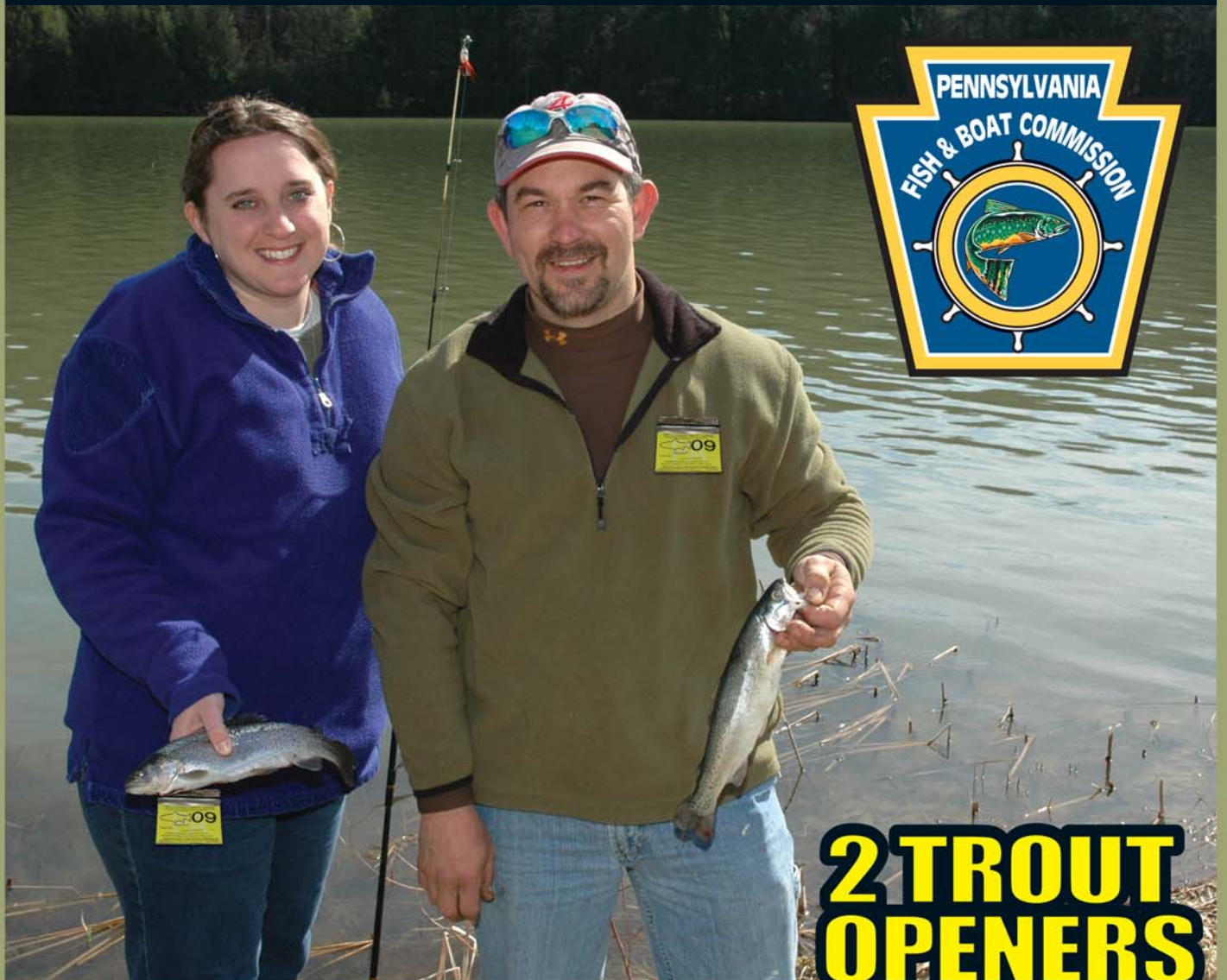


2010 PENNSYLVANIA FISHING SUMMARY

Summary of Fishing Regulations and Laws



2 TROUT OPENERS

18 Southeastern Counties **April 3** AND **April 17** Regular Opening Day for Trout Statewide

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WHAT'S NEW FOR 2010

- Shad regulations have changed. See page 4.
- New Lake Erie Permit requirements apply to all tributaries flowing into Lake Erie. See page 7.

FISH-FOR-FREE DAYS

- Saturday, May 22 and Sunday, June 6, 2010.
- 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 web site for events. Remember that all other regulations apply.

Why Display My License?

See page 41.

Always wear your life jacket.

Some 80% of boating fatalities happen to boaters who are not wearing a life jacket.



STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!

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COMMONWEALTH INLAND WATERS

(includes the Youghiogheny River Lake and does not include special regulation areas or endangered and threatened species not shown on this chart.)

Species	Seasons	Minimum Size	Daily Limit
 ALL SPECIES OF TROUT AND SALMON Additional regulations may apply - see Trout Regulations-page 9-20	Regional Opening Day of Trout Season* - April 3 at 8 a.m. through Sept. 6 (only 18 southeastern PA counties) Regular Season - April 17 at 8 a.m. through Sept. 6	7 inches	5-streams, lakes and ponds (combined species)
	Extended Season: <i>Approved trout waters and all waters downstream of approved trout waters.</i> Jan. 1 through Feb. 28 and Sept. 7 through Dec. 31	7 inches	3 (combined species)
			
BASS-LAKES Largemouth, Smallmouth and Spotted Additional regulations may apply - see Big Bass Regulations-page 5	Jan. 1 through April 16 and Nov. 1 through Dec. 31	15 inches	4 (combined species)
	April 17 through June 11	NO HARVEST - Catch and immediate release only (no tournaments permitted)	
	June 12 through Oct. 31	12 inches	6 (combined species)
BASS-RIVERS AND STREAMS Largemouth, Smallmouth and Spotted Additional regulations may apply - see Big Bass Regulations-page 5	Jan. 1 through April 16 and Oct. 1 through Dec. 31	15 inches	4 (combined species)
	April 17 through June 11	NO HARVEST - Catch and immediate release only (no tournaments permitted)	
	June 12 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 (combined species)
Walleye and Saugeye (Hybrids)	Jan. 1 through March 14 and May 1 through Dec. 31	15 inches	6
Sauger		12 inches	6
American Shad ***	Open year-round	No minimum	3
American Shad	Open year-round - Lehigh River, Schuylkill River**** and tributaries	No minimum	1
American Shad, Alewife, Blueback Herring		CLOSED YEAR-ROUND Susquehanna River and tributaries	
Hickory Shad ***		CLOSED YEAR-ROUND	
Herring, Gizzard Shad ***	Open year-round	No minimum	50 (combined species)
American Eel	Open year-round	8 inches	50
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 and other gamefish not otherwise listed Additional regulations may apply - see Panfish Enhancement Special Regulations-page 25	Open year-round	No minimum	50 (combined species)
			
Baitfish/Fishbait (except Mudbugs)	Open year-round	No minimum	50 (combined species)
American Eel (as Baitfish)	Open year-round	6 to 8 inches	50
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)
Paddlefish		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.

* Includes only those waters in 18 southeastern PA counties and two waters crossing from those counties listed in the Regional Opening Day of Trout Season Program.

** 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, hickory shad (endangered species), alewife and blueback herring (collectively known as river herring) in the Susquehanna River and all its tributaries.

**** 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.

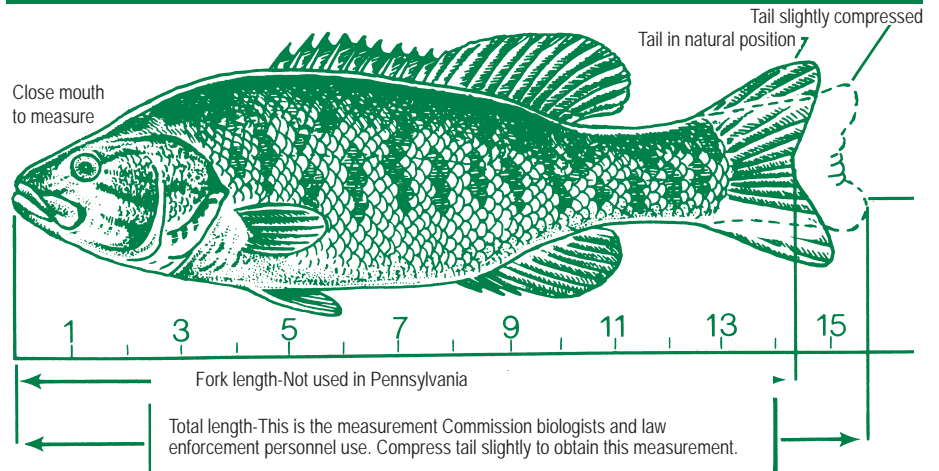
NOTE: For bass regulations, power dam pools and recreational dam pools on the Susquehanna River and navigational dam pools on the Ohio River drainage are "rivers." It is unlawful to conduct a fishing tournament on the North Branch, West Branch or main stem of the Susquehanna River that allows tournament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

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

**BIG BASS PROGRAM-
SPECIAL REGULATIONS**

These special regulations apply to largemouth, smallmouth and spotted bass in the waters listed below. Approved trout lakes that are in the Big Bass Program are closed to all fishing from March 1 until the opening day of the trout season, unless listed in the Early Season Trout-Stocked Waters Program (indicated below by an asterisk). Those lakes designated below with an asterisk are closed to fishing from April 1 until 8 a.m. on opening day of trout season. For all other species, inland regulations apply. **NOTE:** For purposes of this section, power dam pools and recreational dam pools on the Susquehanna River and navigational dam pools in the Ohio River drainage are "rivers." Anglers that harvest bass on a tributary to the waters managed under the Big Bass Program who later enter the special regulation area with fish in possession must abide by the special regulation area season, sizes and creel limits.

HOW TO MEASURE A FISH



RIVERS AND STREAMS

Season	Minimum Size	Daily Limit
Jan. 1 through April 16 and Oct. 1 through Dec. 31	18 inches	2 (combined species)
April 17 through June 11	NO HARVEST - Catch and immediate release only (no tournaments permitted)	
June 12 through Sept. 30	15 inches	4 (combined species)

LAKES

Season	Minimum Size	Daily Limit
Jan. 1 through April 16 and June 12 through Dec. 31	15 inches	4 (combined species)
April 17 through June 11	NO HARVEST - Catch and immediate release only (no tournaments permitted)	

Waters Governed by These Regulations

County	Water
Allegheny	Upper, Middle and Lower Deer Lakes
Allegheny	North Park Lake
Armstrong	Keystone Lake
Beaver	Lower Hereford Manor Lake*
Beaver	Bradys Run Lake*
Berks	Blue Marsh Lake
Berks	Carsonia Lake
Berks	Hopewell Lake
Berks	Kearcher 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	Glade Run Lake*
Butler	Lake Arthur (Moraine State Park)
Cambria	Beaverdam Run Reservoir
Cambria	Duman Dam*
Cambria	Hinckston Run Reservoir
Cambria	Wilmore Dam

County	Water
Carbon	Mauch Chunk Lake
Centre	Colyer Lake
Chester	Chambers Lake
Chester	Marsh Creek Lake (State Park)
Clarion	Kahle Lake
Crawford	Sugar Lake
Crawford	Tamarack Lake
Cumberland	Opossum Lake
Cumberland	Susquehanna River**
Dauphin	Susquehanna River**
Dauphin	Juniata River***
Fayette	Indian Creek Reservoir (Mill Run Reservoir)
Indiana	Yellow Creek Lake (State Park)
Jefferson	Kyle Lake
Juniata	Juniata River***
Juniata	Susquehanna River**
Lackawanna	Lackawanna Lake (State Park)*
Lancaster	Speedwell Forge Lake
Lancaster	Susquehanna River**
Lebanon	Memorial Lake (State Park)
Luzerne	Frances Slocum Lake (State Park)
Luzerne	Harris Pond
Luzerne	Lily Lake*
Lycoming	Rose Valley Lake

County	Water
Mercer	Shenango River Lake
Monroe	Bradys Lake
Monroe/Wayne	Gouldsboro Lake
Montour	Lake Chillisquaque
Northampton	Minsi Lake
Northumberland	Susquehanna River**
Perry	Little Buffalo Lake (Holman Lake)
Perry	Juniata River***
Perry	Susquehanna River**
Snyder	Susquehanna River**
Somerset	Lake Somerset
Somerset	Quemahoning Reservoir
Venango	Two Mile Run Reservoir (Justus Lake*)
Washington	Cross Creek Lake
Wayne	Lower Woods Pond
Westmoreland	Bridgeport Reservoir
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
York	Pinchot Lake (State Park)
York	Susquehanna River**

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.


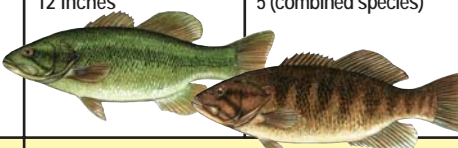


* closed to fishing from April 1 until 8 a.m. on opening day of trout

**Susquehanna River from Holtwood Dam upstream to the inflatable dam near Sunbury

***Juniata River (31.7 miles) from SR 0075 bridge at Port Royal downstream to mouth

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
	April 17 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 16 and June 12 through Dec. 31	12 inches	5 (combined species)
	April 17 through June 11	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
Pickeral	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 1 through Dec. 31	18 inches	3
American Shad**	Open year-round	No minimum	6 - From the PA state line upstream to the Commodore Barry Bridge 3 - From the Commodore Barry Bridge upstream
River Herring (Alewife and Blueback Herring)	Open year-round	No minimum	35 - From the PA state line upstream to the Commodore Barry Bridge 10 - From the Commodore Barry Bridge upstream
American Eel	Open year-round	8 inches	50
American Eel (as Baitfish)	Open year-round	6 inches to 8 inches	50
Striped Bass and Hybrid Striped Bass 	From the Pennsylvania state line upstream to Calhoun Street Bridge;		2
	Jan. 1 through March 31 and June 1 through Dec. 31.	28 inches	
	April 1 through May 31	20 to 26 inches	
	From Calhoun Street Bridge upstream - open year-round	28 inches	
Hickory Shad	Closed year-round	ENDANGERED SPECIES	0
Sturgeon	No open season	ENDANGERED SPECIES	0
Other Species	Inland seasons, size 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 of the Delaware River (see page 26 for details).

** American shad daily creel limit is one fish in the Schuylkill River from 1-95 upstream including all tributaries.

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 BLUE CRABS

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

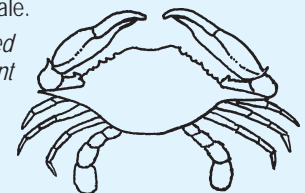
CRAB POTS are limited to no more than two pots per person when taking crabs. In addition, two handlines may be used.

