting adult and is actively involved in the fishing activity. An adult may assist a child by baiting hooks, removing fish from the line, netting fish, preparing the fishing rod for use and untangling the line without possessing a valid fishing license. An adult is required to possess a fishing license if they intend to set the hook for the child. An adult may not fish or set the hook for their child in a designated Children/Special Population Area.

BAIT

BAITFISH includes all forms of minnows; suckers, chubs, Fallfish, lampreys; Gizzard Shad 8 inches or less taken from inland ponds, lakes or reservoirs; and all forms of darters, killifishes and stonecats (except those listed as threatened or endangered species). Legally taken gamefish may be used as bait. It is unlawful to use or possess Round Gobies, Tubenose Gobies, goldfish, comets, koi and Common Carp as baitfish while fishing.

FISHBAIT includes crayfish, crabs, and the nymphs, larvae and pupae of all insects spending any part of their life cycle in the water.

For all crayfish species, the head must be immediately removed behind the eyes upon capture unless used as bait in the water from which taken.

SEASON, SIZE, LIMIT: No closed season (except as noted below) and no minimum size. The daily limit and possession limit is 50 combined species. When purchasing bait, be sure to obtain and keep the sales slip or receipt. The receipt authorizes the possession of the fishbait or baitfish so purchased for a period of 15 days after its date of issue. Fishbait or baitfish purchased from a licensed dealer do not have a possession limit and do not count toward your daily limit of fishbait and baitfish taken from Commonwealth waterways. Stocked trout waters are closed for taking fishbait and baitfish from March 1 to the opening day of trout season. Most specially regulated trout waters are closed to taking fishbait and baitfish at all times.

TAKING AND KEEPING BAIT is permitted using rod and reel or handline, dip net or minnow seine not over 4 feet square or in diameter, or a minnow trap with no more than two openings that shall not exceed 1 inch in diameter. All devices must be under the immediate control of the person using them. Unattended minnow traps or baitfish containers left in Commonwealth waters must be identified with the owner's or user's name, address and telephone number. If fishing in a group and the total number of fishbait or baitfish taken exceeds the possession limit (50), separate containers must be provided for the fishbait and baitfish. Total possession limit in any one container may not exceed 50 baitfish or fishbait combined.

MUDBUGS (dragonfly nymphs): No daily limit from lakes, ponds, swamps or adjacent areas; the daily limit from rivers and streams is 50.

FROGS AS BAIT: Except for those listed as endangered or threatened or those with zero possession limit, frogs may be used as bait. Certain seasons and possession limits apply.

Releasing fish from another state, province or country into Commonwealth waters is illegal without written permission from the Commission. Transferring fish from one Pennsylvania watershed to another where that species is not always present is also illegal without written consent from the Commission.

IT IS UNLAWFUL . . .

• To possess, to introduce or import, transport, sell, purchase, offer for sale or barter the following live species in the Commonwealth: **snakehead (all species), Black Carp, Bighead Carp, Silver Carp, Zebra Mussel, Quagga Mussel, European Rudd, Ruffe, Rusty Crayfish, Round Goby and Tubenose Goby.**

• To fish with more than three fishing lines at any time when fishing for gamefish, baitfish or both.
 • To not have immediate control of all rods, lines and hooks.

• To fish (includes taking baitfish and fishbait) from March 1 to 8:00 a.m. on the opening day of trout season in any stocked trout water. Excepted are certain specially regulated waters and Stocked Trout Waters Open to Year-round Fishing.

• To take or attempt to take fish, or keep fish accidentally caught, by snatch-fishing, foul hooking or snag fishing. Handfishing is not permitted.

• To catch, kill or possess more than one day's limit of any fish, except: (a) at your residence and (b) you may possess two days' limit while traveling to your residence from an overnight fishing trip of two or more consecutive days.

• To have on a stringer or in a container or otherwise in possession, while in or along waters of the Commonwealth or immediately returning therefrom, more than the daily creel limit of any fish for one person.

• To fail to immediately return unharmed to the waters from which it was taken, any fish caught out of season, or undersize, or over the daily creel limit. Any fish placed on a stringer, in any container or given away, counts toward the possession limit of the person having caught it, and the person to whom it was given.

• To kill any fish and fail to make a reasonable effort to lawfully dispose of it.

• To fish in, or within 100 feet of, the entrance or exit points of any fishway, including fish ladders and other fish passage facilities.

• To use gamefish as bait except when taken by rod and reel or handline in conformance with seasons, sizes and creel limits or when purchased from an authorized bait dealer.

• To sell baitfish or fishbait taken from waters of the Commonwealth, except that licensed and authorized commercial fishermen may take and sell baitfish from Lake Erie and Presque Isle Bay.

• To sell baitfish or fishbait within the Commonwealth, or transport same out of the state, except by authorized and licensed commercial bait dealers.

• To sell any species of fish, reptile (with the exception of Snapping Turtles) or amphibian taken from the Commonwealth.

• To sell, offer for sale, purchase or barter any fish parts or fish eggs obtained from fish taken from waters of this Commonwealth including boundary waters. This prohibition does not apply to fish parts or fish eggs (1) lawfully taken or sold or offered for sale by holders of Lake Erie commercial fishing licenses if the particular species of fish is authorized for taking by commercial licensees, or (2) those obtained from fish taken lawfully from waters outside of this Commonwealth.

• To release any species of fish, except those listed as approved by the Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission, in Commonwealth waters without written permission from the executive director of the Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission.

• To place an obstruction in any waterway that blocks the free movement of fish.

• To use or have in possession while on or along Commonwealth waters, nets larger than 4 feet square or in diameter except with a special permit issued by the Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission.

• To conduct an organized fishing tournament in which there are 10 or more participants without a permit issued by the Commission. Applications must be submitted 60 days before the date of the proposed tournament. Fishing tournaments may not be conducted for a species of fish during the closed season for that species. Unless a special exemption is granted, fishing tournaments may not be conducted on the opening day of the season for any species of gamefish. Contact the nearest region office ([page 3](#)) for further information and permit applications. Applications are also available online: www.fishandboat.com.

• To conduct an organized fishing tournament and fail to submit an accurate fishing tournament catch report when required.

• To conduct a tagged fishing tournament in boundary waters without a permit issued by the Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission.

• To throw, leave, discard or deposit litter, debris or trash of any kind in or along waters or lands adjacent to or contiguous to waters of the Commonwealth.

• To obstruct the ingress, egress or regress to a person's property, cattledways or fields.

• To dig in or drive upon any lands.

• To cut or damage trees or shrubs.

• To build or tend open fires without permission.

• To run any vehicle, except fording in the most direct manner, in any stream.

• To interfere with officers authorized to enforce the Fish and Boat Code in the performance of their duties or to refuse to accompany any officer after having been arrested for a violation of the Fish and Boat Code.

PERSONS with DISABILITIES

A copy of the *Pennsylvania Fishing Summary* is available on our website at www.fishandboat.com and may be obtained as a computer file (alternative accessible format). Persons using a TTY should dial Pennsylvania Relay telephone number 711 to contact us.

Persons who are deprived of the use of a leg or both legs or who are disabled in a manner that significantly limits their mobility may apply for a permit to use an off-road motorized vehicle to access fishing and boating opportunities on Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission property. Permit applications may be requested in writing from the Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission, Bureau of Law Enforcement, P.O. Box 67000, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000 or by visiting www.fishandboat.com/Transact/Forms/CommercialPropertyWater/Documents/pfbc-ble-001-MobilityDeviceonPFBCProperty.pdf.

For a listing of waters available exclusively for children 15 years of age and younger and persons with disabilities, please contact a region office or visit www.fishandboat.com.

ACCOMMODATIONS for People with Disabilities

The Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission facilities listed here have fishing piers or other accommodations to provide angling opportunities for people with disabilities. All areas may not be suitable for all disabilities.

County	Facilities
Bedford	Lake Koon
Butler	Glade Run Lake
Carbon	Mauch Chunk Lake
Centre	Spring Creek (fly-fishing pier)
Columbia	Briar Creek Lake
Erie	North East Marina (shoreline fishing)
Erie	Walnut Creek (shoreline fishing)
Fayette	Dunlap Creek Lake
Fayette	Youghiogheny River Lake Outflow
Forest	Toms Run
Jefferson	Cloe Lake
Lackawanna	Fords Lake
Lancaster	Speedwell Forge Lake
Lehigh	Leaser Lake
Luzerne	Harveys Lake
Luzerne	Lily Lake
Sullivan	Hunters Lake
Washington	Canonsburg Lake
Washington	Cross Creek Lake
Wayne	Lake Wallenpaupack Mangan Cove Access
Wyoming	Lake Winola
Wyoming	Oxbow Lake

IF A VIOLATION OCCURS . . .

Persons accused of violating the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Code or rules and regulations may be issued a citation and have a right to a hearing before a district justice. Law enforcement personnel have the authority to confiscate or seize as evidence fish and fishing equipment that are illegal or used to violate fishing laws or regulations. The Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission may, upon proper notice, suspend or revoke the fishing privileges, boating privileges or other permits of any person convicted (or acknowledging guilt) of a violation of the Fish and Boat Code or Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission regulations.

If you have been convicted of or plead guilty to a second or subsequent violation within a 12-month period, you may be assessed an additional fine of \$200 for those offenses classified as summary offenses.

COMMONWEALTH INLAND WATERS-2020

(includes the Youghiogheny River Lake and does not include special regulation areas)

Species	Seasons	Minimum Size	Daily Limit
ALL SPECIES OF TROUT AND SALMON 	Regular Season - April 18 at 8 a.m. through Sept. 7	7 inches	5-streams, lakes and ponds (combined species)
	Extended Season: <i>Stocked trout waters and all waters downstream of stocked trout waters.</i> Jan. 1 through Feb. 29 and Sept. 8 through Dec. 31	7 inches	3 (combined species)
	Extended Season: <i>Class A wild trout stream sections.</i> Jan. 1 through Feb. 29 and Sept. 8 through Dec. 31	NO HARVEST - Catch and immediate release only Class A stream listing: www.fishandboat.com/classa.pdf	
BASS-LAKES Largemouth, Smallmouth and Spotted 	Jan. 1 through April 17 and Nov. 1 through Dec. 31	15 inches	4 (combined species)
	April 18 through June 12	NO HARVEST - Catch and immediate release only (no tournaments permitted) See catch-and-release guidelines on page 15	
	June 13 through Oct. 31	12 inches	6 (combined species)
BASS-RIVERS AND STREAMS Largemouth, Smallmouth and Spotted 	Jan. 1 through April 17 and Oct. 1 through Dec. 31	15 inches	4 (combined species)
	April 18 through June 12	NO HARVEST - Catch and immediate release only (no tournaments permitted)	
	June 13 through Sept. 30	12 inches	6 (combined species)
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge** Pickerel** Northern Pike** 	Open year-round	40 inches 18 inches 24 inches	1 (combined species) 4 2
Walleye and Saugeye (Hybrids) Sauger 	Jan. 1 through March 14 and May 2 through Dec. 31	15 inches 12 inches	6 6
American Shad*** American Shad American Shad River Herring*** Hickory Shad*** 	Open year-round	No minimum	3
	Open year-round - Lehigh River, Schuylkill River**** and tributaries	NO HARVEST - Catch and immediate release only	
	CLOSED YEAR-ROUND Susquehanna River and tributaries		
	CLOSED YEAR-ROUND		
Herring, Gizzard Shad	Open year-round	No minimum	50 (combined species)
American Eel	Open year-round	9 inches	25
Striped Bass and Striped Bass/ White Bass Hybrids 	Open year-round	20 inches	2 (combined species)
Sunfish, Yellow Perch, White Perch, Crappies, Catfish, Rock Bass, Suckers, Carp, White Bass, Bowfin and other gamefish not otherwise listed 	Open year-round	No minimum	50 (combined species)
Baitfish/Fishbait***** (except Mudbugs/Includes Crayfish)	Open year-round	No minimum	50 (combined species)
Mudbugs (Dragonfly Nymphs)	Open year-round	No minimum	Unlimited if taken from lakes, ponds, swamps and adjacent areas. 50 per day if taken from moving waters (rivers and streams).
Mussels/Clams	CLOSED YEAR-ROUND		
Paddlefish, Spotted Gar and other threatened and endangered species	CLOSED YEAR-ROUND		

SEASONS, SIZES AND CREEL LIMITS - Except for trout season, which begins at 8 a.m., all regulatory periods in the fishing regulations are based on the calendar day, one of which ends at midnight and the next of which begins immediately thereafter.

** Except those species in waters listed in the Brood Stock Lakes Program. Tiger Muskellunge is a muskellunge hybrid.

*** Unlawful to take, catch or kill American Shad in the Susquehanna River and all its tributaries. River Herring (Alewife and Blueback Herring) has a closed year-round season with zero daily limit applied to Susquehanna River and tributaries, Lehigh River and tributaries, Schuylkill River and tributaries, West Branch Delaware River, Delaware River, Delaware estuary, Delaware River tributaries upstream to the limit of the tidal influence, and Conowingo Reservoir.

**** Lehigh River upstream of the first dam in Easton, Pennsylvania and its tributaries and the Schuylkill River upstream of the I-95 Bridge and its tributaries. NOTE: It is not a violation of the bass regulations if a bass is immediately returned unharmed to the waters from which it was taken. It is unlawful for an angler to cast repeatedly into a clearly visible bass spawning nest or redd in an effort to catch or take bass.

NOTE: For bass regulations, power dam pools and recreational dam pools on the Susquehanna River and navigational dam pools on the Ohio River drainage are "rivers." It is unlawful to conduct a fishing tournament on the North Branch, West Branch or main stem of the Susquehanna River that allows a tournament angler to harvest bass.

NOTE: Stocked trout waters are closed to fishing from March 1 to the opening day of the regular trout season in April, unless included in the Regional Opening Day of Trout Season Program or Stocked Trout Waters open to Year-Round Fishing Program.

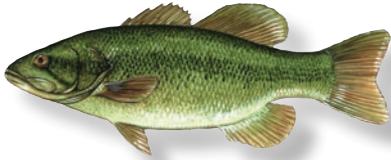
NOTE: Landlocked Alewife less than 8 inches in length taken from inland ponds, lakes or reservoirs that are collected by legal means may be harvested for use as baitfish.

NOTE: It is legal to fish for trout in Class A trout streams year-round, with no harvest beginning the day after Labor Day through the opening day of trout season the following year. The exception is those stream sections designated as both Class A Wild Trout Streams and Stocked Trout Waters. These stream sections are closed to fishing from March 1 until 8 a.m. on the opening day of trout season.

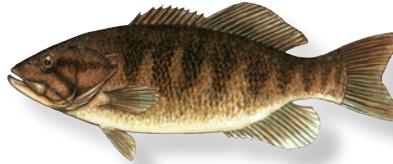
***** BAITFISH includes all forms of minnows; suckers, chubs, Fatfish, lampreys; Gizzard Shad 8 inches or less; and all forms of darters, killifishes and stonecats (except those listed as threatened or endangered species). Legally taken gamefish may be used as bait. It is unlawful to use or possess goldfish, comets, koi and Common Carp as baitfish while fishing. FISHBAIT includes crayfish, crabs, and the nymphs, larvae and pupae of all insects spending any part of their life cycle in the water.

For all crayfish species, the head must be immediately removed behind the eyes upon capture unless used as bait in the water from which taken.

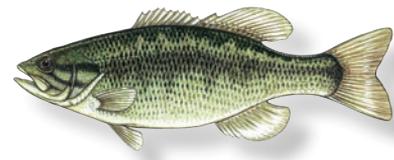
LARGEMOUTH, SMALLMOUTH, SPOTTED BASS



Largemouth Bass



Smallmouth Bass



Spotted Bass

LAKES

BIG BASS PROGRAM SPECIAL REGULATIONS

These special regulations apply to Largemouth, Smallmouth and Spotted bass in the waters listed below. Stocked trout waters (lakes) that are in the Big Bass Program are closed to all fishing from March 1 until the opening day of the trout season. This closure does not pertain to stocked trout waters (lakes) open to year-round fishing. For all other species, inland regulations apply.

Season	Minimum Size	Daily Limit
Jan. 1 through April 17 and June 13 through Dec. 31	15 inches	4 (combined species)
April 18 through June 12	NO HARVEST - Catch and immediate release only (no tournaments permitted)	

For the latest information and regulation updates, please consult the Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission's website: www.fishandboat.com.

Waters Governed by These Regulations

County	Water
Allegheny	Upper, Middle and Lower Deer Lakes <i>Closed to fishing from March 1 until 8 a.m. on opening day of trout.</i>
Allegheny	Marshall Lake
Allegheny	North Park Lake
Armstrong	Keystone Lake
Beaver	Bradys Run Lake
Berks	Blue Marsh Lake
Berks	Carsonia Lake
Berks	Hopewell Lake
Berks	Kaercher Creek Dam
Bedford	Shawnee Lake (State Park)
Blair	Canoe Creek Lake (State Park) to include two small ponds and raceway adjacent to Canoe Lake
Bucks	Lake Towhee
Bucks	Nockamixon Lake (State Park)
Butler	Lake Arthur (Moraine State Park)
Cambria	Beaverdam Run Reservoir
Cambria	Duman Dam
Cambria	Hinckston Run Reservoir

County	Water
Cambria	Wilmore Dam
Carbon	Mauch Chunk Lake
Chester	Chambers Lake
Chester	Marsh Creek Lake (State Park)
Clarion/Venango	Kahle Lake
Crawford	Sugar Lake
Fayette	Indian Creek Reservoir (Mill Run Reservoir)
Fayette/Westmoreland	Bridgeport Reservoir
Indiana	Yellow Creek Lake (State Park)
Lackawanna	Lackawanna Lake (State Park)
Luzerne	Frances Slocum Lake (State Park)
Luzerne	Harris Pond
Luzerne	Lily Lake
Lycoming	Rose Valley Lake
Mercer	Shenango River Lake
Monroe/Wayne	Gouldsboro Lake
Montour	Lake Chillisquaque

County	Water
Perry	Little Buffalo Lake (Holman Lake)
Somerset	Lake Somerset <i>(lake drained)</i>
Somerset	Quemahoning Reservoir
Venango	Two Mile Run Reservoir (Justus Lake)
Washington	Cross Creek Lake
Washington	Peters Twp. Lake (Res. #2)
Wayne	Lower Woods Pond <i>(partial drawdown)</i>
Westmoreland	Indian Lake
Westmoreland	Keystone Lake (State Park)
Westmoreland	Twin Lakes Number One Reservoir (lower)
Westmoreland	Mammoth Dam
Westmoreland	Northmoreland Lake
Westmoreland	Twin Lake Number Two Reservoir (upper)
Wyoming	Stevens Lake
York	Lake Marburg (Codorus State Park)
York	Lake Redman
York	Lake Williams <i>(lake drained)</i>
York	Pinchot Lake (State Park)

SMALLMOUTH AND LARGEMOUTH BASS-CATCH AND RELEASE

Counties	Waters	Season/Special Regulations
Cumberland, Dauphin, Juniata, Lancaster, Northumberland, Perry	Susquehanna River (98.0 miles) from the inflatable dam near Sunbury downstream to Holtwood Dam, including all tributaries to a point ½ mile upstream from the confluence.	January 1 to December 31: NO HARVEST CATCH AND IMMEDIATE RELEASE ONLY. It is unlawful for an angler to cast repeatedly into a clearly visible bass spawning nest or redd in an effort to catch or take bass as with Commonwealth Inland Waters angling regulations.
Dauphin, Juniata, Perry	Juniata River (31.7 miles) from SR0075 bridge at Port Royal downstream to the mouth, including all tributaries to a point ½ mile upstream from the confluence.	From January 1 to April 17 and June 13 to December 31: Catch-measure-immediate release tournaments permitted (see www.fishandboat.com for tournament requirement details). From April 18 to June 12: No tournaments permitted.

See catch-and-release guidelines on [page 15](#).

PYMATUNING & CONOWINGO RESERVOIRS

PYMATUNING RESERVOIR

Species	Seasons	Minimum Size	Daily Limit
Walleye and Saugeye (Hybrids)	Open year-round	15 inches	6 (combined species)
Bass: Largemouth, Smallmouth	Open year-round	12 inches	5
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge (Hybrids)	Open year-round	30 inches	2 (combined species)
Crappie**	Open year-round	9 inches	20
All Other Species	Open year-round	No minimum	None
Baitfish/Fishbait* <small>See page 8 for definitions</small>	Open year-round	No minimum	None
Frogs and Tadpoles	July 1 through Oct. 31	No minimum	15
Snapping Turtles	July 1 through Oct. 31	No minimum	15 daily limit 30 possession limit
Turtles (all species other than Snapping Turtles)	Open year-round	No minimum	2
Mussels/Clams	CLOSED YEAR-ROUND		
Threatened and endangered species	CLOSED YEAR-ROUND		

ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS FOR PYMATUNING RESERVOIR

- Lights or firearms may not be used to take frogs.
- Hooks used to take turtles shall be at least 3.5 inches long with at least 1 inch space between the point and shank.
- Spears, longbows, compound bows and crossbows may ONLY be used to take carp and suckers.
- Minnow seines and dip nets are restricted to 4 feet in size; mesh must measure not less than 1/8 inch, nor larger than 1/2 inch on a side.
- ICE FISHING** – An Ohio or Pennsylvania fishing license is recognized anywhere on the lake. It is unlawful while ice fishing to use more than five fishing devices, which may

consist of rods, hand lines, tip-ups or any combination. Each device shall contain a single fishing line with no more than three hooks attached to each line. Holes cut in ice may not exceed 10 inches between the farthest points as measured in any direction. All lines, rods or tip-ups shall be under the immediate control of the person using them.

