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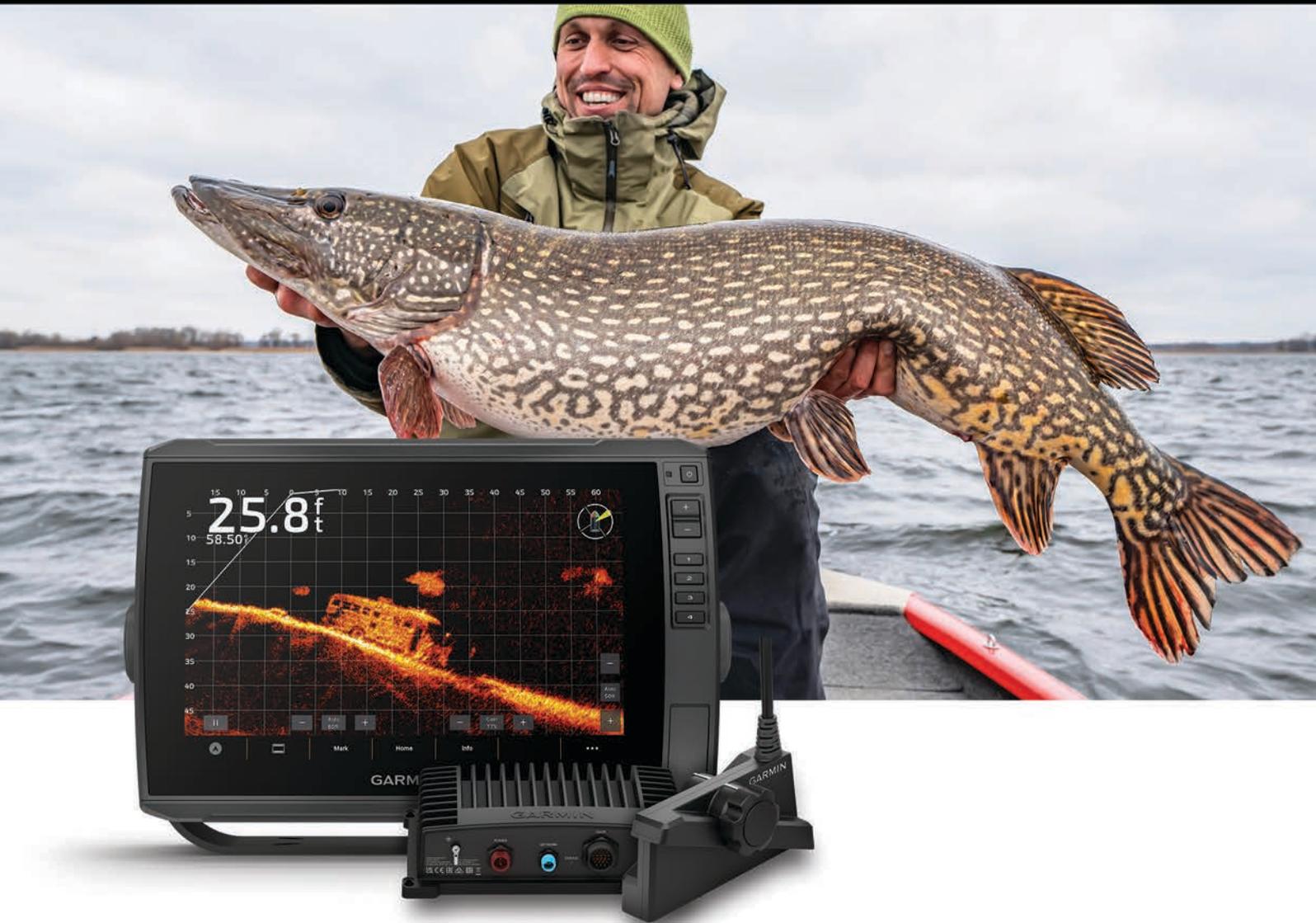
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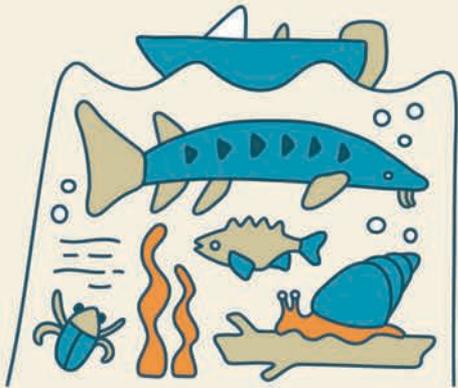


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- **CLEAN:** Remove mud, plants, and debris from all gear, watercraft, and equipment before leaving the shore.
- **DRAIN:** Remove all water from boats by removing the bilge plug and water from livewells, buckets, internal compartments, etc.
- **DRY:** Allow all parts of your boat and equipment to dry completely before entering another water body.

Know the rules! All towed watercraft, including canoes, kayaks, and paddleboards, must have the bilge plug removed (failure to do so may result in a \$600 fine). Drivers who pass an open watercraft inspection station without stopping may face fines of up to \$4,200. If entering Alberta from the east or south, you must seek out a watercraft inspection before launching.

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The official Statutes and Regulations should be consulted for all purposes of interpreting and applying the law. Clarification of the regulations may be obtained from your nearest Alberta Government office.

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Message from the Minister



Each year, I am reminded of how lucky we are to live in Alberta, home to many great fishing opportunities. Albertans, Canadians and visitors from around the world can enjoy our beautiful fisheries every year—from ice-cold mountain streams to cool water lakes, wide rivers and southern reservoirs.

Fishing with family and friends offers real benefits. It's an important part of Alberta's culture and way of life. Getting out to your favourite fishing spot is good for the soul and remains an affordable recreational

activity that all Albertans can enjoy.

2025 was a big year for recreational fisheries management. Forestry and Parks worked hard to expand angling and harvest opportunities while safeguarding the long-term health of fish populations. Last season, anglers saw 27 new harvest opportunities for walleye and northern pike, and our trout stocking program delivered 2.1

million trout across 268 waterbodies—including the first cutthroat trout stocking since 2019.

We made major progress on expanding walleye stocking in Alberta, with four egg-collection sites operating and 18 waterbodies stocked. In total, 25.7 million fry and 6,000 fingerlings were stocked—nearly double the number stocked in 2024. Anglers also told us they want better yellow perch angling opportunities. In 2026, several lakes will be managed with new regulations intended to improve perch

fishing, and biologists will keep working with partners to reestablish yellow perch fisheries through transfers.

A reminder that 2026 will see changes to the Walleye Special Harvest Licence (SHL) Program. Albertans will no longer need to purchase a draw application to obtain these licences. SHL licences will now be available on a first-come, first-served basis, with all licenses released April 28, 2026.

Our goal is to continue to protect and conserve fish populations while offering a wide range of fishing and fish harvesting opportunities. We will continue to promote the use of this renewable resource for all to enjoy.

Whether you're a seasoned angler or introducing someone new to fishing during one of our free fishing weekends, I encourage you to get outside and enjoy Alberta's incredible fishing opportunities this year.

Todd Loewen

Minister of Forestry and Parks

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and wildlife in Alberta. If you see or know of a violation, you should record all information, including

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- time
- location
- vehicle licence number
- vehicle description
- description of person(s) involved
- details of violation, and any other details, no matter how insignificant they may seem. You should then contact the nearest Fish and Wildlife office or call **1-800-642-3800** as soon as possible.

If the information provided concerns a resource violation and results in the laying of a charge, the reporter may be eligible for a reward. If you have any questions about this program, please contact the nearest Fish and Wildlife office (page 27).

INFORMATION ABOUT FISHERIES MANAGEMENT

Alberta's Fisheries Management System supports an integrated approach to managing fish populations and fisheries, consistent with Alberta's Fish Conservation and Management Strategy, and is jointly led by Environment and Protected Areas and Forestry and Parks

Learn more at Alberta's Fisheries Management website and follow My Wild Alberta for updates and engagement opportunities.

<https://www.alberta.ca/fisheries-management>

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How to Use Alberta's Guide to Sportfishing Regulations

WHEN FISHING IN ALBERTA, YOU MUST FOLLOW:

1. All **provincial regulations** starting on page 20 and **licencing requirements** on page 18.
2. **Default** or **site specific** waterbody regulations for each Watershed Unit starting on page 30.
3. **Provincial maximum possession limits** for each species (page 20).

OTHER INFORMATION:

- **Table of Contents** – Find topics quickly (page 9).
- **Important Information** – Management updates and new opportunities (page 12).
- **Definitions** – Important definitions begin on page 15.

- **Put-and-take stocked fisheries** – Locations and regulations listed on page 16-17. Stocked waterbodies with site specific regulations are listed in Watershed Unit tables and are identified with a fish symbol (🐟).
- **Advisories, Corrections and Closures** – may be implemented at any time. Check current information online at My Wild Alberta – Advisories, Corrections and Closures (mywildalberta.ca/fishing/advisories-corrections-closures/default.aspx).
- **Time of Day Angling Restriction** – may be implemented in July and August in select flowing waters of southern Alberta during periods of low flow and high temperatures. Updates will be online at My Wild Alberta – Fishing Advisories, through social media channels and AlbertaRELM email.

HOW TO READ THE SITE SPECIFIC REGULATIONS

Alberta has three Fish Management Zones, that are further divided into Watershed Units: Zone 1 Eastern Slopes, Zone 2 Parkland-Prairie and Zone 3 Northern Boreal.

Alberta uses both default and site specific regulations that may vary between Watershed Units.

- **Default regulations** include seasons, bait restrictions and limits on fish species and apply to lakes and streams that are not listed in the Watershed Unit's site specific regulation table.
- **Site specific regulations** include waterbody details, seasons, bait restrictions and limits on fish species. These apply to lakes and streams that are listed in the Watershed Unit's site specific watershed table.

Please become familiar with the site specific and default regulations for lakes and streams you want to fish in each Watershed Unit.

Regulation tables are separated into two categories:

1. Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds
2. Rivers, Creeks and Streams

Waterbodies with regulation changes, corrections and updates are **highlighted blue**. Waterbodies that are closed all year are **highlighted grey**.

Legend: As examples, '3 over 63 cm' indicates a possession and size limit of '3 fish each over 63 cm' or '10 fish' indicates a possession limit of 10 for that species of any size. An empty cell indicates the species is not likely present at that waterbody; however, if caught the default regulations for the Watershed Unit apply - unless the waterbody is stocked, in which case provincial put and take stocked lake regulations apply (see p. 16). SHL=Special Harvest Licence, BKTR = Brook Trout, BNTR=Brown Trout, BURB = Burbot, CISC = Cisco, CTRR = Cutthroat Trout, DLVR = Dolly Varden, GOLD = Goldeye, LKTR = Lake Trout, LKWH = Lake Whitefish, MNWH = Mountain Whitefish, NRPK = Northern Pike, RNTR = Rainbow Trout, SAUG = Sauger, TGTR = Tiger Trout, WALL = Walleye, YLPR = Yellow Perch. **Regulation changes are highlighted blue.** Waterbodies closed to angling are highlighted grey.

NB2 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	Trout Total
Baptiste Lake	66-24-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish		10 fish	
Blue Lake	13-69-17-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●			15 fish			5 trout
Bolloque Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	15 fish			
Chain (Lower) Lake 🐟	69-23-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish			2 RNTR any size; 0 TGTR; 0 BNTR

Legend

Located at the top of each site specific regulation table, the legend explains size and possession limits and the acronyms used.

Waterbody

This column lists the waters where site specific regulations apply. A fish symbol (🐟) indicates a stocked waterbody with special trout regulations (e.g., catch and release, reduced bag limits, seasons, or minimum size limits). Unless otherwise noted in the site-specific table, regulations for other species follow provincial put-and-take stocked lake regulations (see page 16); although species limits are shown for clarity, not all species may be present in each stocked lake.

Waterbody Detail

Describes the area where the restriction applies. Provide ATS location, boundaries, and tributary information.

Season

Specifies the time period during which sportfishing is permitted for that waterbody.

Bait

A bullet symbol (●) means bait is allowed. Restrictions on bait are also provided in this column (e.g. bait bans, specific bait only). Additional information on fishing with bait is provided in the Regulations and Information section starting on page 22.

Listed Species

Lists size and possession limits by species. Blank cells indicate the species is not likely present; if caught, Watershed Unit default regulations apply—unless the waterbody is stocked, in which case provincial put and take stocked lake regulations apply (see page 16).