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 any horseshoe crabs. 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, Eightmile Creek, Elk Creek, Fourmile Creek, Mill Creek, Raccoon Creek, Sevenmile Creek, Sixmile Creek, Sixteenmile Creek, Twelvemile Creek, Twentymile Creek, Walnut 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 1 through Dec. 31	15 inches	6
Bass* Largemouth Smallmouth	Jan. 1 through April 16 and June 12 through Dec. 31	15 inches	4 (combined species)
	April 17 through June 11*	20 inches	1
Yellow Perch	Dec. 1 through March 31	7 inches	30
	April 1 through Nov. 30	None	
Sunfish, Crappies, Catfish, Rock Bass, Suckers, Eels, Carp, White Bass	Open year-round	No minimum	50 (combined species)
Burbot (when taken by scuba divers by use of non-mechanical 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 15	15 inches	3 (combined species), only two (2) of which may be lake trout.
	8 a.m. April 17 through Sept. 6	9 inches	5 (combined species), only two (2) of which may be lake trout.
	Sept. 7 through April 14, 2011	15 inches	3 (combined species), only two (2) of which may be lake trout.
Baitfish/Fishbait	Open year-round	No minimum	50 (combined species)
Sturgeon	No open season	ENDANGERED SPECIES	
Spotted Gar	No open season	ENDANGERED SPECIES	

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

An infectious fish disease, caused by a variant of Viral Hemorrhagic Septicemia Virus (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 "Stop Aquatic Nuisance Species" on page 37. For more information on VHS, please contact the Commission's Northwest Regional Office (page 40) 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 16 until 8 a.m. on April 17 (32 hours total).

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 7 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.

PYMATUNING & CONOWINGO RESERVOIRS

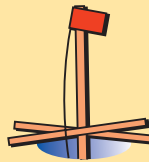
PYMATUNING RESERVOIR

Species	Seasons	Minimum Size	Daily Limit
Walleye and Saugeye (Hybrids)	Open year-round	15 inches	6 (combined species)
Bass	Open year-round	12 inches	5
Muskellunge and Tiger Muskellunge (Hybrids)	Open year-round	30 inches	2 (combined species)
All Other Species	Open year-round	No minimum	None
Fishbait and Baitfish	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)	Open year-round	No minimum	2

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 one-eighth inch, nor larger than one-half 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.

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 6 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.

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. 28 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
Alewife and Blueback Herring (collectively known as river herring)	Jan. 1 through June 15	No minimum	No daily limit
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
Eels	Open year-round	6 inches	25
Yellow Perch	Open year-round	No minimum	No daily limit
Baitfish/Fishbait	Open year-round	No minimum	35
All Other Fish Species	Open year-round	No minimum	No daily limit
American and Hickory Shad, Bivalves/Shellfish (Mussels/Clams)	CLOSED YEAR-ROUND		

BOAT ANGLER'S CHECKLIST

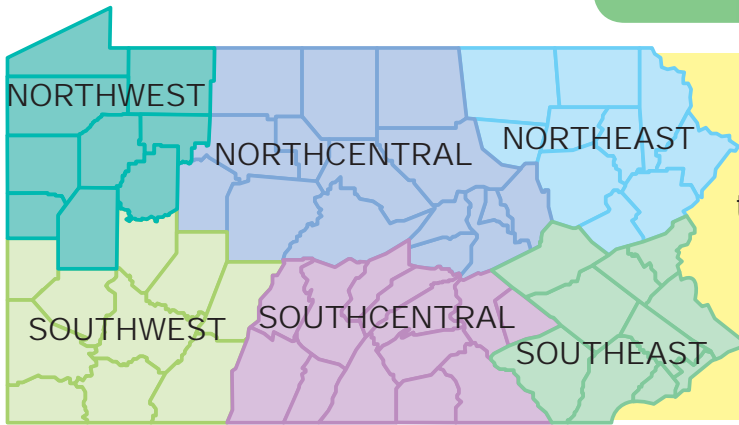
- ✓ LIFE JACKETS
- ✓ SOUND-PRODUCING DEVICE
- ✓ FIRE EXTINGUISHERS
- ✓ CAPACITY PLATE
- ✓ VISUAL DISTRESS SIGNALS
- ✓ NAVIGATION AND ANCHOR LIGHTS
- ✓ MUFFLING DEVICE
- ✓ BACKFIRE FLAME ARRESTER
- ✓ ADDITIONAL RECOMMENDED
- ✓ EQUIPMENT includes oars or paddles, anchor and line, bailer, marine radio, depth or fish finder, boating maps or charts, flashlight, compass, extra line, extra gas can and a first aid kit.

HAZARDS TO BOATING ANGLERS

- DAMS
- STRAINERS
- UNDERWATER OBSTRUCTIONS
- CURRENT
- ALCOHOL
- COLD WATER
- WEATHER
- CAPSIZING
- OVERLOADING
- OTHER BOATERS



Be a smart boater - take a safe boating course. To find a boating course, check the PFBC [web site at www.fishandboat.com](http://www.fishandboat.com).



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 11 through 20, 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.



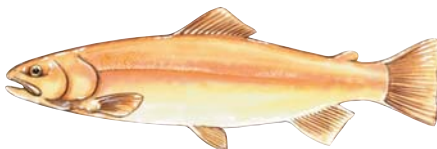
Brook Trout—PA's Official State Fish



Brown Trout



Rainbow Trout



Golden Rainbow Trout



Lake Trout



Brown trout has dark spots, few or none on tail.



Rainbow trout has dark spots, especially on tail, and a pink lateral stripe.



Lake trout has light spots over entire body. Tail deeply forked.

REGIONAL OPENING DAY OF TROUT SEASON

In 2010, trout season will begin earlier in 18 southeastern PA counties. In these counties (and designated waters crossing into these counties), trout season will begin 8 a.m., April 3. Unless otherwise specified by special regulation, inland daily limits and minimum sizes apply.

Approved trout waters in the Southeast Region and those in the Southcentral Region that have this early opening day are listed beginning on page 11.



APPROVED TROUT WATERS

Many streams, lakes, ponds and reservoirs are officially classified as "approved 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 4). Unlisted tributary streams (those not included in this list of "approved trout waters") are not open to harvest of trout during the "extended season." Only approved trout waters and all waters downstream of approved trout waters are open 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. Some of these waters have been included in the Early Season Trout-Stocked Waters Program and are open from March 1 through March 31. 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.

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 "approved trout waters" because of last-minute changes in water quality conditions. Check with the nearest Fish & Boat Commission office (see page 40) if there is any question about whether or not a water area is "approved."

APPROVED TROUT WATERS OPEN TO YEAR-ROUND FISHING

Waters with this designation are considered "approved trout waters." From 8 a.m. opening day of trout through Sept. 6, Commonwealth inland size and creel limits apply. From Jan. 1 through Feb. 28, and from Sept. 7 through Dec. 31, "extended season" size and creel limits apply. These waters are open to fishing from March 1 through 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 approved 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 approved 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.



CATCH AND RELEASE

- Open to fishing year-round (no closed season).
- Fishing hours – One hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset.
- 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.
- 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.
- Wading is permitted unless otherwise posted.
- Taking baitfish or fishbait is prohibited.
- A current trout/salmon permit is required.

CATCH AND RELEASE FLY-FISHING ONLY

- Open to fishing year-round (no closed season).
- Fishing hours – One hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset.
- 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 on a single hook with components wound on or about the hook. **Anything other than these items is prohibited.**
- Fishing must be done with tackle limited to fly rods, fly reels and fly line with a maximum of 18 feet in leade material or monofilament line attached. Spinning, spincast and casting rods and reels are prohibited.
- The use or possession of any natural bait, fishbait, bait paste and similar substances, fish eggs (natural or molded), or any other edible substance is prohibited.
- Taking baitfish or fishbait is prohibited.
- Wading is permitted unless otherwise posted.
- A current trout/salmon permit is required.

CATCH AND RELEASE ALL TACKLE

- Open to fishing year-round (no closed season).
- 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.
- A current trout/salmon permit is required.

TROPHY TROUT PROJECTS

- Open to fishing year-round (no closed season).
- 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 - from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular trout season through Labor Day, except during the period from the day after Labor Day to 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular trout season of the following year, when no trout may be killed or had in possession on the waters under these regulations.
- 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 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.
- A current trout/salmon permit is required.

ALL TACKLE TROPHY TROUT

- Open to fishing year-round (no closed season).
- 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 – from 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular trout season through Labor Day except during the period from the day after Labor Day to 8 a.m. on the opening day of the regular trout season of the following year when no trout may be killed or had in possession on the waters under these regulations.
- 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.
- A current trout/salmon permit is required.
- The regulations apply to **trout only**; all other species, inland regulations apply.

DELAYED HARVEST ARTIFICIAL LURES ONLY

- Open to fishing year-round (no closed season).
- Fishing hours – One hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset.
- Minimum size – 9 inches, caught on, or in possession on, the waters under these regulations from one hour before sunrise on June 15 to one hour after sunset on Labor Day.
- The daily creel limit is three combined species from one hour before sunrise on June 15 to one hour after sunset on Labor Day, caught on or in possession on the waters under these regulations. From the day after Labor Day until one hour before sunrise on June 15, the daily creel limit is zero.
- 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.
- A current trout/salmon permit is required.

WILD BROOK TROUT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

- Open to fishing year-round (no closed season).
- No brook trout may be killed or had in possession.
- There are no tackle restrictions.
- The regulations apply to **brook trout only**; all other species, inland regulations apply.
- A current trout/salmon permit is required.

EARLY SEASON TROUT-STOCKED WATERS PROGRAM

During the month of March, when most trout-stocked waters are closed to fishing, anglers may fish select lakes and the Youghiogheny River and Shenango River tailwaters, which are stocked early with a portion of the spring's trout allotment. The following regulations apply:

- Open season – March 1 through March 31 (no fishing from April 1 to the opening day of the trout season)
- Minimum size – 7 inches
- Creel limit – 3 trout (combined species)
- Inland regulations apply to all other species
- A current trout/salmon permit is required to fish in Youghiogheny River Lake tailwaters, Shenango River tailwaters, and on select lakes if an angler intends to harvest trout.

SOUTHEAST REGION REGULATED TROUT WATERS

REGIONAL OPENING DAY OF TROUT SEASON

OPENING DAY:
April 3
APPROVED TROUT WATERS

BERKS:

- Antietam Creek
- Antietam Reservoir
- Allegheny Creek (inseason only)
- 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
- Swamp Creek (Chestnut Hill Road (SR 2001) downstream to mouth in Morgantown),
- Tulpehocken Creek (county line downstream to 0.5 mile downstream of Charming Forge Dam)
- Willow Creek
- Wyomissing Creek (headwaters downstream to SR 0222)

BUCKS:

- Delaware Canal (Two Sections-Upper Washington Crossing State Park and Lower Washington Crossing State Park downstream to East Maple Street Bridge in Morrisville)
- East Branch Perkiomen Creek (Branch Road Bridge (T-431) downstream through

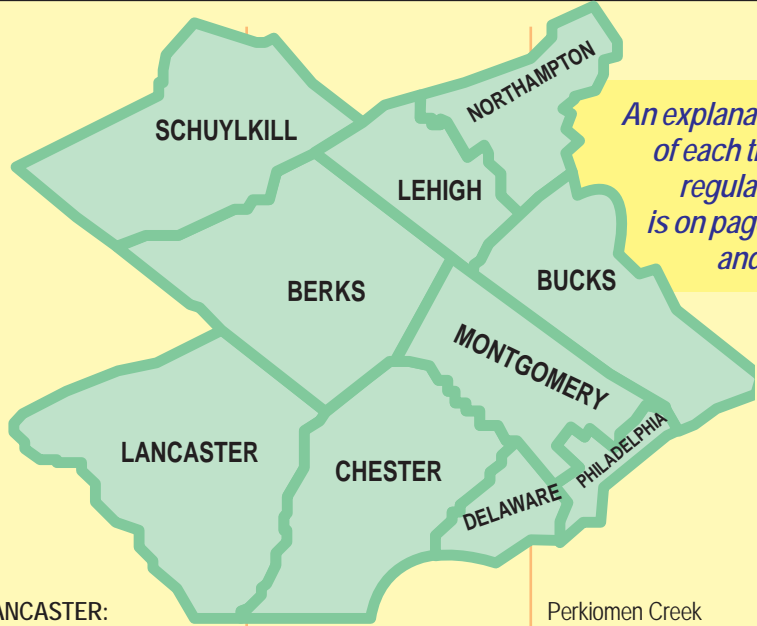
- Sellersville)
- Lake Luxembourg
- Levittown Lake
- Neshaminy Creek (Two sections -Valley Road to Mill Road near Jamison and from the dam at the causeway in Tyler State Park downstream to the bridge on SR 332)
- Tohickon Creek - Dark Hollow Rd. downstream to mouth (inseason only)
- Unami Creek (Milford 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 US 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 near Cedar Knoll downstream to US Business Route 30)
- 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



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LANCASTER:

- Big Beaver Creek
- Bowery Run
- Climbers Run
- Conowingo Creek (T341 Black Bear Rd. downstream to Black Barron Rd.)
- Conoy Creek (Bossler Road (SR 4019) 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 Chicalo Creek
- Little Conalico 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 yds, 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.)
- Muddy Run Rec Lake
- Pequea Creek (Mast downstream to SR 0897)

- Stewart Run
- Swarr Run (Yellow Goose Road (T-802) downstream to SR 0741)
- Trout Run
- Unnamed tributary to Muddy Creek (Bowmansville - Rock Run)
- West Branch Little Conestoga Creek
- West Branch Otoraro Creek
- LEHIGH:**
- Cedar Creek (Lake Muhlenburg outflow downstream to mouth)
- Coplay Creek
- Jordan Creek
- Kistler Creek
- Laurel Run (South Branch Saucon Creek)
- 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 - Slatington)

MONTGOMERY:

- Deep Creek Dam
- East Branch Perkiomen Creek (from near Salfordville Rd. downstream to Bergey's Mill Rd. - inseason only)
- Loch Alsh Reservoir
- Mill 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
- Kepner 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 (German-town Pike downstream to tributary at intersection of Forbidden Drive and Lincoln Drive)
- SCHUYLKILL:**
- Bear Creek
- Cold Run

SOUTHEAST REGION/SOUTHCENTRAL REGIONS

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 in-season; from mouth upstream 1.1 miles to Port Clinton, in-season only)
 Lizard Creek
 Locust Creek
 Locust Lake
 Lower Little Swatara Creek
 Mahantango Creek
 Mahoning Creek
 Neifert Creek Dam
 Pine Creek (trib to Little Schuylkill River)
 Pine Creek (trib to Mahantango Creek)
 Pine Creek (trib to Schuylkill River)
 Pumping Station Dam
 Rabbit Run Reservoir (off East Valley Rd. SW of Tam-aqua)
 Red Creek (Landingville)
 Sweet Arrow Lake (in-season only)
 Upper Little Swatara Creek
 Whippoorwill Dam