NOTE: See this page for reciprocal fishing privileges between Pennsylvania and Ohio.

***For all crayfish species,** the head must be immediately removed behind the eyes upon capture unless used as bait in the water from which taken.

** As per Panfish Enhancement Special Regulations-page 15

CONOWINGO RESERVOIR up to Holtwood Dam

Species	Seasons	Minimum Size	Daily Limit
All Species of Trout and Salmon	Open year-round	No minimum	2 (combined species)
Bass: Largemouth, Smallmouth	Jan. 1 through Feb. 29 and June 16 through Dec. 31	12 inches	5 (combined species)
Northern Pike	Open year-round	30 inches	2
Walleye	Open year-round	15 inches	5
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge (Hybrids)	Open year-round	36 inches	1
Pickeral	Open year-round	14 inches	5
Striped Bass and Striped Bass/White Bass Hybrids	Open year-round	18 inches	2 (combined species) only one of which may exceed 30 inches
Sunfish, Bluegill, Rock Bass	Open year-round	No minimum	15 (combined species)
Crappies	Open year-round	No minimum	15
Carp	Open year-round	No minimum	15
Channel Catfish	Open year-round	No minimum	5
Suckers	Open year-round	No minimum	30
American Eel	Open year-round	9 inches	25
Yellow Perch	Open year-round	No minimum	No daily limit
Baitfish/Fishbait* <small>See page 8</small>	Open year-round	No minimum	35
All Other Fish Species	Open year-round	No minimum	No daily limit
American Shad and Hickory Shad, River Herring (Alewife and Blueback Herring) Bivalves/Shellfish (Mussels/Clams)	CLOSED YEAR-ROUND includes all threatened and endangered species		

*It is illegal to: catch or process any species of crayfish unless the head is immediately removed behind the eyes upon capture; use any species of crayfish as bait unless the head is removed behind the eyes; catch and possess a female crayfish with eggs attached to the underside of the abdomen.

FISHING PRIVILEGES IN BOUNDARY WATERS

The following fishing license agreements apply to boundary waters. You must abide by all other rules and regulations of the state in which fishing and where you launch or retrieve your boat.

A PENNSYLVANIA or MARYLAND LICENSE is valid on the Conowingo Reservoir or Youghiogheny River Lake when fishing from a boat (excluding coves and tributaries). **DOES NOT INCLUDE SHORE FISHING.**

A PENNSYLVANIA or NEW YORK LICENSE is valid on the Delaware River (including West Branch) between New York and Pennsylvania when **FISHING FROM A BOAT OR FROM EITHER SHORE.**

A PENNSYLVANIA or NEW JERSEY LICENSE is valid on the Delaware River between New Jersey and Pennsylvania when **FISHING FROM A BOAT OR FROM EITHER SHORE.** A Pennsylvania fishing license is required to fish in all other waters identified on **page 13** as being part of the Delaware Estuary.

A PENNSYLVANIA or OHIO LICENSE is valid on the Pymatuning Reservoir when fishing from a boat. **DOES NOT INCLUDE SHORE FISHING.**

A PENNSYLVANIA LICENSE is required to fish Kinzua Reservoir in McKean and Warren counties. **No agreement** has been established with New York.

NO FISHING AGREEMENTS have been made on any other boundary waters.

SALTWATER ANGLER REGISTRY: DELAWARE RIVER AND ESTUARY



Anglers who target or catch shad, striped bass and river herring from the Delaware River below Trenton Falls or in the Delaware Estuary are required to register through the Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission's free online system (PA-SARP); register, for a fee, with the National Saltwater Angler Registry administered by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA); or meet the saltwater angler registration requirements of another state. Anglers do not need to register if they meet one of the following exceptions:

- Are under the age of 16.
- Hold a Highly Migratory Species Angling Permit.
- Fish commercially under a valid license.
- Possess a valid registration with the National Saltwater Angler.

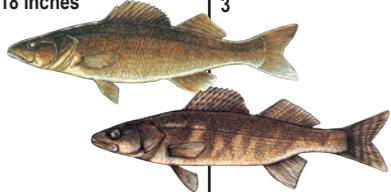
Registry administered by NOAA or from another exempted state.

Pennsylvania fishing license holders may choose to register for free with the Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission. **Visit www.pa-sarp.pa.gov for registration details.**

Anglers may also register with the National Registry website at **www.countmyfish.noaa.gov** with NOAA by clicking on the Angler Registry link or call the toll-free registration line **NATIONAL SALTWATER ANGLER REGISTRY: DELAWARE RIVER AND ESTUARY** at 1-888-MRIP-411 (1-888-674-7411). Please note that registered anglers must still possess a valid state fishing license.

DELAWARE RIVER AND ESTUARY

The following seasons, sizes and creel daily limits apply to the Delaware River, West Branch Delaware River and Delaware River tributaries, from the mouths of the tributaries upstream to the limit of the tidal influence and the Lehigh River from its mouth upstream to the first dam in Easton, Pennsylvania. The Delaware River estuary waters are listed at the right.

Species	Seasons	Minimum Size	Daily Limit
 Trout	April 18 at 8 a.m. through Oct. 15	North of I-84: 14 inches	1 (combined species)
		South of I-84: No minimum	5 (combined species)
		West Branch Delaware River * 12 inches	2 (combined species)
Bass Largemouth Smallmouth 	Jan. 1 through April 17 and June 13 through Dec. 31	12 inches	5 (combined species)
	April 18 through June 12	NO HARVEST - Catch and immediate release only	
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge (Hybrids) 	Open year-round	40 inches	1
Northern Pike	Open year-round	24 inches	2
Pickereel	Open year-round	12 inches	5
Walleye	The portion of the Delaware River between New Jersey and Pennsylvania - open year-round. The portion of the Delaware River between New York and Pennsylvania - Jan. 1 through March 14 and May 2 through Dec. 31	18 inches	3
			
American Shad**	Open year-round	No minimum	3
American Eel	Open year-round	9 inches	25
Striped Bass and Hybrid Striped Bass†	From the Pennsylvania state line upstream to Calhoun Street Bridge; Jan. 1 through March 31 and June 1 through Dec. 31†	28 inches†	1†
		April 1 through May 31†	21 to 25 inches†
	From Calhoun Street Bridge upstream - open year-round†	28 inches†	1†
† Cooperative management among Atlantic coastal states will likely require changes in Striped Bass season, sizes and creel limits in 2020. At the time of printing, limits were not finalized. For final approved limits in 2020, please consult: https://pfbc.pa.gov/fishpub/summaryad/delaware.html .			
Baitfish/Fishbait* <i>See page 8 for definitions</i>	Open year-round	No minimum	50 (combined species)
River Herring***	CLOSED YEAR-ROUND		
Hickory Shad, Sturgeon and other threatened and endangered species	CLOSED YEAR-ROUND		
Mussels/Clams	CLOSED YEAR-ROUND		
Other Species	Inland seasons, sizes and creel limits apply except for waters under special regs.		

* A special no-kill season with the use of artificial lures only has been established on the West Branch Delaware River (see page 16 for details).

** American Shad is catch and release in the Schuylkill River from I-95 upstream including all tributaries and three (3) American Shad in all other Delaware River tributaries, including those above tide.

*** River Herring (Alewife and Blueback Herring) has a closed

year-round season with zero daily limit applied to Susquehanna River and tributaries, Lehigh River and tributaries, Schuylkill River and tributaries, West Branch Delaware River, Delaware River, Delaware estuary, and Delaware River tributaries upstream to the limit of the tidal influence.

*For all crayfish species, the head must be immediately removed behind the eyes upon capture unless used as bait in the water from which taken

See fish consumption advisory for Delaware Estuary Striped Bass over 28" - see page 31.

DELAWARE RIVER BLUE CRABS

Season	Minimum Size	Daily Limit
Open year-round	4 inches * (hard shell) 3.5 inches * (soft shell)	One (1) bushel (combined - hard shell and soft shell)

DELAWARE RIVER ESTUARY

(including tributaries to limits of tidal influence)
The Delaware River estuary consists of the water areas listed below to their upper tidal limits:

WATER AREA	UPPER TIDAL LIMIT
Chester Creek	Kerlin Street (Chester-city)
Crum Creek	U.S. Route 13 (Eddystone)
Darby Creek	Pine Street (Darby-borough)
Delaware River	From the PA state line upstream to the U.S. Route 1 bridge
Frankford Creek	U.S. Route 13 (Frankford Avenue)
Marcus Hook Creek	U.S. Route 13 (Marcus Hook-borough)
Neshaminy Creek	Hulmeville Falls
Pennypack Creek	U.S. Route 13 (Frankford Avenue)
Poquessing Creek	State Road
Ridley Creek	MacDade Boulevard (Chester-city)
Schuylkill River	Fairmount Dam

DELAWARE RIVER AND ESTUARY ANGLERS: SALTWATER ANGLER REGISTRY-see page 12

DELAWARE RIVER BLUE CRABS

FEMALE BLUE CRABS bearing eggs or from which the egg pouch or bunion has been removed may not be possessed.

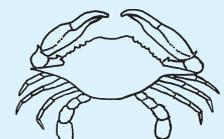
CRAB POTS are limited to no more than two pots per person when taking crabs. In addition, two handlines may be used.

UNATTENDED CRAB POTS must be labeled with the name and address of the owner or user.

DISTURBING UNATTENDED CRAB POTS is unlawful, except by the owner, user or members of the immediate family, and officers or representatives of the Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission.

HORSESHOE CRABS are unlawful to sell, offer for sale, or purchase. It is unlawful to import into or transport in this Commonwealth horseshoe crabs for the purpose of sale.

* Measured point to point



Harvesting blue crabs from the Delaware River and its estuary waters is permitted pursuant to the regulations at left.

LAKE ERIE

The following seasons, sizes and daily limits apply to Lake Erie, Presque Isle Bay and peninsular waters, all Lake Erie tributaries in their entirety which include Cascade Creek, Conneaut Creek, Crooked Creek, East Branch Conneaut Creek, Eightmile Creek, Elk Creek, Fourmile Creek, Middle Branch Conneaut Creek, Marsh Run, Mill Creek, Mud Run, Raccoon Creek, Sevenmile Creek, Sixmile Creek, Sixteenmile Creek, Stone Run, Temple Run, Turkey Creek, Twelvemile Creek, Twentymile Creek, Walnut Creek, West Branch Conneaut Creek and all waters that flow into these tributaries.

Species	Seasons	Minimum Size	Daily Limit
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge (Hybrids)	Open year-round	40 inches	1
Northern Pike	Open year-round	24 inches	2
Walleye	Jan. 1 through March 14 and May 2 through Dec. 31	15 inches	6***
Bass* Largemouth Smallmouth	Jan. 1 through April 17 and June 13 through Dec. 31	15 inches	4 (combined species)
	April 18 through June 12*	20 inches	1
Yellow Perch	Dec. 1 through April 30	7 inches	30***
	May 1 through Nov. 30	None	
Sunfish, Crappies, Catfish, Rock Bass, Suckers, Eels, Carp, White Bass, Bowfin and other gamefish not otherwise listed	Open year-round	No minimum	50 (combined species)
Burbot (when taken by scuba divers by use of nonmechanical spears or gigs at a depth of at least 60 feet)	June 1 through Sept. 30	No minimum	5
Burbot (when taken by hook and line)	Open year-round	No minimum	5
Smelt (when taken by hook and line)	Open year-round	No minimum	None
Trout and Salmon**	Jan. 1 through April 16	15 inches	3 (combined species), only two (2) of which may be lake trout.
	8 a.m. April 18 through Sept. 7	9 inches	5 (combined species), only two (2) of which may be lake trout.
	Sept. 8 through April 15, 2021	15 inches	3 (combined species), only two (2) of which may be lake trout.
Baitfish/Fishbait* <i>See page 8 for definitions</i>	Open year-round	No minimum	50 (combined species)
American Eel	Open year-round	9 inches	25
Mussels/Clams	CLOSED YEAR-ROUND		
Sturgeon, Spotted Gar and other threatened and endangered species	CLOSED YEAR-ROUND		

For regulations and information about "Cast and Throw Net Permits," visit www.fishinpa.com.

Transportation of VHS-Susceptible Fish Out of the Lake Erie Watershed

An infectious fish disease, caused by a variant of Viral Hemorrhagic Septicemia (VHS), has caused fish mortalities in the Great Lakes. The initial list of fish species that are susceptible to VHS includes Black Crappie, Bluegill, Bluntnose Minnow, Brown Bullhead, Brown Trout, Burbot, Channel Catfish, Chinook Salmon, Coho Salmon, Emerald Shiner, Freshwater Drum, Gizzard Shad, Herring, Largemouth Bass, Muskellunge, Northern Pike, Pink Salmon, Pumpkinseed, Rainbow Trout, Redhorse Sucker, Rock Bass, Smallmouth Bass, Walleye, White Bass, White Perch, Whitefish and Yellow Perch.

It is unlawful to transport or cause the transportation of VHS-susceptible species of fish out of the portion of the Lake Erie Watershed in this Commonwealth into other watersheds of this Commonwealth except when certain conditions are met. It is illegal to use VHS-susceptible fish species, fish parts and eggs taken from the Lake Erie Watershed as fishbait in Commonwealth waters outside the Lake Erie Watershed except when the fish are certified as VHS-negative. It is legal to transport dead recreationally caught fish out of the Lake Erie Watershed solely for the purpose of human consumption.

Because of diseases and invasive species, the Commission recommends as a good conservation practice that anglers not transport any live fish out of the Lake Erie Watershed and introduce those fish into other watersheds. For more information on invasive species, please see "Aquatic Invasive Species" on [page 18](#). For more information on VHS, please contact the Commission's Northwest Region Office ([page 3](#)) or visit www.fishandboat.com/pafish/all/vhs/vhs.htm.

* It is unlawful to conduct or participate in a fishing tournament for bass on Lake Erie or Presque Isle Bay during the period from opening day of the trout season in April until midnight the first Saturday after June 11.
 ** It is unlawful to fish or possess trout or salmon in or along any Lake Erie tributary stream from 12:01 a.m. on April 17 until 8 a.m. on April 18 (32 hours total).
 *** Adaptive management for daily limits: After the PFBC Executive Director establishes the daily limit for the year, the information will be available from any PFBC office and posted at www.fishandboat.com.

Special Regulations—Lake Erie Tributary Streams

- Designated as Nursery Waters are Trout Run and its tributaries, Godfrey Run, Orchard Beach Run, and Crooked Creek (where posted). It is unlawful to fish, wade or possess fishing equipment while in or along Lake Erie tributary streams designated as Nursery Waters.
- Archery fishing or spear fishing is prohibited in or along Lake Erie tributary streams.
- From September 4 until the opening day of trout season in April, all Lake Erie tributary streams are closed to fishing from 10 p.m. until 5 a.m. on the following day except for Walnut Creek north of Manchester Bridge Road and Elk Creek north of Route 5.
- It is unlawful to fish from 10 p.m. until 5 a.m. on the following day within 50 yards of the mouth of both Trout Run and Godfrey Run while fishing the Lake Erie shoreline.

LAKE ERIE PERMIT

All anglers fishing in the waters of Lake Erie, Presque Isle Bay and their tributaries including waters that flow into those tributaries are required to possess a valid Lake Erie permit or Combination Trout/Salmon/Lake Erie permit.

The main tributaries where a permit is required are: Cascade Creek, Conneaut Creek, Crooked Creek, Eightmile Creek, Elk Creek, Fourmile Creek, Mill Creek, Raccoon Creek, Sevenmile Creek, Sixmile Creek, Sixteenmile Creek, Turkey Creek, Twelvemile Creek, Twentymile Creek and Walnut Creek. A permit is also required for all of those waters that flow into these main tributaries.

Anglers fishing the East and West Basin ponds (Waterworks Ponds, Presque Isle State Park) are not required to possess a Lake Erie Permit.

Anglers fishing inland ponds, lakes and reservoirs in Erie County are not required to possess a Lake Erie Permit.

*For all crayfish species, the head must be immediately removed behind the eyes upon capture unless used as bait in the water from which taken.

BROOD STOCK LAKES PROGRAM

These regulations are intended to restrict harvest and fish consumption from designated lakes during the FDA-mandated withdrawal period. During this period, fish anesthetics are used during Muskellunge, Tiger Muskellunge (hybrids), Northern Pike and pickerel culture operations. **From April 1 through May 31, fishing for these species is permitted on a catch and release/no harvest basis.** It is unlawful to take or possess any Muskellunge, Tiger Muskellunge (hybrids), Northern Pike and pickerel from these lakes during this period. When caught, these fish species shall be immediately returned unharmed.

County	Water Area
Crawford	Conneaut Lake
	Lake Canadohta
	Sugar Lake
	Woodcock Creek Lake
Erie	Edinboro Lake
	Howard Eaton Reservoir

County	Water Area
Mercer	Lake Wilhelm
Wayne	Belmont Lake
	Prompton Dam

For all other species, Commonwealth inland waters seasons, sizes and creel limits apply.

CATCH AND RELEASE LAKES

These lakes are regulated year-round as catch and release for all fish species. This means fishing is permitted on a catch and release/no harvest basis. It is unlawful to take, kill or possess any fish from these lakes. Once caught, all fish shall be immediately returned unharmed.

Additional catch and release regulations specifically for trout can be found on [page 21](#). These include: Catch and Release Artificial Lures Only, Catch and Release All Tackle and Catch and Release Fly-Fishing Only.

County	Water Area
Allegheny	Pine Township Park Pond
Beaver	Raccoon Creek State Park Upper Pond
Centre	Colyer Lake
● Crawford	Tamarack Lake
Columbia and Northumberland	Bear Gap Reservoir
Columbia	McWilliams Reservoir
● Jefferson	Kyles Reservoir
Lancaster	Speedwell Forge
McKean	Bradford City Number Two Reservoir
● Pike	Pecks Pond
Schuylkill	Lower Owl Creek Reservoir
Schuylkill	Owl Creek Reservoir
Tioga	Lake Nessmuk
Westmoreland	Lower Burrell Park Pond

HOW TO RELEASE FISH CATCH AND RELEASE

Some waters are managed strictly as "Catch and Release" waters. Minimum size limits require that fish less than the minimum must be released. Creel limits require that fish caught in excess of the limit must be released. Closed seasons require the release of fish species caught during a season when keeping them is not permitted. The number of fish that survive depends on several factors, including the length of the fight, where the fish is hooked, water temperature, and how the fish is handled and released.

To give fish released the best chance for survival, follow these recommended guidelines:

1. Use barbless hooks.
2. Play fish quickly.
- Try to land your fish as quickly as possible, and don't play the fish to exhaustion.
3. Use a landing net.
4. Keep the fish in the water. The chance of a fish being injured increases the longer it is held out of water.
5. Wet your hands, your net and other materials that may come in contact with the fish.
6. Hold the fish upside down while removing the hook. This can often pacify the fish and reduce handling time.

PANFISH ENHANCEMENT SPECIAL REGULATIONS

These regulations are intended to increase the number, quality and size of panfish through the use of minimum length limits on sunfish, crappies and Yellow Perch. For all other species, Commonwealth inland waters seasons, sizes and creel limits apply, unless listed in other special regulation programs. It is unlawful to fish in the Panfish Enhancement Special Regulations waters listed below except in compliance with the following size and creel limits:

County	Water Area	Species	Minimum Size	Daily Limit
Berks	Blue Marsh Reservoir	Crappie	9 inches	20
Cambria	Beaverdam Run Reservoir	Yellow Perch	9 inches	When Panfish Enhancement Regulations apply to more than one species in the same waterway, the creel limit is 20 for each species with the total creel not to exceed 50 panfish combined.
		Sunfish	7 inches	
	Hinckston Run Reservoir	Crappie	9 inches	
		Sunfish	7 inches	
Wilmore Dam	Crappie	9 inches		
	Yellow Perch	9 inches		
	Sunfish	7 inches		
Centre	Foster Joseph Sayers Lake*	Sunfish	7 inches	
Chester	Chambers Lake	Sunfish	7 inches	
		Crappie	9 inches	
		Yellow Perch	9 inches	
Crawford	Pymatuning Reservoir	Crappie	9 inches	
Fayette/Westmoreland	Bridgeport Reservoir	Crappie	9 inches	
		Sunfish	7 inches	
Mercer	Shenango River Lake	Crappie	9 inches	
Monroe	Gouldsboro Lake	Sunfish	7 inches	
		Crappie	9 inches	
		Yellow Perch	9 inches	
Pike	Lower Lake (Lower Promised Lake)	Sunfish	7 inches	
		Yellow Perch	9 inches	
	Promised Land Lake (Upper Promised Land Lake)	Sunfish	7 inches	
		Yellow Perch	9 inches	
Somerset	Quemahoning Reservoir	Sunfish	7 inches	
		Crappie	9 inches	
		Yellow Perch	9 inches	
Washington	Cross Creek Lake	Sunfish	7 inches	
		Crappie	9 inches	
	Peters Twp. Lake (Reservoir #2)	Crappie	9 inches	
Westmoreland	Indian Lake	Crappie	9 inches	
		Sunfish	7 inches	
	Lower Twin Lake	Crappie	9 inches	
	Northmoreland Lake	Sunfish	7 inches	
	Upper Twin Lake	Crappie	9 inches	

* see Misc. Special Regulations for Crappies at Foster Joseph Sayers Lake.