Important Information

What's New in 2026

Regulations Updates

- **Updates to support stocked trout fishing:** Cow Lake (ES2), Spring Lake (PP2), Mitford Ponds (ES1) and Millers Lake (ES3).
- **Simpler regulations:** Some waterbodies with limited fish habitat and sportfish populations have been moved out of Watershed Unit site specific tables and now follow default Watershed Unit Regulations.
- **New opportunity at Crane Lake (NB1):** Northern pike harvest is now permitted at Crane Lake.
- **Bow River tributary trout regulations:** New catch-and-release regulations for trout on select Bow River spawning tributaries: Fish Creek and a portion of the Sheep River and tributaries, including Threepoint Creek and Ware Creek (ES1).
- **Yellow perch initiatives:** Size and quota limits at select lakes to support yellow perch angling opportunities.

Waterbodies with regulation changes, corrections or updates are highlighted blue and can be found in the Watershed Unit regulations starting on page 30.

Special Harvest Licences (SHL)

- There is no more application and draw process for walleye SHLs - all Special Harvest Licences (Class A, B and C) are available for direct purchase by eligible Alberta resident anglers on a first-come, first-serve basis, until waterbody and/or Class quotas are reached.
- Up to 6 SHLs can be purchased per angler in any combination of waterbody and Class, subject to available quotas.
- A list of eligible waterbodies and available licence quotas can be found online at AlbertaRELM and MyWildAlberta.
- For more information on the SHL Program, see pages 18 and 19.
- **Available licences will be released on April 28, 2026, at 9 am.**

Stocking and Transfers

- **Trout Stocking:** The stocking of ~2 million trout in more than 260 waterbodies is planned for 2026. Find more information on page 16.
- **Expanded walleye stocking:** Four walleye spawn camps supported stocking in 18 waterbodies in 2025, with 25.7 million

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walleye fry and 6,000 fingerlings released—nearly double the number of fry stocked in 2024.

- The walleye stocking program will continue in 2026. Stay up to date by visiting MyWildAlberta Facebook and website for updates.
- **Yellow Perch Transfers:** In 2025, more than 3,700 yellow perch in total were transferred into Frenchman and Vincent lakes (NB1) with the help of volunteers. Additional yellow perch transfers are planned for 2026.
- Measures are always taken to prevent disease / aquatic pathogen transfer and the inadvertent transfer of aquatic invasive species.

Know before you go!

Always check the regulations for the waterbody you plan to fish, as rules can vary by location. Anglers are responsible for understanding and following the regulations that apply to where they are fishing. Being able to correctly identify any fish you catch is essential – if you don't know, let it go. Check online for in-season regulation changes, angler advisories and Time of Day Angling Restrictions.

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Indigenous Fishing Rights

Many Indigenous Peoples in Alberta have constitutionally protected rights to fish for food for themselves and their immediate household members in Alberta. These rights are recognized in law and provincial policy.

The Government of Alberta is committed to sustaining Indigenous food sources within the constraints of conservation obligations. Alberta's fisheries are shared by a diverse community of users, it is important that all individuals using fisheries resources, whether they are exercising their rights or angling for recreation, do so with respect for one another.

For information on Indigenous rights and responsibilities related to fishing, please visit: <https://www.alberta.ca/indigenous-hunting-and-fishing-in-alberta.aspx>

Important Information

Aquatic Health

The impacts posed by aquatic invasive species, including fish disease, threaten Alberta's fisheries and can extend beyond reducing recreational fishing opportunities. We all play an important role in keeping Alberta's fish healthy.

Everyone can help stop the spread of aquatic invasive species through prevention, by following,

- **CATCH IT, KILL IT, REPORT IT!** If you catch an invasive fish do not return to water. Kill it, dispose of it properly or eat it, and report it to the Aquatic Invasive Species Hotline. If you don't know, let it go, but take pictures before release, and report the sighting.
- **CLEAN, DRAIN, DRY YOUR GEAR!** Ensure no water, mud, plants, fish, or fish parts are moved from one waterbody to the next. This applies within Alberta as well as beyond our borders.
- **PULL THE PLUG!** In Alberta, all watercrafts must have the drain plug pulled while being transported.
- **DON'T LET IT LOOSE!** Never release water, plants, dead or live fish or any other animals into waterbodies they didn't originate from. If you witness anyone releasing or transporting live fish, report it to Report-A Poacher line, you could be eligible for a reward.
- **SEE IT, REPORT IT!** Alberta has 52 listed aquatic invasive species including fish, plants, and invertebrates all prohibited for import, possession, or release. If you see anything that

doesn't seem to belong in or along water report species to the Aquatic Invasive Species Hotline with pictures for follow up.

- **STOP AT WATERCRAFT INSPECTIONS!** Aquatic invasive species can stowaway on watercraft, trailers, or equipment during transport. **To protect our waters, Alberta has mandatory watercraft inspections for anyone travelling with a boat, jet ski, kayak, or any other watercraft.**
 - It is illegal to bypass any open watercraft inspection station while traveling with a motorized or non-motorized watercraft. Failure to stop may result in significant fines.
 - From May 1 until Sept. 30, it is mandatory for all motorized and non-motorized watercraft to be inspected when crossing from the eastern or southern borders. If the closest inspection station is closed, Albertans and visitors must get their watercraft inspected within seven days and before launching into Alberta's waters.

Call 1-855-336-BOAT (2628) for Aquatic Invasive Species Hotline to report species sightings or for more information. Leave a voicemail and AIS staff will follow up as soon as possible. Call 1-800-642-3800 - Report-A-Poacher for any suspicious or illegal observations, where an officer is warranted or submit details online at alberta.ca/report-a-poacher.

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Alberta's aquatic habitats are home to hundreds of species of native plants and animals. Help protect our waters by taking three easy steps to prevent the spread of aquatic invasive species and whirling disease.



CLEAN

Clean off all mud, sand and plant material and dispose in the garbage or on dry land before leaving the shore.



DRAIN

Drain standing water from buckets, boats, bilges and fishing gear before leaving the shore.



DRY

Dry everything completely before entering another waterbody.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REPORT AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES, CALL:

1-855-336-BOAT (2628)

For up-to-date distribution of aquatic invasive species and whirling disease in Alberta, please visit alberta.ca

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Important Definitions

Bait – An attractant or organism (alive or dead) with scent or flavour to attract fish when attached to a hook or line used in angling. (See “Fishing with Bait” on page 22).

Bait Fish – See “Fishing with Bait Fish” on page 22.

Fizzing – Artificial swim bladder deflation. Involves puncturing the swim bladder through the musculature of the fish using a sharp object such as a hypodermic needle. As it causes undue harm to released fish and can increase the mortality of released fish, fizzing is illegal. The best practice is to not fish in deep water.

Gaff (gaff hook) – A device for landing or lifting fish, consisting of one or more sharpened hooks intended to stab the fish and attached to a handle. A gaff is illegal to possess while angling.

Hook – A single-, double- or triple-pointed hook on a common shaft, and includes hooks attached to a lure.
(Note: some legal lures appear to have a hook with four points, but actually have two shafts each with two points, meaning that this lure has two hooks).

Legal Land Descriptions

Some waterbodies and landmarks are identified in this Guide using the Alberta Survey System. Legal land descriptions are written as follows: (1-87-18-W4 for Section-Township-Range-West of the 4th Meridian)

Limit – Refers to the maximum number of fish you are allowed to keep or have in your possession (see **Catch Limits** on page 20).

Lure – A spoon, plug, jig, fly or other such device made of feathers, fibre, rubber, wood, metal, plastic or similar materials that does not attract fish by scent or flavour.

Maggots – The larval stage of flies (terrestrial dipterous insects). Does not include earthworms (angleworms, nightcrawlers, dew-worms), mealworms or the larvae, pupae or adults of aquatic insects.

Mainstem – The mainstem of a river includes the mainstem river channel as well as any side channels, oxbows as well as riparian channels and plunge pools below spillways downstream of reservoirs unless otherwise specified.

Mealworms – The larval stage of beetles (terrestrial coleopterous insects). Does not include earthworms (angleworms, nightcrawlers, dew-worms), maggots, wax worms or the larvae, pupae or adults of aquatic insects.

Minimum-size limits – All fish caught that are shorter than the stated length must be immediately released.

Maximum-size limits – All fish caught that are longer than the stated length must be immediately released.

Harvest slot limits – All fish caught that are shorter or longer than the harvest slot limit must be immediately released.

Quality Stocked Fisheries – Stocked trout fisheries which are managed to provide anglers with the opportunity to catch and occasionally keep a memorable fish.

Regulation Dates – In this Guide, where dates are given with a regulation, the fishing season starts and ends on the dates listed. For example May 15 to Mar. 31.

Snagging – Attempting to catch a fish using a hook:

- other than to induce the fish to voluntarily take the hook in its mouth; or
- by intentionally piercing and hooking a fish in any part of the body other than the mouth.

Snagging Device

- an instrument that is designed for the purpose of snagging fish; or
- hooks or lures that are altered to facilitate the snagging of fish.

Sportfishing – Angling (using hook and line), bowfishing or spearfishing, but also includes using a minnow trap, seine net or dip net to collect bait for personal use.

Sportfishing Seasons

- OPEN** – sportfishing is allowed during the time period stated. During open seasons, sportfishing is permitted 24 hours a day unless stated differently for a specific waterbody.
- CLOSED** – means all forms of sportfishing are prohibited.

Stream – Flowing water, and includes creeks, rivers and canals.

Tributary – Any stream that flows into a larger stream, or into a lake or reservoir. This includes a tributary to a tributary. Tributaries to a lake are considered to be tributaries to the outlet stream from the lake unless stated differently for a specific waterbody.

Watershed – An area drained by a stream or a series of streams and tributaries and includes any lakes and reservoirs whether or not they are directly connected to the stream.

Watershed Unit – Is a part of the larger Fish Management Zone and is the drained by the watershed described in text and illustrated on the map in the Guide. For example, NB1 is a subdivision of Northern Boreal

Watershed Boundaries – The boundaries between Watershed Units are illustrated on the maps in the Guide. These boundaries are differentiated by heights of land and the direction of flowing water.

RECOVERY OF TAGGED FISH

- Fisheries biologists occasionally tag fish for research.
- Tagging is non-lethal to fish.
- There are different kinds and sizes of tags ranging from the size of a grain of rice to the size of a D-cell battery (0.5 to 4 inches).
- Tags are usually placed under the skin near the dorsal fin (in the flesh) or inside the body cavity.
- Anglers should inspect their catches thoroughly for tags and remove them prior to consuming.

If you catch a tagged fish, please report it to the nearest Fish and Wildlife Office (see page 27 for contact details).



Put and Take Trout Stocking Program

The following list of lakes, reservoirs and ponds are managed as put and take trout fisheries. These are stocked frequently with catchable-sized trout. The regulations follow Maximum Possession limits and are listed in the table to the right.

Stocking can vary from year to year.
For up-to-date information on fish stocking:

 **Planned Stocking Dates** can be found at open.alberta.ca/dataset/planned-trout-stocking

 **Fish Stocking Reports** can be found at open.alberta.ca/publications/fish-stocking-list. This report is updated regularly throughout the stocking season.

 **Fish Stocking Maps** can be found at:

- **MyWildAlberta** at <https://mywildalberta.ca/fishing/fish-stocking/stocking-maps.aspx> and
- The **Alberta Conservation Association** at <https://www.ab-conservation.com/programs/fish/aca-stocked-lakes/>

Provincial Regulations for Put and Take Stocked Lakes

- OPEN all year
- Bait is allowed
- 5 trout of any size
- 3 Northern Pike of any size
- 15 Yellow Perch of any size
- For other species, see Maximum Possession limits on page 20

Stocked Waterbodies with Special Regulations

Some recreational stocked waterbodies are managed with special regulations, such as catch-and-release, reduced bag limits, fishing seasons, and minimum size limits. These regulations help ensure fish are available for harvest in the waterbody or support Quality Stocked Fisheries that provide opportunities to catch and/or keep a “memorable” sized fish.

These waterbodies are listed in the Watershed Units’ regulation tables beginning on page 30 and are identified by a “” symbol. Unless otherwise noted in the site specific table, regulations for other species follow provincial put-and-take stocked lake regulations; although species limits are shown for clarity, not all species may be present in each stocked lake.

