

An age-old escape from day-to-day stress (and a modern escape from screens), a good day of fishing offers equal parts relaxation, anticipation, and reward. Out on the water, surrounded by mountains and pines, you can make priceless outdoor memories, teach kids lifelong lessons — and if you're lucky, rehash it all over a fresh-caught dinner.

#### CHOOSE YOUR ADVENTURE

Maine has over 32,000 miles of rivers and streams and 6,000 lakes and ponds. This wealth of waterways includes the known fishing hot spots in this guide, as well as plenty of pristine, remote waters just waiting to become your favorite get-away-from-it-all spot. Options abound: you can venture deep into the Allagash Wilderness Waterway or Baxter State Park, or stay close to the coast, where many river reaches offer natural, undeveloped shorelines and unsurpassed fishing action, all within the bounds of cities and towns.

#### SOMETHING FOR EVERY LEVEL OF ANGLER

Every year, serious anglers from New England and beyond flock to their favorite Maine waters, putting their skills to the test against our famous leaping landlocks, fierce-fighting smallmouth bass (found in remote and populated regions alike), and trophy largemouth bass in the coastal region. Maine is the only state in the lower 48 to have native populations of Arctic charr and is the last true stronghold for wild brook trout.

But you don't have to be an expert angler to enjoy a day of fishing. Beginners can quickly learn how to catch some of Maine's most beautiful and unique wild fish, including brook trout which are present in many small streams, rivers, large lakes, and even some mountaintop ponds.

And for the kids, Maine offers a special fishing opportunity: over 50 restricted waters throughout the state, all stocked with trout to increase kids' chances of making a prize-worthy catch.

#### MAINE'S FISHERIES BIOLOGISTS WELCOME YOU

Whether you're an experienced angler who's been hooked on fishing since childhood, or an adventurous newbie just starting out today, we're so glad you're here. Because by fishing in Maine, you're not just making lifelong memories — you're also helping to preserve these world-class waters for future generations.

Revenue from license fees goes right back into the fisheries, supporting the conservation, preservation, and stocking programs that keep Maine a fishing destination unlike any other in the United States.

# **HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE**

This book is a compilation of fishing spots recommended by regional fisheries biologists. To make the most of it, it helps to have a few other things on hand:



# ALL SET? LET'S GO FISHING.

# Here's how to find your perfect spot:

- Flip to your management region in this book. If you don't know your region, consult the Maine regional map and town listings starting on page 4.
- Find the species you would like to catch, and under it you'll see a list of nearby water bodies. Each listing includes access details, restrictions, and notes about the water body, as well as its DeLorme Maine Atlas and Gazetteer map and section number. The Gazetteer will show you detailed topography, access roads, established campsites, and the exact locations of launch areas.
- Once you've decided on a water body, consult Maine's Open Water and Ice Fishing laws for the current and detailed regulations governing it.
- Buy a fishing license for Maine residents, they're \$11 for a day or \$25 for the season. Non-resident licenses are also available in 1, 3, 7, or 15-day increments, or for the full year (\$64). Check mefishwildlife.com to view current rates and purchase yours on demand. While there, you can also check out today's fish stocking report and browse interactive maps.



#### GET THE MAINE FISHING GUIDE DATA LAYERS FOR GOOGLE EARTH

As an optional companion to this guide, we've packaged several data layers including fisheries info, management regions, lake and pond depths, public boat launches and more all into a Google Earth Desktop app for tech-savvy anglers. Download it at mefishwildlife.com/maine-fishing-guide.



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# **REGION A**

#### SEBAGO LAKE REGION PAGE 10

cton	Brownfield	Eliot	Hebron	Lovell	Old Orchard Beach	Sanford	Wales
lbany	Brunswick	Falmouth	Hiram	Lyman	Otisfield	Scarborough	Waterboro
lfred	Buckfield	Freeport	Hollis	Mason	Oxford	Sebago	Waterford
rrowsiac	Buxton	Frye Island	Kennebunk	Mechanic Falls	Paris	Shapleigh	Wells
rundel	Cape Elizabeth	Fryeburg	Kennebunkport	Minot	Parsonsfield	South Berwick	West Bath
uburn	Casco	Gilead	Kittery	Naples	Phippsburg	South Portland	West Paris
aldwin	Chebeague Island	Gorham	Lebanon	New Gloucester	Poland	Standish	Westbrook
atchelders Grant	Cornish	Gray	Lewiston	Newfield	Porter	Stoneham	Windham
ath	Cumberland	Greene	Limerick	North Berwick	Portland	Stow	Woodstock
erwick	Dayton	Greenwood	Limington	North Yarmouth	Pownal	Sumner	Yarmouth
iddeford	Denmark	Harpswell	Lisbon	Norway	Raymond	Sweden	York
ridgton	Durham	Harrison	Long Island	Ogunquit	Saco	Topsham	

## **REGION B**

#### **BELGRADE LAKES REGION PAGE 14**

Albion	Cambridge	Fairfield	Норе	Morrill	Prospect	Southport	Washington
Alna	Camden	Farmingdale	Islesboro	Mount Vernon	Readfield	Stetson	Waterville
Appleton	Canaan	Fayette	Jackson	Newburgh	Richmond	Stockton Springs	Wayne
Augusta	Carmel	Frankfort	Jefferson	Newcastle	Ripley	Swanville	West Gardiner
Bangor	Chelsea	Freedom	Kenduskeag	Newport	Rockland	Thomaston	Westport
Belfast	China	Friendship	Knox	Nobleboro	Rockport	Thorndike	Whitefield
Belgrade	Clinton	Gardiner	Leeds	North Haven	Rome	Troy	Windsor
Belmont	Corinna	Garland	Levant	Northport	Sabattus	Turner	Winslow
Benton	Cushing	Georgetown	Liberty	Oakland	Saint Albans	Union	Winterport
Boothbay	Damariscotta	Glenburn	Lincolnville	Orono	Saint George	Unity	Winthrop
Boothbay Harbor	Detroit	Hallowell	Litchfield	Owls Head	Searsmont	Vassalboro	Wiscasset
Bowdoin	Dexter	Hampden	Livermore	Palermo	Searsport	Veazie	Woolwich
Bowdoinham	Dixmont	Harmony	Livermore Falls	Palmyra	Sidney	Vienna	
Bremen	Dresden	Hartford	Manchester	Perkins	Smithfield	Vinalhaven	
Bristol	Edgecomb	Hartland	Monmouth	Pittsfield	Somerville	Waldo	
Brooks	Etna	Hermon	Monroe	Pittston	South Bristol	Waldoboro	
Burnham	Exeter	Hibberts Gore	Montville	Plymouth	South Thomaston	Warren	

## **REGION C**

#### **GRAND LAKE REGION PAGE 18**

Addison	Castine	Devereaux	Holden	No 21 Twp	Steuben	T28 MD	Talmadge
Alexander	Centerville	Dyer	Indian	Northfield	Stonington	T30 MD BPP	Tremont
Amherst	Charlotte	East Machias	Jonesboro	Orland	Sullivan	T31 MD BPP	Trenton
Aurora	Cherryfield	Eastbrook	Jonesport	Orrington	Surry	T34 MD	Trescott
Baileyville	Clifton	Eastport	Lambert Lake	Osborn	T10 SD	T35 MD	Vanceboro
Bar harbor	Codyville	Eddington	Lamoine	Otis	T16 MD	T36 MD BPP	Verona
Baring	Columbia	Edmunds	Lubec	Pembroke	T18 ED BPP	T37 MD BPP	Waite
Beals Island	Columbia Falls	Ellsworth	Machias	Penobscot	T18 MD BPP	T42 MD BPP	Waltham
Beddington	Cooper	Fowler	Machiasport	Perry	T19 ED BPP	T43 MD BPP	Wesley
Blue Hill	Crawfod	Franklin	Mariaville	Princeton	T19 MD BPP	T5 ND BPP	Whiting
Brewer	Cutler	Gouldsboro	Marion	Robinnston	T22 MD	T6 ND BPP	Whitneyville
Brooklin	Deblois	Grand Lake Stream	Marshfield	Roque Bluffs	T24 MD BPP	T6 R1 NBPP	Winter Harbor
Brooksville	Dedham	Great Pond	Meddybemps	Sedgwick	T25 MD BPP	T7 SD	
Bucksport	Deer Isle	Hancock	Milbridge	Sorrento	T26 ED BPP	T8 SD	
Calais	Dennysville	Harrington	Mount Desert	Southwest harbor	T27 MD BPP	T9 SD	

# **REGION D**

### RANGELEY LAKES REGION PAGE 24

Adamstown	Coburn Gore	King and Bartlett	New Vineyard	Squaretown
Alder Stream	Concord	Kingfield	Newry	Starks
Andover	Coplin Plt.	Lang	Norridgewock	Stetsontown
Anson	Cornivlle	Lexington	Parkertown	Strong
Athens	Dallas Plt.	Lincoln	Parmachenee	T3 R4 BKP WLR
Avon	Davis	Lower Cupsuptic	Perkins	T3 R5 BKP WLR
Bald Mountain	Dead River	Lower Enchanted	Peru	Temple
Bethel	Dixfield	Lynchtown	Phillips	The Forks
Bigelow	East Moxie	Madison	Pierce Pond	Tim Pond
Bingham	Embden	Madrid	Pleasant Ridge Plt.	Township 6
Bowmantown	Eustis	Magalloway	Rangeley	Township C
Bowtown	Farmington	Massachusetts	Rangeley Plt.	Township D
Brighton	Flagstaff	Gore	Redington	Township E
Byron	Freeman	Mayfield	Richardstown	Upper Cupsuptic
Canton	Grafton	Mercer	Riley	Upton
Caratunk	Hanover	Mexico	Roxbury	Weld
Carrabasset Valley	Highland Plt.	Milton	Rumford	West Forks
Carrying Place	Indian Stream	Moscow	Salem	Wilton
Carthage	Industry	Mount Abram	Sandy River Plt.	Wyman
Chain of Ponds	Jay	Moxie Gore	Seven Ponds	
Chase Stream	Jim Pond	New Portland	Skowhegan	
Chesterville	Kibby	New Sharon	Solon	

# **REGION E**

#### MOOSEHEAD REGION PAGE 28

Moose River

Abbot	Dennistown Plt.	Parkman	T1 R13 WELS	T6 R17 WELS
Alder Brook	Dole Brook	Perlin Pond	T2 R12 WELS	T6 R18 WELS
Appleton	Dover-Foxcroft	Pittston Academy	T3 R11 WELS	T7 R11 WELS
Atkinson	Elliotsville	Grant	T3 R13 WELS	T7 R12 WELS
Attean	Elm Stream	Plymouth	T4 R12 WELS	T7 R13 WELS
Bald Mountain	Forsyth	Prentiss	T4 R13 WELS	T7 R14 WELS
Barnard Twp.	Frenchtown	Rainbow	T4 R14 WELS	T7 R15 WELS
Beattie	Gorham Gore	Rockwood Strip	T4 R11 WELS	T7 R16 WELS
Beaver cove	Greenville	Russell Pond	T4 R15 WELS	T7 R17 WELS
Big Six	Guilford	Saint John	T4 R5 NBKR	T7 R17 WELS
Big Squaw	Hammond	Sandwich	T5 R11 WELS	T7 R18 WELS
Big W Twp.	Hobbstown	Academy	T5 R12 WELS	T7 R19 WELS
Blake Gore	Holeb	Grant	T5 R14 WELS	T7 R9 NWP
Blanchard	Jackman	Sandy Bay	T5 R15 WELS	T8 R14 WELS
Bowdoin College	Johnson Mountain	Sangerville	T5 R17 WELS	T8 R15 WELS
Grant East	Kingsbury	Sapling	T5 R18 WELS	TA R11 WELS
Bowerbank	Lily Bay	Sebec	T5 R19 WELS	Thorndike Twp.
Bowdoin College	Little Squaw	Seboomook	T5 R20 WELS	Upper Enchanted
Grant West	Lobster	Shawtown	T5 R6 BKP WKR	Wellington
Bradstreet	Long Pond	Shirley	T5 R7 BKP WKR	West Middlesex
Brassua	Lowelltown	Skinner	T6 R11 WELS	Canal Grant
Chesuncook	Merrill Strip	Solidertown	T6 R12 WELS	Willimantic
Comstock	Misery	Spencer Bay	T6 R13 WELS	
Days Academy	Monson	T1 R11 WELS	T6 R14 WELS	

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T6 R15 WELS



# **REGION F**

#### PENOBSCOT REGION PAGE 32

Alton	Glenwood	Macwahoc Plt.	Silver Ridge	T3 R8 WELS
Amity	Grand Falls	Mattamiscontis	Solidertown	T3 R9 NWP
Argyle	Greenbush	Mattawamkeag	Springfield	T32 MD
Bancroft	Greenfield	Maxfield	Staceybille	T39 MD
Benedicta	Grindstone	Medford	Summit	T4 Indian
Bradford	Haynesville	Medway	T1 R10 WELS	Purchase
Bradley	Herseytown	Milford	T1 R5 WELS	T4 ND
Brookton	Hopkins Academy	Millinocket	T1 R6 WELS	T4 R10 WELS
Brownville	Grant	Molunkus	T1 R9 WELS	T4 R3 WELS
Burlington	Howland	Mount Chase	T11 R3 NBPP	T4 R7 WELS
Carroll Plt.	Hudson	Mount Katahdin	T2 R10 WELS	T4 R8 WELS
Cary Plt.	Island Falls	Nesourdnahunk	T2 R4 WELS	T4 R9 NWP
Charleston	Katahdin Iron	North Yarmouth	T2 R8 WELS	T4 R9 WELS
Chester	Works	Academy Grant	T2 R9 NWP	T40 MD
Corinth	Kingman	Old Town	T2 R9 WELS	T41 MD
Crystal	Kossuth	Orient	T3 Indian	T5 R1 NBPP
Danforth	Lagrange	Orneville	Purchase	T5 R7 WELS
Drew Plt.	Lake View Plt.	Passadumkeag	T3 ND	T5 R8 WELS
Edinburg	Lakeville	Patten	T3 R1 NBPP	T5 R9 NWP
Enfield	Lee	Prentiss	T3 R10 WELS	T5 R9 WELS
Forest	Lincoln	Reed Plt.	T3 R3 WELS	T6 R10 WELS
Forest City	Long A Township	Seboeis Plt.	T3 R4 WELS	T6 R6 WELS
Forstown	Lowell	Sherman	T3 R7 WELS	T6 R7 WELS

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T6 R8 WELS T7 R10 WELS T7 R7 WELS T7 R8 WELS T7 R9 WELS T8 R3 NBPP

# **REGION G**

#### FISH RIVER LAKES REGION PAGE 36

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# HOW TO CATCH SPECIFIC FISH

So, you know what you want to fish for, and you've found a water body where they live...here's a little extra information to help you reel one in:







#### LANDLOCKED SALMON

A coldwater fish, salmon prefer water temperatures below 65 degrees and rely on smelt to thrive.

During the spring and fall, you might find them feeding near the surface and close to shore, and can catch them by flyfishing, casting, or trolling with lures or bait. Streamer flies and lures resembling smelt are very effective.

In the warmer summer months of June, July, and August, they generally descend to depths of 30 to 60 feet. When salmon are deep, the best method to catch them is trolling with lead core line or with a downrigger, using copper, gold, or silver lures.

Ice fishing for salmon in the winter can also be quite productive using smelts and other live minnows for bait.

Ice anglers also have luck utilizing jigs.

Salmon should be fished within 15 feet below the ice.

#### **BROOK TROUT**

Brook trout (also known as squaretails) prefer cold water between 50 and 65 degrees. They're opportunistic feeders, happy to eat aquatic insects or smaller fish. They thrive in clear, clean, well-oxygenated waters, and their populations are heavily influenced by their environment.

In the spring and fall, brook trout can be caught near shore or on the surface using small dry flies, streamers, copper lures, and worms.

During the summer months, you're more likely to find them in depths of 10 to 35 feet. You can catch them using a variety of methods including spin casting, fly fishing, trolling, or casting using small streamer flies, nymphs, copper lures, or worms.

Brook trout are fun to catch ice fishing as well. During winter months, you'll generally find them close to shore in water depths of 4 to 12 feet. Try using minnows, worms, or copper jigs.

#### TOGUE (LAKE TROUT)

Lake trout (also known throughout Maine as togue) are deep dwellers that prefer very cold water year-round.

Like salmon, they prey upon smelts, but they can also adapt to eat other available forage including aquatic insects and smaller fish. Consequently, these prolific eaters can grow quite large. In the spring and fall, lake trout can be caught closer to shore by casting or trolling using streamer flies, minnows, or lures.

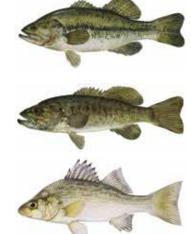
In the summer, the best method of fishing for them is trolling with lead core line or downriggers using minnows or a copper, white, or silver lure. In June, July, and August you'll typically catch lake trout at depths below 45 feet.

Ice fishing for lake trout can be quite productive in water depths between 10 and 100 feet. In this case, you'll want to use minnows, or silver, white, or copper jigs.









#### **BROWN TROUT+ RAINBOW TROUT**

Brown and rainbow trout prefer cool water and are found in water temperatures between 55 and 68 degrees — a wider range than most other coldwater fish can handle.

Opportunistic and aggressive feeders, they may be found close to bottom or suspended off the bottom depending on where food is located, and are likely to attack a flashy lure, minnows, or worms.

In the spring and fall, brown and rainbow trout can be caught close to shore casting with dry flies, streamers, and bright spinners and spoons. Another successful method in spring time is still fishing with worms or minnows.

In the summer, trolling, casting, and still fishing are all popular and effective ways to catch these species.

Successful methods used while ice fishing include using worms or minnows and jigging copper lures.

#### **SPLAKE**

This hatchery-reared hybrid trout is a cross between a brook trout and a lake trout and can have traits of both species. Splake are easy to catch, particularly in the colder months. Because they prefer water less than 60 degrees, they tend to go deep in the summer.