7. Remove hooks quickly. Hemostats or long-nose pliers are essential tools for quickly removing hooks.
8. Cut the line. When it is not possible to remove the hook without harming the fish, cut the line.
9. Don't touch the gills. Do not handle fish by placing your fingers in the gill slits.
10. Hold the fish upright underwater after hook removal and allow it to swim away under its own power. If necessary, hold the fish out of the current until it revives.

11. Fish that are bleeding from the mouth or gills due to hook removal do not survive after being released back into the water. Anglers may be charged with violating the Fish and Boat Code by failing to immediately release the fish unharmed. If regulations permit, the angler should keep the fish and have it count towards his or her daily limit.

MISCELLANEOUS WATERS WITH SPECIAL REGULATIONS

These special regulations apply to fish species identified for each location and regulation. Fish species not covered by a special regulation in these locales – inland regulations apply unless otherwise designated for these species.

BEAVER: *Hopewell Township Park Lake*

- Bass – 15-inch minimum size, creel limit 2 per day.
- Panfish – Creel limit 10 combined species per day. Use of live fish for bait is prohibited. Refer to Big Bass Program for NO HARVEST dates (see page 11).

BLAIR/HUNTINGDON/JUNIATA/MIFFLIN/PERRY: *Juniata River and tributaries*

- The daily creel limit of Rock Bass is 10; open season year-round; no minimum size limit.

BUTLER: *Glade Run Lake*

- All species except trout – catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any fish except trout. All fish caught other than trout must be immediately returned unharmed. This miscellaneous special regulation will remain in effect until further notice.

Trout – inland regulations apply.

CENTRE: *Foster Joseph Sayers Lake*

- Black and white crappie: Daily creel limit is 10 (combined crappie species). No more than 5 may be greater than 9 inches in size. Total panfish daily creel limit may not exceed 50 when other panfish species are in the creel (see page 10 and 15 applicable to other panfish).

CENTRE: *Penns Creek – 7 miles from the confluence with Elk Creek downstream to the Catch and Release area located 600 meters downstream of Swift Run.*

- Trout (all species), all other species, inland regulations apply. Open to fishing year-round.

- From 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular trout season through Labor Day, the slot limit for trout is at least 7 inches and less than 12 inches in length, caught on, or in possession, and the daily limit is 2 (combined species).

- From the day after Labor Day until 8 a.m. of the opening day of the trout season of the following year, no trout may be killed or had in possession.

- Fishing may be done with artificial lures, flies or streamers, natural bait, baitfish and fish bait. Spinning or fly fishing gear may be used on this water.

CLARION: *Beaver Creek Ponds*

- Closed to fishing from Jan. 1 through opening day of bass season.

- Bass – 15-inch minimum size, creel limit 2 per day on entire project area. Panfish – Creel limit 10 per day combined species on entire area.

COLUMBIA AND NORTHUMBERLAND: *South Branch of Roaring Creek – from the bridge on State Route 3008 at Bear Gap upstream to the bridge on State Route 42 – This is a catch and release/no harvest fishery for all species. It is unlawful to take, kill or possess any fish. All fish caught must be immediately returned unharmed.*

CRAWFORD: *Paden Creek, Linesville Creek and Shenango River*

- Nursery waters closed to all fishing March 1 through May 1. Waters involved are Paden Creek (Finley Creek) from the mouth upstream to “Finley Bridge” on U.S. Route 6, Linesville Creek from the mouth (Pymatuning Sanctuary) upstream to the Conrail Railroad bridge

north of U.S. Route 6 in Linesville, and the Shenango River, from the Pymatuning Lake Sanctuary boundary at the Route 285 bridge, locally known as Blair Bridge, upstream 100 yards.

CRAWFORD/ERIE: *Conneaut Creek*

- Lake Erie Tributary Regulations apply (see page 14) for entire stream in Crawford and Erie counties.

CUMBERLAND: *Opossum Lake*

- All species except trout – catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any fish except trout. All fish caught other than trout must be immediately returned unharmed. This miscellaneous special regulation will remain in effect until further notice.

Trout – inland regulations apply.

HUNTINGDON: *Lake Perez*

- All species except trout – catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any fish except trout. All fish caught other than trout must be immediately returned unharmed. This miscellaneous special regulation will remain in effect until further notice.

Trout – inland regulations apply.

HUNTINGDON: *Raystown Lake and Raystown Branch – From dam downstream to Juniata River.*

- Trout (all species) no closed season. Creel limit 5 per day during regular season; 3 per day from the day after Labor Day to 8 a.m. on the opening day of the next regular season, minimum size – 7 inches.

- *Raystown Lake and Tributaries* – Smelt may be taken with a dip net from the shore or by wading only. Dip net may not exceed 20 inches in diameter or square. Daily limit – 200 smelt or one gallon by volume, whichever is greater.

LEHIGH: *Leaser Lake*

- All species, except trout–catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any fish, except trout. All fish caught other than trout must be immediately returned unharmed. For trout, inland regulations apply. This regulation will remain in effect until further notice.

LUZERNE: *Harveys Lake*

- Open year-round to fishing. The daily limit is 3 trout (combined species) during the period from 8 a.m. on the opening day of trout season through the last day in February. Only one of the three (3) trout daily limit may exceed 18 inches in length. No trout may be killed or had in possession from March 1 to the opening day of trout season. Inland regulations apply for other fish species.

MONROE/NORTHAMPTON/PIKE: *Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area*–The use of eel chutes, eel pots and fyke nets is prohibited. The taking of the following fishbait is prohibited: Crayfish or crabs, mussels, clams and the nymphs, larvae and pupae of all insects spending any part of their life cycle in the water. The taking, catching, killing and possession of any species of amphibian or reptile within the boundaries of the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area is prohibited.

NOTICE FOR INFORMATION ONLY: Anglers are advised that the National Park Service 2016’s Superintendent’s Compendium of Designations, Closures, Permit Requirements and Other Restrictions states: “The use of crayfish, clams, mussels, reptiles or amphibians as fishbait is prohibited, unless it is a commercially

produced, preserved and packaged product.” – Duration until further notice within Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area.

● **NORTHAMPTON:** *Minsi Lake*

- All species, except trout – catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any fish, except trout. All fish caught other than trout must be immediately returned unharmed. For trout, inland regulations apply. This regulation will remain in effect until further notice.

SOMERSET/FAYETTE/WESTMORELAND/ALLEGHENY: *Youghiogheny River* – From the confluence with the Casselman River downstream to the confluence with Ramcat Run and Youghiogheny River from the PA Route 381 bridge at Ohiopyle downstream to the mouth of the river.

- No closed season on trout. Daily limit – Opening day of the trout season through Labor Day – 5 trout; the day after Labor Day through the opening day of the trout season of the following year – 3 trout. For all other species, inland regulations apply. See All Tackle Trophy Trout regulations on page 21.

WARREN: *Allegheny River*–8.75 miles from the outflow of the Allegheny Reservoir downstream to the confluence of Conewango Creek.

- From 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular trout season through Labor Day, the minimum size for trout is 14 inches and the daily limit is 2 (combined species).

- From the day after Labor Day until 8 a.m. of the opening day of the trout season of the following year, no trout may be killed or had in possession.

WARREN: *Chapman Dam Reservoir*

- All species, except trout–catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any fish, except trout. All fish caught other than trout must be immediately returned unharmed. For trout, inland regulations apply. This regulation will remain in effect until further notice.

WASHINGTON: *Little Chartiers Creek* – From Canonburg Lake Dam approximately 0.25 mile downstream to the mouth.

- No fishing from March 1 until 8 a.m. opening day of the trout season.

WAYNE: *West Branch Delaware River* – From the Pennsylvania/New York border downstream to the confluence with the East Branch of the Delaware River.

- Artificial Lures Only season runs from October 16 until 8 a.m. on the opening day of the trout season.

- 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 lures may be used with spinning or fly fishing gear.

- The daily creel limit of trout is zero (0) during the artificial-lures-only season.

(see page 13 for additional regulation for the Delaware River)

● **WESTMORELAND:** *Donegal Lake*

- All species, except trout–catch and release/no harvest; it is unlawful to take, kill or possess any fish, except trout. All fish caught other than trout must be immediately returned unharmed. For trout, inland regulations apply. This regulation will remain in effect until further notice.

REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS - SEASONS AND LIMITS

Species	Season	Daily Limit	Possession Limit
American Bullfrog	July 1 through October 31	10 (combined species)	20 (combined species)
Green Frog	July 1 through October 31	10 (combined species)	20 (combined species)
Common Snapping Turtle	July 1 through October 31	15	30
Amphibian Eggs and Tadpoles	No closed season	15 (combined species)	15 (combined species)
Timber Rattlesnake*	June 13 through July 31	1 annual limit** (must be at least 42 inches in length, measured lengthwise along the dorsal surface from the snout to the tail, excluding the rattle, and must possess 21 or more subcaudal scales.***)	
Eastern Copperhead	June 13 through July 31	1 annual limit**	

* It is unlawful to hunt, take, catch or kill Timber Rattlesnakes west of Route 15 and south of Interstate 81 to the Maryland line where there is no open season.

** It is unlawful to possess, take, catch or kill more than one Timber Rattlesnake or Eastern Copperhead per calendar year except as provided in Chapter 79.7(f) (Fish & Boat Code) relating to organized reptile and amphibian hunt

permits). It is unlawful to possess more than one Timber Rattlesnake or Eastern Copperhead at any time except as provided in Chapter 79.7 (f) (Fish & Boat Code).

*** Subcaudal scales are large flat scales located on the underside of a Timber Rattlesnake between the vent (anal scale) and the base of the tail rattle.

See page 30 for Snapping Turtle consumption advice.

ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS for ALL Reptiles and Amphibians:

- A fishing license is required to catch or take reptiles and amphibians from the lands and waters of the Commonwealth.

- Unless otherwise indicated, reptiles and amphibians may only be taken by hand, hook, snake tongs, turtle hooks, traps and nets less than four feet square or four feet in diameter.

- It is unlawful to take, catch or kill a reptile or amphibian through the use of firearms, chemicals, explosives, winches, jacks or other devices.

- It is unlawful to damage or disrupt the nest or eggs of a reptile or to gather, take or possess the eggs of any reptile in the natural environment of this Commonwealth.

- It is unlawful to damage or destroy habitat in the pursuit of a reptile or amphibian.

- It is unlawful to take, catch, kill or possess for the purposes of selling or offering for sale, importing or exporting for consideration, trading or bartering or purchasing an amphibian or reptile whether dead or alive, in whole or in parts, including the eggs or any life stage that was taken from lands or waters within this Commonwealth.

- It is unlawful to transport or import into or within this Commonwealth a native species from another jurisdiction. It is also unlawful to receive a native species that was transported or imported into or within this Commonwealth from another jurisdiction.

- Taking, catching and possessing amphibians and reptiles in Department of Conservation and Natural Resources natural areas designated by posters is prohibited.

Frogs:

- The use of artificial light to take frogs at night is illegal.

- Frogs may be taken with long bow and arrow, including compound bows, crossbows, spears or gigs. Spears or gigs may not have more than five barbs and cannot be used in stocked trout waters.

Turtles:

- Set-lines, turtle traps or other devices for catching turtles must include a tag indicating the name, address and phone number of the owner or user. Traps, nets or other devices must be of a floating or partially submerged design so as to allow for the release of untargeted turtles. Hooks must be at least 3.5 inches long with not less than one inch space between the point and shank of the hook. The number of lines or hooks per line is unlimited.

PERMITS:

- A permit is required to hunt, take, catch, kill or possess Timber Rattlesnakes and Eastern Copperhead snakes.

- A permit is required to hunt, take, catch or kill common Snapping Turtles for the purpose of sale, barter or trade.

To purchase Venomous Snake and Commercial Turtle permits, visit your license issuing agent. Commercial Turtle Permits can also be purchased online at www.pa.wildlifelicenses.com.

The following ENDANGERED and THREATENED native species have NO OPEN SEASON. The DAILY LIMIT is 0 (zero) and POSSESSION LIMIT is 0 (zero).

The Commission has identified some species of reptiles, amphibians, fish and aquatic organisms as endangered, threatened or candidate species. Endangered and threatened species face extirpation and have NO OPEN SEASON.

SALAMANDERS:

Eastern Mud Salamander (Endangered)
Green Salamander (Threatened)
Blue-spotted Salamander (Endangered)

FROGS and TOADS:

Eastern Spadefoot (Endangered)

New Jersey Chorus Frog (Endangered)
Eastern Cricket Frog (Endangered)
Coastal Plains Leopard Frog (Endangered)

SNAKES:

Eastern Massasauga (Endangered)
Kirtland's Snake (Endangered)

Northern Rough Greensnake (Endangered)

TURTLES:

Bog Turtle (Endangered)
Southeastern Mud Turtle (Endangered)
Northern Red-bellied Cooter (Threatened)

SKINKS/LIZARDS:

Broad-headed Skink (Threatened)

FOR A LIST OF ALL ENDANGERED, THREATENED AND CANDIDATE FISH SPECIES, visit www.fishandboat.com.

The following native reptile and amphibian species have NO OPEN SEASON. The DAILY LIMIT is 0 (zero) and POSSESSION LIMIT is 0 (zero).

SALAMANDERS:

Eastern Hellbender
Four-toed Salamander
Jefferson Salamander
Marbled Salamander
Common Mudpuppy
Northern Ravine Salamander

FROGS and TOADS:

Mountain Chorus Frog
Upland Chorus Frog
Western Chorus Frog

SNAKES:

Eastern Hog-nosed Snake
Eastern Ribbonsnake

Eastern Smooth Earthsnake
Eastern Wormsnake
Mountain Earthsnake
Queensnake
Short-headed Garter Snake
Smooth Greensnake

TURTLES:

Blanding's Turtle
Woodland Box Turtle
Spotted Turtle
Wood Turtle

SKINKS/LIZARDS:

Eastern Fence Lizard
Northern Coal Skink

The following native reptile and amphibian species have NO CLOSED SEASON. The DAILY LIMIT is 1 (one) and POSSESSION LIMIT is 1 (one).

SALAMANDERS:

Allegheny Mountain Dusky Salamander
Eastern Red-backed Salamander
Red-spotted Newt
Eastern Long-tailed Salamander
Northern Dusky Salamander
Northern Red Salamander
Northern Slimy Salamander
Northern Spring Salamander

FROGS and TOADS:

Northern Two-lined Salamander
Seal Salamander
Spotted Salamander
Wehrle's Salamander
Valley and Ridge Salamander
Eastern American Toad
Gray Treefrog
Fowler's Toad

Northern Leopard Frog
Pickerel Frog
Spring Peeper
Wood Frog

SNAKES:

Eastern Gartersnake
Eastern Milksnake
Eastern Ratsnake
Northern Black Racer
Red-bellied Snake
DeKay's Brownsnake

Northern Ring-necked Snake
Northern Watersnake

TURTLES:

Eastern Musk Turtle
Eastern Painted Turtle
Eastern Spiny Softshell
Northern Map Turtle
Midland Painted Turtle

SKINKS/LIZARDS:

Common Five-lined Skink

The practice of catch and release of amphibians and reptiles is encouraged.

Aquatic Invasive Species

Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) may be microscopic and can be plants or animals. AIS have the potential to cause significant economic and ecologic harm to our waterways by competing with native and game species for space and food. Anglers, boaters, swimmers and others who contact this water can unknowingly spread AIS.

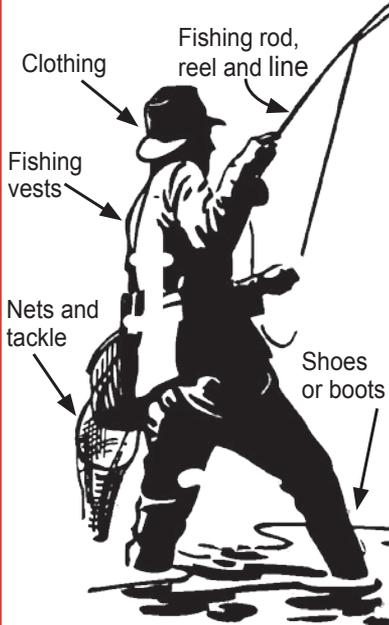
- Do not move or release animals or plants to other waterways.
- Dispose of unwanted fishing bait in the trash.

Clean Your Gear!

Before leaving this waterway, check for and remove any aquatic life (plants and animals), mud and other organic debris.

Use the following AIS disinfection methods before using your gear or equipment at a new waterway:

Check these areas



Small Gear

- For a minimum of 20 minutes, soak gear in hot water (120°-140° F) (may damage Gor-tex®) containing 1 cup of regular dish detergent per gallon of water OR freeze gear for at least 8 hours.
- After cleaning or freezing, allow gear to dry for a minimum of 48 hours before next use.
- Consider using your gear in only one waterway, thus eliminating the need to disinfect.

Boats and Heavy Equipment

- Before leaving this waterway, drain water from boat, motor, bilges, bladder tanks, live bait wells, any other wet compartments and portable bait containers.
- Use a steam spray unit to thoroughly clean all parts of the boat or heavy equipment (including all wet compartments such as the bilge, bait compartments and storage bunkers). If steam cleaning is not available, use a high pressure hot water sprayer. If these cleaning options are not available, put your boat through a hot water car wash.
- Thoroughly spray all parts of a boat trailer and towing vehicle that contact the water.
- Thoroughly flush the cooling system of all boat motors.
- After cleaning, allow equipment to dry for at least 48 hours.

STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!

For more information, visit www.fishandboat.com/AIS.htm

REPORT AIS SIGHTINGS: <https://fishandboat.com/ais-reporting.htm>

THESE ARE SOME OF THE AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES IN PENNSYLVANIA.

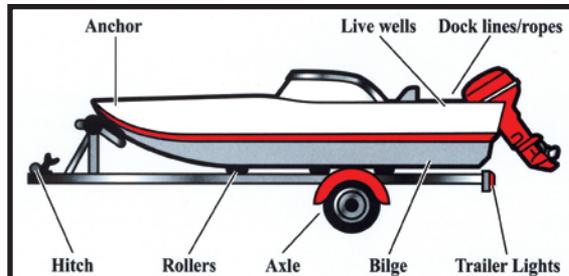


Rusty Crayfish

Quagga Mussel

Round Goby

photos provided by USGS



Check these areas of your boat

STOP ASIAN CARP!

Bighead, Silver and Black Carp are Asian carp* that are Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS). It is unlawful to possess, introduce or import, transport, sell, purchase, offer for sale or barter these species in Pennsylvania. These species pose a significant threat to the biodiversity of native species and habitat, along with imposing safety risks to boaters.

Asian carp have had a devastating impact in the Mississippi River system and now pose this threat to the Great Lakes Basin. As AIS species, these fish do not naturally occur in Pennsylvania waters and would only occur if transported and released.

These carp species are a threat due to their large size (some can grow to more than 100 pounds and 5 feet in length), reproductive success, habitat damage and large, year-round food consumption. In addition, Silver Carp, when startled, can jump up to 10 feet out of the water striking boaters, causing severe injury.

For more information and to report sightings or catches of these fish species and other AIS, visit PFBC's AIS web page at: www.fishandboat.com/AIS.htm.

*Grass Carp are also known as Asian carp. Diploid Grass Carp are banned from stocking in Pennsylvania, but Triploid (sterile) Grass Carp are allowed to be stocked in lakes and ponds with a PFBC-approved permit.

STOP THE SPOTTED LANTERNFLY

The Spotted Lanternfly (SLF), *Lycorma delicatula* (White), is an invasive planthopper native to China, India and Vietnam. It was first discovered in Pennsylvania in Berks County and has spread to other counties in the southeast portion of the Commonwealth. This insect has the potential to greatly impact agricultural crops such as grapes, hops and hardwoods. It is also reducing the quality of life for people living in heavily infested areas.

If you are in the quarantine area, please "Look Before You Leave." Inspecting your vehicles, trailers or any outdoor items before you move around or out of the quarantine is important. If possible, don't park in tree lines, and keep windows rolled up when you park your vehicle. Know the life stages of the insect and when to look for it. For more information, www.agriculture.pa.gov/Plants_Land_Water/PlantIndustry/Entomology/spotted_lanternfly/Pages/default.aspx.

GENERAL BOATING REGULATIONS

BOATING – A Coast Guard-approved wearable life jacket or personal flotation device (PFD) is required for each occupant on all types of boats in all waters. See additional PFD (life jacket) requirements on this page.

Motorboats (including boats powered by electric motors) must be registered, and they must be registered in their state of principal use. Boat operators of boats with greater than 25 horsepower and born on or after Jan. 1, 1982, may not operate unless they have obtained and have in possession a Boating Safety Education Certificate. All PWC (personal watercraft) operators must have obtained and have in possession a Boating Safety Education Certificate. Persons 11 years of age or younger may NOT operate a boat with greater than 25 horsepower or a PWC. Persons 12–15 years of age may not operate a PWC with any passengers on board 15 years of age or younger or rent a PWC.

Owners of unpowered boats (canoes, kayaks, rowboats, stand-up paddleboards, etc.) can launch their boats at Commission lakes, access areas and properties, and at PA state parks and forests if their boats display the Commission's launch use permit OR boat registration, OR PA state parks launch permit OR mooring permit. An unpowered boat may have a registration OR launch permit, but it is not required to have both. The Commission does NOT recognize launch permits from other states.