APPROVED TROUT WATERS OPEN TO YEAR-ROUND FISHING

BERKS:
 Tulpehocken Creek (from covered bridge at T-921 downstream to the mouth)
 Kaercher Creek Dam (fall stocking)
NORTHAMPTON:
 Minsi Lake
SCHUYLKILL:
 Tuscarora Lake (fall and winter stocking)

CATCH AND RELEASE NORTHAMPTON:
 Bushkill Creek – 1.1 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 – 2.4 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 – 1.8 miles; from the downstream face of the bridge on T-508 (Wild Cherr Lane) down-

stream to the upstream face of the bridge on T-510 (Millrace Road)
 Little Lehigh Creek – 1 mile; from upstream face of Fish Hatchery Road bridge downstream to near the Oxford Dr. Bridge

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NORTHAMPTON:
 Monocacy Creek – 1.9 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

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BERKS:
 Tulpehocken Creek – 3.8 miles; from the first deflector below Blue Marsh Dam downstream to the 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 – 1.7 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 – 1.9 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

REGIONAL OPENING DAY OF TROUT SEASON

OPENING DAY: APRIL 3

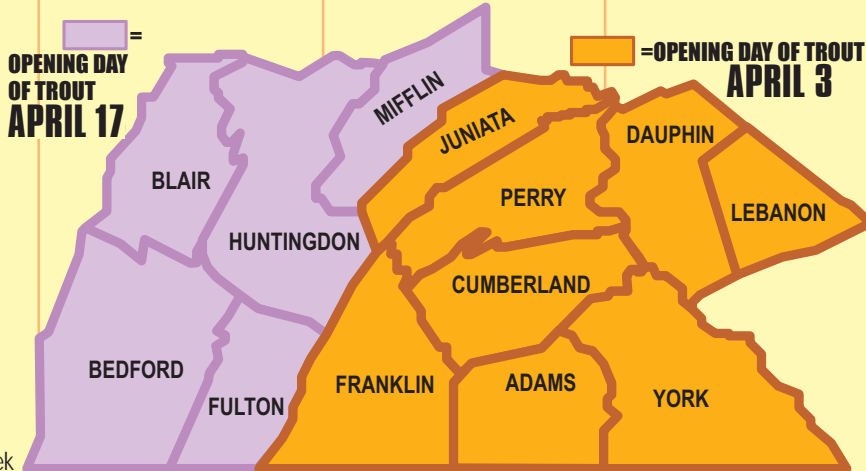
APPROVED TROUT WATERS

ADAMS:
 Bermudian Creek
 Carbaugh Run
 Conewago Creek (SR 0234 Bridge downstream to SR 3001)
 Conococheague Creek
 East Branch Antietam Creek
 Latimore Creek
 Little Marsh Creek
 Marsh Creek (SR 3011 downstream to SR 0030)
 Middle Creek
 Opossum Creek
 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
 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 (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 (Ambersong Road Bridge (SR 4005) downstream to US 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
 Horning 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

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East Waterford)
 West Branch Mahantango Creek
LEBANON:
 Bachman Run
 Conewago Creek
 Hammer Creek
 Indiantown Run
 Lions Lake

Marquette Lake
Mill Creek
Quittapahilla Creek
Snitz Creek
Stoevers 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 (Manns-ville 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

Blymire Hollow Run

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)

Leibs Creek

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

Sawmill Run

Sheppard Myers Reservoir

South Branch Codorus Creek

South Branch Muddy Creek
Yellow Breeches Creek

APPROVED TROUT WATERS

**OPENING DAY:
APRIL 17**

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

Shobers Run (upstream boundary of Elks Country Club downstream to the mouth)

Three Springs 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

Canoe Creek Lake

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)

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 dam)

Greenwood Lake

Hares Valley Creek

Lake Perez

Laurel Run

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

Whipple Lake

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

Musser Run

Strodes Run

Swift Run

Treaster Run

West Licking Creek

APPROVED TROUT WATERS OPEN TO YEAR-ROUND FISHING

BEDFORD:

Koon 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)

Glato Lake

Lake Marburg

CATCH AND RELEASE CUMBERLAND:

Yellow Breeches Creek— 1 mile; from 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)

MIFFLIN/UNION:

Penns Creek— 3.9 miles; from approximately 650 yards downstream of Swift Run downstream to approximately 550 yards downstream of Cherry Run

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

Green Spring Creek— 1 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— 1 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

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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)

SOUTHCENTRAL REGION/SOUTHWEST REGIONS

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BLAIR:

Little Juniata River— 0.7 miles; from the first bridge on SR 0220 just northeast of Bellwood downstream to the confluence with the first unnamed tributary entering from the west just south of Fostoria

DAUPHIN:

Manada Creek— 1.8 miles; from Fogarty Road downstream to Furnace Road

(T-616)

Wiconisco Creek— .74 miles 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— 1.1 miles; from Walker Road downstream to Fifth Avenue

FULTON:

Cove Creek— 1.0 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— .9 mile; from Spruce Street Bridge on T-398 downstream to the lower boundary of Quittie Nature Park

MIFFLIN:

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

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PERRY:

Shaeffer Run— Tuscarora State Forest upstream on Shaeffer Run to its headwaters, a distance of 6.7 miles, and all tributaries entering this portion of Shaeffer Run

EARLY SEASON TROUT-STOCKED WATERS PROGRAM

BLAIR:

Canoe Creek Lake

FULTON:

Cowans Gap Lake

HUNTINGDON:

Lake Perez

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of each trout
regulation is on
pages 9 and 10.*

SOUTHWEST REGION REGULATED TROUT WATERS

APPROVED TROUT WATERS

**OPENING DAY:
APRIL 17**

ALLEGHENY:

Big Sewickley Creek
Bull Creek
Deer Creek
Flaugherty Run
Long Run
Lower Deer Lake
Middle Deer Lake
Montour Run
North Park Lake
Pine Creek
Turtle Creek
West Deer Lake (Upper Deer Lake)

ARMSTRONG:

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
Bradys Run Lake
Lower Hereford Manor Lake
Main Lake (Raccoon Lake)
Mill Creek
North Fork Big Sewickley Creek
North Fork Little Beaver Creek (county line downstream to

SR 551 Bridge)
South Branch Brady Run
Traverse Creek
Upper Hereford Manor Lake
CAMBRIA:
Beaverdam Run
Bens Creek
Chest Creek
Clearfield Creek (confluence with Beaverdam Run near Ashville downstream to 300 miles downstream of the T-510 Bridge at CondrIn)

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 Killbuck Run
Little Paint Creek
Noels Creek
North Branch Blacklick Creek
North Branch Little Conemaugh River
Slate Lick Run
Stewart Run
FAYETTE:
Back Creek
Big Sandy Creek
Chaney Run
Dunbar Creek
Dunlap Creek
Dunlap Creek Lake
Georges Creek
Indian Creek
Meadow Run
Mill Run (trib to Indian Creek)
Mill Run (trib to Quebec Run)
Mountain Creek
Virgin Run Lake
Youghiogheny River (see miscellaneous waters with special regulations)

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 downstream to McCormick Road Bridge (SR 4018))
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
Laurel Hill Lake
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) Bridge)

Tub Mill Run
Whites Creek
Wills Creek
Youghiogheny River lake tailwaters

WASHINGTON:

Aunt Clara Fork
Canonsburg Lake
Dutch Fork
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
Indian Lake
Jacobs Creek
Keystone Lake
Linn Run
Loyalhanna Creek
Mammoth Lake
Mill Creek
Northmoreland Lake
Sewickley Creek
Shannon Run
Twin Lakes Number One Reservoir (Lower Twin Lake)

Twin Lake Number Two Reservoir (Upper Twin Lake)
Tubmill Creek
Turtle Creek

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ARMSTRONG:

Mahoning Creek (Mahoning Creek Dam outflow downstream to the confluence of Pine Run)

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)

CATCH AND RELEASE FLY-FISHING ONLY

FAYETTE:

Dunbar Creek – 4.1 miles; from the confluence of Glade Run downstream to the stone quarry along SR 1055

INDIANA:

Little Mahoning Creek – 4.1 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 Windburn Water Dam upstream

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FAYETTE/SOMERSET:

Youghiogheny River – 9 miles; from the confluence with Ramcat Run downstream to the Route 381 bridge at Ohioyle

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ALLEGHENY:

Deer Creek – 2.1 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 Craigs ville

CAMBRIA:

Chest Creek – 1.8 miles; from the northern Patton borough line downstream to the SR 4022 bridge at Thomas Mills

FAYETTE:

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

SOMERSET:

Laurel Hill Creek – 1.2 miles; from the footbridge on State Game Lands #111 Road in Humbert downstream to Paddytown Hollow Run

Laurel Hill Creek – 2.2 miles; from Laurel Hill State Park at Boy Scout Camp downstream to T-364

WASHINGTON:

Dutch Fork – 1.8 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 – 1.7 miles; from SR 711 downstream to SR 2045

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WESTMORELAND:

Camp Run Watershed – 4.1 miles; from the headwaters downstream to mouth and all intermittent flow tributaries

EARLY SEASON TROUT-STOCKED WATERS PROGRAM

ALLEGHENY:

North Park Lake

BEAVER:

Bradys Run Lake
Lower Hereford Manor Lake
Main Lake (Raccoon Lake)

CAMBRIA:

Duman Lake
Lake Rowena

FAYETTE:

Dunlap Creek Lake
Virgin Run Lake

FAYETTE/SOMERSET:

Youghiogheny River (from the lake downstream to the confluence of the Casselman River)

SOMERSET:

Laurel Hill Lake

WASHINGTON:

Canonsburg Lake

WESTMORELAND:

Donegal Lake

Keystone Lake

Mammoth Lake

Northmoreland Lake

Twin Lakes Number One Reservoir (Lower Twin Lake)

Twin Lakes Number Two Reservoir (Upper Twin Lake)

NORTHWEST REGION REGULATED TROUT WATERS

APPROVED TROUT WATERS

**OPENING DAY:
APRIL 17**

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
Thorn 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)

Fivemile 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

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

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

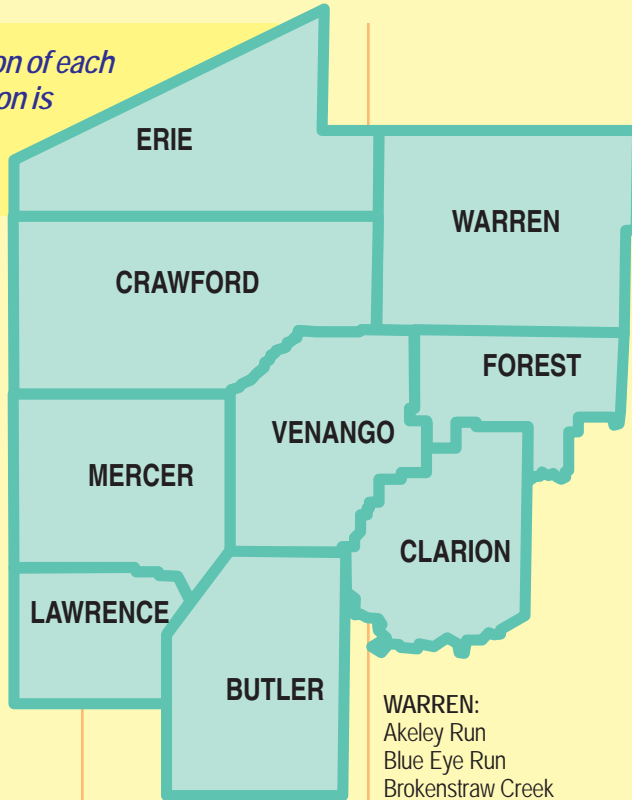
The Branch

Tionesta Creek (county line downstream to Kelletville Bridge)

Toms Run

NORTHWEST/NORTHCENTRAL REGIONS

An explanation of each trout regulation is on pages 9 and 10.



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:
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)
Shenango River (outlet of Shenango Dam downstream to Buckeye Drive Bridge (SR 3025))
West Branch Little Neshannock Creek
Wolf Creek
Yellow 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)
Two Mile Run Reservoir (Justus Lake)
West Pithole Creek

WARREN:
Akeley Run
Blue Eye Run
Brokenstraw Creek
Browns Run
Caldwell Creek
Chapman Dam Reservoir
Coffee 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

APPROVED TROUT WATERS OPEN TO YEAR-ROUND FISHING

FOREST:
Tionesta Creek (from Tionesta Dam outflow downstream)
LAWRENCE:
Cascade Quarry

CATCH AND RELEASE

WARREN:
West Branch Caldwell Creek – 3.6 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 – 1.4 miles; from Selkirk highway bridge downstream to approximately 0.5 miles upstream of the Dotyville Bridge

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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 – 2.7 miles; from the base of the Mill Dam in Volant downstream to the covered bridge on T-476

MERCER:
Cool Spring Creek – 1.25 miles; from SR 2014 bridge upstream to the abandoned railroad grade

VENANGO:
Oil Creek – 1.6 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

WILD BROOK TROUT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

FOREST/WARREN:
Minister Creek – 5 miles; includes main stem and tributaries.