Splake feed primarily on smelts, white perch, yellow perch, and minnows, rarely feeding on other coldwater gamefish. During the spring and fall, they can be caught with light tackle near the surface, even on flies.

In the winter, splake provide an excellent fishing opportunity and can be found throughout the water column. In fact, over 90% of the total acreage of waters managed for splake is open to ice fishing.

#### **WARMWATER FISH**

Warmwater fish such as bass, perch, chain pickerel, and sunfish prefer warmer water and can be found throughout the water column. These fish favor areas with lots of cover such as woody debris, weed beds, and rocks.

In the spring and summer months, smallmouth bass are found in shallow rocky areas or off rocky drop offs in 5 to 15 feet of water, while their largemouth cousins prefer more vegetative shallow areas or weedy drop offs. Chain pickerel generally reside in shallow, vegetated areas close to shore.

When fishing for bass, you can use spinners, crankbaits, stickbaits, jigs, minnows, and worms. Chain pickerel are best caught using flashy lures and floating stickbaits such as torpedoes, frogs, and mouse imitations. They also can be caught readily using live minnows.

When ice fishing for these warmwater fish, use live bait such as minnows in shallow water of 5 to 20 feet.

# **REGION A SEBAGO LAKE REGION**

The Sebago Lake Region, located in southernmost Maine, offers a diversity of angling opportunities for both warmwate and coldwater fisheries. The region provides excellent year-round fishing for landlocked salmon, brook trout, splake, lake trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, perch and chain pickerel. Stocking maintains most lake and pond fisheries for salmon and trout. Reclaimed ponds offer a quality open water experience for brook trout, and wild brook trout are common in many small streams. All this variety can be found in the region that is home to Portland, Maine's largest city.

— James Pellerin, Regional Fisheries Biologist



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#### **BROOK TROUT FISHING**

**Abbott Pond** Sumner, Oxford County Max Depth: 50 feet, Area: 24 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S)
Access: Walk-in access from gate, approximately ½ mile.
Delorme Atlas: Map 11 section A-1

Adams Pond Bridgton, Cumberland County Max Depth: 51 feet, Area: 41 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S), LMB Access: Carry in access on Pond Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 4 section B-4

Broken Bridge Pond Albany, Oxford County
Max Depth: 25 feet, Area: 18 acres
Primary Fishery: BKT (S)
Access: Carry in access on small access road off
Crocker Pond Rd.

Notes: White Mountain National Forest.

Delorme Atlas: Map 10 section C-3



Little Concord Pond Woodstock,

Oxford County

Max Depth: 56 feet, Area: 26 acres

Primary Fishery: BKT (S & W)

Access: Carry in access (¾ mile walk) on

Bald Mountain Trail from Shagg Pond Rd.

Notes: Unimproved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 11 section A-1

Round Pond Albany, Oxford County
Max Depth: 29 feet, Area: 11 acres
Primary Fishery: BKT (S)
Access: Carry in access via footpath 1 mile
long from south end of Crocker Pond.
Notes: No established launch. White
Mountain National Forest.
Delorme Atlas: Map 10 section C-3

Oversett Pond Greenwood, Oxford County
Max Depth: 42 feet, Area: 21 acres
Primary Fishery: BKT (S)
Access: Walk-in access from gate on
Oversett Pond Rd.

**Notes:** Unimproved launch, 0.75 mile walk in on gated road.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 10 section C-4

**Trout Pond** Stoneham, Oxford County Max Depth: 68 feet, Area: 64 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S&W)
Access: Carry in from Cushman Pond Rd.
Notes: No established launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 10 section D-3

#### LANDLOCKED SALMON FISHING

Auburn Lake Auburn, Androscoggin County Max Depth: 118 feet, Area: 2,260 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (S), SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 4. Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 11 section E-4 & 5

**Kezar Lake** Lovell, Oxford County **Max Depth:** 155 feet, Area: 2,510 acres **Primary Fishery:** LLS (S&W), LKT (S) **Access:** Trailered boat access off W. Lovell Rd and on N. Lovell Landing Rd. **Notes:** Improved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 10 section D-2

**Little Ossipee Lake** Waterboro, York County **Max Depth**: 72 feet, Area: 564 acres **Primary Fishery**: RBT (S), LLS (S), BKT (S), SMB

Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 5.
Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 2 section A-4

Moose Pond Bridgton, Oxford County Max Depth: 77 feet, Area: 1,694 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), SMB, LMB Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 302. Notes: Improved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 4 section A-2 Peabody Pond Sebago, Cumberland County
Max Depth: 64 feet, Area: 735 acres
Primary Fishery: CSK, BKT (S), LLS (S), SMB
Access: Trailered boat access off Peabody Pond
Rd at outlet with limited parking.
Notes: Shallow, gravel launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 4 section B-4

Pleasant Lake Casco, Cumberland County Max Depth: 62 feet, Area: 1,077 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S)

Access: Trailered boat access on Mayberry Hill Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 5 section A-1

Sebago Lake Sebago, Cumberland County Max Depth: 316 feet, Area: 28,771 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), LKT (W) Access: Trailered boat access: Rte 302 MDIFW launch; Sebago Lake State Park (use fee); Rte 35 Standish (use fee); private marinas. Notes: Improved launches.

Delorme Atlas: Map 4 section C-5 and map 5

**Thompson Lake** Oxford, Oxford County Max Depth: 121 feet, Area: 4,425 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (W), SMB. LMB

Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 121; limited pullout and road shoulder parking; off Heath Rd adjacent marina, limited off rd parking.

Notes: Improved launches.

Delorme Atlas: Map 11 section E-1 & 2

**Trickey Pond** Naples, Cumberland County **Max Depth**: 55 feet, Area: 311 acres **Primary Fishery**: LLS (S), BKT (S), SPK (S), SMB

Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 114. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 4 section B-5

#### SPLAKE FISHING

**Bryant Pond** Woodstock, Oxford County Max Depth: 63 feet, Area: 278 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S), SPK (S), LLS (S) Access: Trailered boat access at east end of Rowe Hill Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 10 section B-5

Indian Pond Greenwood, Oxford County Max Depth: 62 feet, Area: 68 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S), SPK (S), SMB Access: Carry in access off Hobbs Hill Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 10 section B-5



Shagg Pond Woodstock, Oxford County Max Depth: 41 feet, Area: 64 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S), SPK (S) Access: Trailered boat access off Redding Rd with limited parking. Notes: Gravel launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 11 section A-1

**Trickey Pond** Naples, Cumberland County Max Depth: 55 feet, Area: 311 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), BKT (S), SPK (S), SMR

Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 114.
Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 4 section B-5

#### **BROWN/RAINBOW TROUT FISHING**

**Hancock Pond** Denmark, Oxford County **Max Depth**: 59 feet, Area: 858 acres **Primary Fishery**: BNT (S), SMB, LMB **Access:** Improved launch off Shore Rd. **Notes:** Trailered boat access. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 4 section B-3 & 4

Lily Pond New Gloucester,
Cumberland County
Max Depth: 23 feet, Area: 38 acres
Primary Fishery: RBT (S)
Access: Carry in access on Snow Hill Rd.
Delorme Atlas: Map 2 section B & C-2

Little Ossipee Lake Waterboro, York County Max Depth: 72 feet, Area: 564 acres Primary Fishery: RBT (S), LLS (S), BKT (S), SMB

Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 5.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 2 section A-4

Little Sebago Lake Windham,

Cumberland County
Max Depth: 52 feet, Area: 1,898 acres
Primary Fishery: BNT (S), RBT (S), SMB, LMB
Access: Trailered boat access on Mt. Hunger
Shore Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 5 section C-2 & 3

Long Pond Parsonfield, York County
Max Depth: 33 feet, Area: 275 acres
Primary Fishery: BNT (S), BKT (S), SMB
Access: Trailered boat access on road
betweenthe Ponds.
Notes: Improved launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 4 section D-2

# **SPECIES KEY**

#### PRIMARY FISHERY SPECIES

	Brook TroutBKT
1	Splake <b>SPK</b>
	Togue (Lake Trout) <b>LKT</b>
1	Landlocked SalmonLLS
A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR	Brown TroutBNT
4	Rainbow Trout <b>RBT</b>
A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR	Smallmouth BassSMB
-	Largemouth BassLMB
$\leftarrow$	Lake Whitefish <b>LWF</b>
-	Arctic CharrCHR

#### **STATUS**

Stocked	(!
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#### Middle and Upper Range Ponds

Poland, Androscoggin County

Max Depth: 66 feet, Area: 366 acres

Primary Fishery: RBT (S), BNT (S), LKT (S),
BKT

Access: Trailered boat access off Range Hill Rd. Notes: Improved launch. Limited head clearance under bridge.

Delorme Atlas: Map 5 section A-3

Mousam Lake Acton, York County
Max Depth: 98 feet, Area: 900 acres
Primary Fishery: BNT (S), LLS (S), LKT (S)
Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 109.
Notes: MDIFW improved launch. Limited head clearance under bridge.
Delorme Atlas: Map 2 section B & C-2

**Pennesseewassee Lake** Norway, Oxford County

Max Depth: 48 feet, Area: 922 acres

Primary Fishery: RBT (S), LLS (S)
Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 118.

Notes: Improved launch.

 $\textbf{Delorme Atlas:} \ \text{Map 11 section D-1}$ 

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**Delorme Atlas:** Map 4 section D-2

#### **BROWN/RAINBOW TROUT FISHING CONT.**

Sabbathday Lake New Gloucester, Cumberland County Max Depth: 68 feet, Area: 340 acres Primary Fishery: BNT (S), BKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access off Outlet

**Notes:** Improved launch, fee Charrged during the open water season.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 5 section B-3

Rd off Rte 26.

**Stanley Pond** Hiram, Oxford County **Max Depth**: 75 feet, Area: 137 acres **Primary Fishery**: RBT (S) **Access:** Trailered boat access on Tripp Rd. **Notes:** Improved launch for small boats. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 4 section C-2

**Stearns Pond** Sweden, Oxford County Max Depth: 47 feet, Area: 255 acres Primary Fishery: BNT (S)

Access: Trailered boat access on Town Landing

Rd off Wint Rd. **Notes:** Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 10 section E-3

#### TOGUE (LAKE TROUT) FISHING

**Auburn Lake** Auburn, Androscoggin County Max Depth: 118 feet, Area: 2,260 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (S), SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 4. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 11 section E-4 & 5

Great East Lake Acton, York County
Max Depth: 102 feet, Area: 1,768 acres
Primary Fishery: LKT (S), RBT (S)
Access: Trailered boat access off Robertson Rd.
Notes: Improved launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 2 section A & B-1

**Kezar Lake** Lovell, Oxford County **Max Depth:** 155 feet, Area: 2,510 acres **Primary Fishery:** LLS (S&W), LKT (S) **Access:** Trailered boat access off W. Lovell Rd and on N. Lovell Landing Rd. **Notes:** Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 10 section D-2

#### Middle Range Pond Poland,

Androscoggin County

Max Depth: 66 feet, Area: 366 acres
Primary Fishery: RBT (S), BNT (S), LKT (S),

BKT

Access: Trailered boat access off Range Hill Rd. Notes: Improved launch. Limited head clearance under bridge.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 5 section A-3

Mousam Lake Acton, York County
Max Depth: 98 feet, Area: 900 acres
Primary Fishery: BNT (S), LLS (S), LKT (S)
Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 109.
Notes: MDIFW improved launch. Limited
head clearance under bridge.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 2 section B & C-2

**Sebago Lake** Sebago, Cumberland County Max Depth: 316 feet, Area: 28,771 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), LKT (W) Access: Trailered boat access: Rte 302 MDIFW launch; Sebago Lake State Park (use fee); Rte 35 Standish (use fee); private marinas. Notes: Improved launches. Delorme Atlas: Map 4 section C-5 and map 5

**Thompson Lake** Oxford, Oxford County Max Depth: 121 feet, Area: 4,425 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (W), SMB, LMB

Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 121; limited pullout and road shoulder parking; off Heath Rd adjacent marina, limited off rd parking.

Notes: Improved launches.

Delorme Atlas: Map 11 section E-1 & 2

#### **BASS FISHING**

Auburn Lake Auburn, Androscoggin County Max Depth: 118 feet, Area: 2,260 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (S), SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 4. Notes: Improved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 11 section E-4 & 5

Hancock Pond Denmark, Oxford County Max Depth: 59 feet, Area: 858 acres Primary Fishery: BNT (S), SMB, LMB Access: Improved launch off Shore Rd. Notes: Trailered boat access.

Delorme Atlas: Map 4 section B-3 & 4

Lake Arrowhead Waterboro, York County
Max Depth: 25 feet, Area: 1,005 acres
Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB
Access: Trailered boat access off New Dam Rd.
Notes: Improved launch adjacent dam.
Delorme Atlas: Map 2 section A-4

**Little Ossipee Lake** Waterboro, York County **Max Depth**: 72 feet, Area: 564 acres **Primary Fishery**: RBT (S), LLS (S), BKT (S), SMB

Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 5.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 2 section A-4

Little Sebago Lake Windham,

Cumberland County

Max Depth: 52 feet, Area: 1,898 acres
Primary Fishery: BNT (S), RBT (S), SMB, LMB
Access: Trailered boat access on Mt. Hunger
Shore Rd.

**Notes:** Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 5 section C-2 & 3

Long Lake Naples, Cumberland County
Max Depth: 59 feet, Area: 4,867 acres
Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB, LLS (S), BNT (S)
Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 35
(Harrison) and off Power House Rd (Bridgton).
Notes: Improved launches.

**Lovewell Pond** Fryeburg, Oxford County **Max Depth**: 45 feet, Area: 1,120 acres **Primary Fishery:** SMB, LMB, BNT (S) **Access:** Trailered boat access off Rte 5 and Rte 113.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 4 section A & B-5

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 4 section A & B-1

Moose Pond Bridgton, Oxford County Max Depth: 77 feet, Area: 1,694 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), SMB, LMB Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 302. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 4 section A-2

Sokokis Lake Limerick, York County Max Depth: 32 feet, Area: 192 acres Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 11. Notes: Improved launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 4 section E-3

**Square Pond** Acton, York County
Max Depth: 44 feet, Area: 910 acres
Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB, BNT (S)
Access: Trailered boat access off W. Shore Rd.
Notes: Improved launch. Limited head
clearance under road crossing.
Delorme Atlas: Map 2 section B-2

**Thompson Lake** Oxford, Oxford County **Max Depth**: 121 feet, Area: 4,425 acres **Primary Fishery**: LLS (S), LKT (W), SMB, LMB

Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 121; limited pullout and road shoulder parking; off Heath Rd adjacent marina, limited off rd parking.

**Notes:** Improved launches. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 11 section E-1 & 2

#### RIVERS / STREAMS / BROOKS

Androscoggin River Gilead, Oxford County (Gilead to Rumford Point)
Primary Fishery: RBT (S), BNT (S)
Access: Carry in/walk in access.
Notes: Nice float trip, multiple take outs.
Delorme Atlas: Map 10 section B-1

**Androscoggin River** Jay, Franklin County (Jay to Brunswick)

Primary Fishery: SMB

Access: Carry in/walk in access from Rte 140, Rte 4, Rte 219 or Center Bridge Rd. Trailered boat access on Center Bridge Rd.

**Notes:** Improved launch on Center Bridge Rd. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 19 section E-5, map 11 section C-5

Big Ossipee River Hiram, Oxford County (Downstream of Kezar Falls Dam)
Primary Fishery: BKT (S&W), BNT (S)
Access: Carry in/walk in access.
Delorme Atlas: Map 4 section D-2 & 3

**Blacksmith Brook** Wells, York County **Primary Fishery:** BKT (W) **Access:** Walk in access. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 2 section D-5

**Branch Brook** Sanford, York County **Primary Fishery:** BKT (W) **Access:** Walk in access.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 2 section D-4 & 5

Brandy Brook New Gloucester, Cumberland County Primary Fishery: BKT (W) Access: Walk-in access. Delorme Atlas: Map 5 section B & C-4

Cold River Stow, Oxford County
Primary Fishery: BKT (W), BNT (S)
Access: Walk in access.
Delorme Atlas: Map 10 section D & E-1

**Collyer Brook** Gray, Cumberland County **Primary Fishery:** BKT (S&W), BNT (S&W) **Access:** Walk in access. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 5 section C-4.

**Kezar River** Lovell, Oxford County **Primary Fishery:** BKT (W) **Access:** Walk in access. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 10 section E-2

**Killick Pond Outlet** Hollis, York County **Primary Fishery:** BKT (W) **Access:** Carry in access. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 4 section E-5

Little Androscoggin River Oxford,

Oxford County (Oxford, below Rte 26), Mechanic Falls (Jordan Rd 'X'ing), Minot (Hackett Mills)

Primary Fishery: BNT (S), RBT (S)
Access: Carry in/walk in access.
Notes: Fish below hydro projects.
Delorme Atlas: Map 11 section E-2 & 3

**Mousam River** Shapleigh, York County **Primary Fishery:** BKT (S), BNT (S) **Access:** Walk in access.

**Notes:** Fish Emery Mills to Springvale and Rte 1 to Rte 9.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 2 section C-2 & 3

North Branch of Little River & Tributaries Gorham, Cumberland County Primary Fishery: BKT (S&W), BNT (S) Access: Walk in access.

Delorme Atlas: Map 5 section E-2 & 3

Pleasant River Windham,
Cumberland County
Primary Fishery: BKT (S), BNT (S)
Access: Carry in/walk in access.

Presumpscot River Windham,
Cumberland County
Primary Fishery: BKT (S), BNT (S), LLS (S)
Access: Carry in/walk in access.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 5 section D-2 & 3

Notes: Fish trout/salmon below hydro dams; Windham (Rte 35 bypass), Gorham (below Mallison Dam and below Dundee Dam).