LIFE JACKET WEAR REQUIRED BY LAW NOVEMBER 1 TO APRIL 30



Boaters are required, by law, to wear life jackets on boats less than 16 feet in length or any canoe or kayak during the cold weather months from November 1 through April 30. This requirement is intended to protect boaters from the dangers of cold water shock if they fall into the water.

The risk of an accident being fatal is significantly higher when the air and water temperatures are colder in late fall through spring. Over the last 15 years, cold water incidents represented only eight percent of the boating-related accidents, but they resulted in 24 percent of the fatalities. Victims who are wearing a life jacket when exposed to cold water have potentially life-saving advantages.

MAKE SURE YOUR LIFE JACKET FITS!

For a life jacket to work properly, not only does it need to be on your body, it should fit properly as well. A properly fitting life jacket is more comfortable (meaning you are more likely to wear it) but more important, it functions better. Life jackets that are too small or large can ride up or even come off when you are in the water.

It's easy to check a conventional life jacket for proper fit—just put it on. The jacket should fit you snugly with all zippers, straps, ties and snaps correctly secured. With a partner behind you, raise your arms like you are signaling a touchdown in a football game. Have the partner lift the jacket by the shoulders. The jacket should come no higher than your chin. If the jacket covers your face or comes off—that's what would happen in the water. In this case, tighten the straps or use a smaller size.



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WHO MUST WEAR A LIFE JACKET?

- Children 12 years of age and younger on Commonwealth waters when underway in any boat 20 feet or less in length and in all canoes and kayaks.
- On Pittsburgh District U.S. Army Corps of Engineers lakes (only), everyone in boats under 16 feet and in all canoes and kayaks.
- All water skiers and anyone towed behind boats, in addition to personal watercraft operators and passengers, and sailboarders (windsurfers) are required to wear a life jacket. Inflatable life jackets are not acceptable for these activities.
- Boaters are required, by law, to wear life jackets on boats less than 16 feet in length or any canoe or kayak during the cold weather months from November 1 through April 30.

PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE (LIFE JACKET) REQUIREMENTS

- All boats must have a USCG-approved wearable life jacket on board for each person.
- In addition to wearable life jackets, boats 16 feet and over must have a USCG-approved throwable device (ring buoy, life ring or buoyant seat cushion) on board. Canoes and kayaks, regardless of length, are not required to carry a throwable device.
- Life jackets must be used in accordance with any requirements on the approval label.
- All life jackets must be in good and serviceable condition and legibly marked showing the USCG approval number. **This means the life jacket must be fully functional, free of tears or defects in the material. All buckles, straps, zippers and other closures must be operable.**
- Wearable life jackets must be “readily accessible,” which means that they are stowed where they can be easily reached or that they are out in the open ready to wear. Throwables devices must be “immediately available,” which means that the device cannot be in a protective covering and shall be within arm's reach of the operator or passenger while the boat is operated. A PFD that is sealed in its original packaging is not readily accessible or immediately available.
- Life jackets must be the appropriate size for the person intended and adjusted to wear.
- A throwable device may not be used as a substitute for a wearable device.

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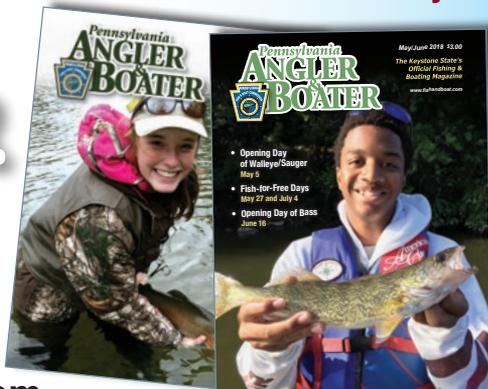
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BOATING AND ALCOHOL DO NOT MIX!

Alcohol use increases the chances of having an accident. Alcohol affects balance, coordination and judgment. It is illegal to operate a boat while under the influence of alcohol or a controlled substance. Penalties include loss of boating privileges, significant fines and imprisonment.



Find the regulation that applies to where you want to fish.

To assist trout anglers in knowing the regulations that apply to locations where they fish, the trout regulations are separated by PFBC Regions. From pages 22 through 29, each region contains a listing of its counties separated by specific trout regulation.

An explanation of each regulation and its requirements is on this page and the next page.

STOCKED TROUT WATERS

Many streams, lakes, ponds and reservoirs are officially classified as "stocked trout waters." This means that these waters contain significant portions that are open to public fishing and are stocked with trout. The waters listed here are open to trout harvest during the "extended season" (see page 10). Unlisted tributary streams (those not included in this list of "stocked trout waters") are not open to harvest of trout during the "extended season." Only stocked trout waters and all waters downstream of stocked trout waters are open to harvest during this period. Spearfishing is not permitted in any of these waters at any time of the year.

These waters are closed to all fishing (including taking of minnows) from March 1 to 8 a.m. on the opening day of the trout season. A person shall be deemed to be fishing if he or she has in possession any fishing line, rod or other device that can be used for fishing while on or in any water or on the banks within 25 feet of any water where fishing is prohibited. Unless geographically designated in the Region Regulated Trout Waters section, the term trout-stocked waters includes the entire stream from headwaters to mouth.

Special note: Although the list was up to date at the time this booklet was printed, it is possible that some streams may later be deleted or added as "stocked trout waters" because of last-minute changes in water quality conditions. Check with the nearest Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission office (see page 3) if there is any question about whether or not a water area is "stocked."

Streams designated as both Class A Wild Trout Streams and Stocked Trout Waters

Stream sections that are designated as both Stocked Trout Waters and Class A Wild Trout Streams located within the Regional Opening Day of Trout Season area are closed to fishing from March 1 to 8 a.m. on the Regional Opening Day of Trout Season. Stream sections that are designated as both Stocked Trout Waters and Class A Wild Trout Streams located within the Regular Opening Day of Trout Season area are closed to fishing from March 1 to 8 a.m. on the Regular Opening Day of Trout Season. Stream Sections Governed by These Regulations - Closed to fishing from March 1 until 8 a.m. on Opening Day of Trout Season. Extended Season: September 8, 2020 through February 28, 2021—No Harvest—Catch and Immediate Release Only.

Water Name	County	Sect.	Miles	Limits
Bald Eagle Creek	Centre	04	5.71	Confluence with Spring Creek near SR 144 bridge downstream to the inlet of Sayers Lake near Boggs/Howard Township line
Fishing Creek	Clinton	13	1.49	Confluence with Cedar Run downstream to Axe Factory Hollow
Fishing Creek	Clinton	14	1.60	Axe Factory Hollow downstream to Country Club Road Bridge (SR 2015) in Mill Hall
Kishacoquillas Creek	Mifflin	05	3.70	1.5 miles upstream from confluence with Tea Creek downstream to Penn Central Railroad Bridge
Little Lehigh Creek	Lehigh	04	4.89	Confluence with Spring Creek downstream to Wild Cherry Lane Bridge (T-508)
Little Lehigh Creek	Lehigh	07	2.06	0.4 km upstream of Country Club Road Bridge (T-473) downstream to Fish Hatchery Road Bridge (SR 2010)
Martins Creek	Northampton	01	4.72	Confluence of East Branch & West Branch Martins Creek downstream to the discharge from Bangor Sewage Treatment Plant
Monocacy Creek	Northampton	08	0.99	Illicks Mill Dam downstream to the Schoenersville Road Bridge (SR 3017)
Monocacy Creek	Lehigh/ Northampton	09	2.11	Schoenersville Road Bridge (SR 3017) downstream to the mouth
Penns Creek	Centre	02	8.10	SR 0045 downstream to the confluence with Elk Creek
Pohopoco Creek	Carbon	04	2.90	Outlet of Beltzville Lake downstream to cable across creek at Hideaway Hunting & Fishing Club
Yellow Creek	Bedford	04	1.67	Confluence with Beaver Creek downstream to Red Bank Hill

STOCKED TROUT WATERS OPEN TO YEAR-ROUND FISHING

Waters with this designation are considered "stocked trout waters." From 8 a.m. opening day of trout through Sept. 7, Commonwealth inland sizes and creel limits apply. From Jan. 1 through Feb. 29, and from Sept. 8 through Dec. 31, "extended season" sizes and creel limits apply. These waters are open to fishing from March 1 to opening day of trout season; however, no trout may be taken or possessed on these waters during this period. It is unlawful to fish in rivers and streams designated as stocked trout waters open to year-round fishing without a current trout/salmon permit. A trout/salmon permit is not required to fish in lakes and ponds that have been designated as stocked trout waters open to year-round fishing unless the person takes, kills or possesses, while in the act of fishing, a trout or salmon on or in these waters.

SPECIAL REGULATION AREAS

The Commission establishes specially regulated areas on some trout waters. These specially regulated areas are assigned to one of the programs on this page with the regulations for each program included. These program regulations apply only to those waters designated by the Commission as being part of that program, not to all trout waters. When applicable, a list of specially regulated waters appears at the end of the stocked trout waters section for each region of the state.

DELAYED HARVEST ARTIFICIAL LURES ONLY

- Open to fishing year-round.
- Fishing is permitted on a 24-hour basis.
- Minimum size – 9 inches, caught on or in possession on, the waters under these regulations from June 15 through Labor Day.
- The daily creel limit is three trout (combined species) from June 15 through Labor Day, caught on or in possession on the waters under these regulations. From the day after Labor Day until June 15, the daily creel limit is zero.

• 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.

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

• Taking baitfish or fishbait is prohibited.

• An angler in a boat may possess bait and fish caught in compliance with the seasons, sizes and creel limits in effect for a water from which it was taken, provided that the boat angler floats through the Delayed Harvest Artificial Lures Only area without stopping or engaging in the act of fishing or the boat angler puts in or takes out his boat at an access point within the Delayed Harvest Artificial Lures Only area.

- A current trout/salmon permit is required.

The Keystone Select Stocked Trout Waters program provides anglers with an exciting opportunity to fish for larger trout. Under the program, approximately 9,500 large trout, 2-to 3-years old and measuring between 14 to 20 inches, will be distributed among these select waters under the Delayed Harvest



Artificial Lures Only special regulation. These larger trout are stocked only during the spring stocking periods to coincide with the period of peak angler use. As with many waters managed under Delayed Harvest Artificial Lures Only special regulation, not all of the waters managed under the Keystone Select Stocked Trout Waters program receive a fall stocking. Fall stocking is limited to stream sections that act as destination fisheries and tend to provide better angler use at this time of year. Currently, 13 of the 23 stream sections in this program receive a fall stocking. In the stocked trout water listings on the following pages, look for the **red keystone**, which indicates that this water is a **Keystone Select Stocked Trout Water.***

CATCH AND RELEASE ARTIFICIAL LURES ONLY

- Open to fishing year-round.
- Fishing is permitted on a 24-hour basis.
- Use or possession of any other lures or substance is prohibited.
- No trout may be killed or had in possession.
- Fishing may be done with artificial lures only constructed of metal, plastic, rubber or wood, or with flies or streamers constructed of natural or synthetic materials. All such lures may be used with spinning or fly fishing gear.
- Wading is permitted unless otherwise posted.
- Taking baitfish or fishbait is prohibited.
- An angler in a boat may possess bait and fish caught in compliance with the seasons, sizes and creel limits in effect for a water from which it was taken, provided that the boat angler floats through the Catch and Release area without stopping or engaging in the act of fishing or the boat angler puts in or takes out his boat at an access point within the Catch and Release area.
- A current trout/salmon permit is required.

CATCH AND RELEASE FLY-FISHING ONLY

- Open to fishing year-round.
- Fishing is permitted on a 24-hour basis.
- No trout may be killed or had in possession.
- Fishing may be done with artificial flies and streamers constructed of natural or synthetic materials, so long as all flies are constructed in a normal fashion with components wound on or about the hook. Fishing must be done with tackle limited to fly rods, fly reels and fly line with leader material of monofilament line attached. **Anything other than these items is prohibited.**
- Taking baitfish or fishbait is prohibited.
- Wading is permitted unless otherwise posted.
- An angler in a boat may possess bait and fish caught in compliance with the seasons, sizes and creel limits in effect for a water from which it was taken, provided that the boat angler floats through the Catch and Release Fly-Fishing Only area without stopping or engaging in the act of fishing or the boat angler puts in or takes out his boat at an access point within the Catch and Release Fly-Fishing Only area.
- A current trout/salmon permit is required.

CATCH AND RELEASE ALL TACKLE

- Open to fishing year-round.
- Fishing is permitted on a 24-hour basis.
- No trout may be killed or had in possession.
- Fishing may be done with artificial lures, flies or streamers, natural bait, baitfish and fishbait. Spinning or fly fishing gear may be used in these areas.
- An angler in a boat may possess bait and fish caught in compliance with the seasons, sizes and creel limits in effect for a water from which it was taken, provided that the boat angler floats through the Catch and Release All Tackle area without stopping or

engaging in the act of fishing or the boat angler puts in or takes out his boat at an access point within the Catch and Release All Tackle area.

- A current trout/salmon permit is required.

ALL TACKLE TROPHY TROUT

- Open to fishing year-round.
- Fishing is permitted on a 24-hour basis.
- Minimum size – 14 inches, caught on, or in possession on, the waters under these regulations from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular trout season through Labor Day.
- The daily creel limit is two trout – combined species except for the period from the day after Labor Day to 8 a.m. of the first Saturday after April 11 of the following year, when no trout may be killed or had in possession.

• There are no tackle restrictions.

• An angler in a boat may possess bait and fish caught in compliance with the seasons, sizes and creel limits in effect for a water from which it was taken, provided that the boat angler floats through the All Tackle Trophy Trout area without stopping or engaging in the act of fishing or the boat angler puts in or takes out his boat at an access point within the All Tackle Trophy Trout area.

• A current trout/salmon permit is required.

• The regulations apply to **trout only**; all other species, inland regulations apply.

TROPHY TROUT ARTIFICIAL LURES ONLY

- Open to fishing year-round.
- Fishing is permitted on a 24-hour basis.
- Minimum size – 14 inches, caught on, or in possession on, the waters under these regulations from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular trout season through Labor Day.
- The daily creel limit is two trout – combined species except for the period from the day after Labor Day to 8 a.m. of the first Saturday after April 11 of the following year, when no trout may be killed or had in possession.

• 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 lures may be used with spinning or fly fishing gear.

• Taking baitfish or fishbait is prohibited.

• An angler in a boat may possess bait and fish caught in compliance with the seasons, sizes and creel limits in effect for a water from which it was taken, provided that the boat angler floats through the Trophy Trout area without stopping or engaging in the act of fishing or the boat angler puts in or takes out his boat at an access point within the Trophy Trout area.

- A current trout/salmon permit is required.

Special regulation waters appear on pages 22 through 29 after each region's section of stocked trout waters.

SOUTHEAST REGION REGULATED TROUT WATERS

STOCKED TROUT WATERS

**OPENING DAY:
APRIL 18**

BERKS:

Anietam Creek
Anietam Reservoir
Furnace Creek (Robesonia)
Hay Creek
Kistler Creek
Little Lehigh Creek
Little Swatara Creek
Maiden Creek (confluence with Kistler Creek in Kempton downstream to dam in Lenhartsville)
Manatawny Creek
Mill Creek (trib. to Sacony Creek)
Mill Creek (trib. to Schuylkill River)
Mill Creek (trib. to Tulpehocken Creek)
Northkill Creek
Ontelaunee Creek (Spring House Road Bridge (SR 4024 downstream to mouth))
Perkiomen Creek
Pine Creek (trib. to Maiden Creek)

Sacony Creek (Bowers Road (T-616) downstream to SR 222 Kutztown By-pass)

Scotts Run Lake
Spring Creek

Tulpehocken Creek (Marion Twp R&G Club downstream to vicinity of Charming Forge Rd.)

West Branch Conestoga River (approximately 350 yards above powerline, downstream to mouth in Morgantown)

Willow Creek

Wyomissing Creek (throughout Mohnton downstream to SR 0222)

BUCKS:

Delaware Canal (Two Sections- Upper Washington Crossing State Park and Lower Washington Crossing State Park downstream to Ferry Road in Morrisville)

East Branch Perkiomen Creek (Branch Road Bridge (T-431) downstream through Sellersville)

Levittown Lake

Neshaminy Creek (Two sections: Valley Road to Mill Road near Jamison and from the dam at the causeway in Tyler State Park downstream to the bridge on SR 332)

Tohickon Creek (Dark Hollow Rd. to mouth)

Unami Creek (Millford Township Park downstream to Trumbauersville Road (SR 4051))

CHESTER:

Beaver Creek (at Downingtown)

Big Elk Creek

Buck Run (Compass Rd. downstream to SR 372)

East Branch Brandywine Creek (SR 4031 in Glenmoore downstream to U.S. Business Route 30 in Downingtown)

East Branch Elk Creek

East Branch White Clay Creek

French Creek

Middle Branch White Clay Creek

Pickering Creek

Pocopson Creek

West Branch Brandywine Creek (SR 4005 Cedar Knoll downstream to SR 0340)

West Valley Creek

White Clay Creek

DELAWARE:

Chester Creek (confluence of West Branch Chester Creek downstream to Bridgewater Road (SR 3018))

Chester Creek (upstream from confluence with West Branch - inseason only)

Darby Creek (0.5 mile upstream confluence with Little Darby Creek downstream to Hilldale Road)

Ithan Creek

Little Darby Creek

Ridley Creek (Two sections: 1.25 miles upstream from Gradyville Rd. downstream to falls in Ridley Creek State Park and Brookhaven Rd. downstream to Chestnut Street)

West Branch Chester Creek

LANCASTER:
Big Beaver Creek
Bowery Run
Conowingo Creek (T-341 Black Bear Rd. downstream to Black Barron Rd.)

Conoy Creek (Saegerville Rd. downstream to mouth)

East Branch Octoraro Creek (Steelville Rd. downstream to Knight Run confluence - inseason only)

Fishing Creek

Hammer Creek

Indian Run

Little Beaver Creek

Little Chiques Creek

Little Cocalico Creek

Little Conestoga Creek (powerline upstream of Miller Road (T-707) downstream to Harrisburg Pike (SR 4020))

Little Muddy Creek (Bowmansville Rd. downstream to 150 yards, below SR 897)

Meetinghouse Creek

Middle Creek (PGC's Middle Creek Dam downstream to W. Lime Rock Rd.)

Muddy Creek (Pleasant Valley Road downstream to SR 897)

Muddy Run (most northern SR 772 crossing Intercourse downstream to powerline above Monterey Rd.)

Pequea Creek (Wanner Drive (T-515) downstream to 110 yards downstream of School Lane (T-948))

Rock Run (Bowmansville)

Stewart Run

Swar Run (Yellow Goose Road (T-802) downstream to SR 0741)

West Branch Little Conestoga Creek

West Branch Octoraro Creek

LEHIGH:
Cedar Creek (Lake Muhlenburg outflow downstream to mouth)

Coplay Creek

Jordan Creek

Kistler Creek

Laurel Run (South Branch Saucon Creek)

Leaser Lake

Lehigh Canal (from first lock upstream of Monocacy Creek downstream to Monocacy Creek Crossing)

● Little Lehigh Creek
● Monocacy Creek
Ontelaunee Creek
Swabia Creek
Switzer Creek
Trout Creek (Big Trout Creek - Statington)

MONTGOMERY:
Deep Creek Dam

East Branch Perkiomen Creek (from near Salfordville Rd. downstream to Bergey's Mill Rd. - inseason only)

Kepner Creek

Loch Alsh Reservoir

Manatawny Creek

Pennypack Creek (Lorimer Park)

Perkiomen Creek (county line downstream to first unnamed trib downstream of Fruitville Road (T-414))

Skippack Creek

Stony Creek

Unami Creek

Wissahickon Creek (from Lafayette Ave. downstream to Stenton Ave.)