EASTERN SLOPES ZONE

Watershed Unit ES1

Allison Lake (SW 27-8-5-W5)
Bathing Lake (SE 11-4-1-W5)
Beauvais Lake (SW 29-5-1-W5)
Beaver Mines Lake (NE 11-5-3-W5)
Burmis Lake (SE 14-7-3-W5)
Burn’s Reservoir (NE 23-6-30-W4)
Butcher’s Lake (NW 15-4-1-W5)
Chain Lakes Reservoir (NE 4-15-2-W5)
Coleman Fish And Game Pond (SW 24-8-5-W5)
Cottonwood Lake (SE 16-7-29-W4)
Crossfield Trout Pond (SE 27-28-1-W5)
Dewitt’s Pond (SE 31-26-1-W5)
Granum Pond (NW 31-10-26-W4)
Grotto Mountain Pond (NW 21-24-9-W5)
Island Lake (NW 12-8-6-W5)
Lees Lake (SW 8-7-2-W5)
Little Beaverdam Lake (SE 34-1-28-W4)
Margaret Lake (NW 15-28-9-W5)
Mclean Pond (NW 20-22-5-W5)
Nose Creek Pond (NE 1-27-1-W5)
Payne Lake (Mami Lake) (NE 10-2-28-W4)
Sibbald Lake (NE 14-24-7-W5)
Sibbald Meadows Pond (SW 20-24-7-W5)
Tim Horton Children’s Pond (NW14-24-8-W5)

Watershed Unit ES2

Alford Lake (SW 4-36-8-W5)
Brazeau Borrow Pit #1 (SE 32-45-10-W5)
Brazeau Borrow Pit #2 (SW 2-46-11-W5)
Camp 9 Trout Pond (NE 32-44-8-W5)

Dickson Trout Pond (NW 13-35-3-W5)
Elk Creek Pond (NW 33-35-12-W5)
Goldeye Lake (NE 14-40-16-W5)
Harleck Pond (SE 5-41-14-W5)
Mitchell Lake (NE 25-37-8-W5)
Nordegg Borrow Pit (East) (SE 32-40-15-W5)
Nordegg Borrow Pit (West) (SW 32-40-15-W5)
Peppers Lake (NW 30-35-12-W5)
Phyllis Lake (SE 17-36-7-W5)
Rat Lake (SW 11-38-9-W5)
Rocky Children’s Pond (SW 33-39-7-W5)
Shunda (Fish) Lake (SW 19-40-15-W5)
Strubel Lake (SW 30-37-7-W5)
Tay Lake (SW 5-36-8-W5)
Twin Lakes (SW 6-40-7-W5)
Winchell Lake (NW 2-29-5-W5)
Yellowhead Lake (SW 33-34-6-W5)

Watershed Unit ES3

Dandurand Lake (NE 9-53-19-W5)
Dunn Lake (NW 7-54-25-W5)
Emerald Lake (SW 5-62-11-W5)
Emerson Lakes (NW 6-55-21-W5)
Fairfax Lake (NW 17-46-18-W5)
Hinton F & G Pond (Hinton Borrow Pit) (SW 28-50-25-W5)
Jarvis Creek Pond (NE 19-52-26-W5)
Kinky Lake (SE 6-50-26-W5)
Lambert Pond (NW 8-53-17-W5)
Lower Wildhorse Lake (SW 31-49-26-W5)
Mary Gregg Lake (NW 4-48-24-W5)

Mayan Lake (NW 5-57-23-W5)
Mcleod Lake (Carson Lake) (SE 25-61-12-W5)
Niton Lake (SE 32-53-12-W5)
Obed Lake (SW 11-53-22-W5)
Petite Lake (NW 12-54-26-W5)
South Sundance Lake (SE 1-55-21-W5)
Trapper Lake (SE 19-58-16-W5)
Upper Wildhorse Lake (SW 31-49-26-W5)
Whitcourt Town Pond (NE 35-59-12-W5)
Wildwood Pond (SW 30-53-9-W5)
Wolf Creek Pond (SW 13-53-16-W5)

Watershed Unit ES4

East Dollar Lake (NW 8-73-21-W5)
Fox Creek Trout Pond (NW 13-63-20-W5)
Grande Cache Lake (NE 1-57-8-W6)
Highway 40 Pond (SW 12-69-6-W6)
Kakut Pond (NE27-76-04-W6)
Muskoseepi Pond (SE 26-71-6-W6)
Spring Lake (NE 23-75-11-W6)
Swan Lake (SW 18-70-25-W5)
Two Lakes (North Two Lake) (NE 20-62-12-W6)
Two Lakes (South Two Lake) (NE7-62-12-W6)
Valleyview Children’s Pond (NE 21-70-22-W6)
Victor Lake (SW 35-56-8-W6)
West Dollar Lake (SE 18-73-21-W5)

Put and Take Trout Stocking Program

PARKLAND-PRAIRIE ZONE

Watershed Unit PP1

Bow City East Ponds (NE 15-17-17-W4)
Brooks Aquaduct Pond (NE 15-18-14-W4)
Cavan Lake (SW 30-11-3-W4)
Corner Lake (NW 4-6-20-W4)
Echo Dale Regional Park Pond (SE 5-13-6-W4)
Emerson Lake (SW 5-19-28-W4)
Enchant Pond (NW 8-14-18-W4)
Foremost Reservoir (NW 17-6-11-W4)
Goldspring Park Pond (NE 6-2-15-W4)
Magrath Childrens Pond (SW 26-5-22-W4)
Mcquillan Reservoir (SW 13-8-19-W4)
Nicholas Sheran Park Pond (SE 26-8-22-W4)
Riverstone Pond (SW 24-8-22-W4)
Spring Coulee Park Pond (NE 12-5-24-W4)
Stirling Children's Pond (SW 29-6-19-W4)
Strathmore Children's Pond (SW 14-24-25-W4)
Taber Trout Pond (NW 1-10-17-W4)

Watershed Unit PP2

Acadia Valley Reservoir (SW 5-25-2-W4)
Anderson Dam (SW 25-28-21-W4)
Ashland Reservoir (NW 17-48-3-W5)
Bashaw Pond (SE 4-42-21-W4)
Beaumont Pond (NW 27-50-24-W4)
Black Nugget Mine Pit (NW 11-49-18-W4)
Boulder Lake (NE 18-39-27-W4)
Bud Miller Park Pond (NE 26-49-1-W4)
By The Lake Park (SW 22-46-24-W4)
Captain Eyre Lake (Capt Ayre) (NW 30-38-5-W4)
Cardiff Park Pond (SW 24-55-25-W4)
Castaway Trout Pond (NE 35-47-13-W4)

Castor Eastside Trout Pond (SE 34-37-14-W4)
Chickakoo Lake (SW 34-53-1-W5)
Cipperley's Reservoir (SW 8-32-1-W5)
Claude N. Brennan Memorial Pond (Vermillion Park Pond) (NE 36-50-7-W4)
Coronation Reservoir (SW 24-36-11-W4)
Daysland Pond (NE 9-45-16-W4)
Dillberry Lake (NE 36-41-1-W4)
Diplomat Mine Pond (NW 1-41-16-W4)
East Pit Lake (SE 23-53-4-W5)
East Stormwater Pond (SE 29-40-26-W4)
Fort Saskatchewan Fish & Game Pond (NE6-54-20-W4)
Genesee Trout Pond (NW 1-51-3-W5)
Gibbons Pond (NE 10-56-23-W4)
Gooseberry Park Pond (NE 22-36-6-W4)
Hansen's Reservoir (NE 29-38-3-W5)
Hasse Lake (SW 13-52-2-W5)
Helmer Reservoir (SW 18-31-14-W4)
Heritage Lake (NW 33-55-25-W4)
Hermitage Park Pond (NE18-53-23-W4)
Hiller's Reservoir (SE 13-32-29-W4)
Huber Reservoir (SW 36-37-13-W4)
Innisfree Trout Pond (SE 13-51-12-W4)
Irma Fish And Game Pond (SW 34-45-9-W4)
Jack Fish Lake (NW 20-53-9-W4)
Kraft Wimborne Pond (SE 28-33-26-W4)
Kramer Pond (SW 25-45-6-W5)
Lacombe Park Pond (NW 5-54-25-W4)
Lamont Pond (SW 27-55-19-W4)
Leduc Reservoir (NE 27-49-25-W4)
Len Thompson Pond (NW 29-40-26-W4)
Lougheed Trout Pond (NE 33-43-11-W4)
Mclaren's Reservoir (SW 23-33-18-W4)

Michichi Reservoir (SW 19-30-18-W4)
Midway Reservoir (SE 16-30-27-W4)
Mitchell Pond (NW 18-38-27-W4)
Morinville Fish And Game Pond (NW 4-56-25-W4)
Mound Red Reservoir (NW 11-45-28-W4)
Niemela Reservoir (Ray's Pond) (SE 1-39-3-W5)
Nuggent Pond (SE 14-44-3-W5)
Open Ck Reservoir (25-42-6-W5)
Oyen (Concrete Plant) Pond (NW 34-27-4-W4)
Oyen Reservoir (NE 33-30-4-W4)
Parlby Reservoir (NE 25-40-24-W4)
Pleasure Island Reservoir (SW 20-46-19-W4)
Ponoka Centennial Park Pond (NE 5-43-25-W4)
Salter's Lake (SW 26-54-2-W5)
Sardine Lake (SW 5-49-4-W5)
Sauer Lake (NE 28-53-1-W5)
Severn Creek Reservoir (NW 12-26-22-W4)
Shuster Lake (NE 26-43-5-W4)
Star Lake (NE 19-52-2-W5)
Telegraph Park Pond (NW 32-48-21-W4)
Two Hills Pond (SW 32-54-12-W4)
Vegreville Children's Pond (NW 17-52-14-W4)
Vegreville Trout Pond (SW 7-52-14-W4)
Wallace Park Pond (NE 31-44-6-W4)
West Rivers Edge Pond (Fort Lions Park Pond) (NE 23-54-23-W4)
Wetaskiwin Pond (NE 24-46-24-W4)
Windsor Lake (SW 10-42-22-W4)

NORTHERN BOREAL ZONE

Watershed Unit NB1

Ardmore Community Pond (NW 1-62-4-W4)
Bellis Beach Lake (SE 15-59-15-W4)
Bonnyville Town Pond (Slawuta Lake) (NW 7-61-5-W4)
Boyle Pond (NE 16-64-19-W4)
Chatwin Lake (NE 4-61-6-W4)
Elk Point Pond (NW 36-56-7-W4)
Lac Delorme (George's Lake) (SE 5-57-8-W4)
Lara Fish Pond (NE 25-61-5-W4)
Little Bear Lake (Hasse Lake) (NW 19-64-2-W4)
Mile 07 Lake (NE 35-69-14-W4)
Radway Fish Pond (SE 31-58-20-W4)
Rainbow Park Pond (Westlock Recreation Pond) (NE 31-59-25-W4)
Shemeluk Lake (SW 25-60-17-W4)
St. Paul Fish Pond (SE 9-58-9-W4)

Watershed Unit NB2

Atlantic Richfield Reservoir (NE 29-67-9-W5)

Chrystina Lake (NW 8-67-8-W5)
Edith Lake (NE 13-67-10-W5)
Horseshoe Lake (SW 31-63-25-W4)
Jane Lake (NW 11-68-8-W5)
Jessie Lake (SW 23-68-7-W5)
Marigold Lake (NW 32-65-11-W5)
McClennan Reservoir (SW 32-77-19-W5)
Parker Lake (SE 25-70-5-W5)
Peanut Lake (NE 15-58-3-W5)
Tamarack Lake (NE 10-66-12-W5)
Tea Lakes (SW 16-67-7-W5)

Watershed Unit NB3

Cecil Thompson Pond (SW 23-83-21-W5)
Fairview College Pond (SW 34-81-3-W6)
Figure Eight Lake (NE 20-84-25-W5)
Footner Pond (SE 5-111-19-W5)
High Level Community Park Pond (High Level Town Pond) (SE 6-110-19-W5)
High Level Pond (SE 8-110-20-W5)
Highway 686 Pond (NE 17-85-19-W5)
La Crete Pond (SW 15-106-12-W5)

Machesis Lake (NW 27-107-16-W5)
MD Peace Pond #1 (SW 27-83-23-W5)
MD Peace Pond #2 (SW 27-83-23-W5)
Montaganeusse Lake (Stoney Lake) (NE 31-86-3-W6)
Moonshine Lake (Mirage Lake) (SE 31-79-8-W6)
Nardam Lake (NE 17-78-5-W6)
Ole Lake (NW 30-84-12-W6)
Rainbow Lake Pond (NE 25-109-9-W6)
Running Lake (SW 34-88-7-W6)
Shell True North Pond (SW 10-79-8-W6)
Sulphur Lake (NW 7-89-2-W6)
Weberville Pond (NW 7-85-21-W5)
Zama Community Pond (SW 18-117-4-W6)

Watershed Unit NB4

Engstrom Lake (NW 17-83-6-W4)
Highway 63 Pond (NE 35-87-9-W4)
Texaco East Pond (NW 15-88-8-W4)
Texaco Pond (SW 20-88-8-W4)

Licensing: Things you should know



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All recreational anglers must have an active Wildlife Identification Number (WiN) before purchasing a recreational sportfishing licence. WiN activation requires a one-time \$12.00 fee (plus GST). Current WiN card holders will be required to pay the one-time fee when their current WiN expires. Create or renew a WiN online and receive \$2.00 off the activation fee.