Delorme Atlas: Map 5 section D & E-2

**Quaker Brook** Baldwin, Cumberland County **Primary Fishery:** BKT (W)

Access: Walk in access from Woods Mill Rd or walk in from Rte 113.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 4 section D-4 & 5

**Saco River** Dayton, York County Union Falls in Dayton to Cataract Dam in Biddeford

Primary Fishery: SMB

Access: Carry in/walk in access at Skelton Dam.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 5 section B-1

**Shepards River** Brownfield, Oxford County Primary Fishery: BKT (W)

Access: Walk in access.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 4 section B-2

# SPECIES KEY

#### PRIMARY FISHERY SPECIES

	Brook Trout	ВКТ
1	Splake	SPK
-	Togue (Lake Trout)	LKT
1	Landlocked Salmon	LLS
	Brown Trout	BNT
1	Rainbow Trout	RBT
-	Smallmouth Bass	SMB
-	Largemouth Bass	LMB
	Lake Whitefish	LWF
-	Arctic Charr	CHR

#### STATUS

Stocked	(S)
Wild	(W)
Mixture of Stocked & Wild(	S&W)

**Stuart Brook** Scarborough, York County

**Primary Fishery:** BKT (W) **Access:** Carry in access.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 3 section B-3

**Tenmile River** Hiram, Oxford County **Primary Fishery:** BKT (W)

Access: Walk in access. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 4 section C-2

Wild River Batchelder's Grant,

Oxford County

Primary Fishery: BKT (S&W), RBT (S&W)

Access: Carry in access from Rte 2 or Rte 113.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 10 section B-1 ■



# REGION B BELGRADE LAKES REGION

The Belgrade Lakes Region extends from central to midcoast Maine and provides a variety of fishing opportunities. Landlocked salmon and lake trout fisheries exist throughout the interior of the region. Stocked brook trout and brown trout can be found virtually region-wide and many waters offer year-round fishing opportunities. This area supports many robust populations of largemouth and smallmouth bass that attract anglers from throughout the state and the country.

— Jason Seiders, Regional Fisheries Biologis



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#### **BROOK TROUT FISHING**

Bowler Pond Palermo, Waldo County Max Depth: 40 feet, Area: 34 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S), SMB Access: Carry in access off Level Hill Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 13 section A-5

Kimball Pond Vienna, Kennebec County Max Depth: 19 feet, Area: 55 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S) Access: Carry in access off Kimball Pond Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 20 section E-3

Little Pond Damariscotta, Lincoln County
Max Depth: 48 feet, Area: 78 acres
Primary Fishery: BKT (S), SMB, LMB
Access: Carry in access off Biscay Rd.
Notes: No developed launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 7 section A-4

Levenseller Pond Searsmont, Knox County Max Depth: 10 feet, Area: 34 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S), SMB Access: Off Rte 173. Notes: Unimproved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 14 section C-3 Spectacle Pond Vassalboro, Kennebec County Max Depth: 100 feet, Area: 139 acres
Primary Fishery: BKT (S), BNT (S), LMB
Access: Carry in access from Alanzo H.
Garcelon WMA.
Notes: Unimproved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 13 section B-1

Tyler Pond Manchester, Kennebec County

Max Depth: 70 feet, Area: 22 acres

Primary Fishery: BKT (S)

Access: Carry in access from Tyler Pond WMA.

Notes: Unimproved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 12 section B-5



#### LANDLOCKED SALMON FISHING

Echo Lake Mt. Vernon, Kennebec County Max Depth: 117 feet, Area: 1,185 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (S&W), BKT (S), SPK (S), SMB, LMB Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 41. Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 12 section A-2

Lake St. George Liberty, Waldo County Max Depth: 65 feet, Area: 1,017 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), BKT (S), SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 3. Notes: Improved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 13 section B-5

Parker Pond Mt. Vernon, Kennebec County Max Depth: 76 feet, Area: 1,610 acres
Primary Fishery: LLS (S), SMB, LMB
Access: Carry in/walk in access off Tower Rd.
Notes: No developed launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 12 section A-2

**Swan Lake** Swanville, Waldo County **Max Depth:** 87 feet, Area: 1,370 acres **Primary Fishery:** LLS (S), LKT (W), BKT (S),
SMB

**Access:** Trailered boat access on Rte 141. **Notes:** Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 22 section E-5

Upper Narrows Pond Winthrop,

Kennebec County

Max Depth: 54 feet, Area: 279 acres

Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (S), SMB, LMB

Access: Carry in access on Narrows Pond Rd.

Notes: No developed launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 12 section C-3

Wassookeag Lake Dexter, Penobscot County Max Depth: 86 feet, Area: 1,062 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (S), SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 23. Notes: Improved launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 32 section D-1

#### **SPLAKE FISHING**

**Basin Pond** Fayette, Kennebec County Max Depth: 27 feet, Area: 106 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S), SPK (S) Access: Carry in access off Shore Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 12 section A-2

Jimmie Pond Hallowell, Kennebec County Max Depth: 75 feet, Area: 107 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S), SPK (S), LMB, SMB Access: Carry in access off Meadowhill Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch located in Jamies Pond WMA.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 12 section C-4

#### **BROWN/RAINBOW TROUT FISHING**

**Alford Lake** Hope, Knox County **Max Depth:** 78 feet, Area: 577 acres **Primary Fishery:** BNT (S), LLS (S) BKT (S),
SMR

**Access:** Trailered boat access on Beaver Lodge Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 14 section D-2

Max Depth: 61 feet, Area: 377 acres
Primary Fishery: BNT (S), SPK (S), SMB, LMB
Access: Trailered boat access off Biscay Rd.
Notes: Improved launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 7 section A & B-4

**Damariscotta Lake** Damariscotta, Lincoln County

Max Depth: 114 feet, Area: 4,375 acres
Primary Fishery: BNT (S), LKT (S), SMB, LMB
Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 213 and
on East Neck Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 13 section D & E-4

**Flying Pond** Vienna, Kennebec County Max Depth: 80 feet, Area: 360 acres Primary Fishery: BNT (S), LLS (S) BKT (S), SMB, LMB

**Access:** Trailered boat access on Rte 41. **Notes:** Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 20 section E-3

**Great Pond** Belgrade, Kennebec County **Max Depth**: 69 feet, Area: 8,239 acres **Primary Fishery**: BNT (S), LLS (W), SMB, LMB

**Access:** Trailered boat access off Rte 27. **Notes:** Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 20 section E-4 & 5

**Kaler Pond** Waldoboro, Lincoln County **Max Depth:** 15 feet, Area: 87 acres **Primary Fishery:** BNT (S)

Access: Carry in/walk in access off Rte 1.
Notes: No developed launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 13 section E-4

**Lake George** Canaan, Somerset County Max Depth: 68 feet, Area: 335 acres Primary Fishery: RBT (S), BNT (S), BKT (S), SMB

Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 2.

Notes: Unimproved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 21 section B-2

**Megunticook Lake** Lincolnville, Knox County

Max Depth: 65 feet, Area: 1,305 acres Primary Fishery: RBT (S), BNT (S), SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 105 and Rte 52.

Notes: Improved launches.

Delorme Atlas: Map 14 section C & D-3

**Spectacle Pond** Vassalboro, Kennebec County **Max Depth**: 100 feet, Area: 139 acres **Primary Fishery**: BKT (S), BNT (S), LMB **Access**: Carry in access from Alanzo H. Garcelon WMA.

Notes: Unimproved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 13 section B-1

Long Pond Belgrade, Kennebec County
Max Depth: 106 feet, Area: 2,557 acres
Primary Fishery: RBT (S), SMB, LMB
Access: Trailered boat access on Castle Island Rd.
Notes: Improved launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 20 section E-4

#### TOGUE (LAKE TROUT) FISHING

Echo Lake Mt. Vernon, Kennebec County



# **SPECIES KEY**

#### PRIMARY FISHERY SPECIES

	Brook Trout	3K
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	Togue (Lake Trout) <b>L</b>	_K
1	Landlocked Salmon	LL
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	Rainbow Trout	≀B
A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR	Smallmouth Bass <b>S</b>	MI
1	Largemouth BassL	.MI
	Lake WhitefishL	W
-	Arctic CharrC	H

#### **STATUS**

Stocked	(S)
Wild	·····(W)
Mixture of Stocked & Wild	(S&W)

Max Depth: 117 feet, Area: 1,185 acres
Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (S&W), BKT
(S), SPK (S), SMB, LMB
Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 41.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 12 section A-2

Lower Narrows Pond Winthrop,

Kennebec County

Max Depth: 106 feet, Area: 255 acres
Primary Fishery: LKT (S), LLS (S), SMB, LMB
Access: Small boat access from Upper Narrows
Pond on Rte 202 or from Narrows Pond Rd.
Notes: Unimproved launch on Rte 202. No
developed launch on Narrows Pond Rd.
Delorme Atlas: Map 12 section C-3

Maranacook Lake Winthrop, Kennebec County Max Depth: 118 feet, Area: 1,673 acres Primary Fishery: LKT (S), BNT (S), SMB, LMB Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 41 and in the town of Winthrop.

Notes: Improved launches.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 12 section B & C-3



#### TOGUE (LAKE TROUT) FISHING CONT.

Sheepscot Lake Palermo, Waldo County
Max Depth: 132 feet, Area: 1,193 acres
Primary Fishery: LKT (W), LLS (W), BKT (S),
SPK (S), BNT (S), SMB, LMB
Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 3.
Notes: Improved launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 13 section B-4

**Swan Lake** Swanville, Waldo County **Max Depth:** 87 feet, Area: 1,370 acres **Primary Fishery:** LLS (S), LKT (W), BKT (S), SMB

**Access:** Trailered boat access on Rte 141. **Notes:** Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 22 section E-5

Wassookeag Lake Dexter, Penobscot County Max Depth: 86 feet, Area: 1,062 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (S), SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 23. Notes: Improved launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 32 section D-1

#### **BASS FISHING**

Androscoggin Lake Wayne, Kennebec County Max Depth: 38 feet, Area: 3,826 acres Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB, BNT (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 133. Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 12 section C-1 & 2

Annabessacook Lake Monmouth,

Kennebec County

Max Depth: 49 feet, Area: 1,420 acres

Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB, BNT (S)

Access: Carry in access from Waugan Rd.

Notes: Unimproved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 12 section B & C-3

**Notes:** Improved launches.

Delorme Atlas: Map 13 section A-3

**China Lake** China, Kennebec County **Max Depth:** 85 feet, Area: 3,845 acres **Primary Fishery:** SMB, LMB, BNT (S), BKT (S) **Access:** Trailered boat access on Rte 32 and
Rte 9.

Cobbosseecontee Lake Winthrop,

Kennebec County

Max Depth: 100 feet, Area: 5,543 acres
Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB, BNT (S)
Access: Trailered boat access on Launch Drive
and Turtle Run Rd.

Notes: Improved launches.

Delorme Atlas: Map 12 section C-3 & 4

Damariscotta Lake Damariscotta,

Lincoln County

Max Depth: 114 feet, Area: 4,375 acres Primary Fishery: BNT (S), LKT (S), SMB, LMB Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 213 and on East Neck Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 13 section D & E-4

**East Pond** Oakland, Kennebec County **Max Depth**: 27 feet, Area: 1,823 acres **Primary Fishery**: SMB, LMB, BNT (S) **Access:** Trailered boat access East Pond Rd. **Notes:** Improved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 20 section D-5 Great Moose Pond Hartland,

Somerset County

Max Depth: 50 feet, Area: 3,584 acres
Primary Fishery: SMB, BNT (S), LLS (S)
Access: Trailered boat access on Great Moose Dr.
Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 31 section E-3 & 4

North Pond Smithfield, Somerset County
Max Depth: 20 feet, Area: 2,225 acres
Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB, BNT (S)
Access: Trailered boat access on North Shore Dr.
onto Bog Stream. Boat down to lake.
Notes: Improved launch.

Megunticook Lake Lincolnville,

Delorme Atlas: Map 20 section D-4

**Knox County** 

Max Depth: 65 feet, Area: 1,305 acres Primary Fishery: RBT (S), BNT (S), SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 105 and Rte 52.

Notes: Improved launches.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 14 section C & D-3

#### Pleasant (Stetson) Pond Stetson,

Penobscot County

Max Depth: 16 feet, Area: 1,245 acres
Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB
Access: Trailered boat access off Route 143.
Notes: Unimproved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 22 section A-3

Plymouth Pond Plymouth, Penobscot County Max Depth: 10 feet, Area: 480 acres Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB Access: Trailered boat access on Moosehead Trail. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 22 section B-2

#### Quantabacook Lake Searsmont,

Knox County

Max Depth: 51 feet, Area: 693 acres Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB, BNT (S) Access: Carry in access on Bryant Rd off Rte 3. Notes: Unimproved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 14 section B-2

Unity Pond Unity, Waldo County
Max Depth: 41 feet, Area: 2,528 acres
Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB, BNT (S)
Access: Trailered boat access on Kanokolus Rd.
Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 22 section D-1

Webber Pond Vassalboro, Kennebec County
Max Depth: 41 feet, Area: 1,201 acres
Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB, BNT (S)
Access: Trailered boat access on Dam Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 13 section B-2

#### RIVERS / STREAMS / BROOKS

**Belgrade Stream** Belgrade, Kennebec County **Primary Fishery**: SMB, LMB, BKT (S) **Access:** Carry in access from Wings Mills Rd and Rte 27.

Notes: Unimproved launches.

Delorme Atlas: Map 12 section A-4

**Kennebec River** Augusta, Kennebec County **Primary Fishery:** SMB, LMB, BNT (S) **Access:** Trailered boat access from Waterville, Sidney, Augusta, Hallowell, Gardiner, and Richmond.

Notes: Improved launches.

Delorme Atlas: Map 12 section C thru E-5

**Kennebec River** Fairfield, Somerset County **Primary Fishery:** BNT (S), SMB **Access:** Trailered boat access from Skowhegan, Hinckley, Shawmut, and Rte 201, Fairfield. **Notes:** Improved launches.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 21 section C & D-2

**Kennebec River** Bingham, Somerset County (Moxie Gore to Skowhegan)

**Primary Fishery:** BKT (S&W), RBT (W), BNT (S&W), LLS (W), SMB

Access: Rte 201 and Rte 201A (Solon), Madison St. (Anson), and Rte 201A (Norridgewock).

Notes: Improved launches. Trailered boat access.

Parts are Youth Only fishing.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 30 section D & E-4

**Medomak River** Waldoboro, Lincoln County **Primary Fishery:** BNT (S), SMB

Access: Walk in access. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 13 section D & E-5

Messalonskee Stream Oakland,

Kennebec County
Primary Fishery: BKT (S), SMB, LMB
Access: Walk in access from E. School St.
Delorme Atlas: Map 21 section E-1

**Pemaquid River** Bristol, Lincoln County **Primary Fishery:** BKT (S), BNT (S), LMB **Access:** Carry in access and walk in access. **Notes:** No developed launches.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 7 section C-3

# SPECIES KEY

#### **PRIMARY FISHERY SPECIES**

-	Brook IroutBK
1	Splake <b>SPF</b>
	Togue (Lake Trout)LK
1	Landlocked SalmonLLS
	Brown TroutBN7
4	Rainbow Trout RB1
Sand of	Smallmouth BassSME
-	Largemouth BassLME
4	Lake Whitefish LWF
-	Arctic CharrCHF

#### **STATUS**

Stocked	·(S
Wild	(W
Mixture of Stocked & Wild(S&	٧W

Sebasticook River Benton,

Kennebec County

Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB, BKT (S)
Access: Trailered boat access from Peltoma

Rd (Pittsfield), carry in access from Rte 11 (Burnham).

**Notes:** Improved launch on Peltoma Rd, unimproved launch on Rte 11.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 21 section D-3 & 4

St. George River Searsmont,

Waldo County

**Primary Fishery:** BKT (S), BNT (S), LMB **Access:** Walk in access.

Delorme Atlas: Map 14 section B-2

Twenty-five Mile Stream Unity,

Waldo County
Primary Fishery: SMB

Access: Walk in access.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 21 section D-5 ■

# REGION C GRAND LAKE REGION

Downeast Maine is home to The Grand Lake Region, which has an exciting mixture of both coldwater and warmwater fishing opportunities. From its scenic coastal plain to its undeveloped, tranquil interior, anglers visiting eastern Maine will have no trouble finding the fish species that suits them. From vibrantly colored brook trout and iconic landlocked salmon to hard-fighting smallmouth bass and the eager biting schools of white perch, it's hard to beat the Grand Lake Region for fishing diversity and a remarkable angling experience.





Special fishing laws may apply to these water bodies. Always check the current Maine Open Water & Ice Fishing Laws first!

#### **BROOK TROUT FISHING**

Echo Lake Mount Desert, Hancock County Max Depth: 66 feet, Area: 237 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S&W), LLS (S) Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 102. Notes: Improved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 16 section C-2

Long Pond Great Pond Plt., Hancock County Max Depth: 36 feet, Area: 271 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S)

Access: Carry in access 27000 Rd off Stud Mill Rd.

**Notes:** Unimproved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 34 section E-3

Monroe Lake T 43 MD, Washington County

Max Depth: 31 feet, Area: 45 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S) Access: Small boat access via dirt road off

Stud Mill Rd.

Notes: Unimproved launch. 4WD vehicle recommended.

Delorme Atlas: Map 35 section C-4

**Pineo Pond** Deblois, Washington County Max Depth: 52 feet, Area: 7 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S)

Access: Carry in access via gravel road off Schoodic Pond Rd.

Notes: 4WD vehicle recommended. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 25 section C-2

Simmons Pond Hancock, Hancock County Max Depth: 27 feet, Area: 7 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S) Access: Carry in access on Salem Rd off

Wyman Rd.

Notes: No developed launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 24 section E-2

**Simpson Pond** Roque Bluffs, Washington County

Max Depth: 5 feet, Area: 21 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S), BNT (S)

Access: Carry in access off Schoppee Point Rd.

Notes: No developed launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 26 section D-3

West Pike Brook Pond T 18 MD,

Washington Cty

Max Depth: 32 feet, Area: 32 acres **Primary Fishery:** BKT (S)

Access: Carry in access via gravel road off

Schoodic Pond Rd.