NORTHAMPTON:
Bushkill Creek

Hokendauqua Creek

Indian Creek

Jacoby Creek

Lehigh Canal (0.6 mile downstream of Carbon County line downstream to confluence with Bertsch Creek, and first lock upstream of Monocacy Creek crossing downstream to confluence with Nancy Run Crossing)

● Little Bushkill Creek
● Martins Creek
● Minsi Lake
● Monocacy Creek

Saucon Creek

PHILADELPHIA:
Pennypack Creek (county line downstream to Frankford Avenue (SR 0013))

Wissahickon Creek (Germantown Pike downstream to tributary at intersection of Forbidden Drive and Lincoln Drive)

SCHUYLKILL:
Bear Creek

Deep Creek

Little Catawissa Creek

Little Mahanoy Creek

Little Schuylkill River (Two sections: from confluence with Locust Creek downstream to confluence with Panther Creek, pre-season and inseason; from mouth upstream 1.1 miles within Port Clinton, inseason only)

Lizard Creek

Locust Creek

Lower Little Swatara Creek

Mahantango Creek

Mahoning Creek

Pine Creek (trib. to Little Schuylkill River)

Pine Creek (trib. to Mahantango Creek)

Pine Creek (trib. to Schuylkill River)

Rabbit Run Reservoir (off East Valley Rd. SW of Tamaqua)

Upper Little Swatara Creek

Whipoorwill Dam

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BERKS:
Tulpehocken Creek (from covered bridge at T-921 downstream to the mouth)

Kaercher Creek Dam

BUCKS:
Lake Luxembourg

LANCASTER:
Muddy Run Rec Lake

SCHUYLKILL:
Sweet Arrow Lake
Tuscarora Lake (fall stocking)

CATCH AND RELEASE NORTHAMPTON:
Bushkill Creek - 1.19 miles; from the dam at Binney and Smith downstream to the 13th Street Bridge

CATCH AND RELEASE ALL TACKLE

CHESTER/MONTGOMERY:
Valley Creek - at Valley Forge and tributaries including Little Valley Creek. *Be aware that Valley Forge National Historic Park has imposed special bait restrictions. Check local posters.*

CATCH AND RELEASE FLY-FISHING ONLY

CHESTER:
French Creek - 0.9 mile; from the dam at Camp Sleepy Hollow downstream to Hollow Road

DELAWARE:
Ridley Creek - 0.6 mile; from the falls in Ridley Creek State Park downstream to the mouth of Dismal Run

LANCASTER:
Donegal Creek - 2.21 miles; from 275 yards below SR 772 downstream to T-334

West Branch Octoraro Creek – 2.0 miles; From 30 yards downstream of SR 0472 downstream to 230 yards upstream of the second unnamed tributary downstream of SR 2010 (Puseyville Road)

LEHIGH:

Little Lehigh Creek – 1.54 miles; from the downstream face of the bridge on T-508 (Wild Cherry Lane) downstream to the upstream face of the bridge on T-510 (Millrace Road)

Little Lehigh Creek – 0.83 mile; from the upstream face of Fish Hatchery Road bridge downstream to near the Oxford Dr. Bridge

TROPHY TROUT ARTIFICIAL LURES ONLY NORTHAMPTON:

Monocacy Creek – 2.21 miles; from Illick's Mill Dam upstream to and including the Gertrude Fox Conservation Area
Saucon Creek – 2.1 miles; from the upstream boundary of the city of Bethlehem property downstream to the SR 0412 bridge

DELAYED HARVEST ARTIFICIAL LURES ONLY**BERKS:**

Tulpehocken Creek – 3.8 miles; from the first deflector below Blue Marsh Dam downstream to the T-921 covered bridge

CHESTER:

East Branch Brandywine Creek – 1.2 miles; from SR 4019 (Dorlan's Mill Road) downstream to SR 4004 (Dowlin Forge Road)

Pickering Creek – 1.5 miles; from SR 1019 (Charlestown Road) downstream to 330 yards upstream of the railroad bridge
Middle Branch White Clay Creek – 1.67 miles; from SR 3009 (Good Hope Road) downstream to the confluence with the East Branch

West Valley Creek – 1.2 miles from the confluence with the unnamed tributary (locally known as Colebrook Run) upstream of SR 2020 (Boot

Road) downstream to 0.25 miles of the Railroad Tunnel
SCHUYLKILL:
Bear Creek – 1.74 miles; from a cable 800 yards above T-662 downstream to the downstream side of the bridge on T-676
Little Schuylkill River – 1.7 miles; from SR 0895 in New Ringgold downstream to the T-848 Bridge near Rauschs

SOUTHCENTRAL REGION REGULATED TROUT WATERS**STOCKED TROUT WATERS****OPENING DAY: APRIL 18****ADAMS:**

Bermudian Creek
Carbaugh Run
Conewago Creek (SR 0234 Bridge downstream to SR 3001)
Conococheague Creek
East Branch Antietam Creek
Lalmore Creek
Little Marsh Creek
Marsh Creek (SR 3011 downstream to SR 0030)
Middle Creek
Opossum Creek
Ortanna Pond
Toms Creek (Mount Hope Road Bridge (T-300) downstream to SR 0116)
Waynesboro Reservoir

CUMBERLAND:

Big Spring Creek
Childrens Lake (Boiling Springs)
Doubling Gap Lake
Fuller Lake
Green Spring Creek
Laurel Lake
Middle Spring Creek
Mountain Creek
Opossum Lake
Yellow Breeches Creek

DAUPHIN:

Armstrong Creek
Clark Creek
Mahantango Creek
Manada Creek
Middletown Reservoir
Pine Creek
Powell Creek
Rattling Creek

South Fork Powell Creek
Stony Creek
West Branch Rattling Creek
Wiconisco Creek

FRANKLIN:

Buck Run (Dickeys Run)
Carbaugh Run
Conococheague Creek (former dam at Birch Run Reservoir downstream to Boyers Mill Road Bridge (T-481))
Conodoguinet Creek (confluence with Bear Valley Run downstream to SR 0997)
Dennis Creek
East Branch Antietam Creek
Falling Spring Branch
Letterkenny Reservoir
Little Cove Creek
Rowe Run
West Branch Antietam Creek
West Branch Conococheague Creek (Amberson Road Bridge (SR 4005) downstream to U.S. 30 Bridge at Fort Loudon)

JUNIATA:

Big Run
Blacklog Creek
Cocolamus Creek
Delaware Creek
East Licking Creek from Mifflin County and Juniata County line downstream
Homing Run
Horse Valley Run
Laurel Run (Liberty Valley Run)
Lost Creek (SR 0035 Bridge upstream of confluence with Little Lost Creek at Oakland Mills downstream to mouth)
Tuscarora Creek (county line downstream to confluence with Horse Valley Run in East Waterford)
West Branch Mahantango Creek

LEBANON:

Bachman Run Conewago Creek (first SR 241 bridge NE of Lawn to Little Conewago)
Hammer Creek
Indiantown Run
Lions Lake
Marquette Lake
Mill Creek
Quittapahilla Creek
Snitz Creek
Stovers Lake
Trout Run
Tulpehocken Creek

PERRY:

Bixler Run
Buffalo Creek (Heritage Hills Road Bridge (T-326) downstream to SR 0849 Bridge downstream of Walnut Grove)
Bull Run
Fishing Creek
Fowler Hollow Run
Horse Valley Run
Laurel Run (Liberty Valley Run)
Little Buffalo Creek (Mannsville Road Bridge (SR 4003) downstream to mouth)
Little Juniata Creek
McCabe Run
Montour Creek
Panther Creek
Raccoon Creek
Sherman Creek (lower Tuscarora State Forest boundary downstream to Couchtown Road Bridge (SR 3008) at Cisna Run)
Shultz Creek (Browns Run)

YORK:

Bald Eagle Creek
Beaver Creek

Codorus Creek (Tannery Road (T-399) downstream to confluence with West Branch Codorus Creek)
Deer Creek
East Branch Codorus Creek
Fishing Creek (trib to Susquehanna River near Craley)
Fishing Creek (trib to Susquehanna River near Goldsboro)
Muddy Creek (confluence of North Branch Muddy Creek and South Branch Muddy Creek downstream to powerline crossing 1.6 miles downstream of SR 0425 in Woodbine)
North Branch Muddy Creek
Otter Creek
South Branch Codorus Creek
South Branch Muddy Creek
Yellow Breeches Creek

BEDFORD:

Beaver Creek
Bobs Creek
Clear Creek
Cove Creek
Evitts Creek
Gladdens Run
Little Wills Creek
Maple Run
Raystown Branch Juniata River (county line downstream to confluence with Shobers Run)
Sherman Valley Run
Town Creek

Wills Creek (county line downstream to B & O Railroad Bridge about 1.0 mile downstream of Hyndman)
● Yellow Creek
BLAIR:
Bald Eagle Creek
Beaverdam Creek
Bells Gap Run
Blair Gap Run
Canoe Creek
Clover Creek (SR 2005 Bridge at Henrietta downstream to Larke Road Bridge near Larke)
Frankstown Branch Juniata River (confluence with Pine Run near Claysburg downstream to confluence with Halter Creek near East Freedom)
Poplar Run
Riggles Gap Run
South Poplar Run
Vanscoyoc Run
FULTON:
Big Cove Creek
Cowans Gap Lake
Laurel Fork
Licking Creek (SR 0522 Bridge downstream to confluence with Baby Run at Soliam Church)
Little Aughwick Creek
Little Brush Creek
Little Tonoloway Creek (Moss Road Bridge (T-318) downstream to SR 0655 Bridge)
North Branch Little Aughwick Creek
Oregon Creek
Sideling Hill Creek (confluence of Oregon Creek and Laurel Fork downstream to intersection of SR 4013 and SR 0913)

SOUTHCENTRAL/SOUTHWEST REGIONS

South Branch Little Aughwick Creek
Spring Run
Wooden Bridge Creek

HUNTINGDON:

Blacklog Creek (from county line downstream to mouth)
Globe Run
Great Trough Creek (Newburg Park Road Bridge (T-370) downstream to 200 yards downstream of former dam)

Greenwood Lake
Laurel Run
Lake Perez
North Branch Little Aughwick Creek (Nine Mile Creek)

North Spring Branch
Saddler Creek
Shade Creek
Shaver Creek (Perez Lake downstream to SR 305 bridge at Bethel Church)

Standing Stone Creek (Penn Roosevelt Dam downstream to powerline crossing 400 yards downstream of SR 0026 Black's Bridge)

Three Springs Creek
Tuscarora Creek
West Licking Creek

MIFFLIN:

East Licking Creek
Havice Creek

Honey Creek (from the lower boundary of the Delayed Harvest Area downstream to SR 1002 Bridge 0.5 mile downstream of confluence with Treaster Run)

● Kishacoquillas Creek (Bunker Road Bridge (T-340) downstream to railroad Bridge at Yeagertown and Mill Street Bridge downstream to mouth)

Lingle Creek
Meadow Creek
Strodes Run
Treaster Run
West Licking Creek

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BEDFORD:

Koon Lake

BLAIR:

Canoe Creek Lake
CUMBERLAND:
Mountain Creek (from Adams County line downstream to the backwaters of Laurel Lake)

DAUPHIN/LEBANON:

Stony Creek (from .4-mile upstream of Cold Spring Road downstream to State Game Lands #211 gate)

LEBANON:

Lakeside Quarry

PERRY:

Little Buffalo Lake (Holman Lake)

YORK:

South Branch Codorus Creek (from SR 0616 in Centerville downstream to T-527)

CATCH AND RELEASE ARTIFICIAL LURES ONLY

CUMBERLAND:

Yellow Breeches Creek—1.17 miles; 0.17 miles of the Unnamed Tributary to Yellow Breeches Creek (from the outfall of Children's Lake to the confluence with Yellow Breeches Creek at Boiling Springs) and 1.0 mile of Yellow Breeches Creek from the confluence with the Unnamed Tributary at

Boiling Springs downstream to the vicinity of Allenberry

HUNTINGDON:

Spruce Creek—0.5 mile; Penn State Experimental Fisheries Area (about 0.6 mile above the village of Spruce Creek)

● Spruce Creek—0.15 mile; PFBC property at Indian Caverns near Franklinsville

MIFFLIN/UNION:

Penns Creek—7.45 miles; from approximately 600 meters downstream of Swift Run downstream to the downstream extent of the island near the end of Jolly Grove Lane

CATCH AND RELEASE ALL TACKLE

BLAIR/HUNTINGDON:

Little Juniata River—13.7 miles from the railroad bridge at the east (downstream) border of Ironville downstream to mouth

CATCH AND RELEASE FLY-FISHING ONLY

ADAMS:

Conewago Creek—1.1 miles; from 0.1 mile downstream of T-340 (Russel Tavern Rd.) downstream to SR 34

BEDFORD:

Yellow Creek—0.9 mile from mouth of Maple Run (Jacks Run) upstream to cable near Red Bank Hill

CUMBERLAND:

Big Spring Creek—1.52 miles; from 100 feet below the source (Big Spring) downstream to the Nealy Road Bridge

Green Spring Creek—1.2 mile; from mouth upstream to near confluence with Bulls Head Branch

Letort Spring Run—1.7 miles; from 300 yards upstream of bridge on T-481 (Bonnybrook Road) downstream to the Reading Railroad Bridge at the southern edge of Letort Spring Park

DAUPHIN:

Clark Creek—2.4 miles; PGC rifle range parking area on SR 325 downstream to PGC access road at the Iron Furnace

FRANKLIN:

East Branch Antietam Creek—0.88 mile; from SR 16 downstream to T-365 (Welty Rd.)

Falling Spring Branch—

2.5 miles; from the first private lane located 672 feet upstream of Briar Lane bridge downstream to a wire fence crossing the Thomas L. Geisel property

YORK:

Muddy Creek—1.6 miles; from 300 yards downstream of Bruce Road Bridge (T-628) in Bruce downstream to 300 yards upstream of Bridgeton Road (SR 2032) Bridge in Bridgeton

TROPHY TROUT ARTIFICIAL LURES ONLY

YORK:

Codorus Creek—2.0 miles; from the confluence of the West Branch downstream to a point that is .4 mile downstream from SR 3082 (Porters Road)

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DAUPHIN:

Manada Creek—1.8 miles; from Fogarty Road downstream to Furnace Road (T-616)

■ Wiconisco Creek—0.74

mile; from the western edge of the Ned Smith Center for Nature and Art Walking Bridge downstream to the power line crossing located 1.7 miles upstream from the mouth

FRANKLIN:

Falling Spring Branch—1.02 miles; from Walker Road downstream to Fifth Avenue

FULTON:

■ Big Cove Creek—0.93 mile; from 200 yards downstream of the SR 0928 bridge downstream to the lower Buchanan State Forest boundary

JUNIATA/MIFFLIN:

East Licking Creek—4.0 miles; from the Texas Eastern gas pipeline crossing downstream to the upstream boundary of the Karl B. Guss State Forest Picnic Area

LEBANON:

■ Quittapahilla Creek—1.1 miles; from Spruce Street Bridge on T-398 downstream to the SR 0934 Bridge

MIFFLIN:

Honey Creek—1.75 miles; from the upper Bald Eagle St. Forest boundary downstream 1.75 miles

SOUTHWEST REGION REGULATED TROUT WATERS

STOCKED TROUT WATERS

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ALLEGHENY:

Big Sewickley Creek (from headwaters downstream to Merriman Avenue)

Bull Creek
Deer Creek
Flaugherty Run
Long Run
Lower Deer Lake
Middle Deer Lake
Montour Run

Pine Creek (from headwaters downstream to East Pennview Avenue)
Turtle Creek (from headwaters downstream to SR 48 on Mosside Blvd)
West Deer Lake (Upper Deer Lake)

ARMSTRONG:

Buffalo Creek (from headwaters downstream to Little Buffalo Creek)
Cherry Run
Cornplanter Run
Cowanshannock Creek
Glade Run
Huling Run

Little Sandy Creek
North Fork Pine Creek
Patterson Creek
Plum Creek
Redbank Creek (county line to confluence with Little Sandy Creek)

Scrubgrass Creek
South Fork Pine Creek

BEAVER:

Big Sewickley Creek (from headwaters downstream to Merriman Avenue)
Brush Creek Park Pond
Mill Creek
North Fork Big Sewickley Creek

North Fork Little Beaver Creek (county line downstream to 100 meters downstream of SR 551 Bridge)
South Branch Brady Run
Traverse Creek

CAMBRIA:

Beaverdam Run
Bens Creek
Chest Creek
Clearfield Creek (confluence with Beaverdam Run downstream to 330 yards downstream of T-510 Bridge at Condron)
Duman Lake

Elton Sportsmens Dam
Hinckston Run
Howells Run
Killbuck Run
Lake Rowena
Laurel Lick Run
Laurel Run (trib to Conemaugh River)
Laurel Run (trib to South Fork Little Conemaugh River)
Little Paint Creek
Noels Creek
North Branch Blacklick Creek
North Branch Little Conemaugh River
Stewart Run

FAYETTE:

Back Creek
 Big Sandy Creek
 Chaney Run
 Dunbar Creek
 Dunlap Creek (from headwaters downstream to Mon-Fayette Expressway)
 Georges Creek (headwaters downstream to York Run)
 Indian Creek
 Meadow Run
 Mill Run (tributary to Indian Creek)
 Mountain Creek
 Virgin Run Lake

GREENE:

Browns Creek (Bates Fork "Sycamore" downstream to mouth)
 Dunkard Fork
 Enlow Fork
 Lake Wilma
 North Fork Dunkard Fork
 South Fork Dunkard Fork
 Whiteley Creek (headwaters downstream to SR 0088)

INDIANA:

Blacklegs Creek
 Brush Creek
 Canoe Creek
 Cush Creek
 Cush Cushion Creek
 Laurel Run
 Little Mahoning Creek (intersection of T-836 and SR 1037 at Antioch Church to 700 meters downstream West Mahoning and North Mahoning Township Line)

Little Yellow Creek
 Mudlick Run
 South Branch Two Lick Creek
 Toms Run
 Yellow Creek

SOMERSET:

Allen Creek
 Beaverdam Creek
 Beaverdam Run
 Bens Creek
 Breastwork Run
 Brush Creek
 Casselman River (from MD - PA state line downstream to Moser Road (T-353) Bridge)

Clear Shade Creek

Cub Run
 Elk Lick Creek
 Flaugherty Creek
 Gladdens Run
 Glade Run
 Jones Mill Run
 Kimberly Run
 Kooser Lake
 Kooser Run
 Laurel Hill Creek
 Little Piney Creek
 McClintock Run
 Middle Creek
 Miller Run
 Piney Creek
 Piney Run

Raystown Branch Juniata River
 Shafer Run
 Shaffers Run
 South Fork Bens Creek
 Stonycreek River (from Yonai Road (T-515) Bridge downstream to railroad retaining wall 0.25 mile downstream of Covered Bridge Road (T-565)

Tub Mill Run
 Whites Creek
 Wills Creek

WASHINGTON:

Aunt Clara Fork
 Dutch Fork
 Dutch Fork Lake
 Enlow Fork
 Kings Creek
 Little Chartiers Creek
 Millers Run
 Mingo Creek
 Pike Run
 Templeton Fork
 Tenmile Creek (from SR 0018 downstream to SR 0019)

WESTMORELAND:

● Donegal Lake
 Fourmile Run
 Hannas Run
 Hendricks Creek
 Indian Creek (from the SR 381 bridge in Jones Mill downstream to Mill Run Reservoir)
 Indian Lake
 Jacobs Creek (from Acme Dam downstream to Bridgeport Dam)

Linn Run

Loyalhanna Creek (from Zimmerman Run downstream to SR 981) except in Keystone Select Stocked Trout Waters program or Delayed Harvest portions
 Mammoth Lake
 Mill Creek
 Sewickley Creek
 Shannon Run
 Tubmill Creek
 Turtle Creek

STOCKED TROUT WATERS OPEN TO YEAR-ROUND FISHING

ALLEGHENY:

North Park Lake
ARMSTRONG:
 Mahoning Creek (Mahoning Creek Dam outflow downstream to the confluence of Pine Run)

BEAVER:

Bradys Run Lake
 Main Lake (Raccoon Lake)

FAYETTE:

Dunlap Creek Lake
FAYETTE/SOMERSET:
 Youghiogheny River (from the lake downstream to the confluence of the Casselman River)

INDIANA:

Cummings Reservoir (Blue Spruce Lake)

SOMERSET:

Blue Hole Creek (from confluence with Garys Run downstream to mouth)
 Fall Creek (from confluence with Ansell Run downstream to mouth)
 Laurel Hill Lake

WASHINGTON:

Canonsburg Lake
WESTMORELAND:
 Keystone Lake
 Northmoreland Lake
 Twin Lakes Number One Reservoir (Lower Twin Lake)
 Twin Lakes Number Two Reservoir (Upper Twin Lake)

CATCH AND RELEASE FLY-FISHING ONLY

FAYETTE:

Dunbar Creek – 4.22 miles; from the confluence of Glade Run downstream to the stone quarry along SR 1055

INDIANA:

Little Mahoning Creek – 3.6 miles; from Oberlin Road Bridge abutments upstream of SR 1041 Bridge upstream to Cesna Run

SOMERSET:

Clear Shade Creek – 1 mile; from the cable at Windber Water Dam upstream

CATCH AND RELEASE ALL TACKLE

CAMBRIA/INDIANA:

West Branch Susquehanna River – 26.1 miles; (from outflow of AMD treatment plant near Watkins downstream to confluence of Cush Creek near Dowler Junction)

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FAYETTE/SOMERSET:

Youghiogheny River – 9.16 miles; from the confluence with Ramcat Run downstream to the Route 381 bridge at Ohiopyle

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ALLEGHENY:

Deer Creek – 1.9 miles; from the SR 0910 Bridge at T-678 intersection downstream to the lower boundary of Rose Ridge Golf Course
 Pine Creek – 1.4 miles; from the abandoned railroad bridge near the T-575 and Duncan Ave. intersection downstream to 150 yards downstream of the SR 4019 bridge
 Bull Creek – 1.0 mile; from the first bridge on T-721 (above the T-721 and T-719 intersection) downstream to the T-721 bridge in Millerstown

ARMSTRONG/BUTLER:

Buffalo Creek – 3.7 miles; from Little Buffalo Run downstream to 0.6 mile above SR 4035 in Craigsville

CAMBRIA:

Chest Creek – 2.5 miles; Ridge Avenue downstream to Thomas Mills Road

FAYETTE:

Meadow Run – 2.2 miles; from the SR 2011 bridge (Dinner Bell Road) adjacent to the Ohiopyle St. Park office downstream to mouth

SOMERSET:

Laurel Hill Creek – 2.33 miles; from 200 yards downstream of the T-364 (Countryman Bridge) downstream to the T-364 Bridge upstream of Laurel Hill Lake

Laurel Hill Creek – 1.26 miles; from the footbridge on State Game Lands #111 Road in Humbert downstream to Paddytown Hollow Run

WASHINGTON:

Dutch Fork – 1.59 miles; from the first bridge (SR 0070) upstream of the Columbia Gas Compressor Station downstream to the Dutch Fork Lake backwaters at T-487 bridge just off SR 3001 (Lake Road)

Pike Run – 1.1 miles; from the confluence with the unnamed tributary upstream of the SR 2079 bridge downstream to the powerline crossing downstream of the SR 2036 bridge

WESTMORELAND:

Indian Creek – 1.6 miles; from the T-916 bridge downstream to the SR 0381 bridge.