Alberta residents under 16 years of age or 65 and over are not required to have a sportfishing licence to fish with a rod and reel; however, must follow Alberta's sportfishing regulations.

Sportfishing licences and Special Harvest Licences are available at albertarelm.com or from more than 300 private licence issuers.

ALBERTA SPORTFISHING LICENCE FEES

Licence	Alberta Residents ²	Non-resident Canadians ³	Non-residents Outside Canada ⁴
CAF Veterans Sportfishing Licence¹	No Charge	Not Available	Not Available
Annual Sportfishing Licence (16-64 years)	\$30.00	\$62.00	\$87.00
Annual Sportfishing Licence (under 16 years)	No Licence Required	No Licence Required	No Licence Required
Annual Sportfishing Licence (65 years and over)	No Licence Required	\$62.00	\$87.00
1-Day Sportfishing Licence	Not Available	\$27.00	\$29.00
7-Day Sportfishing Licence	Not Available	\$43.00	\$57.00
Special Walleye Harvest Licence	\$12.00	Not Available	Not Available

- 1 A resident Canadian Armed Forces Veteran is an Alberta resident who is a former member of the Canadian Armed Forces, has successfully undergone basic training and has been honourably discharged.
- 2 Alberta Resident is an individual who has their only or primary residence in Alberta and is a Canadian citizen or is admitted to **permanent** residence in Canada.
- 3 Non-resident (Canadian) is an individual who is not a Resident, but who makes their home and is ordinarily present in Canada, and who has lived in Canada for the 12-month period immediately preceding the relevant date.
- 4 Non-resident Outside of Canada is an individual who is neither a Resident nor a Non-resident.

DISCLAIMER: ALL LICENCES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE AND NON-TRANSFERABLE.

Licences must be carried when sportfishing and transporting the fish harvested with the sportfishing licence.

To obtain the free CAF Veteran Sportfishing Licence, Canadian Armed Forces veterans must update and confirm their WiN profile status by providing approved identification (VSC, CAF 74, NDI 75, CFOne "V") on the AlbertaRELM website or a licence issuer. The CAF Veteran Sportfishing Licence and approved veteran identification must be carried when sportfishing.

The AlbertaRELM App is the only method for which anglers can easily store and access licences electronically. **Please remember that the onus is on the angler to produce the electronic or paper licence when requested by an officer during field compliance checks.**

If a person is convicted of a provincial fishing or hunting offence and fails to pay their fine, they will be suspended from purchasing or using a sportfishing licence, a hunting licence or applying on draws until that outstanding fine has been paid.

Lost/destroyed licences – all purchased licences can be reprinted either at a licence issuer for a \$2.00 fee or online at no charge.

Lost/destroyed tags – Tags that are lost or stolen can now be replaced at a licence issuer for a \$11.00 replacement fee.

Licensing: Things you should know

How are the Sportfishing Licensing fees used? For each \$1 of revenue collected:

- \$0.61 is distributed to the Alberta Conservation Association. For more information on how funds are used to support Fisheries programs, please visit www.ab-conservation.com
- \$0.34 is used for licensing allocation and administration providing compensation to the Service Provider and the network of private Licence Issuers as well as provides funds for programs to monitor fish populations. For more information, visit mywildalberta.ca.
- \$0.05 goes to Government of Alberta General Revenue.

Certain fishing activities in Alberta require licences other than a recreational sportfishing licence, including Competitive Fishing Events and Salvage Fishing. Visit MyWildAlberta to learn more about these licence types.

For further inquiries, contact the Hunting and Fishing Branch of Alberta Forestry and Parks at HFB-Fisheries@gov.ab.ca

For Frequently Asked Questions

Visit albertarelm.com or mywildalberta.ca

For Assistance

Please contact the RELM help desk at 1-888-944-5494.

7 days a week, 6:00 AM to Midnight (MST)



Sportfishing licences in Alberta can be purchased:



Online through AlbertaRELM.com or the AlbertaRELM app



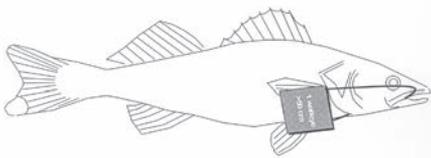
Private Licence Issuers. To find a Private Licence Issuer retail location near you, visit <https://www.albertarelm.com/issuerlist.page>

SPECIAL HARVEST LICENCE FOR WALLEYE

Alberta uses an innovative approach to allow a sustainable level of walleye harvest in waterbodies where standard size and bag limits would be unsustainable. At lakes where fishing pressure is substantial or there are conservation concerns, a limited harvest option has been implemented. A Special Harvest Licence (SHL) for walleye is available to Alberta residents at specified lakes. These lakes are selected based on current stock assessment and sport fishery information.

Tagging Instructions

Walleye retained with a Special Harvest Licence must be immediately tagged as per conditions of licence with a paper tag and wire through the gill cavity and mouth.



Prior to purchasing online, users must have pre-numbered Government of Alberta adhesive paper tags ready to complete the purchase. Tags can be picked up at Fish & Wildlife Offices, Licence Issuers or ordered online and through the AlbertaRELM app.

The electronic tag pilot remains paused while legislation related to inspection and use of personal electronic devices for enforcement is reviewed. Further updates on e-tagging will be shared when available.

Notice to Anglers

Alberta Government reserves the right to close any lake if it is deemed that a fish stock cannot sustain itself or sustain a harvest. For example, if a lake has experienced serious winterkill, a zero-harvest regulation may be implemented. If you have any questions regarding this, contact HFB-Fisheries@gov.ab.ca

Special Harvest Licences are to be used only by the licence holder, with the exception of anglers under 16 years of age. Anglers under 16 years old are permitted to use a supervising adult's Special Harvest Licence tags for walleye.

NEW! For the 2026 angling season, all Special Harvest Licences (Class A, B and C) are available for direct purchase by eligible Alberta resident anglers on a first-come, first-serve basis, until waterbody and/or Class quotas are reached.

Three classes of licences are available:

- Class A (over 50 cm)
- Class B (43-50 cm)
- Class C (under 43 cm)

Each SHL includes two harvest tags. Anglers may purchase up to six SHLs per season, for a total of twelve tags (subject to each waterbody's available quota). Any combination of Class and waterbody is permitted.

Special Harvest Licences will be available for purchase online at AlbertaRELM or at any licence issuer starting April 28, 2026 at 9:00 am MT.

A list of eligible waterbodies and available licence quotas can be found online at AlbertaRELM and MyWildAlberta.

Important Information:

All anglers require a Wildlife Identification Number (WiN) to purchase a special harvest licence. A WiN can be purchased online at AlbertaRELM.com, through the AlbertaRELM app or at any licence issuer.

For more information about SHLs, visit MyWildAlberta - Fishing Licences.

The maximum possession limit for walleye is 12 when harvested under a SHL, combined with an annual sportfishing licence. For anglers without a SHL, an annual sportfishing licence is required, maximum possession of walleye remains at 3 and waterbody-specific regulations apply.

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General Sportfishing Restrictions

It Is Unlawful To:

- Possess or use a gaff or gaff hook.
- Use more than one line when angling into open water.
- Use more than two lines when angling into ice-covered water.
- While angling, be further than 30 m from any line in the water.
- Use a line in angling equipped with more than three hooks (e.g., three hooks, or three single-hook lures, or one three-hook lure).
- Use a lure in angling with more than three hooks as part of it.
- Use a hook with more than three points on a common shaft (see Important Definitions, Page 15).
- Release live fish or live fish eggs into any waters except back to the waters from which they were caught.
- Possess live crayfish. (See also Page 23)
- Possess live fish – unless the fish have been lawfully caught and are within 5 metres of the waters from which they were caught.
- Fizz fish – it is undue harm and reduces survival of released fish.
- Use live fish for bait.
- Use amphibians, such as frogs and salamanders, as bait.
- Dispose of unused bait within 50 metres of waterbodies except in a regularly serviced waste disposal receptacle.
- Set out or use bait to attract fish unless it is attached to a hook used in angling (that is chumming).
- Fish by snagging.
- Possess fish taken by snagging.
- Possess a snagging device (such as a gaff or gaff hook) while angling.
- Use gaffs, gaff hooks or spring-loaded hooks (spring-loaded hooks incorporate a device that snags/traps/holds the fish).
- Use snares, firearms, or any device to attract, stun or kill fish by causing an explosion or electrical current in the water.
- Use lights to sportfish unless the light is attached to a hook or line used in angling. This includes visible lights that are emitted by underwater cameras.
- Clean fish for transport home in a manner that is not authorized (see Cleaning and Transporting Fish, Page 25).

Additional Restrictions:

- The edible flesh of legally kept game fish must not be wasted, destroyed, spoiled or abandoned.
- Fish must not be removed from, or disturbed in, any facility or structure designed to capture, hold or facilitate the passage of fish.
- Fishing is prohibited by any method within 23 metres downstream of the lower entrance of any fishway, canal, obstacle or leap. Weirs and dams are considered obstacles.
- NOTE: Fishways, fish ladders, impoundment nets, fish traps and other similar structures may be set up to assist in the management or the study of fisheries, or to allow the passage of fish.

Catch Limits

In this guide, the word 'limit' refers to the number of fish you are allowed to keep or have in your possession. As outlined below, you may not exceed the Daily Catch Limit at any waterbody fished, nor possess more fish than the Maximum Possession Limit.

Releasing Live Fish – If the fish you catch is of a legal species and legal size, immediately decide to keep it as part of your Daily Catch Limit or release it. Fish kept on a stringer or a live well are considered retained and are part of your limit. See Pages 22 for details on releasing fish.

Possession – While a person is angling, a fish is considered retained (in possession) when it is not immediately released to the waters from which it was taken.

Daily Catch Limit – The number of fish you are allowed to keep while fishing in one day is equal to the limit listed for each species or group of species at the lake or stream being fished, including any fish eaten or given away that day. When you are fishing at any lake or stream, you may not have in your possession more fish than the limit, or fish other than those of legal size, listed for the lake or stream being fished.

Provincewide Maximum Possession – All fish kept from any lake or stream, from any Watershed Unit, count as part of the Maximum Possession that must not be exceeded. An angler may never possess more fish from a specific lake or stream than the Daily Catch Limit, but may possess a cumulative total of Daily Catch Limits of fish from different lakes or streams up to the allowed Maximum Possession limit for each species.

The Maximum Possession of fish you may have, including fish at your permanent residence, for each game fish species or group of species, including fish caught under a Special Harvest Licence, is listed below:

Fish Species	Maximum Possession Limit
Trout (combined)	5 in total, combined of:
Bull Trout	0 (native to Alberta)
Northern Dolly Varden	2 (historically stocked in Chester Lake)
Golden Trout	1
Lake Trout	3
Cutthroat Trout	5
Rainbow Trout	5
Brown Trout	5
Brook Trout	5
Tiger Trout	5
Arctic Grayling	0
Mountain Whitefish	5
Walleye & Sauger (in combination)	3
Walleye	3; or no more than 12 when harvested under authority of Special Harvest Licences when combined with any other licence
Northern Pike	3
Yellow Perch	15
Lake Whitefish & Cisco (Tullibee)	10 combined
Goldeye & Mooneye	10 combined
Burbot (Ling)	10
Lake Sturgeon	0
Non-game fish	No limit (includes sucker species)

NOTE: Limits and size restrictions at specific lakes and streams are listed in regulation tables for each Watershed Unit starting on page 30.

Eastern Irrigation District PUBLIC ACCESS



The Eastern Irrigation District (EID) manages its land with a multi-use concept. Public recreational access is generally permitted on EID owned community pastures but individuals wishing to access these lands must follow the conditions below:

- If fishing, individuals must do so during the legal recreational season and be in possession of the appropriate recreational fishing license
- Automobiles must stay on designated routes or established trails
- All watercraft must be registered with EID's Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Program and follow approved prevention procedures
- Ice fishing shelters must be removed from EID land by May 1st of every year
- No off-highway vehicles, camping, or fires
- Do not disturb livestock
- Leave gates as found
- **Obey all signs, certain areas have added restrictions**

Access to these private lands is a privilege not a right, please use respect.

The EID has 13 reservoirs and over 4,000 km of canals, pipelines and drainage ditches which could be severely impacted by the introduction of invasive mussels.

Please clean, drain and dry your watercraft.