EARLY SEASON TROUT-STOCKED WATERS PROGRAM

BUTLER:
Glade Run Lake
Harbar Acres Lake

ERIE:
East Basin Pond (Waterworks Pond, Presque Isle)
Lake Pleasant
Upper Gravel Pit
West Basin Pond (Waterworks Pond, Presque Isle)

LAWRENCE:
Bessemer Lake

MERCER:
Shenango River tailwaters

VENANGO:
Two Mile Run Reservoir (Justus Lake)

WARREN:
Chapman Dam Reservoir

NORTHCENTRAL REGION REGULATED TROUT WATERS

REGIONAL OPENING DAY OF TROUT SEASON

APPROVED TROUT WATERS
OPENING DAY:
April 3

NORTHUMBERLAND:
Mahantango Creek

SNYDER
West Branch Mahantango Creek

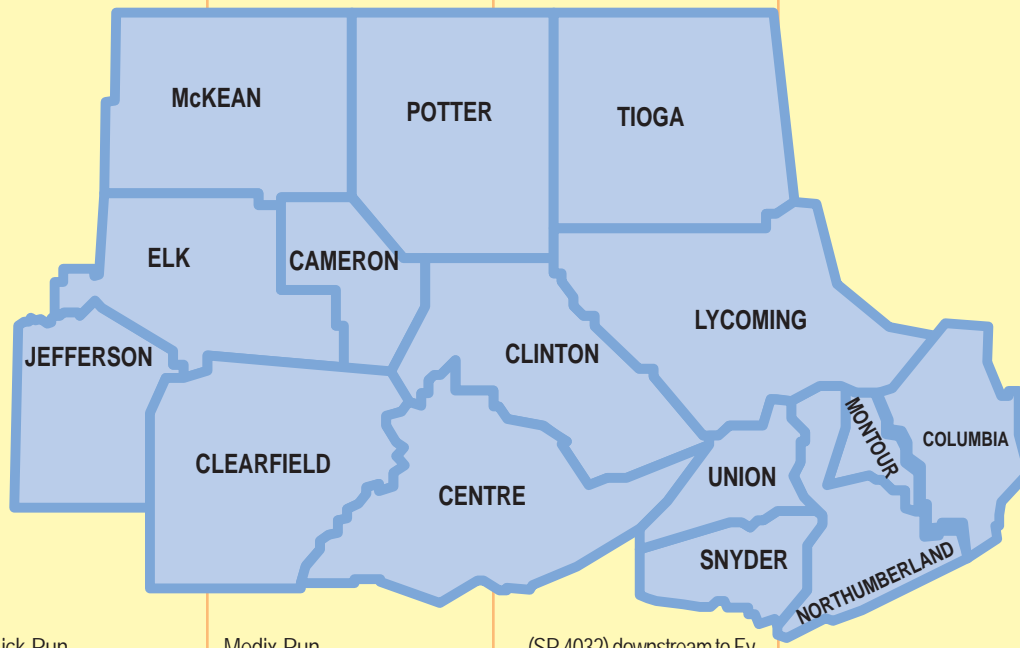
APPROVED TROUT WATERS
OPENING DAY:
April 17

CAMERON:
Brooks Run

Clear Creek
Driftwood Branch Sinnemahoning Creek
East Branch Cowley Run
East Branch Hicks Run
First Fork Sinnemahoning Creek
George B. Stevenson Reservoir

Hicks Run
Mix Run
North Creek
Sinnemahoning Portage Creek
Upper Jerry Run, West Branch Cowley Run, West Branch Hicks Run, Wykoff Run
CENTRE:
Bald Eagle Creek (T-305 near

Port Matilda downstream to 0.5 mile downstream of 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



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)
 Pine Creek (county line downstream to confluence with Little Pine Creek)
 Pleasant Stream
 Rock Run (trib to Lycoming Creek)
 Spring Creek
 Upper Pine Bottom Run
 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
 Mouses Creek
 Roaring Creek
NORTHUMBERLAND:
 Little Shamokin Creek
 Schwaben Creek
 South Branch Roaring Creek
 Zerbe Run Rod & Gun Club Pond

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)
 Seven Mountains Boy Scout Pond
 Sinking Creek
 Sixmile Run
 South Fork Beech Creek
 Wallace Run
 White Deer Creek
 Wolf Run
CLEARFIELD:
 Anderson Creek
 Beaver Run
 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
 Hockenberry Run
 Jack Dent Branch
 Janesville Dam
 Juniata Lake (Tannery Dam)
 Laborde Branch
 Laurel Run (trib to East Branch Mahoning Creek)
 Little Clearfield Creek
 Little Muddy Run

Medix Run
 Moose Creek
 North Witmer Run
 Parker Lake
 South Witmer Run
 West Branch Susquehanna River (SR 1001 Bridge near Hyde downstream to first Railroad Bridge downstream of the confluence with Moose Creek), Wilson Run, Wolf Run (county line to mouth)
CLINTON:
 Baker Run
 Cooks Run
 Fishing Creek (confluence with Cedar Run downstream to mouth)
 Greenlick Run
 Hyner Run
 Kettle Creek (county line downstream to Owl Hollow)
 Kettle Creek Lake
 Left Branch Young Womans Creek
 Little Fishing Creek
 Long Run
 Rauchtown Creek
 Right Branch Hyner Run
 Young Womans Creek
COLUMBIA:
 Beaver Run (Moyers Farm downstream to mouth)
 Briar Creek (confluence with West Branch Briar Creek downstream to mouth)
 Briar Creek Lake
 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))
 Pine Creek
 Mugser Run
 Roaring Creek
 Scotch Run
 South Branch Roaring Creek
 West Branch Briar Creek
 West Creek
ELK:
 Bear Creek
 Belmouth Run
 Big Mill Creek
 Bogy Run
 Byrnes Run
 Crooked Creek
 East Branch Clarion River
 East Branch Hick Run
 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 (water company filtration plant downstream to 1 mile downstream of confluence with First Fork Larrys Creek)
 Little Bear Creek
 Little Muncy Creek (SR 0118 Bridge downstream to confluence with Big Run)
 Little Pine Creek
 Little Pine Lake

NORTHCENTRAL REGION TROUT WATERS

POTTER:

Allegheny River
Bailey Run
Bell Run
Big Moores Run
Cowanesque River
East Branch Cowley Run
East Branch Fishing Creek
East Fork Sinnemahoning Creek
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
Sartwell 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,
Beechwood Lake
Corey Creek
Cowanesque River (county line downstream to confluence with Troupes Creek)
East Branch Stony Fork
Lake Hamilton
Long Run (trib to Pine Creek)
Marsh Creek (SR 3024 downstream to mouth)
Mill Creek
Pine Creek
Seeley 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 (0.3 mile downstream of confluence with Cherry Run downstream to SR 0235 Bridge in Glen Iron)
Rapid Run (from outflow of Halfway Lake to mouth)
Spring Creek
Spruce Run
White Deer Creek (from Cooper Mill bridge to mouth)

APPROVED TROUT WATERS OPEN TO YEAR-ROUND FISHING

CAMERON:

West Creek
CLEARFIELD:
Laurel Run (Downstream of Parker Lake)
ELK:
Straight Creek
West Creek (SR 1008 at Rathbun downstream to SR 3001 at Howard Siding)

MCKEAN:

Meade Run

CATCH AND RELEASE

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—1.2 miles; from the confluence of Rocky 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—3.9 miles; from approximately 650 yards downstream of Swift Run downstream to approximately 550 yards downstream of Cherry Run

POTTER:

Cross Fork—5.4 miles; from Bear Trap Lodge downstream to the Weed property

UNION:

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

CATCH AND RELEASE FLY-FISHING ONLY

CAMERON:

Driftwood Branch Sinnemahoning Creek—1.4 miles; from the Shippen Township Building downstream to 330 yards upstream of the SR 0120 Bridge near Emporium.

CENTRE:

Spring Creek (Fisherman's Paradise)—0.8 miles; from a point adjacent to the Stackhouse School Pistol Range downstream to the lower Bellefonte Hatchery grounds

ELK:

West Branch Clarion River—0.5 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 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—3.1 miles; from Cooper Mill Road upstream to Union/Centre County line.

CATCH AND RELEASE ALL TACKLE

CENTRE:

Spring Creek—16.5 miles; from the Boalsburg Road Bridge (SR 3010) at Oak Hall upstream of Hanson Quarry (formerly HR/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—8.6 miles; from the confluence of the East and West branches downstream to the Main St. Bridge (SR 948) in Ridgway

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CENTRE:

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

CLINTON:

Fishing Creek—0.9 mile; 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—7.2 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

ALL TACKLE TROPHY TROUT PROJECTS

CENTRE:

Penns Creek—7 miles from the

confluence with Elk Creek downstream to the Catch and Release area

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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—1.1 miles; from the confluence of Otter Run downstream to the confluence of Schoolhouse Hollow

Loyalsock Creek—1.5 miles; from the Lycoming - Sullivan County line downstream to Sandy Bottom

Lycoming Creek—1.3 miles; from the SR 0015 bridge (Old Route 15) near Haleeka upstream 1.3 miles to the first overhead utility line crossing upstream of Powys Curve.

Muncy Creek—1.1 miles; from R. Sullivan property 600 yards upstream of T-650 bridge downstream to vicinity of confluence of Big Run at Tivoli

Pine Creek—1.2 miles; from the confluence with Slate Run downstream to a point 150 meters upstream of the confluence with Naval Run

McKEAN:
Kinzua Creek—2.3 miles; From SR 219 at Tallyho downstream to Camp Run.
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—2.1 miles; from mouth of Bai-

ley Run downstream to a bend above Berge Run Bridge

SNYDER:
Middle Creek—1.2 miles; from the bridge on SR 4007 (Pine Swamp Road) to the downstream boundary of State Game Lands #188

TIOGA:
Pine Creek—1.0 mile; from Darling Run to a point 150 meters downstream of the confluence with Owassese Slide Hollow

WILD BROOK TROUT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

POTTER:
Birch Run Watershed— Entire watershed, which includes 5.3 miles of Birch Run and its tributaries
Lyman Run— Lyman Run basin from the inflow to Lyman Lake upstream on Lyman Run to its headwaters, a distance of 5.3 miles, and including all tributaries to this portion of Lyman Run

POTTER/TIOGA:
Upper Kettle Creek Basin— 28.3 miles; from the main stem of Kettle Creek from the headwaters downstream to the confluence with Long Run including Long Run and all tributaries upstream to the headwaters

EARLY SEASON TROUT-STOCKED WATERS PROGRAM

CAMERON:
George B. Stevenson Reservoir

CLINTON:
Kettle Creek Lake

COLUMBIA:
Briar Creek Lake

JEFFERSON:
Cloe Lake

LYCOMING:
Little Pine Lake

McKEAN:
Bradford City Number Three Reservoir

POTTER:
Lyman Run Reservoir

TIOGA:
Beechwood Lake
Hamilton Lake

NORTHEAST REGION REGULATED TROUT WATERS

REGIONAL OPENING DAY OF TROUT SEASON

OPENING DAY: APRIL 3

APPROVED TROUT WATERS

*These Northeast Region waters flow beyond the counties designated as part of the Regional Opening Day of Trout Season and are included as part of this trout program.

CARBON:
Lizard Creek
Mahoning Creek

APPROVED TROUT WATERS

OPENING DAY: APRIL 17

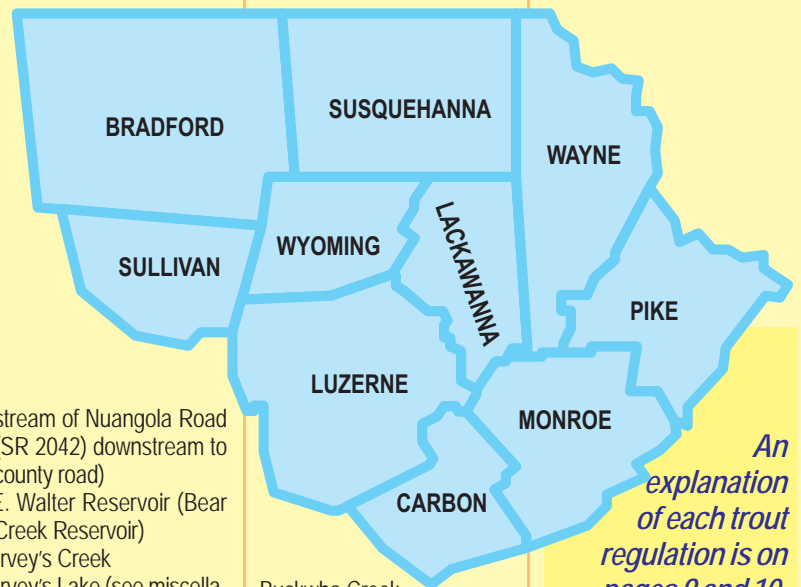
BRADFORD:
Gaylord Creek
Little Schrader Creek (confluence with Marsh Creek downstream to mouth)
North Branch Mehoopany Creek
North Branch Sugar Creek (Alparon Park Fairgrounds downstream to mouth)
Schrader Creek
Seeley Creek
South Branch Towanda Creek
South Creek
Sugar Creek (confluence with South Branch 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
Francis E. Walter Reservoir (Bear Creek Reservoir)
Hickory Run (outlet of Hickory Run Lake downstream to Saylorville Dam)
Hickory Run Lake
Lehigh Canal (Long Run Level near Weissport)
Lehigh River (Carbon - Luzerne county line from outlet of FE Walter Reservoir downstream to confluence with Sandy Run)
Mauch Chunk Creek (outlet Mauch Chunk Lake downstream to Mauch Chunk Reservoir)
Nesquehoning Creek
Pohopoco Creek (outlet of Beltzville Lake downstream to backwater of Parryville Dam)
Sand Spring Run

LACKAWANNA:
Aylesworth Creek Lake
Eston Wilson Lake
Gardner Creek
Lackawanna Lake
Lackawanna River
Lehigh River
Merli-Sarnoski Park Lake
Roaring Brook
South Branch Tunkhannock Creek
West Branch Wallenpaupack Creek

LUZERNE:
Big Wapwallopen Creek (powerline crossing up-



stream of Nuangola Road (SR 2042) downstream to county road)
F.E. Walter Reservoir (Bear Creek Reservoir)
Harvey's Creek
Harvey's Lake (see miscellaneous special regulations on page 28)
Kitchen Creek (Shedy Hill Road (T-559) downstream to mouth)
Lake Frances
Lake Irena
Lake Took A While (Riverlands)
Lehigh River (F.E. Walter Dam downstream to Sandy Run)
Lily Lake
Moon Lake
Nescopeck Creek
Pine Creek
Wapwallopen Creek
Wright Creek

MONROE:
Appenzell Creek
Brodhead Creek (Cherry Lane Bridge (SR 1002) downstream to SR 0080 Bridge at Exit 52)

Buckwha Creek
Bush Kill
Hidden Lake
Lake Creek
Lehigh River
McMichael Creek
Pocono 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
Lily Pond
Little Bush Kill (lower limit of Lehman Lake club prop-

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erty downstream to upper limit of Bushkill Rod & Gun Club property and Bushkill Falls boundary downstream to mouth)
Little Mud Pond
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 lower boundary of SGL #180)

NORTHEAST REGION TROUT WATERS

SULLIVAN:

Double Run
Elk Creek
Hoagland Branch (confluence with Porter Creek downstream to mouth)
Hunters Lake
Kings Creek (intersection of Tall Maple Road (T-395) and SR 4008 downstream to mouth),
Little Loyalsock Creek (SR 0087 Bridge south of Du-shore downstream to the confluence with Big Bottom Run)

Loyalsock Creek
Mill Creek (Hills Grove)
Muncy Creek
North Branch Mehoopany Creek
Pole Bridge Run
Schradler Creek
Shanerburg Run
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

Quaker Lake
Riley Creek
Salt Lick Creek
Silver Creek
Snake Creek
Starrucca Creek
South Branch Canawacta Creek
Tunkhannock Creek
West Branch Meshoppen Creek

WAYNE:

Dyberry Creek
East Branch Dyberry Creek
Equinunk Creek
Hollister Creek
Jones Creek