Loyalhanna Creek – 1.67 miles; from SR 711 downstream to SR 2045 (Two Mile Run Road)

NORTHWEST REGION REGULATED TROUT WATERS

STOCKED TROUT WATERS

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BUTLER:

Bear Creek
 Bonnie Brook
 Buffalo Creek
 Connoquenessing Creek
 Complanter Run (county line to Moorehead Road (T-658))

Glade Run Lake
 Harbar Acres Lake
 Little Buffalo Run
 Little Connoquenessing Creek
 North Branch Slippery Rock Creek
 Silver Creek
 Slippery Rock Creek
 Thom Creek
CLARION:
 Beaver Creek

Canoe Creek
 Cathers Run
 Coon Creek
 East Sandy Creek
 Leatherwood Creek
 Mill Creek
 Piney Creek
 Redbank Creek (county line to confluence with Little Sandy Creek)
 Richey Run
 Toms Run

Turkey Run
CRAWFORD:
 Caldwell Creek
 Conneaut Creek (Dicksonburg Road (SR 4004) downstream to Missing Bridge (Pennside Road))
 East Branch Oil Creek (Clear Lake outflow downstream to mouth)
 Five-mile Creek

Little Sugar Creek
 McLaughlin Creek (T-890 Bridge downstream to mouth)
 Muddy Creek (T-794 downstream to SR 1033)
 North Deer Creek
 Oil Creek (confluence with Mosey Run near Lincolnville downstream to county line)
 Pine Creek

NORTHWEST/NORTHCENTRAL REGIONS

Sugar Creek (Center Road (T-549) downstream to county line)

Thompson Creek (SR 2031 downstream to mouth)

Woodcock Creek

ERIE:

Cascade Creek

Conneauttee Creek

Crooked Creek

East Basin Pond (Waterworks Ponds, Presque Isle State Park)

Elk Creek

French Creek (from the state line downstream to the confluence with West Branch French Creek)

Lake Pleasant

South Branch French Creek

Twentymile Creek

Upper Gravel Pit

West Basin Pond (Waterworks Ponds, Presque Isle State Park)

FOREST:

Beaver Run

Bluejay Creek

Coon Creek

East Hickory Creek

Little Hickory Run

Maple Creek

Queen Creek

Ross Run

Salmon Creek

South Branch

Tionesta Creek

Spring Creek

The Branch

Tionesta Creek (county line downstream to Kellettsville Bridge)

Toms Run

West Branch

Millstone Creek

West Hickory Creek

LAWRENCE:

Bessemer Lake

Big Run

Deer Creek

Hickory Run

Honey Creek

Little Neshannock

Creek

Neshannock Creek

North Fork Little

Beaver Creek

Slippery Rock Creek

(county line

downstream to

Heinz Camp lower

property line)

Taylor Run

MERCER:

Buhl Lake

Cool Spring Creek

Little Neshannock Creek

Little Shenango River

Mill Creek (trib to Cool Spring Creek)

Neshannock Creek (SR 0058

at Mercer downstream to

county line)

North Deer Creek

Pine Run

Sandy Creek (SR 173 Bridge downstream to county line)

West Branch Little

Neshannock Creek

Wolf Creek

VENANGO:

East Branch Sugar Creek

East Sandy Creek

Hemlock Creek

Horse Creek

Little Sandy Creek

Little Scrubgrass Creek

Little Sugar Creek

Lower Twomile Run

Mill Creek

Oil Creek (county line downstream to SR 0008

Bridge at Rynd Farm)

Pine Run

Pithole Creek

Prather Creek

Richey Run

Sandy Creek (county line downstream to SR 3013

(old Route 8) Bridge in

Pecan)

Sugar Creek

Twomile Run (Upper

Twomile Run)

West Pithole Creek

WARREN:

Blue Eye Run

Brokenstraw Creek

Browns Run

Caldwell Creek

East Branch Spring Creek

East Branch Tionesta Creek

East Hickory Creek

Farnsworth Branch

Fourmile Run

Hemlock Run

Jackson Run

Little Brokenstraw Creek

Perry Magee Run

Pine Creek

Queen Creek

Sixmile Run

South Branch Tionesta Creek

Spring Creek

Thompson Run

Tidioute Creek

Tionesta Creek

Twomile Run

West Branch Caldwell Creek

West Branch Tionesta Creek

West Hickory Creek

STOCKED TROUT WATERS OPEN TO YEAR-ROUND FISHING FOREST:

Tionesta Creek (from Tionesta

Dam outflow downstream)

LAWRENCE:

Cascade Quarry

MERCER:

Shenango River (Hamburg Road Bridge in New Hamburg to pipeline crossing upstream

of Big Bend access area)

VENANGO:

Two Mile Run Reservoir

(Justus Lake)

CATCH AND RELEASE ARTIFICIAL LURES ONLY

WARREN:

West Branch Caldwell Creek—2.75 miles; West Branch Bridge upstream to Three Bridge Run

CATCH AND RELEASE FLY-FISHING ONLY

LAWRENCE:

Slippery Rock Creek—0.5 mile; from Heinz Camp property downstream to 0.25 mile below SR 2022 Bridge

VENANGO:

Little Sandy Creek—1.3 miles; from the old bridge at Polk Center Pump House downstream to the bridge on Savannah Road (SR 3024)

WARREN:

Caldwell Creek—1.49 miles; from Selkirk highway bridge downstream to approximately 0.5 miles upstream of the Dotyville Bridge

DELAYED HARVEST ARTIFICIAL LURES ONLY

CLARION:

Piney Creek—1.2 miles; SR 2016 bridge downstream to 0.2 mile upstream of the SR 0066 bridge

FOREST:

East Hickory Creek—1.7 miles; from the Queen Creek Bridge downstream to the Otter Creek Bridge

LAWRENCE:

Neshannock Creek—2.67 miles; from the base of the Mill Dam in Volant downstream to the covered bridge on T-476

MERCER:

Cool Spring Creek—1.18 miles; from SR 2014 bridge upstream to the abandoned railroad grade

VENANGO:

Oil Creek—1.55 miles; from bridge at Petroleum Center downstream to railroad bridge at Columbia Farm

Oil Creek—1.0 mile; from the two green posts near the Drake Well Museum downstream to Oil Creek State Park hiking trail bridge

NORTHCENTRAL REGION REGULATED TROUT WATERS

STOCKED TROUT WATERS

**OPENING DAY:
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NORTHUMBERLAND:

Mahantango Creek

SNYDER

West Branch Mahantango Creek

CAMERON:

Clear Creek

Driftwood Branch

Sinnemahoning Creek

East Branch Cowley Run

First Fork Sinnemahoning Creek

Hicks Run

Mix Run

North Creek

Sinnemahoning Portage Creek

West Branch Cowley Run

West Branch Hicks Run

Wykoff Run

CENTRE:

Bald Eagle Creek (T-305 near Port Matilda downstream to the confluence with Spring Creek)

● Bald Eagle Creek (from the confluence with Spring Creek near SR 144 bridge downstream to the inlet of Sayers Lake near the Boggs-Howard Township line)

Big Poe Creek

Black Moshannon Creek

Cold Stream (from outflow of Cold Stream Dam upstream 1.0 mile to the power line crossing)

Cold Stream Dam

Eddy Lick Run

Little Fishing Creek (SR 0064 Bridge near Hublersburg downstream to county line)

Marsh Creek

Mountain Branch

● Penns Creek (SR 0045 Bridge in Spring Mills downstream to

confluence with Elk Creek)

Pine Creek (Stony Run Road Bridge downstream to first bridge on Pine Creek Road)

Poe Lake

Seven Mountains Boy Scout Pond

Sinking Creek

Sixmile Run

South Fork Beech Creek

Wallace Run

White Deer Creek

Wolf Run

CLEARFIELD:

Anderson Creek

Bennett Branch Sinnemahoning Creek

Chest Creek

Curry Run

East Branch Mahoning Creek (confluence with Beech Run downstream to county line)

Gazzam Run

Gifford Run

Goss Run Dam

Juniata Lake (Tannery Dam)

Laborde Branch

Laurel Run (tributary to Bennett Branch Sinnemahoning Creek)

Laurel Run (tributary to East Branch Mahoning Creek)

Little Clearfield Creek

Little Muddy Run

Medix Run

Moose Creek

North Witmer Run

NORTHCENTRAL REGION TROUT WATERS

Parker Lake
 Shaggers Inn Pond
 South Witmer Run
 Wilson Run
 Wolf Run (county line to mouth)
CLINTON:
 Baker Run
 Cooks Run
 ● Fishing Creek (confluence with Cedar Run downstream to mouth)
 Hyner Run
 Kettle Creek (county line downstream to Owl Hollow)
 Left Branch Young Womans Creek
 Little Fishing Creek
 Young Womans Creek
ELK:
 Bear Creek
 Belmouth Run
 Bennett Branch
 Sinnemahoning Creek
 Big Mill Creek
 Boggy Run
 Bynes Run
 Crooked Creek
 Dents Run (Hodag Trail crossing downstream to mouth)
 East Branch Clarion River
 East Branch Millstone Creek
 East Branch Spring Creek
 Elk Creek
 Hicks Run
 Hoffman Run
 Laurel Run Reservoir
 Little Toby Creek
 Maxwell Run
 Mead Run
 Medix Run
 Millstone Creek
 Mix Run
 Powers Run
 Ridgway Reservoir
 Rocky Run
 Spring Creek
 Twin Lakes
 West Branch Clarion River
 West Branch Hicks Run
 West Branch Millstone Creek
 Wilson Run
 Wolf Run
JEFFERSON:
 Big Run (trib to Little Sandy Creek)
 Big Run (trib to Mahoning Creek)
 Callen Run
 Canoe Creek
 Cathers Run
 Clear Creek
 Clear Run
 Cloe Lake

East Branch Mahoning Creek
 Fivemile Run
 (trib to Sandy Lick Creek)
 Laurel Run (trib to East Branch Mahoning Creek)
 Little Sandy Creek
 Little Toby Creek
 Mill Creek (trib to Clarion River)
 Mill Creek (trib to Sandy Lick Creek)
 North Fork Redbank Creek
 Pekin Run
 Rattlesnake Creek
 Rattlesnake Run
 Redbank Creek
 Sandy Lick Creek
 Walburn Run
 Wolf Run
LYCOMING:
 Hoagland Run
 Larrys Creek (first SR 973 bridge upstream of Salladasburg downstream to 0.2 miles downstream Old Forge Road)
 Little Bear Creek
 Little Muncy Creek (SR 0118 Bridge downstream to confluence with Big Run)
 Little Pine Creek
 Loyalsock Creek (county line downstream to SR 0973)
 Lycoming Creek (confluence with Roaring Branch downstream to confluence with Hoagland Run)
 Mill Creek (Warrensville) (0.5 mile upstream of T-846 Bridge downstream to SR 2039 Bridge downstream of Warrensville)
 Muncy Creek (county line downstream to confluence with Little Muncy Creek)
 Pleasant Stream
 Rock Run (trib to Lycoming Creek)
 Spring Creek
 White Deer Hole Creek
MCKEAN:
 Allegheny River (county line downstream to confluence with Allegheny Portage Creek)
 Bell Run
 Bradford City Number Three Reservoir
 Brewer Run
 Chappel Fork
 Combs Creek
 East Branch Tionesta Creek
 Hamlin Lake
 Havens Run
 Kinzua Creek
 Marvin Creek
 North Branch Sugar Run

Potato Creek (confluence of East Branch Potato Creek and Havens Run downstream to confluence with Marvin Creek)
 Red Mill Brook
 Sartwell Creek (county line to mouth)
 Sevenmile Run
 Skinner Creek
 South Branch Kinzua Creek
 Sugar Run
 Twomile Run
 West Branch Clarion River
 West Branch Potato Creek
 Willow Creek
MONTOUR:
 Mahoning Creek (from SR 0054 to the mouth)
 Mause Creek
 Roaring Creek
NORTHUMBERLAND:
 Little Shamokin Creek
 Schwaben Creek
 South Branch Roaring Creek
 Zerbe Run Rod & Gun Club Pond
POTTER:
 Allegheny River
 Bailey Run
 Bell Run
 Cowanesque River
 East Branch Cowley Run
 East Branch Fishing Creek
 East Fork Sinnemahoning Creek (Mud Lick Run downstream to mouth)
 Elevenmile Creek
 First Fork Sinnemahoning Creek
 Fishing Creek
 Freeman Run
 Genesee River
 Kettle Creek
 Little Kettle Creek
 Lyman Run
 Lyman Run Reservoir
 Middle Branch Genesee River
 Oswayo Creek (confluence with Clara Creek downstream to Sharon Center Bridge (T-372))
 Pine Creek
 South Branch Oswayo Creek
 South Woods Branch
 West Branch Cowley Run
 West Branch Genesee River
 West Branch Pine Creek
SNYDER:
 Kern Run
 Middle Creek (headwaters downstream to 0.5 mile downstream of SR 0522 Bridge at Middleburg)
 North Branch Mahantango Creek
 North Branch Middle Creek

South Branch Middle Creek
 Swift Run
TIOGA:
 Asaph Run
 Corey Creek
 Cowanesque River (county line downstream to confluence with Troupes Creek)
 Crooked Creek
 East Branch Stony Fork
 Long Run (trib to Pine Creek)
 Marsh Creek (SR 3024 downstream to mouth)
 Mill Creek
 Pine Creek
 Stony Fork
 Tioga River (county line downstream to confluence with Fall Brook)
UNION:
 Buffalo Creek (T-366 Bridge downstream to confluence with Rapid Run)
 Halfway Lake
 Laurel Run
 North Branch Buffalo Creek
 Penns Creek (downstream extent of the island near the end of Jolly Grove Lane downstream to Creek Road near the intersection of Libby Road)
 Rapid Run
 Spring Creek
 Spruce Run
 White Deer Creek (from Cooper Mill bridge to mouth)
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CAMERON:
 George B. Stevenson Reservoir
 West Creek
CLEARFIELD:
 West Branch Susquehanna River (SR 1001 Bridge near Hyde to first Railroad Bridge downstream of the confluence with Moose Creek)
 West Branch Susquehanna River (confluence with Anderson Creek to SR 2024 crossing at Porters Bridge)
CLINTON:
 Kettle Creek Lake
ELK:
 Straight Creek
 West Creek (SR 1008 at Rathbun downstream to SR 3001 at Howard Siding)
LYCOMING:
 Little Pine Lake

Pine Creek (from confluence with Bonnell Run at DCNR Clark Farm Access Area downstream to the confluence with Little Pine Creek)
LYCOMING/TIOGA:
 Pine Creek (from SR 0414 bridge in Blackwell downstream to the confluence with Slate Run)
MCKEAN:
 Meade Run
TIOGA:
 Beechwood Lake
 Hamilton Lake
CATCH AND RELEASE ARTIFICIAL LURES ONLY
CAMERON:
 Hunts Run— 4.7 miles; from confluence with McNuff Branch downstream to the mouth
CLINTON:
 Fishing Creek— 2.0 miles; from State Game Lands #295 boundary (located 300 yards downstream of the upstream SR 2002 bridge) downstream to a point 1.3 miles upstream of the lower SR 2002 bridge
 Rauchtown Creek— 1.12 miles; from the confluence of Rockey Run and Krape Run downstream to the SR 0880 crossing upstream of the Ravensburg St. Park Picnic Area.
 Young Womans Creek — 5.7 miles; from the Beechwood Trail downstream to a point .7 mile upstream of the confluence with the Left Branch Young Womans Creek
LYCOMING:
 Grays Run— 2.2 miles; from the Grays Run Hunting Club property line downstream to the concrete bridge on T-842 (Grays Run Road) at the old CCC camp
MIFFLIN/UNION:
 Penns Creek— 7.45 miles; from approximately 600 meters downstream of Swift Run downstream to the downstream extent of the island near the end of Jolly Grove Lane
POTTER:
 Cross Fork— 5.02 miles; from Bear Trap Lodge downstream to the Weed property located 0.2 miles downstream of the T-416 bridge

NORTHCENTRAL/NORTHEAST REGIONS

UNION:

Cherry Run—2.7 miles; from the mouth upstream a distance of 2.7 miles

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CAMERON:

Driftwood Branch
Sinnemahoning Creek—1.55 miles; from the Shippen Township Building downstream to 330 yards upstream of the SR 0120 Bridge near Emporium

CENTRE:

Spring Creek (Fisherman's Paradise)—1.3 miles; from a point adjacent to the Stackhouse School Pistol Range downstream to the lower Bellefonte Hatchery grounds

ELK:

West Branch Clarion River—0.68 mile; from intersection of SR 219 and SR 4003 upstream to the former Texas Gulf Sulphur property line 0.6 miles upstream of SR 4003 bridge

JEFFERSON:

North Fork Redbank Creek—1.9 miles; from SR 322 in Brookville upstream 1.9 miles, except a 110-yard section from the Brookville Water Authority Dam downstream to the wire across the creek

LYCOMING/TIOGA:

Slate Run—7.13 miles; from the confluence of the Cushman and Francis branches downstream to the mouth

McKEAN:

Marvin Creek—0.9 miles; from the vicinity of the high voltage line 3 miles south of Smethport downstream for a distance of 0.9 miles

POTTER:

Kettle Creek—1.7 miles; from a sign located 500 feet downstream of the SR 0144 bridge to a sign located 1.7 miles upstream of the lower boundary

TIOGA:

Francis Branch Tributary to Slate Run—1.7 miles; from mouth upstream to Kramer Hollow

UNION:

White Deer Creek—3.16 miles; from Cooper Mill Road upstream to Union/Centre County line

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CLEARFIELD:

West Branch Susquehanna River—26.1 miles; from outflow of AMD treatment plant near Watkins downstream to confluence of Cush Creek near Dowler Junction

CENTRE:

Spring Creek—16.22 miles; from the Boalsburg Road Bridge (SR 3010) at Oak Hall upstream of Hanson Quarry (formerly HRI/Neidig Bros. Quarry) downstream to the mouth with the exception of special regulations area at Fisherman's Paradise and the Exhibition Area in Bellefonte

ELK:

Clarion River—8.48 miles; from the confluence of the East and West branches downstream to the Main St. Bridge (SR 948) in Ridgway

LYCOMING:

Pine Creek—2.88 miles; from the confluence with Slate Run downstream to the confluence with Bonnell Run at DCNR Clark Farm Access Area

POTTER/TIOGA:

Upper Kettle Creek basin—28.3 miles; Kettle Creek from the headwaters downstream to the confluence with Long Run and all tributaries including Long Run upstream to the headwaters

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CENTRE:

Lick Run—2.5 miles; from the headwaters to the mouth

CLINTON:

Fishing Creek—1.18 miles; from the private lane bridge at the Tylersville State Fish Hatchery downstream to the State Game Lands #295 boundary (located 300 yards downstream of the upstream SR 2002 bridge) and 2.1 miles; from a point 1.3 miles upstream of the lower SR 2002 bridge downstream to Fleming's Bridge (SR 2004) at the Lamar Fish Hatchery

LYCOMING/TIOGA:

Cedar Run—7.44 miles; from the confluence with Buck Run downstream to the mouth

McKEAN:

East Branch Tunungwant Creek—3.0 miles; from the confluence with Pigeon Run downstream to the Main Street Bridge in Lewis Run

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CENTRE:

Black Moshannon Creek—1.3 miles; from Dry Hollow downstream to 0.3 mile downstream of the Huckleberry Road bridge

CLEARFIELD:

Little Clearfield Creek—1.1 miles; from 0.4 miles downstream of the T-584 Bridge downstream to 0.2 miles upstream of the SR 2023 (Turkey Hill) Bridge
Sandy Lick Creek—1.71 miles; from the mouth of Laborde Branch downstream to the SR 219 bridge

ELK:

Big Mill Creek—1.5 miles; from the confluence of Rocky Run downstream to 0.3 mile downstream of the Allegheny National Forest, Forest Road, 135 Bridge

East Branch Clarion River—1.15 miles; from 110 yards downstream of the outflow from East Branch Clarion River Lake downstream to the State Gameland boundary 1.15 miles downstream of the upstream limit

LYCOMING:

Little Pine Creek—3.9 miles; Little Pine Creek Road bridge located 1.0 mile upstream Otter Run downstream to inflow of Little Pine Lake

Loyalsock Creek—3.8 miles; 1.0 mile upstream Sullivan County line downstream to unnamed tributary located 0.9 mile upstream of Plunketts Creek

Lycorning Creek—3.0 miles; 0.5 mile upstream Daugherty Run downstream to 0.1 mile downstream of the SR 0015 bridge (Old Route 15) near Haleeka

Muncy Creek—1.1 miles; 0.3 mile upstream T-650 bridge downstream to Big Run

McKEAN:

Kinzua Creek—5.04 miles; from Guffey Road Bridge (Rocky Road) downstream to Westline Road Bridge
West Branch Tunungwant Creek—1.2 miles; from T-499 bridge downstream to pipeline crossing near confluence of Gates Hollow

POTTER:

Allegheny River—2.7 miles; from Pond Road 0.3 mile downstream of Colesburg downstream to ford 0.3 mile downstream of Prosser Hollow Bridge