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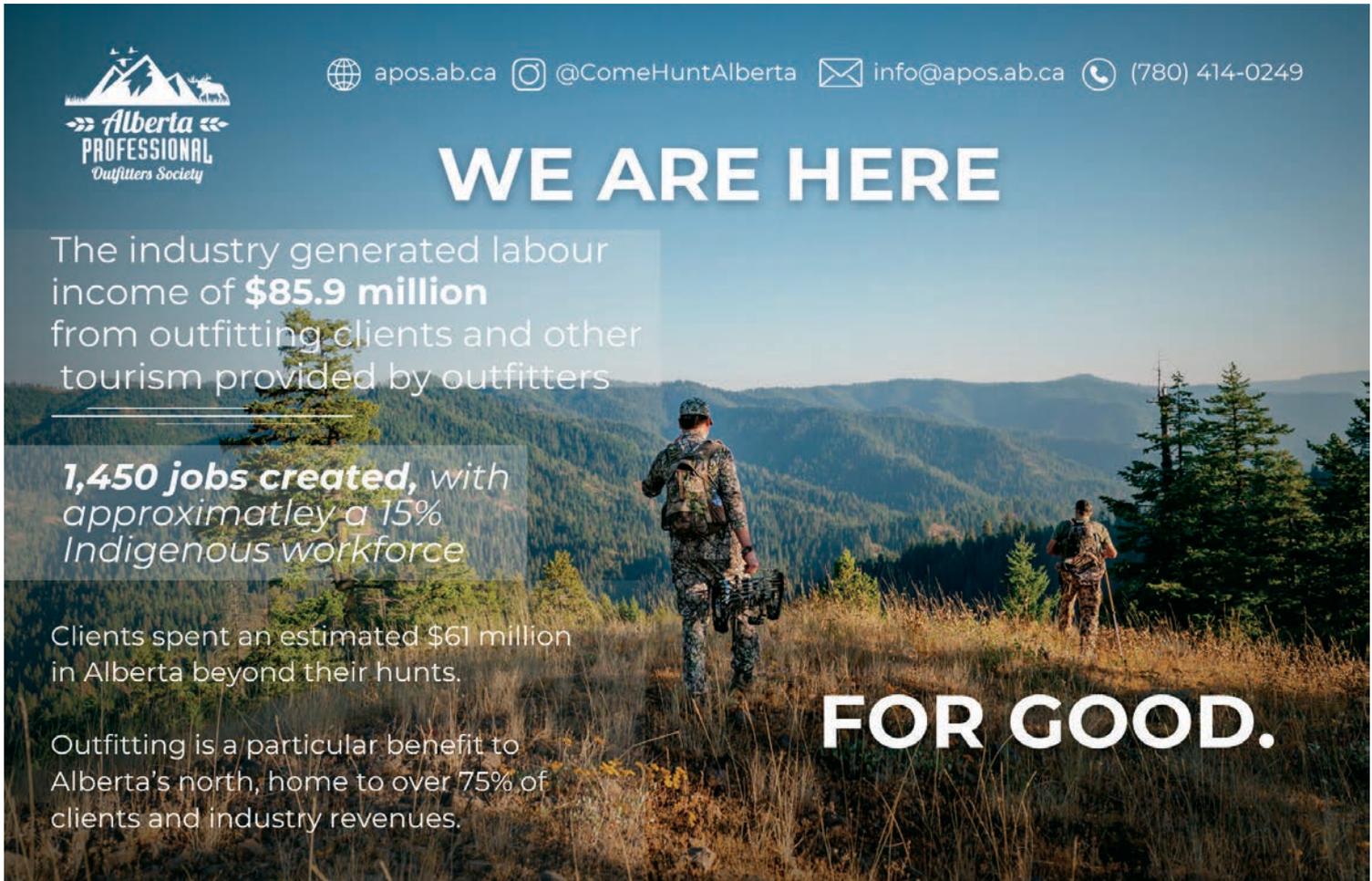
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Sportfishing Seasons

Check for dates of open and closed seasons under each Watershed Unit of the Fish Management Zones starting on Page 30.

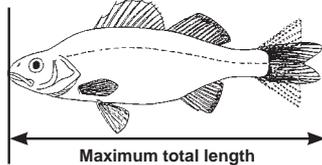
Tributaries and Beaver Ponds

- Tributaries to a lake have the same regulations as the outlet stream from the lake, unless stated differently in site specific regulations.
- Stream regulations do not apply to a lake or reservoir unless stated differently in site specific regulations.
- The same regulations apply to beaver ponds as apply to the streams in which the ponds are found.
- **Ice fishing: Angling is not permitted through the ice; a) into beaver ponds or b) into flowing waters in ES1 to ES4 management zones except the portion of the Lobstick River lying in 53, 54-9, 10-W5.**

Measuring Fish Length

Maximum Total Length – the maximum total length of a fish is measured from the tip of the nose or jaw to the tip of the tail or caudal fin with the tail pinched.

NOTE: Anglers should only measure fish to determine if the fish is of legal-size. It is best to immediately release fish that are close to legal length rather than subjecting the fish to extra handling time. The length of the fish is measured without including the curvature of the body. Lay the fish on a flat surface on top of the measuring device. If you lay the measuring device overtop of the curvature of the body, you will get an inaccurate measurement. It's a good idea to have a fish measuring board.



Releasing Fish

You must immediately release every fish that cannot be legally kept because of species, catch limit, size limit or other regulation, without exception, even if the fish is injured or dead. When the fish is alive, you must release it in a manner that causes the least harm to the fish. Examples of fish that must be released:

- A species for which the limit is 0.
- A fish smaller than the minimum-size limit.
- A fish larger than the maximum-size limit.
- A fish the size of which is protected by a slot-size limit.
- A fish caught after you have already kept your limit.

Tips on Releasing Fish and Reducing Mortality

If a fish is handled carefully and gently, it will have an excellent chance of survival. The most important factors related to post-release mortality rates are warm water, depth of water, air exposure, and swallowed hooks penetrating gills, throat and stomach regions.

Fish caught on baited hooks are more likely to be deeply hooked in the gills or stomach, which increases hooking mortality and the time needed to release the fish. As a result, bait restrictions are used in some waters to improve the survival of released fish. Still fishing with bait or slowly drifting flies can also increase the chance of deep hooking.

Anglers are encouraged to use unbaited lures whenever possible, as fish are more likely to be hooked in the mouth or lip, improving their chances of survival. Post release hooking mortality can be reduced by:

- Fishing during cooler times of the day and in shallower water.
- Keep tight lines and set the hook immediately to reduce the occurrence of deeply hooked fish
- Retrieve your catch quickly.
- Release fish immediately (with care).
- Avoid squeezing the fish.
- Keep your fingers out of the gills and eyes.
- Keep the fish in the water.
- Remove the hook carefully.
- Leave deeply swallowed hooks in the fish (side-cutters can be used to cut the hook instead of the line).
- Help revive the fish by holding it in the water.
- Do not fizz – it reduces survival of released fish.
- Fish for walleye and yellow perch in relatively shallow water.

These species have a reduced chance of survival if they are caught from deep water (>6 m or 20 feet)

For more information, visit MyWildAlberta and search Fish Handling Techniques.

Never Cull Fish

"Culling" is staying within the catch limit for a species by releasing fish from a stringer, live well or other holding device when another more desirable (for example, larger) fish is caught. Fish that have been held on a stringer, live well or other holding device usually die if released because of stress and damage to their gills, fins and scales. Culling is unlawful if the practice occurs beyond a person's legal possession limit.

Fishing with Bait

Bait includes, but is not restricted to: corn, cheese, marshmallows, meat, maggots, meal worms, earthworms, wax worms, gammarus shrimp, leeches, terrestrial insects, the larvae, pupae or adults of aquatic insects (e.g., stonefly, mayfly, caddis fly), bait fish, parts of fish, fish eggs, scented baits, power baits and all additives that scent or flavour artificial baits and lures.

Bait Ban means only unscented lures may be used. In specific streams, only maggots may be used as bait during certain times of the year to allow anglers to fish for mountain whitefish with less impact on trout populations. In specific lakes, only maggots and mealworms may be used as bait to allow anglers to fish for perch and lake whitefish with less impact on pike populations.

A **Lure** is a spoon, plug, jig, fly or other such device made only of feathers, fibre, rubber, wood, metal, plastic or similar materials, and that does not attract fish by scent or flavour.

Bait Fish may be used in waters that do not have bait bans or bait fish restrictions. Where fishing with bait fish is not allowed other baits including smelts, herring, gammarus shrimp and dead fish eggs (e.g., preserved "salmon eggs") may be used.

An advertisement for "the fishin' hole" featuring a woman in a purple cap and orange jacket fishing. The text includes: "Visit our retail stores in Edmonton, Calgary, Saskatoon, & Winnipeg", "VISIT US ONLINE OR CALL TOLL FREE: thefishinhole.com | 1.800.661.6954", and "100% OWNED - SINCE 1975 CELEBRATING OVER 50 YEARS". There are also social media icons for Instagram, Facebook, and Twitter.

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Bait Fish means any of the following: suckers (family Catostomidae), sticklebacks (family Gasterosteidae), trout-perch (*Percopsis omiscomaycus*), Iowa darter (*Etheostoma exile*), minnows (family Cyprinidae), and the exceptions are that NO carp, goldfish and the western silvery minnow can be used as bait.

No person shall angle using any fish as bait, other than dead bait fish listed above, dead smelt, dead herring, dead shrimp, dead fish eggs or the skin, fins or eyes of game fish caught by angling.

Note: Smelts and herring are of the saltwater families Osmeridae and Clupeidae. Cisco also called tullibee or lake herring are of the family Coregonidae and use of the whole fish as bait is prohibited. As Cisco are classified as a game fish the skin, fins, or eyes of cisco legally caught by angling may be used as bait similar to other game fish. Fish (other than dead smelts, herring, gammarus shrimp and fish eggs) or crayfish purchased from pet stores cannot be used as bait.

Parts of Game Fish: Only the skin, fins, eyes and dead eggs of game fish may be used as bait, provided these fish were lawfully caught by angling. Skin, fins, eyes and dead eggs of game fish may be used where the use of bait fish is prohibited, but cannot be used where bait bans are in effect. All game fish kept must be counted in the daily catch limit, including any fish from which parts are used for bait.

Collecting Bait Fish

Catching bait fish (such as suckers) by angling, bowfishing or spearfishing is allowed from all waters open to fishing with these methods, even at waters where the collection of bait fish by other means is prohibited.

Anglers may collect their own bait fish by minnow trap, dip net and seine net, but these fish must not be sold or released live to waters other than waters from which they were taken. The commercial collection of bait fish requires a Commercial Bait Fishing Licence. The following regulations apply to the collection of bait fish for personal use as bait:

- **The collection of bait fish is not permitted in waters having a bait ban or restriction on the use of bait fish, and in some other specified waters** (see Fish Management Zone regulations Pages 30 to 92).
- The possession of live bait fish is prohibited. All bait fish kept must be killed immediately. Please do not kill more than needed because bait fish are important food for many sport fish.
- Fish other than bait fish must be immediately released unharmed; game fish such as yellow perch must not be kept.
- Seine net means a net the ends of which are brought together or hauled ashore. Examples include beach seine or a throwing net.
- Seine nets may not be larger than 3 m in length and 2 m in depth.
- Minnow traps may not have dimensions greater than 60 cm in length by 30 cm in width, depth or diameter.
- No more than 2 minnow traps may be used at one time.
- Minnow traps must be labeled with the operator's name, address and sportfishing licence number.
- **Crayfish cannot be used as bait. It is unlawful to possess live crayfish.**

REMEMBER

- It is illegal to use live bait fish or crayfish (live or dead) as bait.
- It is illegal to set out or use bait to attract fish unless the bait is attached to a hook used in angling.

- It is illegal to use scented lures or scented weights where bait bans are in effect.
- Discard live unused bait in its original packaging in a garbage receptacle.

Illegal Stocking of Fish

Alberta regulations prohibit the transfer of live game fish or live bait fish or crayfish from one waterbody to another. The placing of any live fish or fish eggs into any waters of the province other than those from which they were taken is prohibited.

Report anyone you observe relocating live fish or using live fish for bait to the nearest Fish and Wildlife Office, or call Report A Poacher toll-free, 1-800-642-3800. The fishery resource that you are protecting is your own.

Crayfish

When fishing for crayfish with a rod and reel (angling), a sportfishing licence is required and sportfishing regulations apply (for example no angling for crayfish when waters are closed to angling).

When fishing for crayfish using a dip net, seine net, trap or by hand, a sportfishing licence is not required and is permitted at any time of year.