Lackawanna River
Lackawaxen River
Long Pond
Rose Pond Branch
Shehawken Creek
Upper Woods Pond
Van Auken Creek
West Branch Dyberry Creek
West Branch Lackawaxen River (Pleasant Mount State Fish Hatchery downstream to 0.4 mile downstream of third bridge on Hatchery Road (T-611) and from outflow of Prompton Dam to Seelyville)
West Branch Wallenpaupack Creek

WYOMING:

Bowman Creek
Horton Creek
Lake Winola
Leonard Creek
Martins Creek
Mehoopany Creek
Meshoppen Creek
Oxbow Lake
Riley Creek
South Branch Tunkhannock Creek
Tuscarora Creek
West Branch Meshoppen Creek

APPROVED TROUT WATERS OPEN TO YEAR-ROUND FISHING

BRADFORD:

Mountain Lake
Sugar Run

LUZERNE:

Frances Slocum Lake
Sylvan Lake

LUZERNE/SULLIVAN:

Lake Jean

WAYNE:

Duck Harbor Pond

WYOMING:

Mehoopany Creek (from confluence with Kasson Brook downstream to confluence of North Fork Mehoopany Creek)

CATCH AND RELEASE

CARBON:

Hickory Run— 2.9 miles; from the outlet of Saylorville Dam downstream to the mouth

LACKAWANNA:

Roaring Brook— 3.9 miles; from Hollisterville Dam downstream to Elmhurst Reservoir

PIKE:

Toms Creek— 2.1 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 — 0.8 mile; from 300m (.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 — 1 mile; from the vicinity of SR 292 downstream to near the confluence with Marsh Creek

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LACKAWANNA:

Lackawanna River — 5.2 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

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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 — 1.0 mile; from SR 6 downstream through Keystone College campus

LUZERNE:

Harveys Creek — 1.5 miles; from Jackson Road (T-812) downstream to Pavlick Road (T-497)



Nescopeck Creek — 2.4 miles; from the upstream boundary of State Game Lands #187 downstream to a cable across the stream

MONROE:

McMichaels Creek — 1.66 miles; from a point .71 mile downstream of the bridge on Turkey Hill Road (T-416) downstream to Glen Brook Road SR 2004 Bridge

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

PIKE:

Dingmans Creek — 1.4 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 — 1.6 miles; from 0.6 miles downstream from the Jones Creek confluence downstream to the Callapoose Rd. (SR 3009) bridge

WILD BROOK TROUT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

CARBON:

Jeans Run— From border of State Game Lands #141

upstream on Jeans Run to its headwaters, a distance of 2.5 miles, and all tributaries entering this portion of Jeans Run

MONROE:

Kistler Run Watershed— Entire watershed, which includes 3.1 miles of Kistler Run and its tributaries

Wolf Swamp Run Watershed— Entire watershed, which includes 2.1 miles of Wolf Swamp Run and its tributaries

EARLY SEASON TROUT-STOCKED WATERS PROGRAM

LACKAWANNA:

Lackawanna Lake

LUZERNE:

Lake Irena
Lake Took-a-While

Lily Lake
Moon Lake

MONROE:

Hidden Lake

SULLIVAN:

Hunters Lake

SUSQUEHANNA:

Quaker Lake

WAYNE:

Upper Woods Pond

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CATCH AND RELEASE LAKES PROGRAM



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 10*. These include: Catch and Release, 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
Columbia and Northumberland	Bear Gap Reservoir
	McWilliams Reservoir
Columbia	Klines Reservoir
Schuylkill	Owl Creek Reservoir
Westmoreland	Lower Burrell Park Pond

HOW TO RELEASE FISH - CATCH AND RELEASE

Some waters are managed strictly as "Catch and Release" waters. Every angler should expect and be prepared to release some portion of his catch. 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. Just as important, catch and release has become a popular and preferred method of angling. The idea for both voluntary catch and release and catch and release required by regulations is that the fish survive to grow larger, and perhaps reproduce, and perhaps then can be caught again. 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.**
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.
- 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.**

CAST AND THROW NET PERMIT

The Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission issues permits for use of cast nets or throw nets for taking gizzard shad 8 inches or less in length and alewife only in waters determined by the executive director. The executive director has determined that the Commission will issue cast net or throw net permits only for the waterways listed below. A separate permit is required for each area.

County	Water Area
Berks	Blue Marsh Lake
Bucks	Nockamixon Lake
Carbon	Beltzville Lake
Huntingdon	Raystown Lake
Wayne/Pike	Lake Wallenpaupack
Butler	Lake Arthur
Mercer	Shenango River Lake

The use of a cast net or throw net in any other Commonwealth waters is a violation of the Fish and Boat Code and is punishable by a fine and may result in the loss of fishing privileges. Cast nets or throw nets shall not exceed 10 feet in radius or 20 feet in diameter and possess a mesh size of at least 3/8-inch. The holder of the cast net or throw net permit may take, catch, kill or possess a daily creel limit of 100 gizzard shad and alewife (combined species). The holder of the permit shall carry the permit on his/her person while using the net or while possessing more than 50 gizzard shad or alewife (combined species). The permit shall be available for inspection by a waterways conservation officer.

It is unlawful to: use a cast net or throw net in the waterways listed above without the required permit; use a cast net or throw net in any other Common-

wealth waters except those listed above; use a cast net or throw net to take, catch, kill or possess any fish species except gizzard shad 8 inches or less in length and alewife; use gizzard shad or alewife taken under the required permit as live bait in any water other than the water from which it was taken; use a cast net/throw net without possessing a valid fishing license.

Cast net and throw net permits are available on the Internet at: www.theoutdoorshop.state.pa.us. Applications are also available online at: www.fishandboat.com/images/pages/forms/pfbc168.pdf.



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
	Tamarack Lake
	Woodcock Creek Lake
Erie	Edinboro Lake
	Howard Eaton Reservoir
	Union City Reservoir

County	Water Area
Wayne	Belmont Lake
	Duck Harbor Pond
	Lake Wallenpaupack
	Lower Woods Pond
	Miller Pond
	Prompton Dam

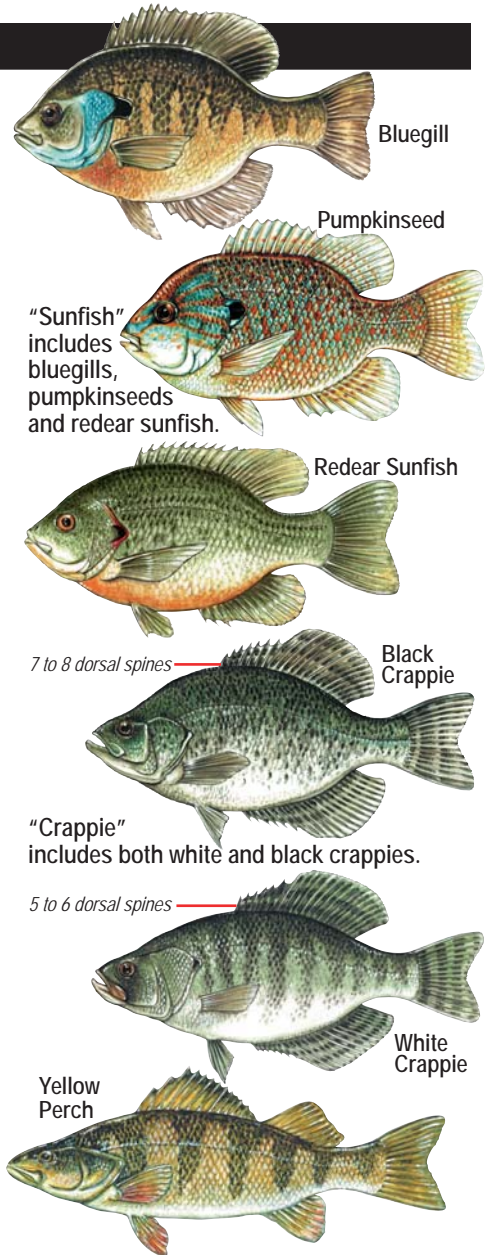
For all other species, Commonwealth inland waters seasons, sizes and creel limits apply.

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 the Early Season Trout-Stocked Waters Program. 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	
	Hinkston Run Reservoir	Sunfish	7 inches	
		Crappie	9 inches	
		Yellow Perch	9 inches	
	Centre	Colyer Lake	Sunfish	7 inches
Yellow Perch			9 inches	
Crappie			9 inches	
Foster Joseph Sayers Lake		Sunfish	7 inches	
		Crappie	9 inches	
Chester	Chambers Lake	Sunfish	7 inches	
		Crappie	9 inches	
		Yellow Perch	9 inches	
Lancaster	Speedwell Forge Lake	Crappie	9 inches	
Montour	Lake Chillisquaque	Sunfish	7 inches	
		Crappie	9 inches	
Monroe	Bradys Lake	Sunfish	7 inches	
		Crappie	9 inches	
		Yellow Perch	9 inches	
	Gouldsboro Lake	Sunfish	7 inches	
		Crappie	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	High Point Lake	Yellow Perch	9 inches	
	Quemahoning Reservoir	Sunfish	7 inches	
		Crappie	9 inches	
Washington	Cross Creek Lake	Yellow Perch	9 inches	
		Sunfish	7 inches	
		Crappie	9 inches	
Westmoreland	Lower Twin Lake	Crappie	9 inches	
	Northmoreland Lake	Sunfish	7 inches	
		Crappie	9 inches	
	Upper Twin Lake	Crappie	9 inches	

When Panfish Enhancement Regulations apply to more than one species in the same waterway, the combined creel limit is 20 for each species with the total creel not to exceed 50 panfish combined.



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 5).

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.

CHESTER/MONTGOMERY: *Elk Creek (Big Elk Creek)* – Maximum size limit of 8 inches applies to taking or possessing blueback herring and alewife.

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 and Linesville Creek*

- Nursery waters closed to all fishing March 1 through April 15. Waters involved are Paden Creek (Finley Creek) from the mouth upstream to “Finley Bridge” on U.S. Route 6 and Linesville Creek from the mouth (Pymatuning Sanctuary) upstream to the Conrail Railroad bridge north of U.S. Route 6 in Linesville.

CRAWFORD/ERIE: *Conneaut Creek*

- Lake Erie Tributary Regulations apply (see page 7) for entire stream in Crawford and Erie counties.

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.

LACKAWANNA: *Lake Scranton*

- It is unlawful for any person to fish from the fishing pier designated for use by persons with disabilities unless such person is:

- totally blind,
- so severely disabled that he or she is unable to cast or retrieve a line or bait hooks and remove fish,
- deprived of the use of both legs, or
- participating in a special fishing event for persons with disabilities under conditions approved by the owner of the lake.

Such person may fish with only one legal device and must be within 10 feet of the device used. A person authorized to fish from the fishing pier under the above rules may be attended by another individual who may assist the person with the disability in using the fishing device.

LUZERNE: *Harveys Lake*

- The daily limit is 3 trout (combined species) during the period from 8 a.m. on the opening day of trout season through March 31. Only one of the 3 trout daily limit may exceed 18 inches in length. The lake is closed to fishing from April 1 until 8 a.m. on the opening day of trout season. Inland regulations apply to warmwater/coolwater species.

MERCER: *Shenango River* – From dam downstream 1.5 miles to SR 3025.

- Closed season on trout – April 1 until 8 a.m. on the opening day of regular trout season. Daily limit – Opening day of the trout season to Labor Day – 5 trout; the day after Labor Day through March 31 of the following year – 3 trout.

MONROE/NORTHAMPTON/PIKE: *Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area* – The use of eel chutes, eelpots 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.

SOMERSET/FAYETTE/WESTMORELAND/ALLEGHENY: *Youghiogheny River* – (1 mile) From lake downstream to confluence with Casselman River.

- Closed season on trout – April 1 until 8 a.m. on the opening day of trout season. Daily limit – 8 a.m. on the opening day of trout season to Labor Day – 5 trout; the day after Labor Day through March 31 of the following year – 3 trout.

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 10.



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 Sept. 7 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.

WASHINGTON: *Little Chartiers Creek* – From Canonsburg 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 use or possession of natural bait, baitfish, fishbait, bait paste and similar substances, fish eggs (natural or molded), or any other edible substance is prohibited.

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

WESTMORELAND: *Indian Lake* (North Huntingdon Township)

- Bass – 15-inch minimum size limit. Daily limit 2 per day. Refer to Big Bass Program for NO HARVEST dates (see page 5). Panfish (combined species) – Daily limit 10 per day.

WYOMING: *Lake Winola* – Only bass less than 12 inches and over 18 inches in length may be harvested. Refer to Big Bass Program for NO HARVEST dates (see page 5). The daily creel limit is 6, but only one of those bass may be over 18 inches in length.

Cast net/throw net regulations for selected waterways appear on page 24.

REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS - SEASONS AND LIMITS

The following regulations apply to reptiles and amphibians. They DO NOT apply to endangered and threatened species.

Species	Season	Daily Limit	Possession Limit
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)
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 12 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.***)	
Northern Copperhead	June 12 through July 31	1 annual limit**	
Native species not listed on this page	No closed season	1	1

* 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 northern 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 northern 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.

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

SNAKES	SALAMANDERS	FROGS
Eastern Hognose Snake	Eastern Hellbender	Northern Cricket Frog
Eastern Ribbon Snake	Four-toed Salamander	Mountain Chorus Frog
Eastern Worm Snake	Jefferson Salamander	Striped Chorus Frog Complex
Mountain Earth Snake	Marbled Salamander	
Queen Snake	Mudpuppy	TURTLES
Shorthead Garter Snake	Ravine Salamander	Blanding's Turtle
Smooth Earth Snake		Eastern Box Turtle
Smooth Green Snake	SKINKS/LIZARD	Spotted Turtle
	Broadhead Skink	Wood Turtle
	Northern Coal Skink	
	Northern Fence Lizard	

ENDANGERED SPECIES

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 from the Commonwealth. Candidate species may be more abundant, but face similar perils. To obtain a current list, write to: PA Fish & Boat Commission, Environmental Services Division, Natural Diversity Section, 450 Robinson Lane, Bellefonte, PA 16823, or visit: www.fishandboat.com/letspecis.htm.

Snapping Turtle Consumption Advice

Snapping turtle meat has been found to contain only small amounts of PCB's 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.

PERMITS

- A permit is required to hunt timber rattlesnakes and northern copperhead snakes.
- A permit is required to hunt, take, catch or kill common snapping turtles for the purpose of sale, barter or trade. Permit applications for these two permits must be mailed to: PA Fish & Boat Commission, Bureau of Law Enforcement, P.O. Box 67000, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000.



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ADDITIONAL RESTRICTIONS:

ALL Reptiles and Amphibians:

- A fishing license is required to catch or take reptiles and amphibians from the waters of the Commonwealth. A fishing license is not required for reptiles and amphibians on land.
- 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.
- Except for snapping turtles taken by commercial permit, reptiles and amphibians whether dead or alive, in whole or parts, including eggs or any life stage taken from within the Commonwealth may not be sold or offered for sale.
- 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 approved 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.