First Fork Sinnemahoning Creek—3.9 miles; Rt 872 bridge at Schoolhouse Run downstream to Berge Run

SNYDER:

Middle Creek—2.6 miles; 0.3 mile upstream of Pine Swamp Road downstream to Covered Bridge Road

TIOGA:

Pine Creek—3.3 miles; Marsh Creek downstream to Bear Run

NORTHEAST REGION REGULATED TROUT WATERS

STOCKED TROUT WATERS

**OPENING DAY:
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CARBON:

Lizard Creek
Mahoning Creek

BRADFORD:

Gaylord Creek
Little Schrader Creek (confluence with Marsh Creek downstream to mouth)
North Branch Sugar Creek (Alparon Park Fairgrounds downstream to mouth)
Schrader Creek
South Branch Towanda Creek
South Creek
Sugar Creek (confluence with

South Branch Sugar Creek downstream to SR 0006 in East Troy)
Sunfish Pond
Towanda Creek (South Ave., T-998 downstream to SR 3001 Bridge)
Tuscarora Creek
Wysox Creek

CARBON:

Aquashicola Creek
Buckwha Creek
Drakes Creek
Hickory Run (outlet of Hickory Run Lake downstream to Saylorville Dam)

Hickory Run Lake
Lehigh Canal (Long Run Level near Weissport)
Mauch Chunk Creek (outlet Mauch Chunk Lake downstream to upstream face of Lentz Trail (SR 3012) bridge)
Nesquehoning Creek
● Pohopoco Creek (outlet of Beltzville Lake downstream to Hideaway Hunting and Fishing Club cable across the creek)
Sand Spring Run

COLUMBIA:

Beaver Run (Moyers Farm downstream to mouth)
Briar Creek
Fishing Creek (SR 4049 downstream to Light Street)
Huntington Creek (Forks Farm downstream to Twin Bridges Park)
Little Fishing Creek (Talmar Road (SR 4032) downstream to Eyers Grove Road (SR 4021))
Mugser Run
Pine Creek
Roaring Creek
Scotch Run

South Branch Roaring Creek
 West Branch Briar Creek
 West Creek
LACKAWANNA:
 Aylesworth Creek Lake
 Desandis Pond
 Eston Wilson Lake
 Gardner Creek
 Lackawanna River (from Old Stillwater Reservoir downstream to Simpson)
 Lehigh River
 Merli-Sarnoski Park Lake
 Roaring Brook
 South Branch Tunkhannock Creek
 West Branch Wallenpaupack Creek
LUZERNE:
 Big Wapwalopen Creek (Nuangola Road (SR 2042) downstream to county road)
 Harvey's Creek
 Kitchen Creek (Shady Hill Road (T-559) downstream to mouth)
 Lake Frances
 Nescopeck Creek
 Pine Creek
MONROE:
 Brodhead Creek (0.57 mile upstream North 5th Street Bridge downstream to SR 0080 Bridge east of Exit 309)
 Buckwha Creek
 Bush Kill
 Lehigh River
 McMichael Creek
 Pocono Creek (Flagler Run downstream to McMichael Creek)
 Princess Run
 Snow Hill Dam
 Tobyhanna Creek
 Tobyhanna Lake
PIKE:
 Bush Kill
 Decker Brook (SR 0006 Bridge downstream to lower SGL #183 boundary)
 Fairview Lake
 Lackawaxen River (county line downstream to mouth)
 Lake Loch Lomond
 Lake Minisink
 Little Bush Kill (lower limit of Lehman Lake club property downstream to upper limit of Bushkill Rod & Gun Club property and Bushkill Falls boundary downstream to mouth)

Lower Lake (Lower Promised Land Lake, including outlet from Upper Lake)
 Masthope Creek (Upper SGL #316 boundary downstream to lower SGL #316 boundary)
 Middle Branch Bush Kill
 Saw Creek (Bushkill Falls Road (SR 2003) downstream to State Forest boundary downstream of Whitaker Road (T-324))
 Shohola Creek (SR 0739 downstream to the SGL #180 ford crossing)
 Shohola Creek (from the outlet of Shohola Lake downstream to lower boundary of SGL #180)
SULLIVAN:
 Elk Creek
 Hoagland Branch (confluence with Porter Creek downstream to mouth)
 Kings Creek (intersection of Tall Maple Road (T-395) and SR 4008 downstream to mouth)
 Little Loyalsock Creek (SR 0087 Bridge south of Dushore downstream to the confluence with Big Bottom Run)
 Loyalsock Creek
 Mill Creek (Hillsgrove)
 Muncy Creek
 North Branch Mehoopany Creek
 Schrader Creek
 West Branch Fishing Creek
SUSQUEHANNA:
 Canawacta Creek
 East Branch Tunkhannock Creek
 East Branch Wyalusing Creek
 Fall Brook
 Gaylord Creek
 Horton Creek
 Lackawanna River
 Martins Creek
 Meshoppen Creek
 North Branch Wyalusing Creek
 Riley Creek
 Salt Lick Creek
 Silver Creek
 Snake Creek
 South Branch Canawacta Creek
 Starrucca Creek
 Tunkhannock Creek
 West Branch Meshoppen Creek (White Creek)
WAYNE:
 Dyberry Creek
 East Branch Dyberry Creek
 Equinunk Creek
 Jones Creek
 Lackawanna River
 Lackawaxen River
 Long Pond
 Rose Pond Branch
 Shehawken Creek

Van Auken Creek
 West Branch Dyberry Creek
 West Branch Lackawaxen River (from outflow of Prompton Reservoir to mouth)
 West Branch Wallenpaupack Creek
WYOMING:
 Bowman Creek
 Horton Creek
 Leonard Creek
 Martins Creek
 Mehoopany Creek
 Meshoppen Creek
 North Branch Mehoopany Creek
 Oxbow Lake
 Riley Creek
 South Branch Tunkhannock Creek
 Tuscarora Creek
 West Branch Meshoppen Creek (White Creek)

STOCKED TROUT WATERS OPEN TO YEAR-ROUND FISHING

BRADFORD:
 Cooks Pond
 Mountain Lake
 Sugar Run
CARBON:
 Lehigh River (0.33 miles upriver from railroad bridge at Glenn Onoko downriver to Mauch Chunk Creek)
CARBON/LUZERNE:
 Francis E. Walter Reservoir (Bear Creek Reservoir)
 Lehigh River (Carbon/Luzerne county line from outlet of F. E. Walter Reservoir downstream to confluence with Sandy Run)
COLUMBIA:
 Briar Creek Lake
LACKAWANNA:
 Lackawanna Lake
LUZERNE:
 Frances Slocum Lake
 Harvey's Lake (see miscellaneous special regulations on [page 16](#))
 Lake Irena
 Lake Took A White (Riverlands)
 Lily Lake
 Moon Lake
 Sylvan Lake
MONROE:
 Hidden Lake
PIKE:
 ● Lily Pond
 ● Little Mud Pond
SULLIVAN:
 Hunters Lake

SUSQUEHANNA:
 Quaker Lake
WAYNE:
 Duck Harbor Pond
 Upper Woods Pond
WYOMING:
 Lake Winola
 Mehoopany Creek (from confluence with Kasson Brook downstream to confluence of North Fork Mehoopany Creek)

CATCH AND RELEASE ARTIFICIAL LURES ONLY

CARBON:
 Hickory Run—3.12 miles; from the outlet of Saylorville Dam downstream to the mouth
LACKAWANNA:
 Roaring Brook—3.84 miles; from Hollisterville Dam downstream to Elmhurst Reservoir
PIKE:
 Toms Creek—2.17 miles; from the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area boundary downstream to the mouth

CATCH AND RELEASE FLY-FISHING ONLY

MONROE:
 Bush Kill—6.1 miles; on the Resica Falls Scout Reservation property except 200 yards on each side of the falls
WAYNE:
 Dyberry Creek—0.87 mile; from 300 meters (.19 mile) downstream from the third bridge on Dug Rd. (SR 4009) upstream of the mouth, downstream to the second bridge on Dug Rd. (SR 4009) upstream from the mouth
WYOMING:
 Bowman Creek—0.8 mile; from SR 0292 downstream to Marsh Creek

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LACKAWANNA:
 Lackawanna River—4.9 miles; from the Gilmartin Street Bridge in Archbald downstream to the Lackawanna Avenue Bridge (SR 0347) in Olyphant. Excepted is a mid-section area extending .7 mile from the Depot Street Bridge in Jessup downstream to the foot bridge in Robert Mellow Park

DELAYED HARVEST ARTIFICIAL LURES ONLY

BRADFORD:
 Towanda Creek—1.7 miles; from SR 3001 downstream to Con's Road (T-350)
CARBON:
 Mud Run—2.5 miles; in Hickory Run State Park
LACKAWANNA/WYOMING:
 South Branch Tunkhannock Creek—.99 mile; from SR 6 downstream through Keystone College campus

LUZERNE:
 Harveys Creek—1.7 miles; from Jackson Road (T-812) downstream to Pavlick Road (T-497)
 Nescopeck Creek—2.24 miles; from the upstream boundary of State Game Lands #187 downstream to a cable across the stream

MONROE:
 McMichael Creek—2.42 miles; 0.13 km downstream from the Turkey Hill Road (T-416) Bridge downstream to Glenbrook Rd. (SR 2004) Bridge

Tobyhanna Creek—1 mile; from the confluence of Still Swamp Run, downstream to the PPL service bridge

PIKE:
 Dingmans Creek—1.56 miles; from the base of Deer Leap Falls downstream to Dingmans Falls

SUSQUEHANNA:
 Salt Lick Creek—1.45 miles; from 90 yards downstream from Beaver Creek downstream to boundary of State Game Lands #35

WAYNE:
 West Branch Wallenpaupack Creek—1.74 miles; from 0.6 miles downstream from the Jones Creek confluence downstream to the Callapoosie Rd. (SR 3009) bridge

An explanation of each trout regulation is on pages 20 and 21.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY 2020 FISH CONSUMPTION

HEALTH BENEFITS OF EATING FISH

Fish are nutritious and good to eat. Fish are low in fat, high in protein and provide substantial human health benefits. Fish provide valuable vitamins and minerals and beneficial oils that are low in saturated fat. Omega-3 fatty acids found in fish are also beneficial, particularly in terms of cardiovascular health. The Federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA) recommends that consumers eat a balanced diet, choosing a variety of foods including fruits and vegetables, foods that are low in trans fat and saturated fat, as well as foods rich in high fiber grains and nutrients. A diet that includes a variety of fish and shellfish can be an important part of a balanced healthy diet. The U.S. FDA, EPA, the American Heart Association and other nutrition experts recommend eating two meals (12 oz.) of fish per week. Following these advisories means that you should feel comfortable making one of those meals (up to 8 oz.) a recreationally caught Pennsylvania sport fish.

CONTAMINANTS IN FISH

While most recreationally caught sport fish in Pennsylvania are safe to eat, chemicals such as mercury and PCBs have been found in some fish from certain waters. While the levels of these unavoidable chemical contaminants are usually low, they could potentially be a health concern to pregnant and breast-feeding women, women of childbearing age, children and individuals whose diet consists of a high percentage of fish.

Long lasting contaminants such as PCBs, chlordane and mercury build up in your body over time. It may take months or years of regularly eating contaminated fish to build up amounts that are a health concern. Health problems that may result from the contaminants found in fish range from small changes in health that are hard to detect to birth defects and cancer. Mothers who eat highly contaminated fish for many years before becoming pregnant may have children who are slower to develop and learn. The meal advice in this advisory is intended to protect children from these potential developmental problems. Adults are less likely to have health problems at the low levels that affect children. If you follow this advisory over your lifetime, you will minimize your exposure and reduce health risks associated with contaminants in fish.

INTRODUCTION TO FISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORIES

It is important to note that we are not recommending that you stop eating sport caught fish, except where "Do Not Eat" is shown in the advisory listing. When properly prepared, eating fish regularly offers important health benefits as a good choice to replace high fat foods. You will gain those benefits if you follow the sport fish consumption advisory carefully to: choose safer places to fish; pick safer species to eat; trim and cook your catch correctly; and follow the recommended meal frequencies. Using this advice, you will reduce your exposure to possible contaminants.

Consumption advisories provide guidance to individuals or segments of the population that are at greater risk from exposure to contaminants in fish. Advisories are not regulatory standards but are recommendations intended to provide additional information of particular interest to high-risk groups. These advisories apply only to recreationally caught sport fish in Pennsylvania, not commercial fish. The federal Food and Drug Administration establishes the legal standards for contaminants in food sold commercially, including fish.

STATEWIDE ADVISORY

Pennsylvania has issued a general, statewide health advisory for recreationally caught sport fish. That advice

is that you eat no more than one meal (½ pound) per week of sport fish caught in the state's waterways. This general advice was issued to protect against eating large amounts of fish that have not been tested or that may contain unidentified contaminants.

HOW TO USE THIS ADVISORY

Follow the general, statewide one meal per week advisory to limit your exposure to contaminants. To determine if more protective advice applies to the fish you have caught, find the locations and species of fish you've caught in the tables that follow. Find the meal advice for the fish you've caught. "Do Not Eat" means no one should eat those fish because of very high contamination. The other groups ("Two meals a Month", "One Meal a Month", "One Meal Every Two Months") are advice for how often to eat a fish meal.

One meal is assumed to be ½ pound of fish (8 oz. before cooking) for a 150-pound person. The meal advice is equally protective for larger people who eat larger meals and smaller people who eat smaller meals.

People who regularly eat sport fish, women of childbearing age and children are particularly susceptible to contaminants that build up over time. If you fall into one of these categories, you should be especially careful to space fish meals out according to the advisory tables that follow. Your body can get rid of some contaminants over time. Spacing the meals out helps prevent the contaminants from building up to harmful levels in the body. For example, if the fish you eat is in the "One Meal a Month Group", wait a month before eating another meal of fish from any restricted category.

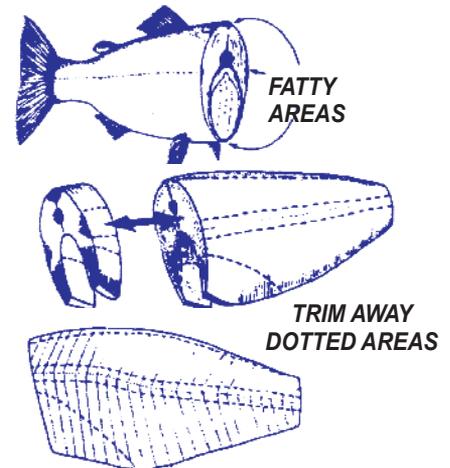
Women beyond their childbearing years and men generally face fewer health risks from these contaminants. However, it is recommended that you also follow the advisory to reduce your total exposure to contaminants. For these groups, it is the total number of meals that you eat during the year that becomes important and many of those meals can be eaten during a few months of the year. If most of the fish you eat are from the "One Meal a Month" category, you should not exceed 12 meals per year.

Sometimes, anglers catch fish with external growths, sores or other lesions. Such abnormalities generally result from viral or bacterial infections and may occasionally be caused by exposure to certain chemical contaminants. The appearance of viral or bacterial infections in fish may be unsightly, but there is no evidence to suggest that these infections pose a threat to consumers of these fish. Whether or not to eat such fish is a matter of personal choice.

CLEANING AND COOKING YOUR FISH

PCBs and most other organic contaminants usually build up in a fish's fat deposits and just underneath the skin. By removing the skin and fat before cooking, you can reduce the levels of these chemicals. Mercury, however, collects in the fish's muscle and cannot be reduced by cleaning and cooking methods. To reduce PCBs and other organics:

- Remove all skin.
- Slice off fat belly meat along the bottom of the fish.
- Cut away any fat above the fish's backbone.
- Cut away the V-shaped wedge of fat along the lateral line on each side of the fish.
- Bake or broil trimmed fish on a rack or grill so some of the remaining fat drips away.
- Discard any drippings. Do not eat them or use them for cooking other foods or in preparing other sauces.



IMPORTANT: You must follow these cleaning and cooking directions. The meal advice is for eating skinned and trimmed fish.

Also remember that larger and older fish tend to collect more contaminants, and fatty fish (such as Channel Catfish, carp and eels) tend to collect PCBs and other organic chemicals. Therefore, eating smaller, younger fish and avoiding fatty species can help limit your exposure. Your exposure depends not only on levels in the fish, but also the amount of fish you eat. The consumption of any fish from contaminated waters is a matter of personal choice.

Trout stocked from Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission state fish hatcheries are subject to the blanket one-meal-per-week consumption advisory that applies to recreationally caught sport fish in Pennsylvania.

Snapping Turtle Consumption Advice: Snapping Turtle meat has been found to contain only small amounts of PCBs and is safe to eat without restrictions. Snapping Turtles do retain PCBs in their fat and internal organs. If you choose to eat Snapping Turtles, you can reduce your exposure by carefully trimming away all fat and internal organs and discarding them before cooking the meat or making soup.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The advisory listing was current at the time this summary went to press. Fish consumption advisories may have been issued or lifted since that time. Notice of such actions has been released to the public through press releases.

For further information or the most current advice, contact:

PA Department of Environmental Protection:
717-787-9637, website: www.dep.pa.gov.

Questions concerning current advisory listings, waters sampled, sampling methods.

PA Department of Health: 717-787-3550,
website: www.health.pa.gov.

Questions about effects of chemicals on human health.

Fish & Boat Commission: 814-359-5147,
website: www.fishandboat.com.

Questions about effects of chemicals on fisheries, current advisory listings.

2020 COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA FISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORIES

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DELAWARE RIVER BASIN

Water Body	Area Under Advisory	Species	Meal Frequency	Contaminant
Belmont Lake (Wayne Co.)	Entire lake	Rock Bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
Beltzville Lake (Beltzville State Park) (Carbon Co.)	Entire lake	Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
Brady's Lake (Monroe Co.)	Entire lake	Chain Pickerel	6 meals/year	Mercury
		Yellow Perch	1 meal/month	Mercury
Broadhead Creek (Monroe Co.)	Entire basin	Rock Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Bushkill Creek (Monroe & Pike Co.)	Entire basin	American Eel, All suckers	2 meals/month	Mercury
Chester Creek (Delaware & Chester Co.)	Confluence of West Branch Chester Ck. to mouth	● Channel Catfish, American Eel	2 meals/month	Mercury
Darby Creek (Delaware & Philadelphia Co.)	Entire basin	Channel Catfish	1 meal/month	PCB
Delaware River	Source to Trenton, NJ-Morrisville, PA bridge	Rock Bass, Walleye over 17"	2 meals/month	Mercury
		Smallmouth Bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
Delaware Estuary, including the tidal portion of all PA tributaries and the Schuylkill River to the Fairmount Dam (Bucks, Philadelphia & Delaware Co.)	Trenton, NJ-Morrisville, PA Bridge to PA/DE border	White Perch, Flathead Catfish, Channel Catfish	1 meal/month	PCB
		Striped Bass: over 28"	1 meal/month	PCB
		Carp	6 meals/year	PCB
		American Eel	Do Not Eat	PCB
Hickory Lake (Wayne Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lake Maskenozha (Pike Co.)	Entire lake	Yellow Perch	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lake Towhee (Bucks Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lake Wallenpaupack (Pike & Wayne Co.)	Entire lake	Walleye	1 meal/month	Mercury
Lehigh River (Northampton Co.)	Confluence of Saucon Creek to mouth	Carp, American Eel	1 meal/month	PCB
Little Bushkill Creek (Pike Co.)	Lake Maskenozha to mouth	American Eel	2 meals/month	Mercury
Little Neshaminy Creek (Bucks Co.)	Entire basin	Carp	1 meal/month	PCB
Long Pond (Wayne Co.)	Entire lake	Walleye	1 meal/month	Mercury
Marsh Creek Lake (Chester Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Miller Pond (Wayne Co.)	Entire lake	Chain Pickerel, Largemouth Bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
		Yellow Perch	2 meals/month	Mercury
Promised Land Lake (Promised Land State Park) (Pike Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Prompton Reservoir (West Branch Lackawaxen River) (Wayne Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
		Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
Red Clay Creek (Chester Co.)	Entire basin	All species	3 meals/year	PCB, DDT, Dioxins, Chlorinated-Pesticides
Schuylkill River (Schuylkill Co.)	Confluence of Mill Creek at Port Carbon to Auburn Dam	Trout	1 meal/month	PCB
Schuylkill River (Schuylkill & Berks Co.)	Confluence of Mahannon Creek at Landingville to Kernsville Dam	Brown Bullhead, All suckers	1 meal/month	PCB
Schuylkill River (Berks Co.)	Kernsville Dam to Maiden Creek	All suckers	1 meal/month	PCB
Schuylkill River (Berks, Chester & Montgomery Co.)	Confluence of Maiden Creek to Black Rock Dam above Phoenixville	All suckers	1 meal/month	PCB
		Carp, Channel Catfish	6 meals/year	PCB
Schuylkill River (Chester, Montgomery & Philadelphia Co.)	Black Rock Dam to Fairmount Dam in Philadelphia	Carp, American Eel, All suckers, Channel Catfish, Flathead Catfish, Corbicula (Asiatic clam*)	Do Not Eat	PCB
Schuylkill River (Berks, Chester, Montgomery & Philadelphia Co.)	Confluence of Maiden Creek to Fairmount Dam	American Eel	Do Not Eat	PCB
		All suckers	1 meal/month	PCB
Shohola Lake (Pike Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
Stairway Pond (Pike Co.)	Entire pond	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Tobyhanna Creek (Carbon & Monroe Co.)	Pocono Lake Dam to mouth	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
West Branch Brandywine Creek (Chester Co.)	From business Rt. 30 (Lincoln Highway) in Coatesville to confluence of Buck Run	American Eel	1 meal/month	PCB
West Branch Schuylkill River (Schuylkill Co.)	Entire basin	Brook Trout	1 meal/month	PCB
White Clay Creek (Chester Co.)	Entire basin	American Eel	2 meals/month	Mercury
White Oak Pond Lake (Wayne Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury

SUSQUEHANNA RIVER BASIN

* The harvest of live mussels and clams in Pennsylvania is prohibited.