Notes: 4WD vehicle recommended. Delorme Atlas: Map 25 section C-3 Witch Hole Pond Bar Harbor,

Hancock County

Max Depth: 33 feet, Area: 28 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S) Access: Walk in from Carriage Rd at Duck Brook entrance.

Notes: No developed launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 16 section B-4

LANDLOCKED SALMON FISHING

Beech Hill Pond Otis, Hancock County

Max Depth: 104 feet, Area: 1,351 acres Primary Fishery: LKT (W), LLS (S)

Access: Trailered boat access on West Shore Rd off Gary Moore Rd off Rte 180.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 24 section C-1

Big Lake Greenlaw Chopping Twp, Washington County

Max Depth: 70 feet, Area: 10,305 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), SMB

Access: Carry in access on Big Lake Rd and off West St.

Notes: unimproved launches.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 35 section B & C-5

Branch Lake Ellsworth, Hancock County Max Depth: 123 feet, Area: 2,703 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), BNT (W), LKT (W)

Access: Trailered boat access on Happy Town Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 23 section D & E-5

Max Depth: 48 feet, Area: 881 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Brewer Lake Rd.

**Brewer Lake** Orrington, Penobscot County

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 23 section C-3

**Cathance Lake** Cooper, Washington County Max Depth: 75 feet, Area: 2,905 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), BKT (W) Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 191. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 36 section E-3 & 4

Donnell Pond Franklin, Hancock County Max Depth: 119 feet, Area: 1,120 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W)

Access: Trailered boat access on Moose Rd off Donnell Pond Rd. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 24 section D-4 & 5

Gardner Lake East Machias,

Washington County

Max Depth: 56 feet, Area: 3,886 acres **Primary Fishery:** LLS (S)

Access: Trailered boat access on Chases Mill Rd and Gardner's Lake Rd.

Notes: Improved launches. Gardner's Lake Rd, gated.

Delorme Atlas: Map 26 section B-4 (Delorme lists this lake as Garden Lake)

**Green Lake** Ellsworth, Hancock County Max Depth: 108 feet, Area: 1,613 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), LKT (S)

Access: Trailered boat access on Nicklyn Rd. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 24 section D-1

Long Pond Mount Desert, Hancock County Max Depth: 113 feet, Area: 897 acres **Primary Fishery:** LLS (S&W), BKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 102. Notes: Improved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 16 section B & C-2

Phillips Lake Dedham, Hancock County Max Depth: 98 feet, Area: 828 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), LKT (W) Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 1A. Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 23 section C-4



**Tunk Lake** T 10 SD, Hancock County Max Depth: 222 feet, Area: 2,010 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), LKT (W), BKT (S)

Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 182. Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 25 section D & E-1

West Grand Lake Grand Lake Stream, Washington County Max Depth: 128 feet, Area: 14,340 acres

Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), LKT (W) Access: Trailered boat access at West Grand Dam.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 35 section B-3 & 4

#### **BROWN TROUT FISHING**

Flanders Pond Sullivan, Hancock County Max Depth: 32 feet, Area: 537 acres Primary Fishery: BNT (S)

Access: Trailered boat access on Flanders Pond Rd off Rte 183.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 24 section E-5

**Great Pond** Great Pond Plt, Hancock County Max Depth: 34 feet, Area: 679 acres **Primary Fishery:** BNT (S)

Access: Trailered boat access on Great Pond Rd. Notes: Improved launch. This road is gated. Delorme Atlas: Map 34 section E-3

Hancock Pond Bucksport, Hancock County Max Depth: 25 feet, Area: 59 acres **Primary Fishery:** BNT (S) Access: Carry in access on Rte 46.

King Pond Great Pond Plt., Hancock County Max Depth: 22 feet, Area: 148 acres

Primary Fishery: BNT (S) Access: Carry in access on 27000 Rd off Stud Mill Rd.

Notes: This road is gated.

**Notes:** No developed launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 23 section D-3

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 34 section E-3

Lower Patten Pond Surry, Hancock County Max Depth: 87 feet, Area: 741 acres Primary Fishery: BNT (S&W), LLS (S) Access: Trailered boat access on N. Bend Rd. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 23 section E-5

Molasses Pond Eastbrook, Hancock County Max Depth: 47 feet, Area: 1,252 acres Primary Fishery: BNT (S), LLS (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Molasses Pond Rd. Notes: Improved launch.

# **SPECIES KEY**

#### **PRIMARY FISHERY SPECIES**

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	Togue (Lake Trout)LK
1	Landlocked SalmonL
	Brown TroutBN
	Rainbow Trout RB
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1	Largemouth BassLME
1	Lake Whitefish LW
-	Arctic CharrCHI

#### **STATUS**

Stocked	·(S
Wild	(W
Mixture of Stocked & Wild(\$6	&W

Pennamaquan Lake Charlotte,

Washington County

Max Depth: 24 feet, Area: 1,209 acres

**Primary Fishery:** BNT (S)

Access: Trailered boat access at Porter's Landing

off Mt. Tom Rd. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 37 section D-1

**Round Lake** Charlotte, Washington County Max Depth: 14 feet, Area: 558 acres

Primary Fishery: BNT (S) Access: Trailered boat access off Charlotte Rd.

Notes: Improved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 36 section D-5

Walkers Pond Sedgwick, Hancock County Max Depth: 47 feet, Area: 697 acres

Primary Fishery: BNT (S)

Access: Trailered boat access on gravel road off

Cooper Farm Rd off Rte 176. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 15 section B & C-3

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**Delorme Atlas:** Map 24 section C-4 18

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**Branch Lake** Ellsworth, Hancock County Max Depth: 123 feet, Area: 2,703 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), BNT (W), LKT (W)

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 24 section C-1

Access: Trailered boat access on Happy Town Rd. **Notes:** Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 23 section D & E-5

Eagle Lake Bar Harbor, Hancock County Max Depth: 110 feet, Area: 436 acres Primary Fishery: LKT (W), LLS (S), BKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 233. Notes: Improved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 16 section B-3 & 4

**Green Lake** Ellsworth, Hancock County Max Depth: 108 feet, Area: 1,613 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), LKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Nicklyn Rd. Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 24 section D-1

**Hopkins Pond** Mariaville, Hancock County Max Depth: 65 feet, Area: 442 acres Primary Fishery: LKT (W), BKT (S&W) **Access:** Trailered boat access on E. Hopkins Pond Rd off Rte 9.

**Notes:** Improved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 24 section B-1

Jordan Pond Mount Desert, Hancock County Max Depth: 150 feet, Area: 187 acres Primary Fishery: LKT (W), LLS (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Park Loop Rd. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 16 section C-3





Phillips Lake Dedham, Hancock County Max Depth: 98 feet, Area: 828 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), LKT (W) Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 1A. Notes: Improved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 23 section C-4

**Tunk Lake** T 10 SD, Hancock County Max Depth: 222 feet, Area: 2,010 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), LKT (W),

BKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 182. Notes: Improved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 25 section D & E-1

West Grand Lake Grand Lake Stream, Washington County

Max Depth: 128 feet, Area: 14,340 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), LKT (W) Access: Trailered boat access at West Grand Dam. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 35 section B-3 & 4

West Musquash Lake Talmadge,

Washington County

Max Depth: 108 feet, Area: 1,613 acres Primary Fishery: LKT (W), LLS (S&W), BKT (W)

Access: Trailered boat access via gravel road off Amazon Rd off Rte 6. Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 35 section A-3



#### **BASS FISHING**

Big Lake Greenlaw Chopping Twp, Washington County Max Depth: 70 feet, Area: 10,305 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), SMB Access: Carry in access on Big Lake Rd and off West St.

Notes: unimproved launches.

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**Delorme Atlas:** Map 23 section D & E-5

**Brewer Lake** Orrington, Penobscot County Max Depth: 48 feet, Area: 881 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Brewer Lake Rd. Notes: Improved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 23 section C-3

Crawford Lake Crawford,

Washington County Max Depth: 27 feet, Area: 1,677 acres Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB Access: Trailered boat access on International Dr. off Rte 9. Notes: Improved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 36 section D-2

**Love Lake** Alexander, Washington County Max Depth: 40 feet, Area: 672 acres Primary Fishery: SMB, LLS (S&W), BKT

Access: Carry in access on Love Lake Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch. 4WD recommended. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 36 section D & E-2

**Meddybemps Lake** Meddybemps, Washington County

Max Depth: 58 feet, Area: 6,765 acres **Primary Fishery:** SMB

Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 191. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 36 section D-4

Pleasant Lake Alexander,

Washington County Max Depth: 36 feet, Area: 339 acres Primary Fishery: SMB, LLS (S&W)

Access: Trailered boat access from campground off Davis Rd.

Notes: Improved launch. Fee to launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 36 section D-3

Pocomoonshine Lake Princeton.

Washington County

Max Depth: 40 feet, Area: 2,464 acres **Primary Fishery:** SMB

Access: Trailered boat access Pokev Rd and Lake Rd.

Notes: Improved launches. Delorme Atlas: Map 36 section C-2

West Grand Lake Grand Lake Stream, Washington County

Max Depth: 128 feet, Area: 14,340 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), LKT (W), SMB Access: Trailered boat access at West Grand Dam. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 35 section B-3 & 4

Woodland Flowage Baileyville,

Washington County Max Depth: 32 feet, Area: 1,200 acres

**Primary Fishery:** SMB

Access: Trailered boat access on Track Rd. **Notes:** Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 36 section B-3 & 4

#### RIVERS / STREAMS / BROOKS

Dennys River Dennysville, Washington County Primary Fishery: BKT (S) Access: Walk in access. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 36 section E-5

East Machias River East Machias, Washington County **Primary Fishery:** BKT (S) Access: Walk in access off Rte 9. Delorme Atlas: Map 26 section B-4

Grand Lake Stream Grand Lake Stream, Washington County Primary Fishery: BKT (S), LLS (S) Access: Walk in access from Village or

Grand Lake Stream Rd. Delorme Atlas: Map 35 section B-4

Machias River T25 MD, Washington County **Primary Fishery:** BKT (S)

Access: Walk in access off Rte 9. Delorme Atlas: Map 25 section A-4

Middle Branch Union River Aurora,

Hancock County **Primary Fishery:** BKT (S)

Access: Walk in access off Rte 9. Delorme Atlas: Map 24 section A-3 **SPECIES KEY** 

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-	Largemouth BassLM
	Lake Whitefish LW
-	Arctic CharrCH

#### **STATUS**

Stocked	(S
Wild	(W)
Mixture of Stocked & Wild(	S&W

Mopang Stream T30 MD,

Washington County Primary Fishery: BKT (S)

**Access:** Walk in access off Rte 9. Delorme Atlas: Map 25 section A-2

**Old Stream** T 31 MD, Washington County **Primary Fishery:** BKT (S) Access: Walk in access off Rte 9. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 25 section A-5

**Pleasant River** T24 MD, Washington County Primary Fishery: BKT (S) Access: Walk in access off Hatchery Rd.

Delorme Atlas: Map 25 section B-2

**St. Croix River** Vanceboro, Washington County Primary Fishery: LLS (S) Access: Walk in access off Kellyland Rd. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 46 section C-3

West Branch Union River Amherst, Washington County

Primary Fishery: BKT (S) Access: Walk in access off River Rd.

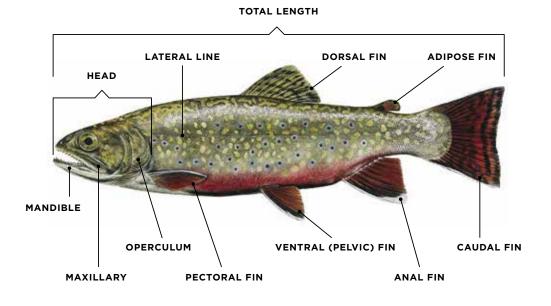
**Delorme Atlas:** Map 24 section A-2 ■

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# **IDENTIFY YOUR CATCH**

#### TIPS ON IDENTIFYING FISH

For rules and regulations purposes, it's vital to identify your catch.
Here's a quick guide to the telltale characteristics of Maine's most prevalent game fish.





#### **BROOK TROUT (BKT)**

- Red spots, each surrounded by a blue halo
- White leading edges on the fins and a worm-like vermiculation pattern on their backs



#### SPLAKE (SPK)

- Red spots (lacking the brook trout's signature blue halo), white leading edges on the fins, and a worm-like vermiculation pattern on their backs
- This hybrid cross between lake trout and brook trout can have features that more closely resemble one parent species or the other, and can easily be mistaken for either one



#### **TOGUE (LAKE TROUT) (LKT)**

- Deeply forked tail and white leading edges on their fins
- Distinguished from salmon by their gold to green dorsal and lateral sides with creamy white spots, compared with salmon's silver sides and black spots



#### **LANDLOCKED SALMON (LLS)**

- Slightly forked tail and silvery scales with small dark spots on the dorsal and lateral sides
- They may also appear to have a bluish coloration on their operculum (gill plate cover)



#### **BROWN TROUT (BNT)**

- Red and black spots
- Square tails
- A large spotted adipose fin



#### **RAINBOW TROUT (RBT)**

- Light background with tiny dark spots on their sides and a faint to bright pinkish coloration on their operculum (gill plate cover) and down their sides
- Caudal and dorsal fins have small dark spots



#### **SMALLMOUTH BASS (SMB)**

- Shallow notch between a spiny dorsal fin and a soft-rayed dorsal fin
- Upper part of mouth that doesn't reach past the center of their eye
- May have red eyes
- Sometimes have vertical dark stripes



#### **LARGEMOUTH BASS (LMB)**

- Upper part of mouth that extends past the eye
- Dark mottled lateral band running down the center of their sides
- Defined notch between a spiny dorsal fin and soft-rayed dorsal fin



#### LAKE WHITEFISH (LWF)

- Overall silvery coloration with dark brown to black on the back
- Black or black tipped fins
- Deeply forked tail
- Scales are large



#### **ARCTIC CHARR (CHR)**

- Slender member of the salmon and trout family
- Moderately forked tail
- Dark coloring on back, lighter on belly, with light spots on the sides

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# REGION D RANGELEY LAKES REGION

Located in the western part of the state, the Rangeley Lakes Region encompasses Maine's western mountains area.

Landlocked salmon, lake trout, and smallmouth bass are all popular and plentiful fish species that are regularly caught by anglers, but brook trout are by far the most targeted. Many of the region's lakes, ponds, rivers, streams, and brooks provide excellent habitat for brook trout and offer a variety of fishing opportunities. Regardless of what you fish for, this region provides wonderful fishing adventures in a picturesque setting.

— Dave Howatt, Regional Fisheries Biologist



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#### **BROOK TROUT FISHING**

Beaver Pond Twp D, Franklin County Max Depth: 19 feet, Area: 20 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S) Access: Carry in access on Rte 17. Notes: Unimproved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 18 section B-4

Big Dimmick Pond Caratunk, Somerset County Max Depth: 39 feet, Area: 90 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S&W) Access: Carry in access on Baker Dimmick Rd off Trout Dale Rd.

Notes: No developed launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 30 section B-4

Chain of Ponds Chain of Ponds, Franklin County Max Depth: 106 feet, Area: 700 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S&W), LLS (W) Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 27.

Notes: Improved launches, mostly from

campsites.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 38 section E-4

Hills Pond Perkins Twp, Franklin County Max Depth: 31 feet, Area: 22 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S) Access: Carry in access on Rte 156. Notes: No developed launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 19 section C-3

Little Austin Pond Bald Mtn Twp, Somerset County Max Depth: 33 feet, Area: 110 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S&W) Access: Carry in access via gravel road off Austin Pond Road.

Notes: Unimproved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 30 section B-5

Little Jim Pond Jim Pond Twp,
Franklin County
Max Depth: 37 feet, Area: 64 acres
Primary Fishery: BKT (S)

Access: Carry in access off King & Bartlett Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 29 section A-2

Quimby Pond Rangeley, Franklin County Max Depth: 12 feet, Area: 165 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S&W) Access: Carry in access on Quimby Pond Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 28 section E-4 **Sandy River Ponds** Sandy River Plt, Franklin County **Max Depth:** 58 feet, Area: 115 acres

Primary Fishery: BKT (S&W)
Access: Carry in access on Rte 4.
Notes: Unimproved launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 19 section A-1

#### West Richardson Pond Adamstown

Twp, Oxford County

Max Depth: 41 feet, Area: 423 acres

Primary Fishery: BKT (S&W), LLS (W)

Access: Carry in access on West Richardson Rd

off Rte 16.

Notes: Unimproved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 28 section E-1 & 2



#### LANDLOCKED SALMON FISHING

Aziscohos Lake Lincoln Plt, Oxford County
Max Depth: 60 feet, Area: 6,700 acres
Primary Fishery: LLS (W), BKT (W)
Access: Trailered boat access on Camp 10 Bridge
Rd and Lincoln Pond Rd at campground.
Notes: Improved launch. Trailered boat access.
Delorme Atlas: Map 28 section C-1 & E-2

**Chain of Ponds** Chain of Ponds, Franklin County

Max Depth: 106 feet, Area: 700 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S&W), LLS (W) Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 27. Notes: Improved launches, mostly from campsites.

Delorme Atlas: Map 38 section E-4

Clearwater Pond Industry, Franklin County Max Depth: 129 feet, Area: 751 acres
Primary Fishery: BKT (S&W), LLS (S), LKT (W)
Access: Trailered boat access off Route 43.
Notes: Improved Launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 20 section C -2

Jim Pond Jim Pond Twp, Franklin County Max Depth: 125 feet, Area: 320 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (W), LKT (W), BKT (S&W)

**Access:** Trailered boat access off Jim Pond Rd. **Notes:** Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 29 section A-1

Loon Lake Dallas Plt, Franklin County
Max Depth: 57 feet, Area: 176 acres
Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), BKT (S&W)
Access: Carry in access off Loon Lake Rd.
Notes: Unimproved launch..
Delorme Atlas: Map 28 section D-5

**Mooselookmeguntic Lake** Rangeley, Franklin County

Max Depth: 139 feet, Area: 16,300 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (W), BKT (W)
Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 16 at Haines Landing, or on South Arm Rd.
Notes: Improved launches.
Delorme Atlas: Map 28 section E-3 and Map 18 section A-3

Porter Lake New Vineyard, Franklin County Max Depth: 86 feet, Area: 527 acres
Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (W), BKT (S)
Access: Trailered boat access off Beanies
Beach Road.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 20 section B -1

Notes: Improved launch.