FISHING LICENSES

In 2006, the Commission announced the availability of fishing licenses in a new format. 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.theoutdoorshop.state.pa.us.

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.

2010 FISHING LICENSES

LICENSE YEAR	Type of Fishing License or Permit	Age	Cost*
Annual licenses are valid from December 1, 2009 through December 31, 2010. WHILE FISHING, your license must be signed in ink and must be displayed on an outer garment. In addition, anglers must be prepared to furnish proof of identification.	Resident (Annual)	16-64	\$22.70
	Senior Resident (Annual)	65 & up	\$11.70
	Senior Resident (Lifetime)	65 & up	\$51.70
	1-Day Resident (not valid March 15 - April 30)	16 & up	\$11.70
	Non-Resident (Annual)	16 & up	\$52.70
	1-Day Tourist (includes all privileges, not valid March 15 - April 30)	16 & up	\$26.70
	3-Day Tourist	16 & up	\$26.70
	7-Day Tourist	16 & up	\$34.70
	Trout-Salmon Permit	16 & up	\$ 9.70
	Lake Erie Permit	16 & up	\$ 9.70
	Combination Trout-Salmon/Lake Erie Permit	16 & up	\$15.70

*Includes issuing agent fee of \$1.00 and \$0.70 electronic processing fee.

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OBTAIN YOUR LICENSE:

- a) at more than 900 license-issuing agents
- b) at county treasurers offices
- c) at Fish & Boat Commission regional offices
- d) on the Internet at www.theoutdoorshop.state.pa.us.

pa.us.

A lost fishing license or replacements – Replacement licenses include all permits or privileges previously purchased by the customer. The total cost for a replacement license and all previously purchased permits or privileges is \$6.70. Customers may purchase additional permits.

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 current PA firearms permit
- d) a previous year's PA state income tax return showing proof of payment of personal income tax as a resident of PA
- e) a previous year's local earned income tax return showing tax paid to a PA municipality
- f) a current PA voter registration card.

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 180 consecutive days or more or was released early from service because of an injury or disease incurred in the line of duty.

Prisoner of War (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 **RESIDENT SENIOR LIFETIME** license dated before **January 1, 1991**, are **not** required to purchase a trout/salmon permit.

• **RESIDENT SENIOR LIFETIME** license holders are required to purchase **only one permit for a lifetime**. The Resident Senior Lifetime license is valid as long as the license holder remains a resident of Pennsylvania. Resident Senior Lifetime license holders that move out of state and are no longer residents of Pennsylvania are required to obtain a nonresident or tourist license if they return to fish in Pennsylvania.

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.

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.

SENIOR RESIDENT LIFETIME LICENSE UPGRADE

A durable plastic card version of the Senior Resident Lifetime license is available. This upgrade is available for \$6.70. Complete form PFBC-L-166S and send to the address indicated. Forms are available from the Commission's website at: www.fishandboat.com/forms_fishing.htm Upgrades can also be purchased through issuing agents.



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.



One-Day Tourist and One Day Resident License - One-Day Tourist and One-Day Resident Licenses are not valid for fishing during the period from March 15th to April 30th of any year. One-Day Tourist or One-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.

POINT-OF-SALE LICENSE
Permits are printed on the license.

TROUT/SALMON PERMIT

A current Pennsylvania trout/salmon permit is required to fish for trout or salmon in Pennsylvania waters. 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 approved trout waters on March 1 through May 31.

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 7 for a list of main tributaries that require a permit.*

COMBINATION TROUT/SALMON/LAKE ERIE PERMIT

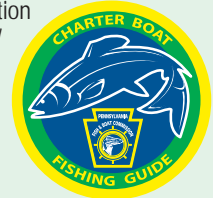
In many cases an angler may need both a trout/salmon permit and a Lake Erie permit to fish in waters in the Erie area. Rather than purchasing these individually, a Combination Trout-Salmon/Lake Erie permit may be purchased.

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 who possess a "free" fishing license or other persons who are exempt from license requirements.
- Persons who possess a 1-day tourist license.

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 web site: www.fishandboat.com/chboat_app.pdf. 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 web site: www.fishandboat.com/chboat.htm



ASSISTANCE TO CHILDREN

An adult who assists a child (12 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.

For an up-to-date listing of exclusive areas for children and persons with disabilities, go to the Commission's web site: www.fishandboat.com.

Federal and state laws prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, age, sex or disability. The Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission is an equal opportunity employer, and it complies with applicable federal and Pennsylvania nondiscrimination laws and regulations. In addition, the Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission receives federal aid in sport fish restoration and boating enhancement. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 prohibit discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin or disability in federally assisted programs. If you believe that you have been discriminated against in any program, activity or facility as described above, or if you desire further information, contact the Human Resources Office, PA Fish & Boat Commission, P.O. Box 67000, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000, or the U.S. Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C. 20420.

ACCOMMODATIONS for Persons with Disabilities

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

County	Facilities
Butler	Glade Run Lake
Carbon	Mauch Chunk Lake
Crawford	Tamarack Lake
Erie	North East Marina (shoreline fishing)
Erie	Walnut Creek (shoreline fishing)
Fayette	Dunlap Creek Lake
Fayette	Youghiogheny River Lake Outflow

County	Facilities
Jefferson	Kyle Lake
Jefferson	Cloe Lake
Lackawanna	Fords Lake
Lancaster	Speedwell Forge Lake
Northampton	Minsi Lake
Philadelphia	Frankford Arsenal Access - Delaware River (railed shoreline fishing area)
Somerset	Lake Somerset
Wyoming	Lake Winola
Wyoming	Oxbow Lake

PERSONS with DISABILITIES

A copy of the *Pennsylvania Fishing Summary* is available on our web site 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 Fish & Boat Commission property. Permit applications may be requested in writing from the PA Fish & Boat Commission, Bureau of Law Enforcement, P.O. Box 67000, Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000.

For a listing of waters available exclusively for children 12 years of age and younger and persons with disabilities, please contact a regional office or visit www.fishandboat.com

GENERAL REGULATIONS

BOATING – Coast Guard-approved wearable life jackets or personal flotation devices (PFDs) are required for each occupant on all types of boats in all waters. Children 12 years of age and younger must wear an approved Type I, II, III or V PFD while underway on Commonwealth waters in any boat 20 feet or less in length and in all canoes and kayaks. See PFD (life jacket) Requirements on *page 31*.

Motorboats (including boats powered by electric motors) must be registered. **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.**

Owners of unregistered, unpowered boats (canoes, kayaks, rowboats, etc.) that launch their boats at Commission lakes and access areas and at PA state parks must display the Commission's Use Permit. PA state park launching and mooring decals are also recognized.

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 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 or are part of a tagged fish contest in a boundary lake for which the Commission has issued a permit.

TACKLE AND EQUIPMENT

RODS, LINES AND HOOKS. An angler may use a maximum of two lines fished either by rod or hand when fishing for gamefish, baitfish or both. It is unlawful for a person to fish with more than two fishing rods at a time. No more than three hooks shall be attached to a line used in fishing (one hook having two or three points is considered a "single hook"). 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 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. On 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. **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 approved 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, except in approved trout waters during the closed season and in special regulation waters.

BAIT

BAITFISH includes all forms of minnows; suckers, chubs, fallfish, lampreys, eels between 6 and 8 inches in length; 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 or crabs, mussels, clams, and the nymphs, larvae and pupae of all insects spending any part of their life cycle in the water.

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. Approved 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, rusty crayfish, ruffe, round goby and tubenose goby.**
- To fish with more than two fishing lines at any time when fishing for gamefish, baitfish or both.
- To fish (includes taking baitfish and fishbait) from March 1 to 8:00 a.m. on the opening day of trout season in any approved trout water. Excepted are certain specially regulated waters and "in-season only" stocked waters.
- 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.

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 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.

- 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 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 game fish. Contact the nearest regional headquarters (*page 40*) 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, cattleways 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.

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 fines up to \$7,500, two years imprisonment, and loss of boating privileges for up to one year.

PFD (LIFE JACKET) REQUIREMENTS

- All boats must have a USCG-approved wearable (Type I, II, III or V) life jacket on board for each person.
- In addition to wearable life jackets, boats 16 feet and over must have a throwable device (Type IV) on board. Canoes and kayaks, regardless of length, are not required to carry a throwable device.
- Type V 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 the PFDs (personal flotation devices) are stowed where they can be easily reached or that they are out in the open ready to wear. Type IV flotation devices (throwables) 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.

WHO HAS TO WEAR A LIFE JACKET?

- All water skiers and anyone towed behind vessels, personal watercraft operators and passengers, and sailboarders (windsurfers). Inflatable life jackets are not acceptable for these activities.
- 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.

Remember that life jackets should be personalized, properly fitted and tested in the water. Everyone should know how to use them.

REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE USE OF FISH & BOAT COMMISSION-OWNED OR COMMISSION-CONTROLLED PROPERTY

- A powerboat using a Commission lake or access area shall be registered and shall display the official registration number and current validation stickers. Unpowered boats using a Commission lake or access area must either be properly registered, display an official and valid Commission use permit or display an official and valid watercraft launch or mooring permit issued by DCNR. Fees for Commission use permits are \$10 for a one-year permit and \$18 for a two-year permit.

Overnight mooring of boats is permitted at designated mooring areas from April 1 through November 30. A boat utilizing mooring areas shall be registered and display the official registration number and current validation sticker. Mooring is at the sole risk of the boat owner.

- Boats have the right of way over fishing from boat launch areas or boat docks. It is unlawful for persons fishing from a boat launch area or boat dock to permit their fishing activity to interfere with boat traffic into and out of the boat launch area or boat dock.

- Overnight camping, building or maintaining open fires, swimming and picking, cutting or digging flowers, plants, shrubs and trees is prohibited.

- The leaving or disposal of any rubbish on Commission property is prohibited unless placed in containers, if provided for this purpose. Disposal of any refuse accumulated off Commission property is prohibited.

- Any personal, organizational or commercial use other than normally intended fishing and boating activities is prohibited, except that the executive director or his designee may issue permits to organizations for the use of Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission properties, when it is determined that such use will not damage Commission property and will not interfere with normal usage by others. Launching or retrieving swimming aids at Commission access areas is prohibited.

- The removal or defacing of any sign, poster or property is prohibited, and it shall be unlawful to damage in any manner any lands or to interfere with any device or structure, or to alter or interfere with the flow of water over or through any structure.

- Legal hunting and trapping is permitted on Commission property unless otherwise posted.

- The carrying or use of firearms on Fish & Boat Commission properties is prohibited except while lawfully hunting or trapping. This does not apply to those individuals licensed to carry firearms under 18 Pa. C.S. 6109 (licenses) or those individuals authorized to do so in conformance with 18 Pa. C.S. 6106 (firearms not to be carried without a license).

- The use of electric motors for boat propulsion is permitted on all Commission lakes. The use of internal combustion engines is not permitted.

- On Fish & Boat Commission lakes, inflatable boats must be seven or more feet in length, be constructed of durable corded fabric reinforced with cloth and coated and have at least two separate buoyancy chambers, excluding inflatable flooring or bottom.

- Vehicles must be parked in designated areas only. Blocking or obstructing driveways, access roads or launch ramps is prohibited.

- No person may construct, place or maintain any structure, fixture or any other tangible property on or in Commission-owned or Commission-controlled property or waters without a permit from the executive director or his designee. Persons are further prohibited from encroaching upon Commission property in any manner incompatible with public use.

- A vehicle properly registered and operated in conformance with the Vehicle Code (except all-terrain vehicles) is permitted on Commission-owned or Commission-controlled property on those areas that are open to vehicular traffic such as roadways, driveways, launch ramps and designated parking areas. It is unlawful to operate a vehicle on Commission property on (a) roads not open to the public, (b) in a negligent or reckless manner, (c) in a manner that obstructs or impedes public access to driveways, access roads and launch ramps, (d) in a manner not in conformance with the posted traffic control signs or devices, (e) on forested areas, grasslands, wetlands and lands under cultivation and (f) on frozen lakes, ponds, rivers or streams. The use of off-road motorized vehicles, including trail bikes, Tote Gotes, all-terrain vehicles (ATVs), air-cushioned vehicles, track vehicles, hydrofoils and the like, is prohibited.

- Snowmobiles may be used on Commission-owned or Commission-controlled property that has been designated for such use by the executive director and is so posted. The operation of snowmobiles on frozen lakes, ponds and streams is prohibited. Parking areas on Commission-owned or Commission-controlled property shall not be used for general snowmobile operation.

- Walnut Creek Access, Channel and Basin-Boats have the right of way over shore fishermen. Fishing from boats is prohibited in channel and



basin. Shore fishing is allowed in the basin ONLY at places and times designated. The west bank of Walnut Creek is closed to all access from the mouth to the first bridge.

- Trespassing on Fish & Boat Commission property is prohibited where posted.

- Float tubes or similar devices are permitted while fishing on Fish & Boat Commission lakes so long as the device contains two air bladder systems. It may not be propelled by a mechanical device. The user must wear a Coast Guard-approved personal flotation device.

- Tagged fish contests are prohibited on Fish & Boat Commission lakes or access areas where prizes are awarded for catching tagged fish and where an entry fee is required to participate.

- Please see bulletin boards at Commission properties for any additional restrictions that may apply.

FISH & BOAT COMMISSION PROPERTY DOG REGULATIONS

Dogs are permitted on Commission property if they are licensed and otherwise in compliance with all other provisions of the Dog Law.

- The maximum number of dogs that an owner or handler is permitted to have on Commission property at one time is two.

- The owner or handler shall keep the dogs under his or her supervision and control by keeping the dogs on a leash not exceeding six feet in length while on Commission property. Mechanically retractable leashes of any length may also be used. Dogs on board boats are exempt from leash requirements. The owner or handler shall immediately scoop, contain, and retain droppings of the dog and may not dispose of dog droppings on Commission property.

- The leash requirements do not apply when an owner is training a dog for water retrieval purposes and when the following apply:

1. The dog is actually performing customary water retrieval functions.

2. The dog remains within 10 feet of the owner or handler while on land.

3. The dog is under the immediate control of the owner or handler at all times.

4. The dog does not interfere with anglers or boaters engaged in fishing, boating or other lawful activities.

- An owner or handler of a hunting dog is exempt from the leash requirements and removal of dog droppings requirements when he or she keeps the dog off lawn areas, trails and parking lots and when he or she is engaged in legal hunting or training during the seasons established by the Pennsylvania Game Commission.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC HEALTH ADVISORY 2010 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 (one-half 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 one-half 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.