The retention and transport of live crayfish is illegal. All retained crayfish must be immediately killed.

Use Caution on Ice

The following guidelines do not override your obligation to use caution and common sense when travelling on ice:

- Careful measurement of ice thickness is important – always test ice conditions. Never walk on ice that is less than 10 cm (4 in.) thick and do not drive on ice that is less than 30 cm (12 in.) thick.
- Beware of ice near the inlets or outlets of streams. Always be extra cautious of ice on rivers and streams. Ice can vary in thickness and in strength from area to area because of temperature, water current, springs, snow cover and time of year.

Use Caution on Ice continued on next page.



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- Do not drive fast, or follow closely behind or park near another vehicle on the ice.
- Ask someone who knows the area about ice conditions and places to avoid.
- Use caution and stay away from aeration sites. Anglers are encouraged not to fish near aerators for their safety and to prevent fishing lines from tangling in the units and damaging them.

REMEMBER

- **All ice fishing shelters that are on the ice for more than 24 hours must be labelled on the outside with 2.5 cm block letters or larger with WiN number or name and phone number.**
- **Ice fishing shelters must be removed from the ice by March 15 in PP1 and March 31 everywhere else, or when directed to do so by an officer.**
- **Angling is not permitted through the ice into beaver ponds or flowing waters in ES1, ES2, ES3 and ES4 Watershed Units, except the portion of the Lobstick River lying in 53, 54-9, 10-W5.**

Fish Consumption Advisory

Sportfishing is an important part of Canadian culture and can be a fun and healthy outdoor experience for people of all ages. Fish is an excellent source of lean protein, and provides essential nutrients like omega-3 fatty acids, zinc, iron, selenium and vitamins A, C and D. Despite the health benefits that are associated with eating fish, in some locations in Alberta, various species of fish may be exposed to mercury and other contaminants that when consumed in high levels can impact human health.

Methylmercury is the most toxic form of mercury. It is formed through natural biological processes in the water and sediment from other forms of mercury that are found in the environment. Contaminants accumulate in fat tissues and are persistent in fish, particularly in large predatory fish.

The Government of Alberta has been issuing and reviewing fish consumption advisories for fish caught from local waterbodies in Alberta since the 1990s. The Chief Medical Officer of Health in Alberta Health and Wellness is responsible for issuing food consumption advisories. Fish consumption advisories apply to local subsistence consumers, recreational anglers and residents who eat fish caught from these waterbodies. These advisories inform the public about any potential health hazards they may encounter when eating specific types of fish. The advisory helps local fish consumers make informed decisions about what is a safe amount of fish to eat. Search “Fish Consumption Advisory” on mywildalberta.ca for more information, or download the “Should I eat this fish” App to your cell phone.

Cleaning and Transporting Fish

Fish caught in Alberta:

- Fish cleaned for storage at other than your permanent residence, or for transport to your permanent residence must not be skinned, cut or packed in a manner that the species cannot be identified, the number of fish cannot be determined, and the total length of every fish subject to a size limit cannot be determined.
- Two pieces of fish that are of the same species are considered to be one fish.

Tips:

- Carry a cooler and ice for storing whole fish for transport to your permanent residence.
- Leave the head, tail and skin attached to fish subject to size limits for accurate length measurements. Internal organs and gills can be removed to preserve quality.
- Fish that are not subject to size limits may be filleted, but enough skin must be left on each fillet for species identification purposes.
- Never transport fish in a solid frozen block.

REMEMBER

- When cleaning fish away from your permanent residence, **DO NOT REMOVE** evidence of species and, if size limits apply, evidence of length as described above, unless the fish are to be consumed immediately.
- All retained fish and crayfish, including non-game fish, must be killed prior to being moved more than 5 metres from waters where they were caught.

Fish caught by someone else:

If you are transporting fish caught by someone else, you must have a bill of lading signed by the angler who harvested the fish. This letter must provide the following information:

- The sportfishing licence number, name and signature of the individual who harvested the fish,
- The number and species of the fish,
- The location from which you started and the location to which you are traveling, and
- The date on which the fish are being transported.

Fish caught outside of Alberta:

When traveling within Alberta and transporting fish that were taken elsewhere, you must be able to support your claim that those fish were caught outside of Alberta.

Gill Nets

Anglers should be aware that while angling you may encounter gill nets in some Alberta lakes.

Gill nets can be lawfully set by licenced users (e.g. First Nations people, Métis harvesters and researchers). All nets must be visibly marked at each end with a one (1) metre stake or spar buoy bearing the applicable licence number. Anglers should respect these nets and keep a safe distance to prevent entanglement with the boat or angling gear.

If the nets are not marked, or the presence of a net seems suspicious, please call your local Fish and Wildlife Office (see Page 27) or the Report A Poacher line at 1-800-642-3800.

Buying and Selling Fish

The illegal trafficking of fish threatens our fish populations and is a serious offence. Report illegal activities (see Report A Poacher on Page 10).

Unless authorized by licence, fish caught by any means cannot be sold, bought, traded or bartered.

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Spearfishing / Bowfishing

A special licence for spearfishing or bowfishing is not required. Spearfishing and bowfishing is allowed under the Alberta Sportfishing Licence.

- Only spears propelled by spring, elastic, compressed gas or muscular power are permitted.
- Only persons who are swimming may spearfish.
- Spears or bows cannot be used to harvest trout, mountain whitefish, Arctic grayling, lake sturgeon, walleye or northern pike.
- Spearfishing or bowfishing are not permitted in Gods, May, Seibert, Winefred, Andrew, Gardiner and Namur lakes.

Gaff and Gaff Hooks

Gaff or a gaff hook are illegal to possess while angling in Alberta.

Sportfishing in Provincial and National Parks

Alberta Sportfishing Regulations apply in Alberta Provincial Parks but not in Canada's National Parks. Separate regulations apply to those waters or the portion of waters within National Parks. To fish in a National Park, you need a National Park Fishing Permit which is valid only within the National Park. National Park fishing permits are available at most park facilities and some commercial outlets. General Inquiries for Parks Canada National office call 1-888-773-8888.

Fishing in a Wilderness Area or Ecological Reserve is prohibited by the Wilderness Areas, Ecological Reserves, Natural Areas and Heritage Rangelands Act.

Sportfishing in Cold Lake

Sportfishing in Cold Lake requires either an Alberta Sportfishing Licence, or a Saskatchewan Angling Licence. *The Alberta Fishery Regulations, 1998* apply to the Alberta portion of Cold Lake; while the Saskatchewan Regulations apply to the Saskatchewan portion of Cold Lake (Saskatchewan regulations are consistent with Alberta regulations for Cold Lake).

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Bear encounters can happen any time; anglers should be extra alert.

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To learn more about Alberta bears and how to be BearSmart, visit www.bearsmart.alberta.ca.

Access to Fishing Waters

Anglers are reminded that healthy fish populations, and our ability to access fishing areas, are contingent upon courtesy and responsible conduct on the lands around them. It is the angler's responsibility to know, understand, and abide by access conditions that apply when using and enjoying Alberta's lands.

Permission is always required before entering or crossing:

- Private land (from landowner)
- Indian reserves (from appropriate band council)
- Métis settlements (from appropriate Métis settlement association)
- Public land under agricultural or grazing lease (from leaseholder)

The website (<https://www.alberta.ca/public-land-recreation>) provides links to information for recreation on public land along with contact information. You can also call toll free 1-833-310-5869 or email EPA.Outreach-Services@gov.ab.ca for more information. While recreational 'foot' access is generally acceptable on public land, anglers should be aware that:

- Fishing in the critical habitats offered by Alberta's Wilderness and Ecological Areas is prohibited under the Wilderness, Areas, Ecological Reserves, Natural Areas and Heritage Rangelands Act.
- Off-highway vehicle (OHV) access is prohibited in most provincial parks and provincial recreation areas.
- Off-highway vehicle access may be limited or prohibited within counties, municipal districts or within special public land management areas such as Public Land Use Zones (PLUZ).
- Special conditions, such as extreme fire hazard, may warrant additional temporary access conditions.
- A Kananaskis Conservation Pass is required for any vehicles parked at provincial parks and public land sites in Kananaskis Country and the Bow Valley (alberta.ca/kananaskis-conservation-pass).
- A Public Lands Camping Pass is required year-round to random camp on public land along the Eastern Slopes of the Rocky Mountains. It is also needed on Agricultural Crown land within the pass area, with permission from the leaseholder. Visit alberta.ca/public-lands-camping-pass for more information.

Access to Crown Agricultural Lease Land

If you are looking to recreate on an agricultural lease, you must contact the leaseholder to discuss access prior to entering a lease. Leaseholders have a duty to allow reasonable recreational access to the land, as outlined in the Recreational Access regulation. As a steward, the leaseholder is held accountable for the land, including any damage caused by recreational activities so the leaseholder has the ability to deny access for certain activities. Grazing Allotments in the Rocky Mountain Forest Reserve, such as those found in the forested area of the foothills along the Eastern Slopes, are not affected by this legislation. Leaseholder's contact information can be found on the Recreational Access Mapping Tool (geospatial.alberta.ca/RecAccess).

Further Inquiries

Alberta Government / Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Services Offices

For further information about these regulations or other matters concerning fish or wildlife management, please contact the sources listed below. For toll-free access within Alberta to most Alberta Government offices, call 310-0000.

Alberta Government offices for these services

- Hunting, trapping and sportfishing regulations
- Licences: RFMA/Trapping, Salvage Fishing, Commercial Fishing, Special Fishing, Fur Dealers, Taxidermy, Tannery, Damage Control
- Found Dead Wildlife or Export Permit applications
- Registrations for Compulsory Furbearer Species and Big Game, fish or wildlife disease inquiries including freezer locations
- Wildlife or Fisheries Management inquiries

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	St Paul	780-645-6313
	Spruce Grove	780-960-8600
	Parkland-Prairie	Edmonton
Lethbridge		403-381-5322
Medicine Hat		403-529-3680
Red Deer		403-340-7052
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Report A Poacher: Report suspicious or illegal hunting and fishing activity, or dangerous wildlife encounters by phone or online 1-800-642-3800

310-LAND (5263): Report illegal activity, enforcement concerns and public safety issues on public land or in Provincial Parks.

Alberta Government Hunting and Fishing Branch:
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Sportfishing regulations: www.mywildalberta.com

Outreach Services:

1-877-944-0313, EPA.Outreach-Services@gov.ab.ca

Licencing and WiN card: AlbertaRELM Helpdesk,
1-888-944-5494 (0600 to midnight, 7 days a week),
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Legislation is available at Alberta King's Printer:
Edmonton, 10611-98 Avenue, 780-427-4952,
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National Parks-Parks Canada:

1-888-773-8888, www.pc.gc.ca

Environmental Hotline:

Environmental emergency or complaint,
1-800-222-6514

Respect Our Lakes program:
www.alberta.ca/respect-our-lakes.aspx



Public Safety and Emergency Services / Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Services Offices

- For non-urgent enforcement or problem wildlife matters see contact information below
- For hunting and fishing violations in progress or imminent public safety risk or significant property loss due to wildlife call **Report A Poacher line 1-800-642-3800**
- Fish and Wildlife Enforcement media requests 780-644-3009
- The first location listed in bold font is the **designated Unit Hub** office location responsible for the subsequent locations listed

Northwest Region	Grande Prairie , Grande Cache, Spirit River, Valleyview	780-538-5265
	High Prairie , Fox Creek, Slave Lake, Whitecourt	780-523-6526
	Peace River , Fairview, Fort Vermilion, High Level, Manning,	780-624-6405
	Rocky Mountain House , Drayton Valley, Edson, Evansburg, Hinton, Nordegg, Sunde	403-845-8300
Northeast Region	Athabasca, Cold Lake, Fort McMurray, Lac La Biche	780-675-8169
	Edmonton	780-644-7089
	Spruce Grove , Barrhead	780-960-8190
	Red Deer, Wetaskiwin	403-755-6150
	Smoky Lake, St. Paul ¹	780-656-3556
	Vegreville , Camrose, Ponoka ¹	780-632-5410
	Provost, Stettler, Vermilion ¹	780-753-2433