Rangeley Lake Rangeley, Franklin County Max Depth: 149 feet, Area: 6,000 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), BKT (S&W) Access: Trailered boat access in Rangeley Lake State Park, Rangeley Town park, and on Rte 4. Notes: Improved launches. Delorme Atlas: Map 28 section E-3, 4 & 5 **Richardson Lakes** Richardsontown Twp, Oxford County

Max Depth: 108 feet, Area: 5,100 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), BKT (S&W), LKT (W)

Access: Trailered boat access on South Arm Rd and Mill Brook Rd.

Notes: Improved launches.

Delorme Atlas: Map 18 section A & B-2

**Spencer Lake** Hobbstown, Somerset County Max Depth: 135 feet, Area: 1,819 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (W), BKT (W) Access: Trailered boat access via launch on Fish Pond on gravel road off Spencer Rd. Boat down to Spencer Lake.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 39 section D & E-4

**Varnum Pond** Temple, Franklin County **Max Depth**: 75 feet, Area: 370 acres **Primary Fishery**: LLS (S), LKT (W). BKT (S) **Access:** Trailered boat access off of Varnum Pond Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 19 section D-5

#### **BROWN TROUT FISHING**

Lufkin Pond Phillips, Franklin County Max Depth: 28 feet, Area: 47 acres Primary Fishery: BNT (S), SPK (S), SMB Access: Carry in access off Number 6 Rd. Notes: No developed launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 19 section A-2

Mount Blue Pond Avon, Franklin County Max Depth: 38 feet, Area: 134 acres Primary Fishery: BNT (S), SPK (S), SMB Access: Carry in access off Mount Blue Rd. Notes: No developed launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 19 section B-3 & 4

Sandy Pond Embden, Somerset County
Max Depth: 41 feet, Area: 107 acres
Primary Fishery: BNT (S), BKT (S), SMB
Access: Carry in access from Fahi Pond Rd.
Notes: No developed launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 20 section A-3

Smith Pond Brighton Plt, Somerset County Max Depth: 32 feet, Area: 160 acres Primary Fishery: BNT (S), BKT (S)
Access: Trailered boat access via gravel road off Rte 151.
Notes: Unimproved launch.

Notes: Unimproved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 31 section D-1

# **SPECIES KEY**

#### **PRIMARY FISHERY SPECIES**

Section 1	Brook Trout BK
1	Splake <b>SPI</b>
	Togue (Lake Trout)LK
1	Landlocked SalmonL
The state of the s	Brown TroutBN
	Rainbow Trout ······ <b>RB</b>
STATE OF THE PARTY	Smallmouth BassSM
-	Largemouth Bass <b>LMI</b>
1	Lake Whitefish LW
-	Arctic CharrCH

#### **STATUS**

Stocked	(S
Wild	(W)
Mixture of Stocked & Wild(	s&w

**Webb Lake** Weld, Franklin County **Max Depth:** 42 feet, Area: 2,146 acres **Primary Fishery:** BNT (S), BKT (S), LLS (S),

Access: Trailered boat access from Mt. Blue State Park.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 19 section C-2

Wentworth Pond Solon, Somerset County Max Depth: 48 feet, Area: 213 acres Primary Fishery: BNT (S), BKT (S), SPK (S), SMB

**Access:** Carry in access on West Shore Road. **Notes:** Unimproved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 31 section E-1

**Wesserunsett Lake** Madison, Somerset County

Max Depth: 22 feet, Area: 1,446 acres
Primary Fishery: BNT (S), BKT (S), SMB, LMB
Access: Trailered boat access off E. Madison Rd.
Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 20 section A & B-5

#### TOGUE (LAKE TROUT) FISHING

Clearwater Pond Industry, Franklin County Max Depth: 129 feet, Area: 751 acres Primary Fishery: LKT (W), BKT (S&W), LLS (S), SMB

**Access:** Trailered boat access on Rte 43. **Notes:** Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 20 section C-1 & 2

**Embden Pond** Embden, Somerset County **Max Depth:** 180 feet, Area: 1,568 acres **Primary Fishery:** LKT (W), LLS (S&W), BKT (S), SMB

**Access:** Trailered boat access on Mill Rd off Embden Pond Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 20 section A -3 & map 30 section E-3

Jim Pond Jim Pond Twp, Franklin County
Max Depth: 125 feet, Area: 320 acres
Primary Fishery: LLS (W), LKT (W), BKT (S&W)
Access: Trailered boat access off Jim Pond Rd.
Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 29 section A-1

**Lincoln Pond** Parkertown Twp, Oxford County **Max Depth:** 95 feet, Area: 340 acres **Primary Fishery:** LKT (W), BKT (S) **Access:** Carry in access on Big Buck Mtn Rd off Alca Rd.

Notes: 4WD vehicles only.

Delorme Atlas: Map 28 section D-1

**Porter Lake** New Vineyard, Franklin County Max Depth: 86 feet, Area: 527 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (W), BKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access off Beanies Beach Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 20 section B -1

**Richardson Lakes** Richardsontown Twp, Oxford County

Max Depth: 108 feet, Area: 5,100 acres
Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), BKT (S&W),
LKT (W)

**Access:** Trailered boat access on South Arm Rd and Mill Brook Rd.

Rd and Mill Brook Rd.

Notes: Improved launches.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 18 section A & B-2

Spencer Lake Hobbstown, Somerset County Max Depth: 135 feet, Area: 1,819 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (W), BKT (W) Access: Trailered boat access via launch on Fish Pond on gravel road off Spencer Rd. Boat down to Spencer Lake.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 39 section D & E-4

**Spring Lake** T3 R4 BKP WKR,

Somerset County

Max Depth: 78 feet, Area: 762 acres
Primary Fishery: LKT (W), BKT (S), LLS (S)
Access: Trailered boat access on Spring Lake Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 29 section B-4

Varnum Pond Temple, Franklin County Max Depth: 75 feet, Area: 370 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (W). BKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access off of Varnum Pond Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 19 section D-5

**Wilson Pond** Wilton, Franklin County **Max Depth:** 88 feet, Area: 563 acres **Primary Fishery:** LKT (W), LLS (S&W), BKT

**Access:** Trailered boat access off Pond Rd and carry in access on Rte 2.

**Notes:** Improved launch at Canal Street off Rte. 2.

Unimproved launch off Pond Rd.. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 19 section D-4 & 5

#### **BASS FISHING**

Clearwater Pond Industry, Franklin County Max Depth: 129 feet, Area: 751 acres Primary Fishery: SMB, LKT (W), LLS (S), BKT (S&W)

**Access:** Trailered boat access on Rte 43. **Notes:** Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 20 section C-1 & 2

Crowell Pond New Sharon, Franklin County
Max Depth: 11 feet, Area: 211 acres
Primary Fishery: LMB, BKT (S)
Access: Carry in access on Rte 41.
Notes: Unimproved launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 20 section D-2

**Embden Pond** Embden, Somerset County **Max Depth:** 180 feet, Area: 1,568 acres **Primary Fishery:** LKT (W), LLS (S&W), BKT (S), SMB

**Access:** Trailered boat access on Mill Rd off Embden Pond Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 20 section A -3 & map 30 section E-3

Mount Blue Pond Avon, Franklin County Max Depth: 38 feet, Area: 134 acres Primary Fishery: BNT (S), SPK (S), SMB Access: Carry in access off Mount Blue Rd. Notes: No developed launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 19 section B-3 & 4 Moxie Pond East Moxie Twp, Somerset County Max Depth: 51 feet, Area: 2,370 acres Primary Fishery: SMB, LLS (S&W), BKT (S&W)

Access: Trailered boat access on Indian Pond Rd. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 40 section E-4

Norcross Pond Chesterville, Franklin County Max Depth: 24 feet, Area: 122 acres Primary Fishery: LMB, BKT (S)
Access: Trailered boat access on Ridge Rd.
Notes: Improved launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 20 section E-1

North Pond Chesterville, Franklin County Max Depth: 23 feet, Area: 170 acres Primary Fishery: LMB Access: Carry in access via gravel road off

Borough Rd.

Notes: No developed launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 20 section E-1

**Ellis Pond** Roxbury, Oxford County **Max Depth:** 43 feet, Area: 920 acres **Primary Fishery:** SMB, BKT (S) **Access:** Trailered boat access off South Shore

Notes: Improved launch

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 18 section D-4 & 5.

Wentworth Pond Solon, Somerset County Max Depth: 48 feet, Area: 213 acres Primary Fishery: SMB, SPK (S), BKT (S), BNT (S)

Access: Carry in access on Westshore Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 31 section E -1.

Wesserunsett Lake Madison,

Somerset County

Max Depth: 22 feet, Area: 1,446 acres Primary Fishery: BNT (S), BKT (S), SMB, LMB Access: Trailered boat access off E. Madison Rd. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 20 section A & B-5

#### RIVERS / STREAMS / BROOKS

**Alder Brook** Perkins Twp., Franklin County **Primary Fishery**: BKT (W) **Access:** Walk in access on Alder Brook Rd. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 19 section *C*-3 & 4

Austin Stream Bingham, Somerset County Primary Fishery: BKT (W), RBT (W) Access: Walk in access. Delorme Atlas: Map 30 section C-4



Carrabassett River Anson, Somerset County (Carrabassett Valley to Anson)
Primary Fishery: RBT (S), BKT (S&W)
Access: Walk in access off Rte 27 and Rte 146.
Notes: Parts (Kingfield) are Youth Only fishing.
Delorme Atlas: Map 20 section A-3

**Dead River** The Forks Plt, Somerset County (From T03 R04 BKP WKR to The Forks Plt.) **Primary Fishery:** BKT (S&W), LLS (S&W) **Access:** Walk in access.

 $\textbf{Delorme Atlas:} \ \text{Map 40 section E-2}$ 

Kennebago River Rangeley, Franklin County (Stetsontown Twp to Rangeley) Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (W) Access: Walk in access. Carry in access on Boy Scout Rd. Delorme Atlas: Map 28 section D-3 Magalloway River Lincoln Plt, Oxford County (Lincoln Plt to Magalloway Plt)
Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (W), SMB
Access: Walk in access off Rt. 16 & Bennett Rd.
Delorme Atlas: Map 27 section E -5

Orbeton Stream Madrid, Franklin County Primary Fishery: BNT (W), BKT (W) Access: Walk in access. Delorme Atlas: Map 19 section A-2 & 3.

Phelps Brook Byron, Oxford County Primary Fishery: BKT (W) Access: Walk in access off Garland Pond Rd. Delorme Atlas: Map 18 section C-4

**Rapid River** Upton, Oxford County **Primary Fishery:** BKT (W), LLS (W), SMB **Access:** Walk in access. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 18 section B-1

# SPECIES KEY

#### **PRIMARY FISHERY SPECIES**

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1	Splake <b>SPI</b>
	Togue (Lake Trout)LK
1	Landlocked SalmonL
	Brown TroutBN
1	Rainbow Trout RB
-	Smallmouth BassSMI
1	Largemouth BassLMI
1	Lake Whitefish <b>LW</b>
-	Arctic CharrCHI

#### **STATUS**

Stocked	(S)
Wild	(W)
Mixture of Stocked & Wild(\$	&W)

**Sandy River** Farmington, Franklin County (Sandy River Plt to Norridgewock) **Primary Fishery:** BKT (S&W), BNT (S), SMB **Access:** Walk in access. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 19 section B-4 & 5

Swift River Byron, Oxford County (Byron to Rumford) Primary Fishery: RBT (S), BNT (S), BKT (S&W)

Access: Walk in access.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 18 section C & D-5

Wilson Stream Wilton, Franklin County Primary Fishery: BKT (S&W) Access: Main St.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 19 section D-4 & 5 ■



# REGION E MOOSEHEAD REGION

The Moosehead Lake Region is situated in northwestern Maine in the largely undeveloped North Woods. The region contains hundreds of lakes, ponds, and streams that support self-sustaining brook trout populations and many have never been stocked. Anglers enjoy the unique experience of fishing in remote areas for brook trout, landlocked salmon, and lake trout. The centerpiece of the region is Maine's largest lake: Moosehead Lake, which at 40 miles long, offers a big lake fishing experience. If you're looking for moving-water, there are numerous large rivers that provide great fishing for wild brook trout and landlocked salmon, including some year-round opportunities. If you are in search of native brook trout, then the Moosehead Lake Region is the place to be.



Special fishing laws may apply to these water bodies. Always check the current Maine Open Water & Ice Fishing Laws first!

#### **BROOK TROUT FISHING**

Allagash Lake T8 R14 WELS,

Piscataguis County

Max Depth: 89 feet, Area: 4,260 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LKT (W), LWF (W) Access: Carry in via camp sites or via Allagash Stream.

Notes: No developed launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 55 section C & D-3

Big Wood Pond Jackman, Somerset County Max Depth: 72 feet, Area: 2,150 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S), LLS (S), SPK (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Mill Rd. Notes: Improved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 39 section C-4

Canada Falls Lake T2 R4 NBKP,

Somerset County

Max Depth: 24 feet, Area: 2,627 acres

Primary Fishery: BKT (W)

Access: Trailered boat access on Canada Falls Rd

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 48 section D-2

Chamberlain Lake T6 R11 WELS,

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 154 feet, Area: 11,084 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LKT (W), LWF (W) Access: Trailered boat access on Telos Rd. Boat

up to Chamberlain Lake. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 56 section E-1 & 2

**Long Pond** Long Pond Twp, Somerset County Max Depth: 44 feet, Area: 3,053 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S&W), LLS (S&W) Access: Carry in access off Rte 6. Notes: No developed launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 40 section B-1 & 2

Moosehead Lake Greenville,

Piscataguis County

Max Depth: 246 feet, Area: 74,890 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (S&W), LKT (W) Access: Trailered boat access on Lily Bay Rd (Greenville), Rte 6 (Greenville and Rockwood), Seboomook Dam Rd (Seboomook), Ross Farm Rd (Northeast Carry), and in Lily Bay State Park (Greenville). Carry in boat access on Northeast Carry Rd (Northeast Carry), Hardwood Valley Rd (Spencer Bay Twp), and in Lily Bay State Park (Greenville). Notes: Improved launches. Unimproved launches.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 41 and map 49

Rainbow Lake T2 R11 WELS,

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 130 feet, Area: 1,664 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), CHR (W) Access: Walk in access via Appalachian Trail. Notes: No developed launch. No ATV access. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 50 section E-3

Rum Pond Greenville, Piscataquis County Max Depth: 77 feet, Area: 245 acres **Primary Fishery:** BKT (W) Access: Carry in access via gravel road off K I Rd.

**Notes:** Unimproved launches. Delorme Atlas: Map 41 section D-4 Salmon Pond T4 R13 WELS,

Piscataguis County

Max Depth: 26 feet, Area: 107 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S)

Access: Carry in access via gravel road off Salmon Pond Rd.

Notes: Unimproved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 49 section C-4

Seboomook Lake Seboomook Twp,

Somerset County

Max Depth: 48 feet, Area: 6,448 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W)

Access: Trailered boat launches on Seboomook Dam Rd and Seboomook Rd.

**Notes:** Improved launches.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 48 section C-4 & 5

**Secret Pond** Greenville, Piscataguis County Max Depth: 33 feet, Area: 14 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W) Access: Walk in access via gravel road off K I Rd. Delorme Atlas: Map 41 section D-3

#### LANDLOCKED SALMON FISHING

Attean Lake Attean Twp., Somerset County Max Depth: 55 feet, Area: 2,745 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), BKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Attean Rd. Notes: Improved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 39 section C-4



#### Chesuncook Lake & Caribou Lake

T3 R12 WELS, Piscataguis County Max Depth: 150 feet, Area: 26,200 acres

Primary Fishery: LLS (W), BKT (W)

Access: Trailered boat access on Chesuncook Lake Rd (Chesuncook Lake) and Guy Allen Rd (Umbazooksus Stream). Carry in access on Golden Rd (Caribou Lake).

Notes: Improved launches on Chesuncook Lake Rd and Guy Allen Rd and unimproved launch on Golden Rd.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 49 and map 50

First Roach Pond Frenchtown,

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 123 feet, Area: 3,270 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), LKT (W), BKT (S&W)

Access: Trailered boat access on Lily Bay Rd. Carry in access on Frenchtown Rd.

Notes: Improved launch on Lily Bay Rd and unimproved launch on Frenchtown Rd. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 41 section B-5

#### Harrington Lake T3 R11 WELS,

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 134 feet, Area: 1,332 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (W), LKT (W), BKT (W) Access: Trailered boat access on Telos Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 50 section C-2 & 3

**Indian Pond** Sapling Twp, Somerset County Max Depth: 118 feet, Area: 3,746 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), BKT (W), LKT (W), SMB

Access: Trailered boat access on Indian Pond Rd and Burnham Pond Rd. Carry in access on VIP Rd. Notes: Improved launches on Indian Pond Rd and Burnham Rd and unimproved launch on VIP Rd.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 40 section C-5

#### **Kingsbury Pond** Kingsbury Plt,

Piscataguis County

Max Depth: 62 feet, Area: 390 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), SPK (S), BKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Rte 16.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 31 section C-1 & 2

#### **Lobster Lake** Lobster Twp Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 106 feet, Area: 3,475 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (W), LKT (W), BKT (W) **Access:** Trailered boat access on Lobster Trip Rd, boat up stream to lake.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 49 section D-3

Lower Wilson Pond Greenville.

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 106 feet, Area: 1,380 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), LKT (W),

Access: Trailered boat launches on North Shore Rd and Wilson Pond Rd.