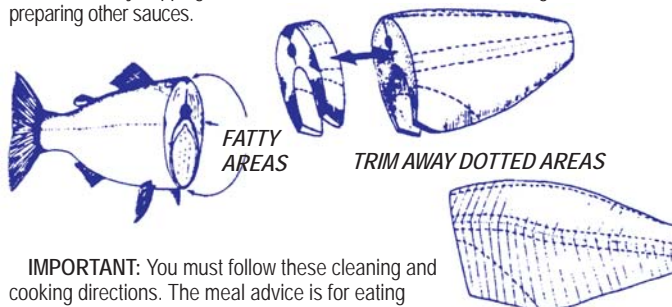
Women beyond their childbearing years and men generally face fewer health risks from these contaminants. However, it is recommended that you also follow the advisory to reduce your total exposure to contaminants. For these groups, it is the total number of meals that you eat during the year that becomes 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 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. If additional consumption advisories for state hatchery trout are appropriate for 2010, they will be announced in February or March 2010.

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:

Dept. of Environmental Protection: 717-787-9637, web site: www.depweb.state.pa.us. Questions concerning current advisory listings, waters sampled, sampling methods.

Dept. of Health: 717-787-1708, web site: www.health.state.pa.us. Questions about effects of chemicals on human health.

Fish & Boat Commission: 814-359-5147, web site: www.fishandboat.com. Questions about effects of chemicals on fisheries, current advisory listings.

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NO-KILL ZONE

<i>Water Body</i>	<i>No-Kill Zone</i>	<i>Species</i>	<i>Meal Frequency</i>	<i>Contaminant</i>
Valley Creek at Valley Forge (<i>Chester Co.</i>)	Entire basin	All	Unlawful to kill or possess any fish	PCB

DELAWARE RIVER BASIN

<i>Water Body</i>	<i>Area Under Advisory</i>	<i>Species</i>	<i>Meal Frequency</i>	<i>Contaminant</i>
Beltzville Lake (Beltzville State Park) (<i>Carbon Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
Bush Kill (<i>Monroe and Pike Co.</i>)	Confluence of Saw Creek to mouth	American eel	2 meals/month	Mercury
Delaware River	Source to Trenton, NJ-Morrisville, PA bridge	American eel	2 meals/month	Mercury
Delaware Estuary, including the tidal portion of all PA tributaries and the Schuylkill River to the Fairmount Dam (<i>Bucks, Philadelphia & Delaware Co.</i>)	Trenton, NJ-Morrisville, PA Bridge to PA/DE border	White perch, Channel catfish, Flathead catfish, Striped bass	1 meal/month	PCB
Lake Wallenpaupack (<i>Pike & Wayne Co.</i>)	Entire lake	American eel, Carp	Do Not Eat	PCB
Lehigh River (<i>Northampton Co.</i>)	Confluence of Saucon Creek to mouth	Walleye	1 meal/month	Mercury
Levittown Lake (<i>Bucks Co.</i>)	Confluence of Saucon Creek to mouth	Carp, American eel	1 meal/month	PCB
Levittown Lake (<i>Bucks Co.</i>)	Entire lake	White perch	1 meal/month	PCB
Little Neshaminy Creek (<i>Bucks Co.</i>)	Entire basin	Carp	1 meal/month	PCB
Promised Land Lake (Promised Land State Park) (<i>Pike Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
Prompton Reservoir (W. Br. Lackawaxen River) (<i>Wayne Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
Red Clay Creek (<i>Chester Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
Schuylkill River (<i>Schuylkill Co.</i>)	Entire basin (includes all tributaries)	American eel	1 meal/month	PCB
Schuylkill River (<i>Schuylkill & Berks Co.</i>)	Confluence of Mill Cr. at Port Carbon to Auburn Dam	Trout	1 meal/month	PCB
Schuylkill River (<i>Schuylkill & Berks Co.</i>)	Confluence of Mahannon Cr. at Landingville to Kernsville Dam	Bluegill, Brown bullhead	1 meal/month	PCB
Schuylkill River (<i>Berks, Chester & Montgomery Co.</i>)	Felix Dam above Reading to Black Rock Dam above Phoenixville	Carp, Channel catfish	6 meals/year	PCB
Schuylkill River (<i>Chester, Montgomery & Phila. Co.</i>)	Black Rock Dam to Fairmount Dam in Philadelphia	Carp	Do Not Eat	PCB
Schuylkill River (<i>Berks, Chester, Montgomery & Philadelphia Co.</i>)	Felix Dam above Reading to Fairmount Dam	Channel catfish, Flathead catfish	1 meal/month	PCB
Stairway Pond (<i>Pike Co.</i>)	Entire Pond	American eel	Do Not Eat	PCB
Tobyhanna Creek (<i>Carbon and Monroe Co.</i>)	White sucker	1 meal/month	PCB	
Tulpehocken Creek (<i>Berks Co.</i>)	Entire Pond	Largemouth bass	2 meals/1 month	Mercury
West Branch Brandywine Creek (<i>Chester Co.</i>)	Pocono Lake Dam to mouth	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
West Branch Schuylkill River (<i>Schuylkill Co.</i>)	Blue Marsh Dam to mouth	Brown trout, Rainbow trout	1 meal/month	PCB
West Branch Schuylkill River (<i>Schuylkill Co.</i>)	From business Rt. 30 (Lincoln Highway) in Coatesville to confluence of Buck Run	American eel	6 meals/year	PCB
West Branch Schuylkill River (<i>Schuylkill Co.</i>)	Entire basin	Brook trout	1 meal/month	PCB

SUSQUEHANNA RIVER BASIN

<i>Water Body</i>	<i>Area Under Advisory</i>	<i>Species</i>	<i>Meal Frequency</i>	<i>Contaminant</i>
Big Elk Creek (<i>Chester Co.</i>)	Confluence of East and West Branches to PA/MD border	American eel	2 meals/month	Mercury
Black Moshannon State Park Lake (<i>Centre Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Chain pickerel	1 meal/month	Mercury
Chemung River (<i>Bradford Co.</i>)	NY/PA border to mouth	Channel catfish	2 meals/month	Mercury
Chemung River (<i>Bradford Co.</i>)	NY/PA border to mouth	Smallmouth bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
Conestoga River (<i>Lancaster Co.</i>)	Slackwater to mouth	Rock bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Cowanesque Reservoir (<i>Tioga Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
Cowanesque River (<i>Tioga Co.</i>)	Cowanesque Reservoir Dam to PA/NY border	Black crappie	2 meals/month	Mercury
First Fork Sinnemahoning Creek-George B. Stevenson Dam (<i>Sinnemahoning State Park (Cameron & Potter Co.)</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
First Fork Sinnemahoning Creek (<i>Cameron Co.</i>)	George B. Stevenson Dam to mouth	Largemouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Hammond Reservoir (<i>Tioga Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Hunters Lake (<i>Sullivan Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
Jacks Creek (<i>Mifflin Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Kettle Creek Lake (<i>Kettle Creek State Park (Clinton Co.)</i>)	Paintersville Bridge to mouth	Bluegill, Rock bass, Fallfish	1 meal/month	PCB
Kettle Creek (<i>Clinton Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lackawanna Lake (<i>Lackawanna State Park (Lackawanna Co.)</i>)	Alvin R. Bush Dam to mouth	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lake Jean (<i>UNT Kitchen Cr. (Ricketts Glen State Park (Sullivan and Luzerne Co.)</i>)	Entire lake	Bluegill	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lake Makoma (<i>Mill Cr. (Sullivan Co.)</i>)	Entire lake	Chain pickerel, Largemouth bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
Lake Winola (<i>Wyoming Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Yellow perch	2 meals/month	Mercury
Laurel Lake (<i>Cumberland Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lily Lake (<i>Luzerne Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Logan Branch (<i>Centre Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Loyalsock Creek (<i>Sullivan and Lycoming Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Loyalsock Creek (<i>Sullivan and Lycoming Co.</i>)	Axemann to mouth	Brown trout	1 meal/month	PCB
Loyalsock Creek (<i>Sullivan and Lycoming Co.</i>)	Confluence of Little Loyalsock Creek at Forksville to mouth	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury

<i>Water Body</i>	<i>Area Under Advisory</i>	<i>Species</i>	<i>Meal Frequency</i>	<i>Contaminant</i>
Shumans Lake (<i>Loyalsock Cr (Sullivan Co.)</i>)	Entire lake	Chain Pickerel	2 meals/month	Mercury
McWilliams Reservoir (<i>Northumberland and Columbia Co.</i>)	Entire Reservoir	Largemouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Middle Creek (<i>Snyder Co.</i>)	SR 0035 bridge to mouth	Rock bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Penns Creek (<i>Snyder and Union Co.</i>)	Confluence of Laurel Run to SR 0204 at New Berlin	Rock bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Pine Creek (<i>Tioga Co.</i>)	Confluence of Painter Run to confluence of Fourmile Run near Colton Point State Park	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Sugar Creek (<i>Bradford Co.</i>)	Confluence of Bailey Run to mouth	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Sunfish Pond (<i>Bradford Co.</i>)	Entire pond	Largemouth bass, Yellow perch	2 meals/month	Mercury
Susquehanna River (<i>Susquehanna Co.</i>)	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 (<i>Bradford and Wyoming Co.</i>)	NY border above Sayre to PA Route 92 bridge at Falls	Walleye	1 meal/month	Mercury
Susquehanna River (<i>Wyoming, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Columbia, Northumberland and Montour Co.</i>)	PA Route 92 bridge at Falls to confluence with West Br.	Channel catfish	1 meal/month	PCB
		Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
		All suckers	Do Not Eat	PCB
		Channel catfish, Quillback, Carp and Walleye	1 meal/month	PCB
Tioga River (<i>Tioga Co.</i>)	Confluence of Crooked Creek to PA/NY border	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Tioga Reservoir (<i>Tioga Co.</i>)	Entire Reservoir	Largemouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Towanda Creek (<i>Bradford Co.</i>)	Confluence of Schrader Creek to mouth	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Trindle Spring Run (<i>locally Silver Spring Run (Cumberland Co.)</i>)	Silver Spring Meeting House to mouth (approx. 1 mile)	Rainbow trout	1 meal/month	PCB
Tunkhannock Creek (<i>Wyoming Co.</i>)	Confluence of South Branch to mouth	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Tuscarora Creek (<i>Juniata Co.</i>)	SR 3008 bridge above Port Royal to mouth	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
West Branch Susquehanna River (<i>Clinton, Lycoming, Union and Northumberland Co.</i>)	Bald Eagle Creek to I-80 bridge	Channel catfish	1 meal/month	PCB
West Conewago Creek (<i>York Co.</i>)	SR 0295 bridge to mouth	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
White Deer Creek (<i>Union Co.</i>)	I-80 bridge to mouth	Brown trout	2 meals/month	Mercury
Wyalusing Creek (<i>Bradford Co.</i>)	SR 0706 bridge at Camptown to mouth	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Yellow Breeches Creek (<i>Cumberland Co.</i>)	SR 3017 bridge at Huntsdale to confluence of Spruce Run	White sucker, Brown trout	1 meal/month	PCB

OHIO RIVER BASIN

<i>Water Body</i>	<i>Area Under Advisory</i>	<i>Species</i>	<i>Meal Frequency</i>	<i>Contaminant</i>
Allegheny River (<i>McKean Co.</i>)	Confluence of Potato Creek to PA/NY border	Smallmouth bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
Allegheny Res. (<i>Warren and McKean Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Allegheny River (<i>Warren Co.</i>)	Kinzua Dam to confluence of Morse Run	Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
Allegheny River (<i>Forest Co.</i>)	Warren/Forest county line to confluence of Tubbs Run	Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
Allegheny River (<i>Venango Co.</i>)	Confl. of Sandy Ck to confluence of Witherup Run at St. George	Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
Allegheny River (<i>Armstrong Co.</i>)	Pool 6 - Lock & Dam 7 to Lock & Dam 6	Carp	1 meal/month	PCB
Allegheny River (<i>Allegheny Co.</i>)	From Lock & Dam 3 to the Point in Pittsburgh	Carp, Channel catfish	1 meal/month	PCB
Beaver River (<i>Lawrence & Beaver Co.</i>)	Confl. of Mahoning and Shenango Rivers to New Brighton Dam	Carp, Channel catfish	6 meals/year	PCB
		Smallmouth Bass	1 meal/month	PCB
Beaver River (<i>Beaver Co.</i>)	New Brighton Dam to mouth	Carp, Channel catfish	Do Not Eat	PCB
Beaver Run Reservoir (<i>Westmoreland Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Brokenstraw Creek (<i>Warren Co.</i>)	Confluence of Little Brokenstraw Creek to mouth	Golden redhorse	2 meals/month	Mercury
Chartiers Creek and Little Chartiers Creek (<i>Allegheny & Washington Co.</i>)	Chartiers Creek - Canonsburg to mouth L. Chartiers Creek - Canonsburg Lake Dam to mouth	Largemouth bass	1 meal/month	PCB
		Carp	Do Not Eat	PCB
		Smallmouth bass	6 meals/year	PCB
Clarion River (<i>Clarion Co.</i>)	Confl. of Canoe Creek above Callensburg to confl. of Turkey Run	Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
Conemaugh R. (<i>Indiana & Westmoreland Co.</i>)	Conemaugh Lake Dam to mouth	Carp	1 meal/month	PCB
Conewago Creek (<i>Warren Co.</i>)	NY/PA border to mouth	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Conneaut Lake (<i>Crawford Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Dunkard Creek (<i>Greene Co.</i>)	Confluence of Toms Run to confluence of Roberts Run	Largemouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Dunkard Creek (<i>Greene Co.</i>)	SR 2021 bridge to mouth	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
East Branch Lake (<i>E. Br. Clarion R. (Elk Co.)</i>)	Entire lake	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Eaton Reservoir (<i>Erie Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass, Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
Edinboro Lake (<i>Erie Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
French Creek (<i>Erie, Crawford, Mercer & Venango Co.</i>)	Entire mainstem	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Lake Canadohta (<i>Crawford Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	2 meal/month	Mercury
Lake LeBoeuf (<i>Erie Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass, Muskellunge, Carp	1 meal/month	Mercury
Lake Pleasant (<i>Erie Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	1 meal/month	Mercury
Mahoning River (<i>Lawrence Co.</i>)	Entire portion in PA	Carp	6 meals/year	PCB
		Channel catfish	Do Not Eat	PCB
Monongahela River (<i>Fayette & Greene Co.</i>)	Point Marion Lock & Dam to Grays Landing Lock & Dam	Carp	1 meal/month	PCB
Monongahela River (<i>Fayette & Washington Co.</i>)	Pool 4 - Maxwell Lock & Dam to Lock & Dam 4	Carp	1 meal/month	PCB
Monongahela River (<i>Allegheny, Washington & Westmoreland Co.</i>)	Pool 3 - Lock & Dam 4 to Lock & Dam 3	Carp	1 meal/month	PCB

FISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORY

<i>Water Body</i>	<i>Area Under Advisory</i>	<i>Species</i>	<i>Meal Frequency</i>	<i>Contaminant</i>
Monongahela River (<i>Allegheny Co.</i>)	Pool 2 - Lock & Dam 3 to Lock & Dam 2	Carp	1 meal/month	PCB
Monongahela River (<i>Allegheny Co.</i>)	From Lock & Dam 2 to the Point in Pittsburgh	Freshwater drum	6 meals/year	PCB
		Carp	Do Not Eat	PCB
		Channel catfish	1 meal/month	PCB
Ohio River (<i>Allegheny and Beaver Co.</i>)	From the Point in Pittsburgh to the Montgomery Lock and Dam	Walleye, Sauger, White Bass & Freshwater drum	1 meal/month	PCB
Ohio River	From Montgomery Lock and Dam to the state border. Based on advisory issued by Ohio and West Virginia	Carp, Channel catfish	Do Not Eat	PCB
		White bass, Hybrid-striped bass, Freshwater drum & Walleye 17" and over	1 meal/month	PCB
		Flathead catfish, Channel catfish under 17"	6 meals/year	PCB
		Channel catfish over 17", Carp	Do Not Eat	PCB
Oil Creek (<i>Venango Co.</i>)	SR 1004 bridge at Petroleum Center to mouth	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Shenango River (<i>Mercer & Lawrence Co.</i>)	Shenango Lake Dam to mouth	Muskellunge, Carp	Do Not Eat	PCB
		Largemouth bass, Smallmouth bass, Walleye, Bluegill, Crappie, Sunfish, Channel catfish, White sucker	1 meal/month	PCB
Sugar Lake (<i>Crawford Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Largemouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Tamarack Lake (<i>Crawford Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Muskellunge	1 meal/month	Mercury
		Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
Thorn Creek (<i>Butler Co.</i>)	Source to SR 2012 bridge at Frazier Mill	Trout	2 meals/month	Mercury
Tionesta Creek (<i>Warren and Forest Co.</i>)	SR 0666 bridge at Henrys Mills to Tionesta Res. Dam	Smallmouth bass, Golden redhorse	2 meals/month	Mercury
Traverse Creek (<i>Beaver Co.</i>)	Source to dam in Raccoon State Park	Largemouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Tunungwant Creek (<i>McKean Co.</i>)	Confluence of East and West Branches to PA/NY border	Carp	2 meals/month	Mercury
West Branch Caldwell Creek (<i>Warren Co.</i>)	Entire basin	Brown trout	2 meals/month	Mercury
Youghiogheny Lake (<i>Fayette/Somerset Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Smallmouth bass, Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury
Youghiogheny River (<i>Fayette and Somerset Co.</i>)	Youghiogheny Lake Dam to confluence of Lick Run	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury

LAKE ERIE BASIN

<i>Water Body</i>	<i>Area Under Advisory</i>	<i>Species</i>	<i>Meal Frequency</i>	<i>Contaminant</i>
Lake Erie (<i>Erie Co.</i>)	Open waters	Walleye, Coho salmon*, Steelhead* (Rainbow trout), Smallmouth bass, White perch, White bass, Lake whitefish, Carp under 20", Freshwater drum, Lake trout & Channel catfish	1 meal/month	PCB
		Carp over 20"	Do Not Eat	PCB
Lake Erie (<i>Erie Co.</i>)	Presque Isle Bay	Smallmouth bass, Northern pike, White perch, Freshwater drum, Bowfin, Carp, Coho salmon* & Steelhead* (Rainbow Trout)	1 meal/month	PCB
Conneaut Creek (<i>Erie Co.</i>)	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 elsewhere, should be treated as Lake Erie fish.

POTOMAC RIVER BASIN

<i>Water Body</i>	<i>Area Under Advisory</i>	<i>Species</i>	<i>Meal Frequency</i>	<i>Contaminant</i>
Licking Creek (<i>Fulton & Franklin Co.</i>)	Confluence of Big Cove Creek to PA/MD border	Smallmouth bass	2 meals/month	Mercury
Meadow Grounds Lake (<i>Fulton Co.</i>)	Entire lake	Walleye	2 meals/month	Mercury

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 your local waterways conservation officer. 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 regional law enforcement office listed on *page 40* of this publication or the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection at 1-800-541-2050 (24 hours a day, 7 days a week).

CLEAN YOUR GEAR

Help reduce the spread of Aquatic Invasive Species

Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) are plants and animals that have been introduced into new ecosystems and have environmental, recreational, economic or health impacts. These invaders may damage equipment and compete with native species. Anglers and boaters may unknowingly introduce AIS into new waters.

Clean Your Gear; help prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species.

1. Check
2. Drain
3. Clean
4. Or Dry

Stop aquatic hitchhikers by following these simple steps.

Check your equipment before leaving any body of water. Inspect every inch of your boat, trailer and fishing gear. Remove and leave behind plants, mud and aquatic life.

Check your boat:

- Anchor and line
- Motor lower unit
- Hull
- Trailer hitch, rollers, lights and axle
- Life jackets
- Swimming floats, water skis, wakeboards or tubes.

Check your fishing gear:

- Shoes or boots
- Clothing
- Fishing vests
- Fishing rod, reel and line
- Hooks and lures
- Tackle boxes

Remove:

- Visible plants
- Fish or other aquatic animals
- Mud and dirt

Do not transport any potential hitchhiker, even back to your home. Remove and leave them at the site you visited.



Drain water from all equipment before leaving the area you are visiting. Some species may live for months in water that has not been removed.

Drain:

- Motors
- Jet drives
- Live wells
- Compartments
- Boat hulls
- Bilge
- Shoes, boots and waders
- Bait buckets
- Life jackets
- Swimming floats, water skis, wakeboards or tubes.



STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!

Follow the cleaning instructions below after the water has been removed.

Before going to another body of water, **clean anything that came in contact with the water.**

- Use hot (104° F) or salt water to clean your equipment.
- Spray equipment with a high-pressure washer. If hot water is not available, a commercial hot water car wash also makes an ideal location to wash your boat, motor and trailer.

The following recipes are recommended for cleaning hard-to-treat equipment that cannot be exposed to hot water:

- Dipping equipment into 100% vinegar for 20 minutes will kill harmful aquatic hitchhiker species.
- A 1% table salt solution for 24 hours can replace the vinegar dip. This table provides correct mixtures for the 1% salt solution in water:

Gallons of Water	Cups of Salt
5	2/3
10	1 1/4
25	3
50	6 1/4
100	12 2/3

Or, **dry everything before entering new waters. Allow equipment to dry to the touch, and then allow it to dry another 48 hours.** Thick and dense material like life jackets will hold moisture longer, take longer to dry and be more difficult to clean.

STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS. Do not transport any plants, fish or other aquatic life from one body of water to another. Do not release unused bait into the waters you are fishing. Dump unused bait in a trash can.

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Use the following contacts for answers to your questions or better yet, go online to the PFBC web site (www.fishandboat.com) for a wealth of information about fishing and boating.

FOR MORE INFORMATION:

STATE HEADQUARTERS

1601 Elmerton Avenue
P.O. Box 67000
Harrisburg, PA 17106-7000
Phone: (717) 705-7800
Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Monday through Friday

PLEASANT GAP COMPLEX

450 Robinson Lane
Bellefonte, PA 16823
Phone: (814) 359-5100
Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Monday through Friday

FISHING LICENSES:

Phone: (717) 705-7930

BOAT REGISTRATION/TITLING:

Phone: (866) 262-8734 or
Phone: (717) 705-7940

BOATING SAFETY EDUCATION COURSES

Phone: (888) 723-4741

PUBLICATIONS:

Phone: (717) 705-7833

REGION OFFICES: LAW ENFORCEMENT/EDUCATION

Contact **Law Enforcement** for information about regulations and fishing and boating opportunities. Contact **Education** for information about fishing and boating programs and boating safety education.

NORTHWEST REGION

11528 SH 98, Meadville, PA 16335
Law Enforcement: (814) 337-0444
Education: (814) 336-2426
Fax (814) 337-0579 Fax (814) 337-0579
Counties: Butler, Clarion, Crawford, Erie, Forest, Lawrence, Mercer, Venango, Warren

SOUTHCENTRAL REGION

1704 Pine Road, Newville, PA 17241
Law Enforcement: (717) 486-7087
Education: (717) 705-7850
Fax (717) 486-8227 Fax (717) 705-7831
Counties: Adams, Bedford, Blair, Cumberland, Dauphin, Franklin, Fulton, Huntingdon, Juniata, Lebanon, Mifflin, Perry, York

SOUTHWEST REGION

236 Lake Road, Somerset, PA 15501
Law Enforcement: (814) 445-8974
Education: (814) 443-9841
Fax (814) 445-3497 Fax (814) 445-3497
Counties: Allegheny, Armstrong, Beaver, Cambria, Fayette, Greene, Indiana, Somerset, Washington, Westmoreland

NORTHEAST REGION

P.O. Box 88, Sweet Valley, PA 18656
Law Enforcement: (570) 477-5717
Education: (570) 477-2206
Fax (570) 477-3221 Fax (570) 477-3221
Counties: Bradford, Carbon, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Monroe, Pike, Sullivan, Susquehanna, Wayne, Wyoming

NORTHCENTRAL REGION

1150 Spring Creek Road
Bellefonte, PA 16823
Law Enforcement: (814) 359-5250
Education: (814) 359-5193
Fax (814) 359-5254 Fax (814) 359-5153
Counties: Cameron, Centre, Clearfield, Clinton, Columbia, Elk, Jefferson, Lycoming, McKean, Montour, Northumberland, Potter, Snyder, Tioga, Union

SOUTHEAST REGION

P.O. Box 9, Elm, PA 17521
Law Enforcement: (717) 626-0228
Education: (717) 626-9081
Fax (717) 626-0486 Fax (717) 626-0486
Counties: Berks, Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Lancaster, Lehigh, Montgomery, Northampton, Philadelphia, Schuylkill

STATE FISH HATCHERIES

BELLEFONTE*

1115 Spring Creek Road
Bellefonte, PA 16823
(814) 355-3371

BIG SPRING

844 Big Spring Road
Newville, PA 17241
(717) 776-3170

CORRY*

13365 Route 6
Corry, PA 16407
(814) 664-2122

FAIRVIEW

2000 Lohrer Road
Fairview, PA 16415
(814) 474-1514

BENNER SPRING RESEARCH STATION

1225 Shiloh Road
State College, PA 16801
(814) 355-4837

HUNTSDALE*

195 Lebo Road
Carlisle, PA 17013
(717) 486-3419

LINESVILLE*

13300 Hartstown Road
Linesville, PA 16424
(814) 683-4451

* Includes visitor center. Visitors are welcome from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. daily. Groups should make advance arrangements.

OSWAYO*

96 State Route 244 East
Coudersport, PA 16915
(814) 698-2102

PLEASANT GAP*

450 Robinson Lane
Pleasant Gap, PA 16823
(814) 359-5121

PLEASANT MOUNT*

P.O. Box 3
Pleasant Mount, PA
18453
(570) 448-2101

REYNOLDSDALE*

162 Fish Hatchery Road
New Paris, PA 15554
(814) 839-2211

TIONESTA*

HCR2 Box 1
Tionesta, PA 16353
(814) 755-3524

TYLERSVILLE

43 Hatchery Lane
Loganton, PA 17747
(570) 725-3965

UNION CITY

9450 Route 6
Union City, PA 16438
(814) 664-2122

WHY DISPLAY MY FISHING LICENSE

Why should anglers be required to display their licenses when fishing? The Pennsylvania Fish & Boat Commission believes that open display of fishing licenses is more convenient for the angler, makes enforcement more effective and less intrusive and encourages compliance with fishing license requirements.

When an angler's license is checked by a law enforcement officer, it is much more convenient and less disruptive if the license is displayed. It's true that a detailed check of the license will require a close inspection of the license information and other identification, but in many cases our officers do a cursory check to just make sure the person has a current valid license and trout stamp (if required). Instead of asking every angler to pull their license out of their wallet, the officer can simply check it on their cap or vest. This is better for both the angler and the officer. What most anglers do not realize is the fact that an officer may have conducted a license compliance check by utilizing binoculars to determine if they were properly licensed. If the angler was not in violation of any other rules or regulations, the officer generally does not interrupt the angler's fishing time by conducting a one on one license check.

It's hard to overstate the importance of peer pressure among sportsmen. We believe that anglers respond positively to the peer pressure brought by fellow anglers. When display of a fishing license is required, as it is now, it is obvious to everyone around who is in compliance and who is not. Peer pressure encourages compliance, and the display of the fishing license makes it clear to all on the waters who has a license and who may not. If display were not required, we believe compliance

with license requirements would be reduced. This would reduce Fish Fund revenues and could impact programs of importance to Pennsylvania Anglers.

The Commission believes the current regulations work well and represent a balanced approach to this issue. The Commission receives few complaints about license display requirements. Remember, our regulations require issuance of a warning for a first violation of the display requirement. The Commission has taken positive action to address some of the concerns expressed by those who don't like the current display requirement. One of these concerns was that an angler will leave his license on a favorite hat or vest and then find himself in a situation where he or she wants to go fishing and doesn't have a license. The Commission modified its regulations to provide a systematic approach to deal with persons who are caught fishing without a license in possession and gives that person who already has a fishing license, but doesn't have it with him seven days to produce the license and avoid a fine.



Almost all Pennsylvania anglers take pride in displaying their fishing license; it's not unusual to see anglers displaying their license even when they're not fishing.

2010 FISHING LICENSES

LICENSE YEAR

Annual licenses are valid from December 1, 2009 through December 31, 2010. WHILE FISHING, your license must be signed in ink and must be displayed on an outer garment. In addition, anglers must be prepared to furnish proof of identification.



Type of Fishing License or Permit

Type of Fishing License or Permit	Age	Cost*
Resident (Annual)	16-64	\$22.70
Senior Resident (Annual)	65 & up	\$11.70
Senior Resident (Lifetime)	65 & up	\$51.70
1-Day Resident (not valid March 15 - April 30)	16 & up	\$11.70
Non-Resident (Annual)	16 & up	\$52.70
1-Day Tourist (includes all privileges, not valid March 15 - April 30)	16 & up	\$26.70
3-Day Tourist	16 & up	\$26.70
7-Day Tourist	16 & up	\$34.70
Trout-Salmon Permit	16 & up	\$ 9.70
Lake Erie Permit	16 & up	\$ 9.70
Combination Trout-Salmon/Lake Erie Permit	16 & up	\$15.70

*Includes issuing agent fee of \$1.00 and \$0.70 electronic processing fee.

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See pages 28-29 for more information on Licenses and Permits.