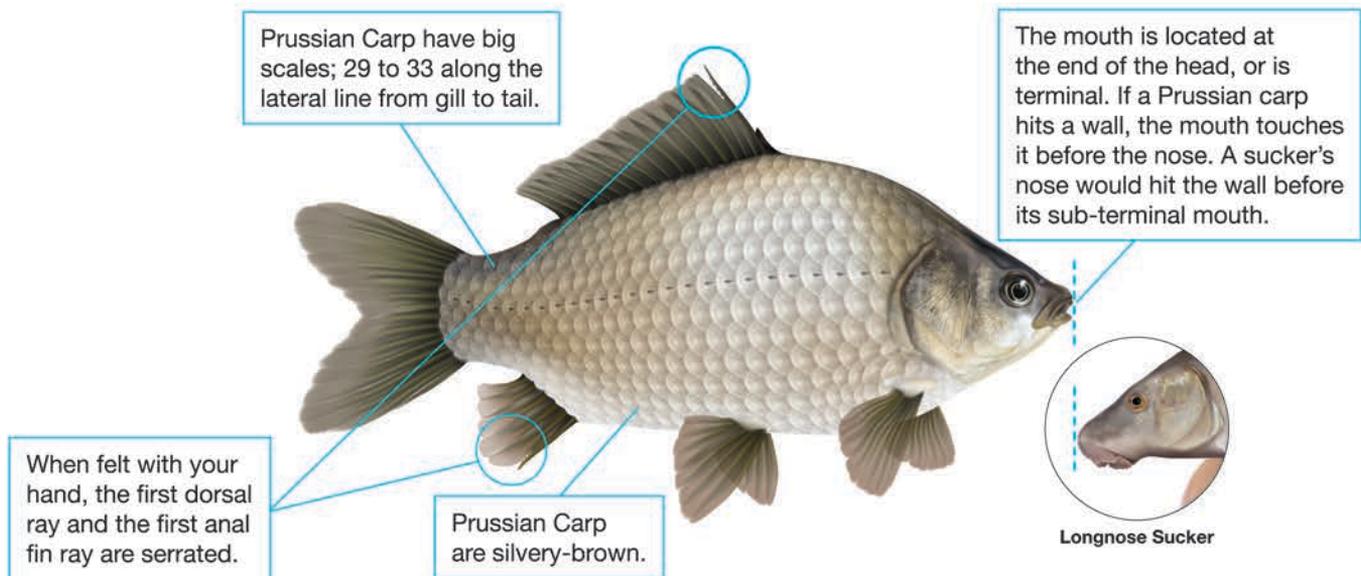
South Region	Calgary, Drumheller, Hanna, Strathmore	403-297-6423
	Cochrane, High River, Oyen	403-932-2388
	Lethbridge , Brooks, Cardston, Medicine Hat, Vulcan	403-381-5266
	Blairmore, Claresholm, Pincher Creek	403-562-3289

Footnotes:

¹ Part time offices – please contact for service hours.

Prussian Carp

Introduced Species Threatening Alberta



Prussian Carp has the potential to negatively impact the environment, economy and recreational fishing.

Angling for Prussian Carp? Know before you go:

- Fishing for Prussian Carp requires a valid fishing license.
- Prussian Carp have no size restrictions, daily catch limits, or possession limits.
- All other sportfishing regulations need to be followed (such as waterbody closures and bait bans).
- Confirm the identification of your catch using the features above before killing it. If you don't know, let it go.
- It is illegal to use Prussian Carp as live bait fish.
- Properly dispose of dead Prussian Carp or take them home to eat.

Possession of live Prussian Carp beyond 5 metres from the waters edge is illegal. Moving any live fish is a serious offence and may result in fines and/or jail time.

Report any potential illegal activities to the Report-A-Poacher Hotline at 1-800-642-3800.

If you suspect a Prussian Carp elsewhere, please report the sighting to the Aquatic Invasive Species Hotline at 1-855-336-2628. Take a photo that shows the entire body and fins clearly.

Fish Management Zones

Fish management boundaries are based on three ecosystem zones as follows: the Eastern Slopes, the Parkland-Prairie and the Northern Boreal. Each zone is divided into Watershed Units to expand on specific regulations established to meet waterbody and fish population needs.

ZONE 1 Eastern Slopes Zone on pages 30 to 53.

ZONE 2 Parkland-Prairie Zone on pages 54 to 67.

ZONE 3 Northern Boreal Zone on pages 68 to 92.



Maps

The maps in this Guide are designed as references to help you identify the location of Fish Management Zones and Watershed Units. The boundaries shown are in a small scale and cannot be considered legally exact. Because of the size of the guide, it is not possible to show complete detail for all lakes and streams. Greater detail can be obtained from access and topographic maps that are available from various map dealers throughout the province.

Watershed Boundaries

The boundary between Watershed Units is the height of land that divides the two watersheds, so that water on one side flows one direction and water on the other side flows a different direction. "Watershed Unit" means the area drained by a stream system, including tributaries, described and illustrated on maps in the following sections of this Guide. All lakes, reservoirs and ponds within each unit are included, whether or not they are directly connected to the stream system.

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ZONE 1 - Eastern Slopes

■ The Eastern Slopes consists of the mountains and foothills that form the “Eastern Slopes” along the Rocky Mountains from Montana to the Grande Prairie region. Throughout this zone, tributary creeks flow into larger streams and into major rivers. These watersheds support numerous trout and mountain whitefish populations, as well as Arctic grayling populations in the north.

The Eastern Slopes four Watershed Units are the Oldman and Bow rivers (ES1), the Red Deer and North Saskatchewan rivers (ES2), the Athabasca and Pembina rivers (ES3) and the Smoky River (ES4).

ES1 WATERSHED UNIT REGULATIONS

■ the Oldman River watershed upstream of Secondary Road 509 near Coalhurst and the Bow River watershed upstream of Highway 24 near Carseland.

BAIT FISHING

- Fishing with Bait in ES1 streams is **NOT** allowed.
- Fishing with Bait is allowed at lakes without bait bans. Check the ES1 regulation tables for site specific regulations.
- Fishing with Bait Fish is **NOT** allowed in ES1 except at the following waters: Payne (Mami) Lake, Lees Lake, and Ghost Reservoir.

Alberta Government may implement time of day angling restrictions in this watershed unit in response to low stream flows and warmer water temperatures. Know before you go and check for any advisories, corrections or closures online at My Wild Alberta – Advisories, Corrections and Closures

Ice fishing: Angling is not permitted through the ice; a) into beaver ponds or b) into flowing waters in ES1

Mainstem of a river: includes the mainstem channel and any side channel, oxbows, riparian flow channels, and plunge pools below spillways.

ES1 Default Sportfishing Regulations

- The names of most ES1 lakes and streams are listed alphabetically in the site specific regulation tables on the following pages.
- Smaller streams may not be listed, but may be included as tributaries to a listed larger stream.
- If a listed waterbody does not have a season listed, it is **CLOSED** to fishing during that period.
- If a ES1 lake, reservoir, river, stream or species is not listed, follow the default regulations below.
- A fish symbol (🐟) indicates a stocked waterbody with special trout regulations. Unless otherwise listed, regulations for other species follow the general regulations for stocked trout lakes on page 16 ; although species limits are shown for clarity, not all species may be present in each stocked lake.

LAKES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN all year • Bull Trout limit 0 • Arctic Grayling limit 0 • Trout limit 5 • Mountain Whitefish limit 5 over 30 cm • Walleye limit 3 over 50 cm • Pike limit 3 • Perch limit 15 • Lake Whitefish limit 10 • Burbot limit 10 • Bait except Bait Fish allowed 		
STREAMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN June 16 to Aug. 31 • Bull Trout limit 0 • Arctic Grayling limit 0 • Trout limit 2 • Cutthroat and Rainbow over 35 cm • Mountain Whitefish limit 5 over 30 cm • Walleye limit 3 over 50 cm • Northern Pike limit 3 • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Lake Whitefish limit 10 • Burbot limit 10 • Bait Ban 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN Sept. 1 to Oct. 31 • Bull Trout limit 0 • Arctic Grayling limit 0 • Trout and Mountain Whitefish limit 0 • Walleye limit 3 over 50 cm • Northern Pike limit 3 • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Lake Whitefish limit 10 • Burbot limit 10 • Bait Ban 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLOSED Nov. 1 to June 15

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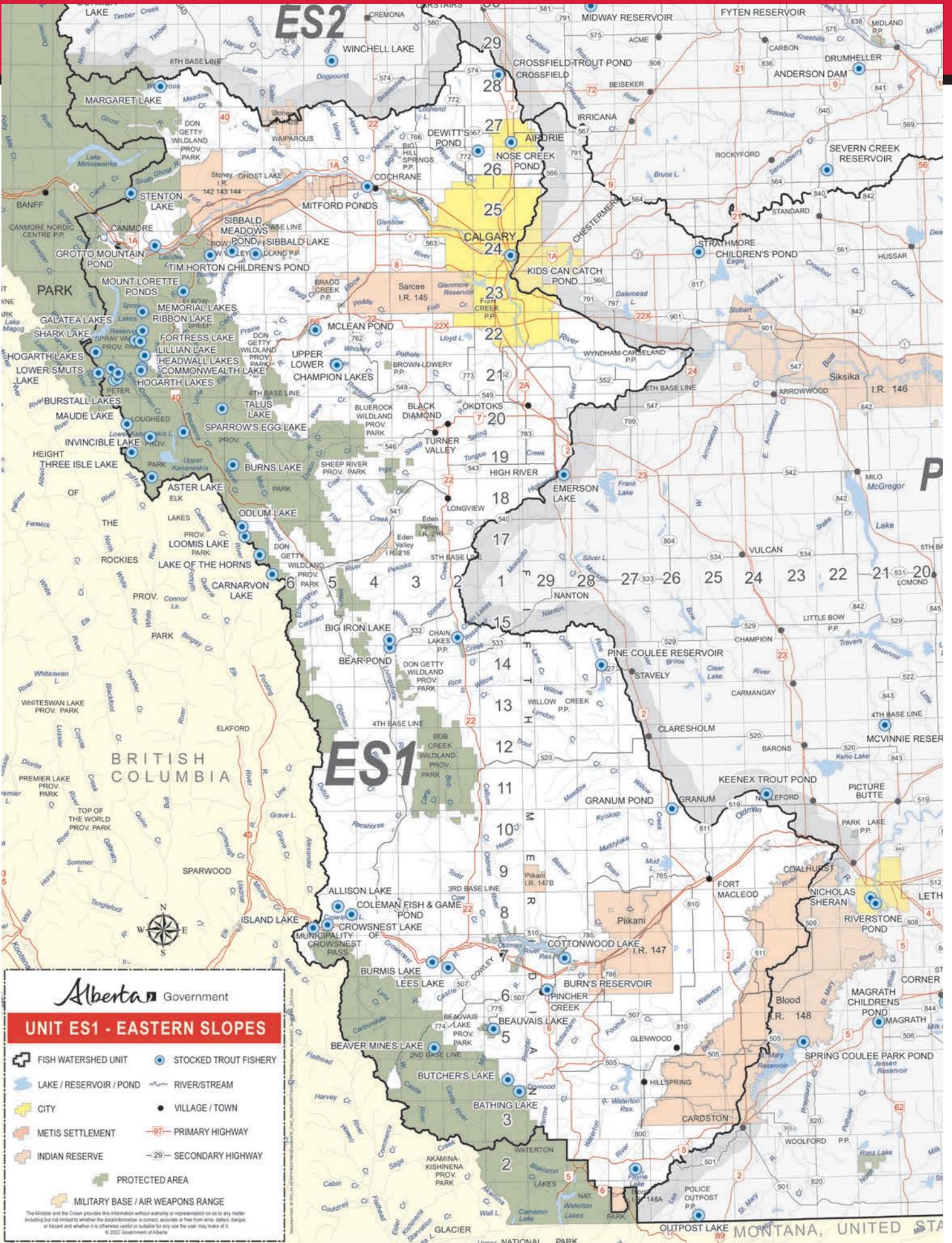
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ES1

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UNIT ES1 - EASTERN SLOPES

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Legend: As examples, '3 over 63 cm' indicates a possession and size limit of 3 fish each over 63 cm or '10 fish' indicates a possession limit of 10 for that species of any size. An empty cell indicates the species is not likely present at that waterbody; however, if caught the default regulations for the Watershed Unit apply - unless the waterbody is stocked, in which case provincial put and take stocked lake regulations apply (see p. 16). SHL=Special Harvest Licence, BKTR = Brook Trout, BNTR=Brown Trout, BURB = Burbot, CISC = Cisco, CTTR = Cutthroat Trout, DLVR = Dolly Varden, GOLD = Goldeye, LKTR = Lake Trout, LKWH = Lake Whitefish, MNWH = Mountain Whitefish, NRPK = Northern Pike, RNTR = Rainbow Trout, SAUG = Sauger, TGTR = Tiger Trout, WALL = Walleye, YLPR = Yellow Perch. Regulation changes are highlighted blue. Waterbodies closed to angling are highlighted grey.