**Notes:** Improved launches. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 55 section C & D-3

#### Moosehead Lake Greenville.

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 246 feet, Area: 74,890 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (S&W), LKT (W)

Access: Trailered boat access on Lily Bay Rd (Greevnille), Rte 6 (Greenville and Rockwood), Seboomook Dam Rd (Seboomook), Ross Farm Rd (Northeast Carry), and in Lily Bay State Park (Greenville). Carry in boat access on Northeast Carry Rd (Northeast Carry), Hardwood Valley Rd (Spencer Bay Twp), and in Lily Bay State Park (Greenville). Notes: Improved launches. Unimproved

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 41 and map 49

**Sebec Lake** Dover-Foxcroft,

Piscataguis County

Max Depth: 155 feet, Area: 6,803 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (W), LKT (S), SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Sebec Village Rd and Greely's Landing Rd.

**Notes:** Improved launches.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 32 section A-1 & 2



#### SPLAKE FISHING

Ragged Lake T2 R13 WELS,

Piscataguis County

Max Depth: 54 feet, Area: 2,712 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), SPK (S), LLS (W) Access: Trailered boat access on Sias Hill Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 49 section D & E-5

#### **BROWN TROUT FISHING**

Center Pond Sangerville, Piscataquis County Max Depth: 19 feet, Area: 403 acres Primary Fishery: BNT (S), BKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access off Silver Mills Rd. **Notes:** Improved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 32 section C-1

# **SPECIES KEY**

#### PRIMARY FISHERY SPECIES

	Brook Trout BK
1	Splake <b>SP</b> l
	Togue (Lake Trout)LK
1	Landlocked SalmonLL
100	Brown TroutBN
1	Rainbow Trout RB
-	Smallmouth BassSM
1	Largemouth BassLM
	Lake Whitefish LW
-	Arctic CharrCH

#### **STATUS**

Stocked	(S)
Wild	(W)
Mixture of Stocked & Wild	(S&W)

#### TOGUE (LAKE TROUT) FISHING

Allagash Lake T8 R14 WELS,

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 89 feet, Area: 4,260 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LKT (W), LWF (W) Access: Carry in via camp sites or via

Allagash Stream.

Notes: No developed launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 55 section C & D-3

#### Chamberlain Lake T6 R11 WELS,

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 154 feet, Area: 11,084 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LKT (W), LWF (W) Access: Trailered boat access on Telos Rd. Boat

up to Chamberlain Lake. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 56 section E-1 & 2

First Roach Pond Frenchtown,

Piscataguis County

Max Depth: 123 feet, Area: 3,270 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), LKT (W), BKT (S&W)

Access: Trailered boat access on Lily Bay Rd. Carry in access on Frenchtown Rd. Notes: Improved launch on Lily Bay Rd and unimproved launch on Frenchtown Rd. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 41 section B-5

#### TOGUE (LAKE TROUT) FISHING CONT.

Harrington Lake T3 R11 WELS,

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 134 feet, Area: 1,332 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (W), LKT (W), BKT (W)

Access: Trailered boat access on Telos Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 50 section C-2 & 3

**Lobster Lake** Lobster Twp Piscataquis County Max Depth: 106 feet, Area: 3,475 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (W), LKT (W), BKT (W) Access: Trailered boat access on Lobster Trip Rd, boat up stream to lake. **Notes:** Improved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 49 section D-3

Lower Wilson Pond Greenville,

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 106 feet, Area: 1,380 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), LKT (W), BKT (W)

Access: Trailered boat launches on North Shore Rd and Wilson Pond Rd. Notes: Improved launches.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 55 section C & D-3

#### Moosehead Lake Greenville,

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 246 feet, Area: 74,890 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (S&W), LKT (W) Access: Trailered boat access on Lily Bay Rd (Greevnille), Rte 6 (Greenville and Rockwood), Seboomook Dam Rd (Seboomook), Ross Farm Rd (Northeast Carry), and in Lily Bay State Park (Greenville). Carry in boat access on Northeast Carry Rd (Northeast Carry), Hardwood Valley Rd (Spencer Bay Twp), and in Lily Bay State Park (Greenville). Notes: Improved launches. Unimproved

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 41 and map 49

Nahmakanta Lake T1 R11 WELS,

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 110 feet, Area: 1,024 acres Primary Fishery: LKT (W), BKT (W), LLS (W) Access: Carry in access on AT trail off

Nahmakanta Stream Rd.

**Notes:** Unimproved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 50 section E-3

**Sebec Lake** Dover-Foxcroft,

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 155 feet, Area: 6,803 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (W), LKT (S), SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Sebec Village Rd and Greely's Landing Rd.

Notes: Improved launches.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 32 section A-1 & 2

#### **BASS FISHING**

Brann's Mill Pond Dover-Foxcroft, Piscataguis County

Max Depth: 15 feet, Area: 271 acres Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB, BKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 23.

**Notes:** Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 32 section C-2 & 3

First Buttermilk Pond Bowerbank Twp, Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 119 feet, Area: 384 acres Primary Fishery: SMB, LLS (W), BKT (W),

Access: Walk in access from Ledge Cut Rd. **Notes:** No developed launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 32 section A-1

**Indian Pond** Sapling Twp, Somerset County Max Depth: 118 feet, Area: 3,746 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), BKT (W), LKT

Access: Trailered boat access on Indian Pond Rd and Burnham Pond Rd. Carry in access on VIP Rd. Notes: Improved launches on Indian Pond Rd and Burnham Rd and unimproved launch on VIP Rd.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 40 section C-5

Manhanock Pond Sangerville Twp., Piscataguis County

Max Depth: 36 feet, Area: 595 acres Primary Fishery: SMB, LMB, BKT (S&W) Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 23.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 31 section C-5

**Sebec Lake** Dover-Foxcroft,

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 155 feet, Area: 6,803 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (W), LKT (S), SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Sebec Village

Rd and Greely's Landing Rd. Notes: Improved launches.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 32 section A-1 & 2

#### RIVERS / STREAMS / BROOKS

Caucomogmoc Stream T6 R14 WELS,

Piscataquis County

Primary Fishery: LLS (W), BKT (W)

Access: Walk in access.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 55 section E-3

#### East Outlet, Moosehead Lake Sapling

Twp, Piscataquis County

Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), BKT (S&W) Access: Walk in access.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 41 section C-1

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Moose River T1 R1 NBKP, Somerset County (Brassua Lake to Moosehead Lake)

Primary Fishery: LLS (S&W), BKT (W), LKT (W) Access: Walk in access.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 40 section A & B-5

#### **Penobscot River. North Branch** Comstock

Twp, Somerset County Primary Fishery: BKT (W)

Access: Walk in access. Delorme Atlas: Map 48 section C-2

#### Penobscot River, South Branch

Hammond Twp, Somerset County Primary Fishery: LLS (W), BKT (W)

Access: Walk in access.

Delorme Atlas: Map 48 section D-1

#### **Penobscot River, West Branch** T4 R14

WELS, Piscataguis County

Primary Fishery: LLS (W), BKT (W)

Access: Walk in access.

Delorme Atlas: Map 49 section B-4

#### Piscataquis River Blanchard Twp,

Pisctaquis County

Primary Fishery: BKT (S)

Access: Walk in access.

Delorme Atlas: Map 31 section A & B-3

#### Roach River Spencer Bay Twp,

Piscataguis County

Primary Fishery: LLS (W), BKT (W)

Access: Walk in access.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 41 section A-3 & 4

**Sebec River** Sebec Twp, Pisctaquis County Primary Fishery: LLS (W), BKT (S), SMB

Access: Walk in access. Delorme Atlas: Map 32 section A-4

#### Upper Moose River Jackman, Somerset

County (north of Jackman) Primary Fishery: BKT (W)

Access: Walk in access.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 39 section B-4 ■

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# **REGION F PENOBSCOT REGION**

From the highlands and trout ponds of Baxter State Park to the lowlands and bass fisheries of the lower Penobscot River, the Penobscot Region is one of the most diverse in the state in terms of both land terrain and fisheries.

The region offers a myriad of fishing opportunities for high quality landlocked salmon, lake trout, brook trout, and smallmouth bass. The variety of lakes, ponds, rivers and streams, nestled in a stunningly beautiful setting, are sure to create a memorable fishing experience.

—Gordon Kramer, Regional Fisheries Biologist



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#### **BROOK TROUT FISHING**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Debsconeag Lake** T1 R10 WELS, Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 162 feet, Area: 1,011 acres
Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LKT (W)
Access: Carry in access via walking trail off
gravel road onto 4th Debsconeag Lake, then
boat over to 3<sup>rd</sup> Debsconeag. By plane.
Notes: Unimproved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 50 section E-4

**B Pond** TB R11 WELS, Piscataquis County Max Depth: 34 feet, Area: 644 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W)
Access: Carry in access on B Pond Rd.
Notes: Unimproved launch.
Delorme Atlas: Map 42 section C-3

Billfish Pond T6R9 WELS, Piscataquis County Max Depth: 84 feet, Area: 70 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S) Access: Walk in access on 3 mile walking trail off Baxter State Park Rd. Delorme Atlas: Map 51 section A-1 & 2 **Celia Pond** T3R10 WELS, Piscataquis County **Max Depth**: 17 feet, Area: 8 acres **Primary Fishery**: BKT (S)

**Access:** Walk in access on 1 mile walking trail from west side of Kidney Pond. **Notes:** Canoes rented at Kidney Pd.

Delorme Atlas: Map 50 section D-4

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Daicey Pond T3R10 WELS, Piscataquis County Max Depth: 26 feet, Area: 38 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W) Access: Walk in from Daicey Pd. campground. Notes: Canoes for rent at Ranger Station.

**Frost Pond** T6R9 WELS, Piscataquis County Max Depth: 32 feet, Area: 37 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S)

Access: Walk in access on Frost Pond Trail off Park Tote Rd.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 57 section E-1

**Ireland Pond** T7R8 WELS, Penobscot County Max Depth: 35 feet, Area: 30 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S)

Access: Carry in access via gravel road off

Huber Rd.

Notes: No developed launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 57 section D-2



**Jo Mary Pond** TB R10 WELS, Piscataquis Cty Max. Depth: 11 feet, Area: 38 acres **Primary Fishery:** BKT (S) **Access:** Pass through the NMW JoMary

checkpoint and pay fee. Hand carry from B Pond Rd by North Maine Woods JoMary Pond campsite.

Delorme Atlas: Map 42 C-4.

Kidney Pond T3R10 WELS, Piscataquis County Max Depth: 33 feet, Area: 96 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W) Access: Walk in access at Kidney Pond Campground. Notes: Canoe rentals. Delorme Atlas: Map 50 section D-4

Lower Fowler Pond T6R9 WELS,

Piscataquis County
Max depth: 15 feet, Area: 64 acres
Primary Fishery: BKT (W)
Access: Located in BSP. 1.4 mile hike fr

Access: Located in BSP. 1.4 mile hike from Baxter State Park Perimeter Road. Obtain key to canoe at BSP Matagamon Gatehouse, Trout Brook Farm or South Branch Pond Campgrounds.

Delorme Atlas: Map 51 A-1.

Lower South Branch Pond T5R9 WELS,

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 60 feet, Area: 93 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W)

Access: Vehicle access via 2.5 mile drive from BSP Perimeter Rd to South Branch Campground. Canoes for rent at campground. Delorme Atlas: Map 51 A-1

Matagamon Lake T6 R8 WELS,

Penobscot County

Max Depth: 95 feet, Area: 4,165 acres
Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (W), LKT (S)
Access: Carry in access on Grand Lake Rd.

Notes: Unimproved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 51 section A-2

**Mitchell Pond** T7 R9 WELS, Piscataquis Cty **Max Depth:** 15 feet, Area: 30 acres

Primary Fishery: BKT (S)

Access: canoe access on Huber Rd.
Notes: Short walk from road.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 57 section E-1

Sourdnahunk Lake T4 R10 WELS,

Piscataquis County

**Max Depth:** 46 feet, Area: 1,394 acres

**Primary Fishery:** BKT (W)

Access: Carry in access on Park Tote Rd or trailered boat access on gravel road off East Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch on Park Tote Rd, Improved launch off East Rd, private land, ask permission first.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 50 section B-3 & 4

**Tomah Lake** Forest Twp, Washington County Max Depth: 46 feet, Area: 56 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S)

Access: Carry in access on gravel road off Forest City Rd.

Notes: No developed launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 45 section B-5

**Upper South Branch Pond** T5R9 WELS,

Piscataquis Cty

Max depth: 76 feet, Area: 93 acres
Primary Fishery: BKT (W)

Access: 1.8 mile hike from South Branch
Campground.

Delorme Atlas: Map 51 A-1

Webster Lake T6 R10 WELS,

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 44 feet, Area: 531 acres Primary Fishery: LKT (W), BKT (W) Access: Carry in access off Fish Hawk Rd. Notes: Carry in from campsite. Delorme Atlas: Map 50 section A-3 & 4

#### LANDLOCKED SALMON FISHING

Cold Stream Pond Enfield, Penobscot County
Max Depth: 112 feet, Area: 3,628 acres
Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (W), BKT (S)
Access: Trailered boat access on Old Hatchery
Rd off Rte 188.

 ${\bf Notes:} \ {\bf Improved \ launch.}$ 

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 33 section A & B-5

Deering Lake Weston, Aroostook County Max Depth: 49 feet, Area: 474 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), BKT (S) Access: Carry in access on Rte 1. Notes: Launch from campground. Delorme Atlas: Map 53 section E-3

Duck Lake T4 ND, Hancock County
Max Depth: 88 feet, Area: 1,222 acres
Primary Fishery: LLS (S), BKT (S), LKT (W)
Access: Carry in access on Nicatous Lake Rd
off Rte 188.

Notes: Unimproved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 34 section C-5

East Grand Lake Danforth,

Washington County

Max Depth: 128 feet, Area: 16,070 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (W), BKT (S), SMB

Access: Trailered boat access on Greenland Cover Rd or Mattigan Point Rd. Notes: Improved launches. Delorme Atlas: Map 45 section A-3 & 4

East Musquash Lake Topsfield,

Washington County

Max Depth: 62 feet, Area: 806 acres
Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (W), SMB
Access: Trailered boat access on Rte. 6.

Notes: Improved launches.

Delorme Atlas: Map 45 section E-4

Lambert Lake Lambert Lake Twp,

Washington County
Max Depth: 60 feet, Area: 605 acres
Primary Fishery: LLS (S)

Access: Trailered boat access off Rte. 6.
Notes: Improved launches.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 46 section C-2

Matagamon Lake T6 R8 WELS,

Penobscot County

Max Depth: 95 feet, Area: 4,165 acres
Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (W), LKT (S)
Access: Carry in access on Grand Lake Rd.

Notes: Unimproved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 51 section A-2

Millinocket Lake T1 R8 WELS,

Penobscot County

Max Depth: 86 feet, Area: 8,960 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Baxter State Park Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 43 section A-2

# **SPECIES KEY**

#### PRIMARY FISHERY SPECIES

Name of Street	Brook Trout Br
1	Splake <b>SF</b>
-	Togue (Lake Trout)L
1	Landlocked Salmon LL
	Brown TroutBN
de la	Rainbow Trout RE
STATE OF THE PARTY	Smallmouth BassSM
-	Largemouth Bass <b>LM</b>
$\leftarrow$	Lake Whitefish LW
-	Arctic CharrCH

#### **STATUS**

Stocked	(5
Wild	(W
Mixture of Stocked & Wild(	3&W

Pemadumbook Chain T1 R9 WELS,

Penobscot County

Max Depth: 101 feet, Area: 18,300ac.

Primary Fishery: LLS (W), LKT (S)

Access: Trailered boat access on Baxter

State Park Rd or Rte 11.

Notes: Improved launches.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 43 section A-1

#### Pleasant Lake T6 R1 NBPP,

Washington County

Max Depth: 92 feet, Area: 1,574 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), BKT (S)

Access: Trailered boat access at Maine Wilderness Camps off Rte. 6. and off Amazon Rd.
Notes: Improved launch at MWC, ask permis-

sion first. Unimproved launch at campsite off Amazon Rd.  $\,$ 

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 45 section E-2 & 3

Schoodic Lake Brownville, Piscataquis County Max Depth: 188 feet, Area: 7,168 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (W), BKT (S) Access: Carry in access on Knights Landing Rd or trailered boat access on Lakeview Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch on Knights Landing Rd. Improved launch on Lakeview Rd. Delorme Atlas: Map 42 section E-5

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Delorme Atlas: Map 51 A-1

#### LANDLOCKED SALMON FISHING CONT

**Scraggly Lake** T7R8 WELS, Penobscot County Max Depth: 70 feet, Area: 842 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (W), BKT (W) Access: Trailered boat access on Scraggly Lake Rd. Notes: Improved launches. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 57 section E-2 & 3

Upper Cold Stream Pond Lincoln,

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 34 section A-1

Penobscot County

Max Depth: 32 feet, Area: 186 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), BKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Stanhope Mill Rd. Notes: Improved launch.