Water Body	Area Under Advisory	Species	Meal Frequency	Contaminant
Beechwood Lake (Tioga Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Black Moshannon State Park Lake (Centre Co.)	Entire lake	● Chain Pickerel, Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Bearwallow Pond (Sullivan Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass, Chain Pickerel	2 meals/month	Mercury
Chemung River (Bradford Co.)	NY/PA border to mouth	Channel Catfish	2 meals/month	Mercury
		Smallmouth Bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
Conestoga River (Lancaster Co.)	Slackwater to mouth	Rock Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Cowanesque River and Reservoir (Tioga Co.)	Cowanesque River Mouth to PA/NY border	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
		Black Crappie, Yellow Perch, Largemouth Bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
● Elk Lake (Sullivan Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass, Chain Pickerel	2 meals/month	Mercury
First Fork Sinnemahoning Creek-George B. Stevenson Dam (Sinnemahoning State Park) (Cameron & Potter Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
First Fork Sinnemahoning Creek (Cameron Co.)	George B. Stevenson Dam to mouth	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Francis Slocum Lake (Luzerne Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Hunters Lake (Sullivan Co.)	Entire lake	All species	2 meals/month	Mercury
Jacks Creek (Mifflin Co.)	Paintersville Bridge to mouth	Bluegill, Rock Bass, Fallfish	1 meal/month	PCB
Kettle Creek Lake (Kettle Creek State Park) (Clinton Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass, Black Crappie, Yellow Perch	2 meals/month	Mercury
Kettle Creek (Clinton Co.)	Alvin R. Bush Dam to mouth	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lackawanna Lake (Lackawanna State Park) (Lackawanna Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lake Jean (UNT Kitchen Cr.) (Ricketts Glen State Park) (Sullivan and Luzerne Co.)	Entire lake	Chain Pickerel, Largemouth Bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
		Yellow Perch	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lake Makoma (Mill Cr.) (Sullivan Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lake Winola (Wyoming Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Laurel Lake (Cumberland Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lily Lake (Luzerne Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Little Pine Creek (Clinton Co.)	Entire basin	Yellow Perch	2 meals/month	Mercury
Logan Branch (Centre Co.)	Axemann to mouth	Brown Trout	1 meal/month	PCB
Lopez Pond (Sullivan Co.)	Entire lake	Yellow Perch	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lyman Run Reservoir (Potter Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	1 meal/month	Mercury

Water Body	Area Under Advisory	Species	Meal Frequency	Contaminant
Maple Lake (Lackawanna Co.)	Entire lake	Chain Pickerel	2 meals/month	Mercury
McWilliams Reservoir (Northumberland and Columbia Co.)	Entire reservoir	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Mountain Mud Pond (Merri-Samoski Park)(Lackawanna Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Pine Creek (Tioga Co.)	Confluence of Painter Run to confluence of Fourmile Run near Colton Point State Park	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Shumans Lake (Loyalsock Creek) (Sullivan Co.)	Entire lake	Chain Pickerel	2 meals/month	Mercury
Silver Lake (Susquehanna Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Steven Foster Lake (Bradford Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Sugar Creek (Bradford Co.)	Confluence of Bailey Run to mouth	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Sunfish Pond (Bradford Co.)	Entire pond	Largemouth Bass, Yellow Perch	2 meals/month	Mercury
Susquehanna River (Susquehanna Co.)	Entire section in PA from the NY border above Starrucca Creek to the NY border below Great Bend	Smallmouth Bass, Fallfish	2 meals/month	Mercury
Susquehanna River (Bradford and Wyoming Co.)	NY border above Sayre to PA Route 92 bridge at Falls	Walleye, Smallmouth Bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
		Channel Catfish, Carp	1 meal/month	PCB
Susquehanna River (Wyoming, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Columbia, Northumberland and Montour Co.)	PA Route 92 bridge at Falls to confluence with West Branch	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
		Channel Catfish, Quillback, Carp and Walleye	1 meal/month	PCB
Susquehanna River (Snyder, Northumberland, Juniata, Perry, Dauphin, Cumberland, York and Lancaster Co.)	West Branch to PA/MD border	Channel Catfish over 20", Flathead Catfish over 30"	1 meal/month	PCB
				Mercury
Tioga Reservoir (Tioga Co.)	Entire Reservoir	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Towanda Creek (Bradford Co.)	Confluence of Schrader Creek to mouth	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Trindle Spring Run (locally Silver Spring Run) (Cumberland Co.)	Silver Spring Meeting House to mouth (approx. 1 mile)	All trout	1 meal/month	PCB
Tunkhannock Creek (Wyoming Co.)	Confluence of South Branch to mouth	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Tuscarora Creek (Juniata Co.)	SR 3008 bridge above Port Royal to mouth	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
West Branch Susquehanna River (Clinton, Lycoming, Union and Northumberland Co.)	Bald Eagle Creek to confluence with Susquehanna River	Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
White Deer Creek (Clinton, Centre and Union Co.)	Entire basin	Brown Trout	2 meals/month	Mercury
Wyalusing Creek (Bradford Co.)	SR 0706 bridge at Camptown to mouth	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Yellow Breeches Creek (Cumberland Co.)	SR 3017 bridge at Huntsdale to confluence of Spruce Run	Brown Trout	1 meal/month	PCB

OHIO RIVER BASIN

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Water Body	Area Under Advisory	Species	Meal Frequency	Contaminant
Allegheny River (McKean Co.)	Confluence of Potato Creek to PA/NY border	Smallmouth Bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
Allegheny Res. (Warren and McKean Co.)	Entire lake	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Allegheny River (Warren, Forest & Venango Co.)	Kinzua Dam to confluence of Witherup Run at St. George	Smallmouth Bass, Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
Allegheny River (Armstrong Co.)	Pool 6 - Lock & Dam 7 to Lock & Dam 6	Carp	1 meal/month	PCB
Allegheny River (Armstrong Co.)	Pool 5 - Lock & Dam 6 to Lock & Dam 5	Carp, Channel Catfish	1 meal/month	PCB
Allegheny River (Armstrong & Allegheny Co.)	Pool 4 - Lock & Dam 5 to Lock & Dam 4	Carp, Channel Catfish	1 meal/month	PCB
Allegheny River (Allegheny Co.)	Pool 3 - Lock & Dam 4 to Lock & Dam 3	Carp, Channel Catfish	1 meal/month	PCB
Allegheny River (Allegheny Co.)	Pool 2 - Lock & Dam 3 to Lock & Dam 2	Carp, Channel Catfish	1 meal/month	PCB
Allegheny River (Allegheny Co.)	Lock & Dam 2 to Montgomery Lock & Dam on the Ohio River	See Ohio River (Allegheny & Beaver Co.)		
Beaver River (Lawrence & Beaver Co.)	Confl. of Mahoning and Shenango Rivers to mouth	Carp	Do Not Eat	PCB
		Smallmouth Bass, Channel Catfish	1 meal/month	PCB
Beaver Run Reservoir (Westmoreland Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Brokenstraw Creek (Warren Co.)	Confluence of Hare Creek to mouth	All suckers, Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Chapman Dam Reservoir (Warren Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Chartiers Creek and Little Chartiers Creek (Allegheny & Washington Co.)	Chartiers Creek - Canonsburg to mouth L. Chartiers Creek - Canonsburg Lake Dam to mouth	Largemouth Bass Carp	1 meal/month Do Not Eat	PCB PCB
		Smallmouth Bass	6 meals/year	PCB
Clarion River (Clarion Co.)	Confl. of Canoe Creek above Callensburg to confl. of Turkey Run	Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
Clarion River (Clarion, Clearfield & Elk Co.)	Basin upstream of Piney Dam	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Conemaugh R. (Indiana & Westmoreland Co.)	Conemaugh Lake Dam to mouth	Carp	1 meal/month	PCB
Conewango Creek (Warren Co.)	NY/PA border to mouth	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Conneaut Lake (Crawford Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass Northern Pike	2 meals/month 1 meal/month	Mercury Mercury
Crystal Lake (Crawford Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
Dunkard Creek (Greene Co.)	Confluence of Toms Run to confluence of Roberts Run	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Dunkard Creek (Greene Co.)	SR 2021 bridge to mouth	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
East Branch Lake (E. Br. Clarion R.) (Elk Co.)	Entire lake	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Eaton Reservoir (Erie Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass, Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
Edinboro Lake (Erie Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
French Creek (Erie, Crawford, Mercer & Venango Co.)	Entire mainstem	Smallmouth Bass, Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
Justus Lake (Venango Co.)	Entire lake	Smallmouth Bass, Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lake Canadohta (Crawford Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass, Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lake LeBoeuf (Erie Co.)	Entire lake	Muskellunge	1 meal/month	Mercury
		Largemouth Bass, Carp	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lake Pleasant (Erie Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
Mahoning River (Lawrence Co.)	Entire portion in PA	Carp	6 meals/year	PCB
		Channel Catfish	Do Not Eat	PCB

FISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORY

Water Body	Area Under Advisory	Species	Meal Frequency	Contaminant
Monongahela River (Fayette & Greene Co.)	Point Marion Lock & Dam to Maxwell Locks & Dam	Carp	1 meal/month	PCB
Monongahela River (Fayette & Washington Co.)	Pool 4 - Maxwell Locks & Dam to Locks & Dam 4	Carp	1 meal/month	PCB
Monongahela River (Allegheny, Washington & Westmoreland Co.)	Pool 3 - Locks & Dam 4 to Locks & Dam 3	Carp	1 meal/month	PCB
Monongahela River (Allegheny Co.)	Pool 2 (Braddock Pool)- Locks & Dam 3 to Locks & Dam 2	Carp	1 meal/month	PCB
Monongahela River (Allegheny Co.)	From Locks & Dam 2 to the Montgomery Locks & Dam on the Ohio River	See Ohio River (Allegheny & Beaver Co.)		
Ohio River (Allegheny and Beaver Co.)	● From Lock & Dam 2 on the Monongahela River and Lock & Dam 2 on the Allegheny River to the Montgomery Lock & Dam <small>Based on advisories issued by Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission</small>	Freshwater Drum, Spotted Bass, Largemouth Bass, Black Crappie, Smallmouth Bass, White Crappie Sauger, Walleye	1 meal/month	PCB
		All suckers, Flathead Catfish, Hybrid-Striped Bass, White Bass Channel Catfish	6 meals/year	PCB
		● Carp	Do Not Eat	PCB
Ohio River (Beaver Co.)	From Montgomery Locks & Dam to the state border. <small>Based on recommendation from the Ohio River Consumption Advisory Workgroup</small>	All suckers, Flathead Catfish, Black Crappie, White Crappie Largemouth Bass, Spotted Bass, Smallmouth Bass, Sauger, Walleye, Freshwater Drum	1 meal/month	PCB
		Channel Catfish under 18", Carp, Hybrid Striped Bass, White Bass	6 meals/year	PCB
		Channel Catfish over 18"	Do Not Eat	PCB
Oil Creek (Venango Co.)	SR 1004 bridge at Petroleum Center to mouth	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Shenango River (Mercer & Lawrence Co.)	Pymatuning Dam to Shenango Reservoir	Channel Catfish	2 meals/month	Mercury
Shenango River (Mercer & Lawrence Co.)	Shenango Reservoir Dam to mouth	All species	Do Not Eat	PCB
Sugar Lake (Crawford Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass, Chain Pickerel	2 meals/month	Mercury
Tamarack Lake (Crawford Co.)	Entire lake	Muskellunge	1 meal/month	Mercury
		Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
● Tenmile Creek (Washington & Greene Co.)	Entire basin	Freshwater Drum	1 meal/month	Mercury
Tionesta Creek (Warren and Forest Co.)	SR 0666 bridge at Henrys Mills to Tionesta Res. Dam	Smallmouth Bass, All suckers	2 meals/month	Mercury
Tionesta Reservoir (Forest Co.)	Entire lake	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Traverse Creek (Beaver Co.)	Source to dam in Raccoon State Park	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Tunungwant Creek (McKean Co.)	Confluence of East and West branches to PA/NY border	Carp, All suckers	2 meals/month	Mercury
Union City Reservoir (Erie Co.)	Entire lake	Largemouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
West Branch Caldwell Creek (Warren Co.)	Entire basin	Brown Trout	2 meals/month	Mercury
Youghiogheny Lake (Fayette/Somerset Co.)	Entire lake	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Youghiogheny River (Fayette and Somerset Co.)	Youghiogheny Lake Dam to confluence of Lick Run	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury

LAKE ERIE BASIN

Water Body	Area Under Advisory	Species	Meal Frequency	Contaminant
Lake Erie (Erie Co.)	Open waters	Walleye, Coho Salmon*, Steelhead* (Rainbow Trout), Brown Trout*, Smallmouth Bass, White Perch, White Bass, Lake Whitefish, Carp under 20", Freshwater Drum, Lake Trout under 30" and Channel Catfish	1 meal/month	PCB
		Carp over 20", Lake Trout over 30"	Do Not Eat	PCB
Lake Erie (Erie Co.)	Presque Isle Bay	Smallmouth Bass, Northern Pike, White Perch, Freshwater Drum, Bowfin, Carp, Coho Salmon* and Steelhead* (Rainbow Trout), Brown Trout*	1 meal/month	PCB
Conneaut Creek (Erie Co.)	SR 0215 bridge to PA/OH border	Smallmouth Bass	2 meals/month	Mercury

* Salmon and trout are migratory. They may be found seasonally in Presque Isle Bay or Lake Erie tributary streams. Trout, salmon and other fish, whether caught in the lake or tributaries, should be treated as Lake Erie fish.

POTOMAC RIVER BASIN

There are currently no advisories for the Potomac River Basin.

However, the statewide advisory of 1 meal per week does apply to all waters throughout the Commonwealth, including the Potomac River Basin.

Recognizing and Reporting POLLUTION or DISTURBANCE of Waterways

POLLUTION or **DISTURBANCE** of any waterway or watershed is a serious violation of the Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Code that must be recognized and reported to a Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission region law enforcement office. The law provides for criminal penalties for pollution or disturbances.

POLLUTION is an introduction into any waterway of anything that "might" harm or kill fish. Examples of "pollutants" are: Electricity, explosives, sediment runoff, sewage, insecticides, poisons, high volumes of extremely hot water, liquid concrete or cement, paint, chemicals, petroleum products like gasoline or oil, brine runoff from gas or water well drilling and manufacturing waste. Common pollution indicators

are: Dead fish including crayfish, frogs and any other types of aquatic life; strange odors like manure, sewage or chemicals; muddy, cloudy or discolored water; shiny, oily sheen on water's surface; foamy material floating on the surface; and extremely muddy water.

DISTURBANCE of waterways or watersheds includes any alteration of a waterway, its banks, bed or fish habitat that "might" cause damage to or kill fish. Common disturbance indicators are: Removal of gravel from stream beds; earth-moving in or along a waterway; dragging logs across stream banks and through stream beds; installing pipes or culverts; building or installing bridges; making roadways through or along a stream; draining a waterway, wetland or watershed; or changing the channel flow of a

waterway. Various types of permits are required for any such work.

If you see anything suspected to be a pollution or disturbance of any waterway, regardless of how seemingly insignificant, report it immediately by calling the local Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission region law enforcement office listed on [page 3](#) of this publication or the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection at 1-800-541-2050 (24 hours a day, 7 days a week).



CALLING ALL PENNSYLVANIA ANGLERS!

We need your help. Pennsylvania is home to two giant salamanders, the Eastern Hellbender and the Common Mudpuppy. Both species are regularly found by anglers, often caught accidentally on fishing hooks or in minnow traps. Anglers have a great opportunity to help herpetologists figure out the distribution and status of these species by simply taking a picture of any specimens encountered and e-mailing the picture, date, time, and location of the observation to info@machac.org.

The Common Mudpuppy is found in the Ohio River and Lake Erie Drainages, in the western third of Pennsylvania. Mudpuppies have large, feathery gills on either side of the head. Adults grow to 19 inches in length.

The Eastern Hellbender was historically found in the Susquehanna and Ohio Drainages, covering two-thirds of Pennsylvania. Hellbenders do not have external gills as adults and look wrinkled due to skin folds used for respiration. Adults grow to 29 inches in length.



Common Mudpuppy

Eastern Hellbender



Family Fishing Programs

are educational programs designed for families with little or no fishing experience. Families will learn basic fishing skills and have an opportunity to practice those skills while fishing together during the program. In addition to family fishing, there are specialized programs for family ice fishing, family fly-fishing and a SMART angler program for youth between the ages of 8 and 12. For a current listing of scheduled programs, visit:

www.GoneFishingPa.com



2021 FISHING DATES* Commonwealth Inland Waters



Regional Opening Day of Trout**: April 3, 2021
 Statewide Opening Day of Trout: April 17, 2021
 Opening Day of Walleye/Sauger: May 1, 2021
 Opening Day of Bass: June 12, 2021
 Extended Trout Season: September 7, 2021

*Dates subject to change by regulation until publication of the 2020 PA Fishing Summary.

**18 southeastern counties

Pennsylvania's Best Fishing Waters is a program established by the Commission, using the expertise and knowledge of its fisheries biologists, to highlight statewide locations for different categories of fish to assist anglers in knowing the prime fishing hotspots. Confirmed by survey catch rates and the availability of public access, the program waters offered are provided to help increase anglers' success and convenient access to this information. **You deserve the best!**



www.PaBestFishing.com

2020 FISH-FOR-FREE DAYS!
 Sunday, May 24

Independence Day, Saturday, July 4

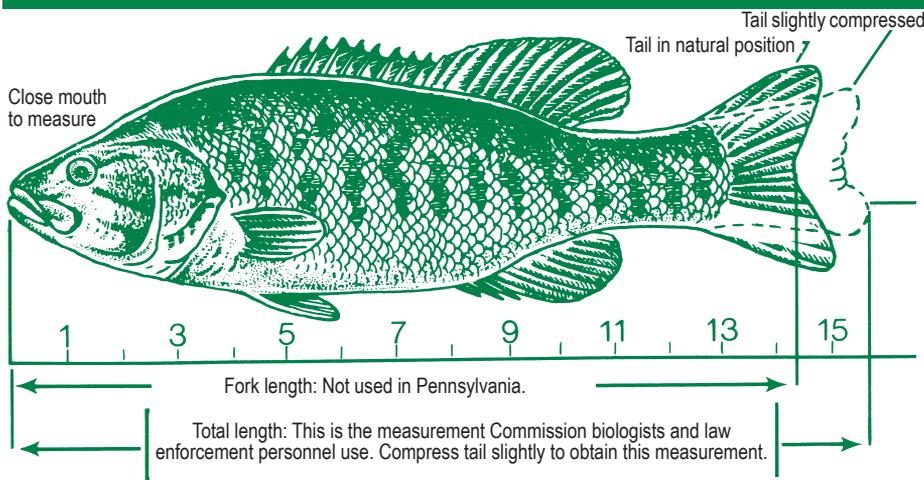
No fishing license is needed to fish on either of these days. It's a great way to introduce someone to the world of fishing. Check the Commission's website for more information. Remember that all other regulations apply.

Fish-For-Free Days



May 24 & July 4, 2020

HOW TO MEASURE A FISH



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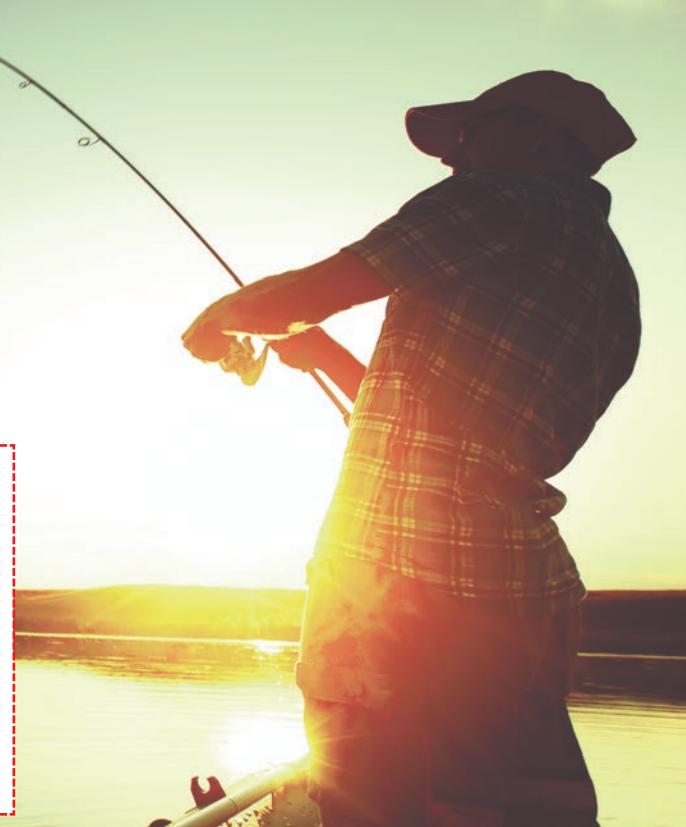
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