West Lake T3 ND, Hancock County Max Depth: 70 feet, Area: 1,344 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), BKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Basin Rd. Notes: Improved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 34 section C-4

#### **SPLAKE FISHING**

Cedar Lake T3 R9 NWP, Penobscot County Max Depth: 24 feet, Area: 685 acres Primary Fishery: SPK (S), LLS (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Fire Rd 2. Notes: Improved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 43 section C-2

**Endless Lake** T3R9 WELS, Penobscot County Max Depth: 36 feet, Area: 1,499 acres Primary Fishery: SPK (S), LLS (S), SMB Access: Carry in access on Hardy Brook Rd. **Notes:** Unimproved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 43 section D-2

Lower Togue Pond T2 R9 WELS,

Piscataguis County Max Depth: 53 feet, Area: 384 acres

Primary Fishery: SPK (S), LLS (W), BKT (W) Access: Carry in access on Baxter Park Rd. Notes: No developed launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 51 section E-1

Nicatous Lake T40 MD WELS, Hancock County Max Depth: 56 feet, Area: 5,165 acres Primary Fishery: SPK (S), LLS (S) Access: Nicatous Stream Rd or 32-32-0 Rd. **Notes:** Improved launches. Trailered boat access.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 34 section C & D-5

**Seboeis Lake** T4R9 NWP, Piscataquis County Max Depth: 69 feet, Area: 4,201 acres Primary Fishery: SPK (S), LLS (S), SMB Access: Trailered boat access on West Seboeis Rd. Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 43 section D-1

TOGUE (LAKE TROUT) FISHING

1st Debsconeag Lake T2 R10 WELS, Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 140 feet, Area: 320 acres Primary Fishery: LKT (W), LLS (W) Access: Trailered boat access via gravel road

off Debsconeag Rd. **Notes:** Improved launch into Debsconeag Deadwater and boat over to 1st

Debsconeag Lake.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 50 section E-5

3rd Debsconeag Lake T1 R10 WELS,

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 162 feet, Area: 1,011 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LKT (W) Access: Carry in access via walking trail off gravel road onto 4th Debsconeag Lake, then boat over to 3rd Debsconeag. By plane. Notes: Unimproved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 50 section E-4

Cold Stream Pond Enfield, Penobscot County Max Depth: 112 feet, Area: 3,628 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (W), BKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Old Hatchery Rd off Rte 188.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 33 section A & B-5

East Grand Lake Danforth, Washington County

Max Depth: 128 feet, Area: 16,070 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (W),

BKT (S), SMB

Access: Trailered boat access on Greenland Cover Rd or Mattigan Point Rd.

Notes: Improved launches.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 45 section A-3 & 4

**Hurd Pond** T2R10 WELS, Piscataguis County Max Depth: 92 feet, Area: 640 acres Primary Fishery: LKT (W), BKT (W) Access: Carry in access on Hurd Pond Rd. Notes: No developed launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 50 section E-4 & 5

Matagamon Lake T6 R8 WELS,

Penobscot County

Max Depth: 95 feet, Area: 4,165 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (W), LKT (S) Access: Carry in access on Grand Lake Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 51 section A-2



Millinocket Lake T1 R8 WELS,

Penobscot County

Max Depth: 86 feet, Area: 8,960 acres **Primary Fishery:** LLS (S), LKT (S)

Access: Trailered boat access on Baxter State Park Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 43 section A-2

Pemadumbook Chain T1 R9 WELS,

Penobscot County

Max Depth: 101 feet, Area: 18,300 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (W), LKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Baxter State

Park Rd or Rte 11.

**Notes:** Improved launches. Delorme Atlas: Map 43 section A-1

Schoodic Lake Brownville, Piscataquis County Max Depth: 188 feet, Area: 7,168 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (W), BKT (S) Access: Carry in access on Knights Landing Rd or trailered boat access on Lakeview Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch on Knights Landing Rd, Improved launch on Lakeview Rd. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 42 section E-5

Caribou, Long, and Egg Ponds Lincoln,

Penobscot County

Max Depth: 46 feet, Area: 825 acres

Primary Fishery: SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Sweet Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 44 section E-1 & 2

East Branch Lake T3 R9 NWP,

Penobscot County

Max Depth: 23 feet, Area: 1,100 acres

Primary Fishery: SMB

Access: Trailered boat access on Cedar Lake Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 43 section C-3

East Grand Lake Danforth,

Washington County

Max Depth: 128 feet, Area: 16,070 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), LKT (W), BKT (S), SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Greenland

Rd or Mattigan Point Rd.

Notes: Improved launches.

Delorme Atlas: Map 45 section A-3 & 4

Endless Lake T3R9 WELS, Penobscot County Max Depth: 36 feet, Area: 1,499 acres Primary Fishery: SPK (S), LLS (S), SMB Access: Carry in access on Hardy Brook Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 43 section D-2

#### Hot Brook Lakes (Upper & Lower)

Danforth, Washington County Max Depth: 18 feet, & 13 feet, Area: 912 acres & 713 acres

Primary Fishery: SMB, WHP, PKL Access: Town landing off SR 169 Delorme Atlas: Map 45 section B-2

Mattanawcook Pond Lincoln,

Penobscot County

Max Depth: 20 feet, Area: 832 acres

**Primary Fishery:** SMB

Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 6.

Notes: Improved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 44 section E-1 & 2

**Penobscot River** Milford, Penobscot County **Primary Fishery:** SMB

Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 2. Notes: Milford to Medway. Improved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 33 section D & E-5

Pleasant Lake Island Falls, Aroostook County Max Depth: 63 feet, Area: 11832 acres Primary Fishery: LLS (S), BKT (S), SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Pond Rd.

Notes: Improved launches. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 52 section B-4 & 5

Pushaw Lake Old Town, Penobscot County Max Depth: 28 feet, Area: 5,056 acres

**Primary Fishery:** SMB

Access: Trailered boat access off Pushaw Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 33 section E-2

Seboeis Lake T4R9 NWP, Piscataguis County Max Depth: 69 feet, Area: 4,201 acres Primary Fishery: SPK (S), LLS (S), SMB

Access: Trailered boat access on West Seboeis Rd.

Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 43 section D-1

Spednik Lake Vanceboro,

Washington County Max Depth: 54 feet, Area: 17,219 acres

**Primary Fishery:** SMB Access: Trailered boat access on Castle Rd &

Vanceboro Rd. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 46 section B-2

#### RIVERS / STREAMS / BROOKS

**East Branch Penobscot River** 

Grindstone, Penobscot County (Grindstone to T6 R8 WELS)

Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (W) Access: Walk in access from Rte 11. Delorme Atlas: Map 43 section A-4

Mattawamkeag River Winn,

Penobscot County (Winn to Haynesville) **Primary Fishery:** SMB

Access: Walk in access from River Rd or Rte 170.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 44 section C-3

Nicatous Stream T3 ND, Hancock County Primary Fishery: BKT (W), SMB **Access:** Walk in access from Nicatous Stream Rd.

Delorme Atlas: Map 34 section C-4

Passadumkeag River Lowell, Penobscot County (Lowell to Passadur)

**Primary Fishery: SMB** Access: Walk in access.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 34 section B & C-1

**Primary Fishery:** SMB Access: Trailered boat access off Rte 2. Notes: Milford to Medway. Improved launch.

**Penobscot River** Milford, Penobscot County

Piscataguis River Howland, Penobscot County (Howland to Milo)

**Primary Fishery: SMB** 

Delorme Atlas: Map 33 section D & E

**Access:** Walk in access. Carry in access on Trestle Rd.

Notes: Unimproved launch on Trestle Rd. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 33 section A-2 & 3

Pleasant River Brownville, Piscataquis County

Primary Fishery: BKT (S) Access: Walk in access.

Delorme Atlas: Map 32 section A-5

Stillwater River Orono, Penobscot County Primary Fishery: BKT (S), SMB Access: UMO hand carry at Steam Plant and foot access at Stillwater River Trail

Trout Brook Trout Brook Twp, Piscataquis County (Trout Brook Twp to T5 R10 WELS)

Delorme Atlas: Map 23 section A-3

Primary Fishery: BKT (W) Access: Walk in access.

Wassataquoik Stream T3 R7 WELS,

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 50 section A-5

Penobscot County (T3 R7 WELS to T4 R8 WELS) Primary Fishery: BKT (W)

Access: Walk in access.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 51 section C-3

# **SPECIES KEY**

#### **PRIMARY FISHERY SPECIES**

Section 1	Brook Trout BK
1	Splake <b>SP</b> l
	Togue (Lake Trout)LK
1	Landlocked SalmonLL
To the same	Brown TroutBN
1	Rainbow Trout ······ <b>RB</b>
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-	Largemouth BassLM
	Lake Whitefish LW
-	Arctic CharrCH

#### **STATUS**

Stocked	·· (S
Wild	(W)
Mixture of Stocked & Wild(\$	&W

Webster Brook Trout Brook Twp,

Piscataquis Cty

(Trout Brook Twp to T6 R10 WELS)

Primary Fishery: BKT (W)

Access: Walk in access.

West Branch Penobscot River T1 R9

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 56 section E-4 & 5

WELS, Penobscot County (T1 R9 WELS to T2 R10 WELS)

Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (W)

**Access:** Walk in access. Carry in access off gravel road off Golden Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch off gravel road

off Golden Rd. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 50 section E-5



# REGION G FISH RIVER LAKES REGION



Located in northernmost Maine, the Fish River Lakes Region boasts some of the most robust populations of brook trout in the eastern United States. Anglers visiting here will find excellent fishing for brookies whether they prefer small streams, small ponds, large lakes, or large rivers. One of the most unique features is the opportunity to fish for trout on large rivers. A high-quality experience can be found in the Aroostook River, the namesake for Maine's northernmost County, that flows from the remote woodlands of the North Maine Woods to the farmlands to the east. For anglers seeking a trophy salmonid fish, there are several larger lakes, especially on the Fish River Chain of Lakes, that support unrivaled landlocked salmon and lake trout fishing.

— Frank Frost, Regional Fisheries Biologist

Special fishing laws may apply to these water bodies. Always check the current Maine Open Water & Ice Fishing Laws first!

#### **BROOK TROUT FISHING**

Carr Pond T13 R8 WELS, Aroostook County Max Depth: 72 feet, Area: 307 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (W), LKT (S&W) Access: Carry in access on Fish Lake Rd. **Notes:** Unimproved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 63 section C-3

Churchill Lake T9 R12 WELS,

Piscataquis County Max Depth: 62 feet, Area: 3,720 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LKT (W) Access: Trailered boat access on Churchill Dam Rd. Notes: Improved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 56 section B-1

Cross Lake Cross Lake Twp, Aroostook County Max Depth: 46 feet, Area: 2,515 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (S&W) Access: Trailered boat access on Disy Rd. Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 68 section D-3

Eagle Lake Eagle Lake, Aroostook County Max Depth: 136 feet, Area: 5,581 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (S&W), LKT (S&W)

Access: Trailered boat access on Lower Main St. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 67 section E-5

Fish River Lake T13 R8 WELS, Aroostook County

Max Depth: 46 feet, Area: 2,642 acres **Primary Fishery:** BKT (W), LLS (W)

Access: Trailered boat access via gravel road off Wilderness Rd.

**Notes:** Unimproved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 63 section B & C-3

Hunnewell Lake St John Plt., Aroostook County Max Depth: 36 feet, Area: 64 acres

Primary Fishery: BKT (W) Access: Carry in access off Hunnewell Lake Rd.

Notes: Unimproved launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 67 section D-2

Long Lake St. Agatha, Aroostook County Max Depth: 163 feet, Area: 6,000 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (S&W) Access: Trailered boat access on Route 163, Cleveland Rd, and Bam Brook Rd. Notes: Improved launches.

**Square Lake** T16R5 WELS, Aroostook County

Delorme Atlas: Map 68 section C-4

Max Depth: 122 feet, Area: 8,150 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (S&W) Access: Trailered boat access on Burnt Landing Rd.

Notes: Improved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 68 section E-2

St. Froid Lake Winterville, Aroostook County Max Depth: 114 feet, Area: 2,400 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (W), LKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Red River Rd and South Shore Rd.

Notes: Improved launches. Delorme Atlas: Map 63 section A-4

**Ugh Lake** T12R14 WELS, Aroostook County Max Depth: 7 feet, Area: 79 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S)

Access: Carry in access via gravel road off 17 Rd. Notes: No developed launch. Delorme Atlas: Map 61 section D-3

Umsaskis Lake T11 R13 WELS,

Aroostook County

Max Depth: 58 feet, Area: 1,222 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LKT (S&W) Access: Carry in access off Realty Rd.

Notes: Unimproved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 61 section E-5

#### LANDLOCKED SALMON FISHING

Carr Pond T13 R8 WELS, Aroostook County Max Depth: 72 feet, Area: 307 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (W), LKT (S&W) Access: Carry in access on Fish Lake Rd. Notes: Unimproved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 63 section C-3

Eagle Lake Eagle Lake, Aroostook County Max Depth: 136 feet, Area: 5,581 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (S&W), LKT

Access: Trailered boat access on Lower Main St. Notes: Improved launch.

Delorme Atlas: Map 67 section E-5

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Aroostook County

Max Depth: 46 feet, Area: 2,642 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (W) Access: Trailered boat access via gravel road

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Notes: Unimproved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 63 section B & C-3

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Notes: Improved launches.

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St. Froid Lake Winterville, Aroostook County Max Depth: 114 feet, Area: 2,400 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (W), LKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Red River Rd and South Shore Rd.

Notes: Improved launches. Delorme Atlas: Map 63 section A-4

#### SPLAKE FISHING

Scopan Lake Scopan Twp, Aroostook County Max Depth: 58 feet, Area: 5,120 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (S&W), SPK (S), LLS (S&W) Access: Trailered boat access on Scopan Rd at Outlet.

Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 58 section A-3 & 4

#### TOGUE (LAKE TROUT) FISHING

Beau Lake T19R11 WELS, Aroostook County Max Depth: 180 feet, Area: 1,788 acres Primary Fishery: LKT (S&W), LLS (W), BKT (S&W) Access: Trailered boat access (Quebec side). Carry in access via gravel road off Landry Rd (US side).

Notes: Border water. Improved launch (Quebec). No developed launch (US).

Delorme Atlas: Map 66 section A & B-4

Big Eagle Lake T8 R13 WELS,

Piscataquis County

Max Depth: 124 feet, Area: 9,500 acres Primary Fishery: LKT (W), BKT (W)

Access: Carry in access. Notes: No developed launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 55 section C-5

Eagle Lake Eagle Lake, Aroostook County Max Depth: 136 feet, Area: 5,581 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (S&W), LKT (S&W) Access: Trailered boat access on Lower Main St. Notes: Improved launch. **Delorme Atlas:** Map 67 section E-5

SOME OF THE MOST ROBUST POPULATIONS OF BROOK TROUT IN THE EASTERN US

Glazier Lake T18R10 WELS.

Aroostook County

Max Depth: 118 feet, Area: 1,029 acres Primary Fishery: LKT (S)

Access: Trailered boat access (New Brunswick side). Carry in access on Sowish Lake Rd and trailered boat access on Connors Cove Rd (US side).

Notes: Border water. Improved launch (New Brunswick). Unimproved and improved launch (US). **Delorme Atlas:** Map 66 section C-4 & 5

Nickerson Lake New Limerick,

**Aroostook County** 

Max Depth: 107 feet, Area: 234 acres Primary Fishery: LKT (S&W), BKT (S), BNT

Access: Trailered boat access on Aspen Ln. Notes: Improved launch.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 53 section A-2

St. Froid Lake Winterville, Aroostook County Max Depth: 114 feet, Area: 2,400 acres Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (W), LKT (S) Access: Trailered boat access on Red River Rd and South Shore Rd.

Notes: Improved launches.

Delorme Atlas: Map 63 section A-4

#### RIVERS / STREAMS / BROOKS

Aroostook River Fort Fairfield,

Aroostook County (For Fairfield to T9 R7 WELS) Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (W)

Access: Trailered boat access.

**Notes:** Improved launches Delorme Atlas: Map 65 section C-3

Caribou Stream Caribou, Aroostook County

(Caribou to Woodland) Primary Fishery: BKT (W) Access: Walk in access.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 65 section B-1

Chimenticook Stream T16 R13 WELS,

Aroostook County Primary Fishery: BKT (W) Access: Walk in access.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 70 section E-5

Fish River Fort Kent, Aroostook County (Fort Kent to Eagle Lake) Primary Fishery: LLS (W)

Access: Trailered boat access on Sly Brook Rd and Town of Fort Kent, Blockhouse.

Notes: Improved launches. Delorme Atlas: Map 67 section D-5

Little Black River Allagash, Aroostook County Primary Fishery: BKT (W)

Access: Walk in access.

Delorme Atlas: Map 66 section D-3

# **SPECIES KEY**

#### **PRIMARY FISHERY SPECIES**

	Brook Trout BK1
1	Splake <b>SPK</b>
-	Togue (Lake Trout)LK1
1	Landlocked SalmonLLS
	Brown TroutBN1
1	Rainbow Trout RB1
-	Smallmouth BassSME
-	Largemouth BassLME
	Lake Whitefish LWF
-	Arctic CharrCHF

#### **STATUS**

Stocked	(S)
Wild	(W)
Mixture of Stocked & Wild(	S&W)

#### Mattawamkeag River, West Branch

Moro Plt, Aroostook County Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS (W)

Access: Walk in access.

Delorme Atlas: Map 52 section A-3

#### Meduxnekeag River Houlton,

Aroostook County

Primary Fishery: BKT (W), BNT (W)

Access: Walk in access via private land. Trailered boat access Town of Houlton.

Delorme Atlas: Map 53 section A-4

Pocwok Stream T16 R12 WELS,

Aroostook County

Primary Fishery: BKT (W) Access: Walk in access.

Delorme Atlas: Map 66 section E-1

St. Croix Stream Masardis, Aroostook County Primary Fishery: BKT (W)

Access: Walk in access.

Delorme Atlas: Map 58 section B-2

St. John River Allagash, Aroostook County (Hamlin to Big 10 Twp.)

Primary Fishery: BKT (W), LLS(W), SMB(W) Access: Carry in access.

Notes: Unimproved launches.

**Delorme Atlas:** Map 66 section D-4 ■

# **HELP US KEEP IT MAINE**

# Protect our Waters from Invasive Aquatic Species

Maine is lucky to have some of the country's most pristine, healthy waters, full of aquatic diversity and trophy fish. These waters provide endless outdoor recreation opportunities for anglers and others, but they are also threatened each year by invasive species.



#### **HELP BY REPORTING**

The illegal introduction of any fish into any Maine water is a Class E crime, punishable by fines up to \$10,000! The Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife is offering a minimum reward of \$2,000 for information leading to the apprehension of persons responsible for the illegal introduction of fish.



If you see or suspect someone is moving live fish, contact the Maine Warden Service immediately at **1-800-Alert-Us** or report the offense at **Maineogt.org**.



Jot down as much information as you can, such as description of the individual(s), boat, date, time, and location.



#### WHAT IS AN INVASIVE AQUATIC SPECIES?

An invasive aquatic species is one that has been moved from its native aquatic habitat to a new location, even nearby, and causes significant harm to that new environment.

#### WHAT ARE THE DANGERS?

Invasive fish compete for food and habitat with native fish, may prey on smaller native fish, and can forever change the natural balance of an aquatic ecosystem. Some invasive plants are more than able to strangle a body of water. These plants are fast-growing and can quickly multiply and spread into a thick blanket that keeps sunlight from penetrating deep into the water.

This inhibits the natural growth of algae and plankton, which small fish need for food. Once an invasive plant kills plankton, small fish are likely to starve—a situation that detrimentally impacts larger fish and the entire body of water.

#### WHAT CAN BE DONE?

Once an invasive fish or plant has established itself in a body of water, it is extremely difficult to eradicate them. Eradication efforts are costly, can carry their own risks, and are not always successful. Therefore, prevention is key. It's our duty as those who enjoy using Maine's waters to protect them against invasive species.

#### WHAT ARE MY RESPONSIBILITIES?

- By Maine law, you must immediately kill any sport fish that you decide to keep, and never move any live fish (other than legal baitfish). Illegally introducing any fish into Maine waters can alter the ecosystem forever. Don't do it!
- Make sure you're using legal baitfish. You can find a quick guide to identifying legal baitfish species in the most current Maine Open Water and Ice Fishing Laws.
- Don't dump your bait! Properly dispose of unused baitfish on land or in the trash. Do not release any live baitfish into a water body.
- Before leaving the launch, check your boat, motor, trailer, and any other gear that touches the water, removing any bits and pieces of plants.
- Don't assume a dry plant is dead—some invasive plants can dry out while on equipment, re-saturate when exposed again to water, and survive to spread in the next body of water they enter.

# TAKE THE KIDS FISHING

Fishing can be very rewarding and educational for children. Here are some tips for taking them along.

- Be relaxed: As you head out the door, leave behind the tension and take along a smile, an open mind, and a lot of patience.
- Make it fun: Above all else, make the fishing trip fun and safe. Don't measure the success of the trip by the number or size of fish caught, but rather by having a fun, safe time outdoors. Praise children for their patience and cooperation.
- Make it a shore thing: Try giving a child their first few lessons at a local park, farm pond, or a lake with a dock or gentle shoreline where they can run and play when their attention span runs short. Knowing how to fish from shore will allow them to go on their own or with friends when they are old enough. If and when you progress to a boat, be sure to have the proper safety equipment for you and your youngster.
- **Fish for little fish:** Most kids prefer to catch lots of fish versus big fish. Start new anglers off on species that are

- plentiful and more easily caught, like sunfish or perch.

  Once the child has developed basic fishing skills, you can move on to larger pursuits.
- Start with the basics: Begin with simple equipment and bait. Use simple spincasting equipment, a bobber, and a hook with live bait, as it will work well for a variety of fish species. And be sure the equipment your child uses is in good working order to avoid any unnecessary frustration.
- Teach skills: People, regardless of their age, enjoy fishing more when they are in control and can do it themselves. Resist the temptation to do things for your children. If you are using live bait, teach them how to put it on the hook themselves. Teach them how to tie their hook onto their line and how to cast. On future trips, watch their skills, and their confidence, grow.



# FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH & COMPLIMENTARY LICENSE HOLDERS

These waters are restricted to persons under 16 years of age and complimentary license holders. *Please review the current open water and ice fishing laws at mefishwildlife.com.* 





#### **SEBAGO LAKE REGION**

Alden's Pond, Gorham
Billy Brook, Brownfield
Coffin Pond, Brunswick
Leavitt Brook, Limerick
Lower Hinckley Pond, South Portland
Pennesseewasee (Norway) Lake Outlet, Norway
Pettingill Park Pond, Auburn
Round Pond, Lyman
Stevens (Cemetery) Brook, New Gloucester
Wilcox Pond, Biddeford

#### **BELGRADE LAKES REGION**

Big Pond on Swan Island, Richmond
Fairfield Recreation (PAL) Ponds, Fairfield
Kirby Lake (The Muck), Belfast
Quarry Pond, Waldoboro
Rocky Pond, Rockport
Sebasticook River, East Branch, Dexter to Detroit
Thompson Ice Pond, South Bristol
Wiley Pond, Boothbay

#### **GRAND LAKE REGION**

Foxhole Pond, Deblois\*
Grand Lake Stream Canal, Grand Lake
Stream Plt.\*
Middle River, Marshfield and Machias
Myers Pond, North and South, Columbia\*
Penobscot County Conservation Assn Pond,
Brewer\*

#### **RANGELEY LAKES REGION**

Abbott Brook, Mexico Aunt Hannah Brook, Dixfield Haley Pond Outlet, Rangeley

#### RANGELEY LAKES REGION CONT.

Harvey Pond, Madrid
Hight Pond, Skowhegan
MacDougall Pond, Caratunk
Mill Pond on Muddy Brook, Industry
Mill Stream, Embden
Pinnacle Pond, Kingfield
Tibbetts Pond, Concord Twp.
Toothaker Pond, Phillips
Wilson Stream, Wilton

#### **MOOSEHEAD REGION**

Drummond Pond, Abbot Dunham Brook (Including Kiwanis Park Pond), Guilford

#### **PENOBSCOT REGION**

Burlington Fire Pond, Burlington
Cold Stream, Enfield\*
Edwards Family Kids Fishing Pond, Lincoln
Giles Pond, Patten
Hannington Pond, Reed Plt.
Harris Pond (Milo Farm Pond), Milo
Jerry Pond, Millinocket
Johnny Mack Brook, Orono
Mattagodus Stream, Carroll Plt.
Pickerel Pond, T32 MD\*
Rock Crusher Pond, Island Falls
Rocky Brook, Lincoln
Round Pond, Little, Lincoln

#### **FISH RIVER LAKES REGION**

Church On The Hill Pond, Houlton\*

Mantle Lake, Presque Isle

Pearce Brook, Hodgdon and Houlton





# TO KEEP OR TO RELEASE?

A variety of regulations exist regarding the harvest of fish within Maine's water bodies. Before going out on the water, reference the current *Maine Open Water and Ice Fishing Laws* to confirm your daily bag limit and any other restrictions.

If you're fishing in a catch-and-release-only water body, the decision has been made for you; but otherwise, you can decide which legally harvestable fish to keep for consumption, which to release, and how to conduct either activity.

Many fishing regulations are designed to improve fish growth and size quality, and they are only successful if fish are harvested by anglers. A lack of harvest can cause fish to stunt and not grow. Either way, it's your job to bring a humane approach to the table. If you decide to release your catch, the following tips will help result in a successful release.

#### **HOW TO SAFELY CATCH AND RELEASE**

By carefully following these simple instructions, you can release your fish unharmed. If you enjoyed catching your fish, so will the next angler!

- 1. Time is of the essence. Play and release the fish as quickly and carefully as possible. An exhausted fish may be too weak to recover. Please, do not overplay your fish!
- 2. Keep the fish in the water. Minimize or eliminate the time your fish is out of the water. As little as 30 seconds of air exposure can cause delayed mortality of released trout, and in the winter months the fish may be subject to a quick freeze.

- **3. Wet your hands when handling the fish.** Dry hands can remove the layer of slime that protects the fish from fungi, bacteria, and parasites.
- **4. Photograph responsibly.** Photo sessions can be stressful for a fish. Prepare for the photo with your fish safely under the water surface, and only lift the fish out of the water for 5 second intervals or less. Try to get the shot (within reason), but return your fish to the water for a rest between attempts.
- **5. Be gentle.** Keep your fingers away from the gills, don't squeeze the fish, and please, never drag a fish onto the bank!
- **6. Choose the right landing net.** Rubber nets are easier on fish than traditional twine nets.
- 7. Safely remove the hook with small pliers or a similar tool. If the hook is deeply embedded or in a sensitive area such as the gills or stomach, cut the leader close to the snout. Make an effort to use regular steel (bronzed) hooks to promote early disintegration. Avoid the use of stainless or gold-plated hooks. One way to release your fish quickly is to use barbless hooks. If barbed hooks are all you have, you can bend the barbs over or simply file them off.
- 8. Neutralize the pressure. The air bladders of togue (lake trout) often expand after being pulled up rapidly from deep water. If a togue's belly appears expanded, release it from the hook first, then gently press your thumb along the stomach near the paired belly fins and move it forward a few times to release the air before releasing the fish.
- **9. Revive the fish**. Hold the fish underwater in a swimming position until it can swim away (note: do not use this method if surface water temperatures are unusually warm).

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# **BASS WEIGHT TO LENGTH CHART**

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LENGTH (in)	WEIGHT (lb - oz)	LENGTH (in)	WEIGHT (lb - oz)	LENGTH (in)	WEIGHT (lb - oz)	LENGTH (in)	WEIGHT (lb - oz)
12	0-13	17	2-6	12	0-15	17 1/8	2-13
12 1/8	0-14	17 1/4	2-7	12	0-15	17 1/4	2-14
12 1/4	0-14	17 ¾	2-8	12 1/4	1-0	17 ¾	2-15
12 %	0-14	17 ½	2-9	12 %	1-0	17 ½	3-0
12 ½	0-15	17 %	2-10	12 ½	1-1	17 %	3-1
12 %	0-15	17 ¾	2-11	12 %	1-1	17 ¾	3-2
12 ¾	1-0	17 %	2-12	12 ¾	1-2	17 %	3-3
12 %	1-0	18	2-13	12 %	1-2	18	3-4
13	1-1	18 1/8	2-14	13	1-3	18 1/8	3-5
13 1/8	1-1	18 1/4	2-15	13 1/8	1-4	18 1/4	3-6
13 ¼	1-2	18 %	3-0	13 ¼	1-4	18 %	3-8
13 %	1-2	18 ½	3-1	13 %	1-5	18 ½	3-9
13 ½	1-3	18 %	3-2	13 ½	1-5	18 %	3-10
13 %	1-3	18 ¾	3-3	13 %	1-6	18 ¾	3-11
13 ¾	1-4	18 %	3-4	13 ¾	1-7	18 %	3-12
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14 %	1-7	19 ½	3-9	14 %	1-10	19 ½	4-3
14 ½	1-7	19 %	3-10	14 ½	1-11	19 %	4-4
14 %	1-8	19 ¾	3-11	14 %	1-11	19 ¾	4-5
14 ¾	1-9	19 %	3-12	14 ¾	1-12	19 %	4-7
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15 ¾	1-14	20 %	4-6	15 ¾	2-2	20 %	5-2
15 %	1-15	21	4-7	15 %	2-3	21	5-4
16	1-15	21 1/8	4-9	16	2-4	21 1/8	5-5
16 1/8	2-0	21 ¼	4-10	16 1/8	2-5	21 ¼	5-7
16 1/4	2-1	21 %	4-11	16 ¼	2-6	21 %	5-9
16 %	2-2	21 ½	4-12	16 %	2-7	21 ½	5-10
16 ½	2-2	21 %	4-14	16 ½	2-8	21 %	5-12
16 %	2-3	21 ¾	4-15	16 %	2-9	21 ¾	5-13
16 ¾	2-4	21 %	5-1	16 ¾	2-10	21 %	5-15
16 %	2-5	22	5-2	16 %	2-11	22	6-1
17	2-6			17	2-12		

# HOW TO BRING HOME A QUALITY CATCH



One of the greatest benefits of fishing is being able to cook and consume fish that rivals and surpasses the quality and freshness of what you'd find in the finest dining establishments. However, catching and keeping a prize fish is no guarantee of such experience, as quality is highly dependent upon post-catch care. The following steps can help ensure the quality of your catch.





Please review Maine's Freshwater Fish Consumption Advisory at mefishwildlife.com/fishconsumptionadvisory

- 1. Make sure it's legal and safe. Before making the decision to keep your catch, reference the *Open Water and Ice Fishing Laws* and safe eating guidelines in Maine for the area you're fishing to determine what size fish are legal to harvest and applicable fish consumption advisories. There is a statewide consumption advisory for mercury and some waters also contain other pollutants such as PCBs and subject to more restrictive consumption advisories.
- 2. Keep it cool. Degradation is a function of time and temperature, so make sure you are able to rapidly cool or keep your catch cold. For most of the year, a cooler with ice works best. When water temperature is about 40°F or less, a stringer to hold your fish in the water can also work well. Even though the water may feel cold to the touch, it may not be cold enough to preserve your catch for lengthier periods of time. If using a stringer, be sure your catch is not still alive.
- 3. Kill quickly and humanely. Quick dispatch is as much about quality as it is about being humane, and it's also the law! Allowing your catch to have a prolonged, stressful death will result in lactic acid production and a lower resting pH of the fish flesh. The low pH results in gaping and softer, rather than firm, flesh. Fish can be dispatched quickly with a blow to the head or with bleeding by cutting the gill arches with a knife or scissors. Although bleeding can improve the taste of some species, the main benefit of the practice is that it kills fish quickly.
- 4. Clean your fish. Enzymatic activity of organs and bacteria of the GI tract can spoil your catch if these parts are not quickly removed. If you're planning to cook your fish whole (good for smaller, tasty fish such as brook trout), cleaning it is a must.

For larger fish, you may choose to fillet for cooking.

Filleting is a fast method of cleaning fish that maximizes meat and minimizes bones. To do it properly, you'll need a fillet knife with a long, slender, flexible blade.

Helpful tutorials for cleaning and fileting fish can both be found online; but sometimes the best way to learn how to clean a fish is to just try it. Don't let the technicalities discourage you—just follow the steps below:

- 1. To begin, rest the fish on the table or cutting board. Insert the knife tip into the fish's belly near the anal opening and move the blade up along the belly, cutting to the head. Keep the knife blade shallow so you don't puncture the intestines.
- 2. Spread the body open and remove all of the entrails and rinse and clean promptly if intestinal contents are accidentally cut and spilled within the body cavity.
- 3. Dark flesh near the back bone is the kidney. Remove it by scraping it out with a spoon or your thumbnail.
- 4. Rinse the cavity out with a good stream of water and wash the skin. Some fish have a dark tissue lining the abdominal cavity that can be scraped off to prevent a strong, oily flavor.
- 5. Remove the head if you like, though trout are often cooked with the head on. Note: It is unlawful to alter the length of landlocked salmon, trout, togue, lake whitefish, and bass unless the fish is being prepared for immediate cooking, so do not remove the head until then.
- 6. Clean up, cook, and enjoy: Clean your fish-cleaning table, collect the guts, heads, and scales, and discard them properly. Your clean fish is now ready to be cooked.

# **REGULATING THE HARVEST**

The rationale behind bag limits, bait restrictions, and other fishing regulations

Fishing laws vary by location, so any time you fish in a new spot, it's crucial that you double-check to see which ones apply. You can pick up a fishing law book at your local town hall or visit mefishwildlife.com to download a digital copy for quick reference. Curious why certain regulations exist? Read on for a little background:

#### A BRIEF HISTORY

In North America, fishing regulations have been implemented for centuries, with season closures for some fisheries in place as early as the 1600s, and numerous fish harvest statutes enacted during the 1700s. By 1900, season closures and creel limits were common, though often those were the only regulations in place. However, since the 1960s, regulations have increased, with a broad trend toward restricting both the number and the length of fish that can be harvested. In Maine, water- and species-specific regulations are common, as are slot length limits and length-based creel limits.

# WHY ARE THERE SO MANY REGULATIONS?

In Maine, fishing regulations are implemented for many reasons, including:

- To protect native resources
- To enhance fishing quality
- To maintain healthy ecosystems
- To control exotic species in certain waters
- For public safety reasons (e.g. lead, mercury, PCB consumption advisories)
- For social reasons (to accommodate the desires of individual user groups)

# WHY DO CERTAIN RULES, SUCH AS CATCH AND RELEASE. EXIST?

We're scientists, so we don't mind questions! Here are some of the fisheries management techniques behind the regulations:

General Law: This regulation provides a baseline level of protection to all waters. In Maine, the general law is essentially the default regulation, and from there exceptions to the general law are applied to individual waters.

Low Bag Limits: Lower bag limits are intended to distribute the catch over a longer time period and among more anglers. Low bag limits usually coincide with restrictive regulations such as high minimum lengths.

**Slot Limits:** These regulations are bound by the upper and lower length limits, with the intent of directing harvest to specific parts of a fish population while protecting others. A slot limit may be used to "thin out" smaller fish to allow remaining fish to grow faster, and enable large fish to be caught and released or kept (depending on how the slot is applied). The protected size slot protects fish and allows them to continue to grow and reach a larger size class. This regulation's success depends on anglers — unless they harvest fish of a given size, the regulation does little for resource management.

Catch and Release: This regulation is intended to return fish to the water alive, giving them the chance to grow larger and be caught again. This regulation can be effective on waters where natural recruitment and population size is very low and growth rates are excellent, or on waters where there is a strict need for

conservation (e.g., among populations of imperiled or endangered species).

#### Fly Fishing or Artificial Lures Only:

These "terminal tackle" regulations are applied to reduce mortalities in released fish, and are often an effective and necessary companion to restrictive bag and length limits.

No Live Fish as Bait: This regulation is typically applied to prevent establishment of unwanted bait species in waters where they currently do not exist (often brook trout or Arctic charr waters), while still allowing the use of dead baitfish or artificial lures.

If you've fished in different locations around Maine, then you may have noticed that the fishing regulations can vary widely. That's partially because, when implementing or altering fishing regulations and policies, our Fisheries Division uses both biological data and social considerations.

For example, whether you are in the northern or southern half of the state, there are different general law season dates, brook trout bag limits, and bass bag, and length limits for fishing in lakes and ponds. These two regions of Maine vary when it comes to the fish species present, quality of habitat, and human population density; therefore, they also vary in management focus.

When designing a regulation, we carefully consider the water body, location, water quality, species composition, and the desires of anglers. Then we regularly monitor for effectiveness. This ongoing process of developing, maintaining, and adjusting fishing regulations statewide is no easy task, but it's essential to the effective management of our fisheries – no two of which are exactly alike.



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