ES1 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait except Bait fish allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKTR	MNWH	RNTR	CTTR	BKTR	DLVR	Trout Total
Aster Lake	5-19-9-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Barnaby Lake	32-4-3-W5	OPEN JULY 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										1 trout over 40 cm
Bear Pond	Tributaries and outlet	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Bear Pond	36-14-4-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							1 trout over 30 cm; 0 ARGR
Bears paw Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●				3 fish	5 over 30 cm					Other trout limit 1 under 35 cm
Big Iron Lake	1-15-4-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							1 trout over 30 cm; 0 ARGR
Blairmore Water Supply (Unnamed) Reservoir	34-7-4-W5	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Burns Lake	17-19-7-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Burstall Lakes	All lakes; 16-21-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Carburn Park Pond	NE-23-23-1-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban										
Camarvon Lake	30-16-6-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Chester Lake	26-21-10-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN JULY 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban							2 fish under 30 cm			2 trout
Commonwealth Lake	Birdwood Lake; 29-21-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Crowsnest Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish	3 fish	5 over 30 cm					5 trout
East Scarpe Lake	Tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban					5 over 30 cm			2 fish		Other trout 0
Emerald (Hart) Lake	Tributaries	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban					0 fish					0 trout
Fortress Lake	13-3-3-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Emerald (Hart) Lake	SE-8-8-5-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●				3 fish	3 over 30 cm					5 trout
Fortress Lake	6-22-9-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Galatea Lakes	Upper and lower; 13-22-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Gap Lake	SW 20-24-09-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban					5 over 30 cm			2 fish		Other trout 0
Ghost Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait and bait fish allowed					5 over 30 cm					5 trout; 0 CTTR
Glenmore Reservoir		OPEN MAY 1 TO OCT. 31	●		3 fish	15 fish		5 over 30 cm					5 trout
Headwall Lakes	Upper and lower; 19,30-21-9-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Hogarth Lakes	Upper, middle, lower; 21-21-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							1 trout over 40 cm
Invincible Lake	5-20-9-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Kids Can Catch Pond	13-24-1-W5	OPEN MAY 1 TO SEPT. 30	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							0 trout
Lake Of The Horns	11-17-7-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Lillian Lake	13-22-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout

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Loomis Lake	21-17-7-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Lower Kananaskis Lake	35-19-9-W5; northwest bay-the portion north of a line drawn from the southernmost tip of the peninsula in NE 11-20-9-W5 due west to the point where the line intersects the shoreline of the lake (the northwest bay)	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Lys Lake	35-19-9-W5; the remainder of the lake	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish			over 50 cm				1 trout
Maude Lake	26-3-3-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Memorial Lakes	14-20-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Memorial Lakes	South, East and West; 6-23-9-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Mitford Ponds	SE 4-26-4-W5	OPEN APR. 1 TO NOV. 30	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							5 trout
Mount Lorette Ponds	19-23-8-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Mud Lake	22-21-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Odlum Lake	33-17-7-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Oldman Reservoir	The Crownest River downstream of the Cowley Bridge, the Castle River downstream of Hwy. 3, and the Oldman River downstream of Sec. Rd. 510. The boundaries are fixed regardless of water level fluctuations.	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban					5 over 30 cm					5 trout
Phillips Lake	18-8-5-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Picklejar Lakes	All lakes; 16, 17-18-6-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN JULY 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										0 trout
Pine Coulee Reservoir		OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							1 trout over 50 cm
Quarry Lake	29-24-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban										1 trout over 50 cm; 0 ARGR
Rainy Ridge Lake	32-3-3-W5	OPEN JULY 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										1 trout over 40 cm
Rawson Lake	Tributaries and outlet	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Ribbon Lake	11-19-9-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN JULY 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							0 trout
Rummel Lake	19-22-9-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Running Rain Lake	3-22-10-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN JULY 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										1 trout over 40 cm
Shark Lake	7-18-7-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban										2 under 30 cm
Smuts Lakes	NW-1-22-11-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Southfork Lake	Upper and lower; 24-21-11-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							1 trout over 40 cm
Sparrow's Egg Lake	29-4-3-W5	OPEN JULY 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										1 trout over 40 cm
	Tributaries and outlet	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
	6-20-8-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN JULY 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							1 trout over 50 cm

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Spray Lakes Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●				3 fish	5 over 30 cm					5 trout (includes 3 LKTR)
	Tributaries	OPEN JULY 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban					5 over 30 cm	over 35 cm	over 35 cm			2 trout
	Tributaries	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban					0 fish					0 trout
Stenton Lake 	35-25-10-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							1 trout over 40 cm
Sunken Lakes 	Champion Lakes; Upper and lower; 26-21-5-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							1 trout over 40 cm
Talus Lake 	25-20-8-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Three Isle Lake 	23-19-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Tombstone Lakes	Upper and lower; 13-20-8-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Upper Kananaskis Lake 	The portion of the lake within 100m of Rawson Creek inlet	OPEN JULY 16 TO MAY 31	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish		over 50 cm	over 50 cm	over 50 cm			1 trout
Watridge Lake 	11-22-11-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN JULY 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish			over 50 cm	over 50 cm			1 trout
Wedge Pond	14-22-9-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban										1 trout over 50 cm; 0 ARGR
Window Mountain Lake	29-9-5-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout

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Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait	WALL	NRPK	BURB	MNWH	RNTR	CTTR	BKTR	BNTR	Trout Total
Beaver Creek		OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm					0 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
Belly River	Mainstem upstream of Sec. Rd. 800 and tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
		CLOSED SEPT. 1 TO JUNE 15										
	Mainstem and tributaries; downstream of Sec. Rd. 800	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm	over 35 cm	over 35 cm			2 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm					0 trout
Boulton Creek	Includes tributaries	OPEN JULY 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
Bow River	Banff National Park downstream to Bassano Dam including Reservoir	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish					0 trout
Canmore Creek	Includes tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 TO SEPT. 30	Bait ban							2 fish		Other trout 0

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Jumpingpound Creek	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm			2 fish		Other trout 0
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish			2 fish		Other trout 0
Kananaskis River	Headwater downstream to Hwy. 1 including tributaries except Smith-Dorrien Creek	OPEN APR. 1 TO JUNE 15	Bait ban				0 fish			2 fish		Other trout 0
		OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm	0 fish	0 fish			Other trout 2
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish			2 fish		Other trout 0
Livingstone River	Headwater downstream to Hwy. 1 including tributaries except Smith-Dorrien Creek	OPEN APR. 1 TO JUNE 15	Bait ban				0 fish			2 fish		Other trout 0
	Mainstem from Hwy. 1 downstream to Bow River	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm			2 fish		Other trout 0
	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
Mill Creek	Including Gladstone and Whitney creeks	CLOSED SEPT. 1 TO JUNE 15										
	Includes tributaries including Gladstone and Whitney creeks	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban				0 fish			2 fish		Other trout 0
Oldman River	Tributaries of Oldman River from headwater downstream to Sec. Rd. 510 excluding Livingstone River and Hidden Creek	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm					0 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
	Mainstem - headwater downstream to Racehorse Creek	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm					0 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
	Mainstem - Racehorse Creek downstream to Hwy. 22	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
	Mainstem - Hwy. 22 downstream to Sec. Rd. 510	OPEN APR. 1 TO JUNE 15	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm	over 35 cm	over 35 cm			2 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm					0 trout
	Mainstem downstream from Sec. Rd. 510 - see Oldman Reservoir											
	Oldman Reservoir dam downstream to Sec. Rd. 509	OPEN APR. 1 TO JUNE 15	Bait ban		3 fish		0 fish					0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban		3 fish		5 over 30 cm	over 35 cm	over 35 cm		over 40 cm	2 trout
		OPEN NOV. 1 TO MAR. 31	Bait ban		3 fish		0 fish					0 trout
Pincher Creek	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm					0 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
Policeman Creek	Includes tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 TO SEPT. 30	Bait ban							2 fish		Other trout 0

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Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait	WALL	NRPK	BURB	MNWH	RNTR	CTTR	BKTR	BNTR	Trout Total
Quirk Creek	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban									0 trout
Sheep River	Includes tributaries; Headwater downstream to the bridge at Indian Oils Day-use Site	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban									0 trout
	Bridge at Indian Oils Day-use Site downstream to Gorge Creek and tributaries (except Gorge Creek)	CLOSED ALL YEAR										
Silvester Creek	Mainstem and tributaries (except Threepoint Creek) - Gorge Creek downstream to Highwood River	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm					0 trout
	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban									0 trout
Smith-Dorrien Creek	Includes tributaries	CLOSED ALL YEAR										
South Castle River	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm					0 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
Storm Creek	Upstream of Mist Creek confluence; Includes tributaries (18-7-W5)	CLOSED ALL YEAR										
Threepoint Creek	Includes tributaries and Ware Creek	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31					5 over 30 cm					0 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31					0 fish					0 trout
Waiparous Creek	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm			2 fish		Other trout 0
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish			2 fish		Other trout 0
Waterton River	Tributaries upstream of Waterton Reservoir including Drywood Creek	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm	0 fish	0 fish	1 or 2 fish	1 or 2 fish, over 40 cm	2 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	1 or 2 fish	2 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
West Castle River	Mainstem and tributaries - downstream of Waterton Reservoir	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm	1 or 2, over 35 cm	1 or 2, over 35 cm	0 fish	0 fish	2 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm					0 trout
Willow Creek	Mainstem and tributaries upstream of Pine Coulee Reservoir Diversion Headpond.	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm	0 fish	0 fish	2 fish		2 trout
		OPEN MAY 8 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban			3 fish	5 over 30 cm	over 30 cm	over 30 cm			2 trout
West Castle River	Tributaries downstream of Pine Coulee Reservoir Diversion Headpond	OPEN NOV. 1 TO MAR. 15	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish		0 fish	0 fish	0 fish			0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban									0 trout

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ES2 WATERSHED UNIT REGULATIONS

■ The Red Deer River watershed upstream of the Dickson Dam west of Innisfail and the North Saskatchewan River watershed upstream of Highway 22/39 near Drayton Valley.

BAIT FISHING

- Fishing with bait in ES2 streams is **NOT** allowed.
- Fishing with Bait is allowed at lakes without Bait Bans. Check the ES2 regulation tables for site specific regulations.
- Fishing with Bait Fish is **NOT** allowed in ES2 except at the following waterbodies: Burnstick Lake, Brazeau Canal, Cow Lake, Jackfish Lake and Glennifer (Reservoir) Lake.

Alberta Fish and Wildlife may announce short-term emergency stream closures in response to low stream flows and warmer water temperatures. Sportfishing would be suspended and fishing not allowed for the duration of the emergency period.

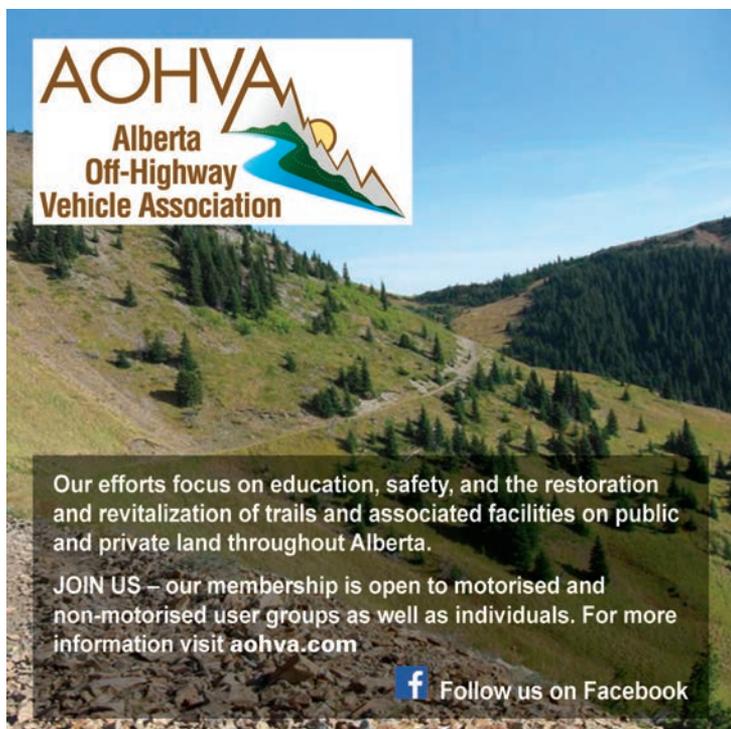
Ice fishing: Angling is not permitted through the ice; a) into beaver ponds or b) into flowing waters in ES2

Mainstem of a river: includes the mainstem channel and any side channel, oxbows, riparian flow channels, and plunge pools below spillways.

ES2 Default Sportfishing Regulations

- The names of most ES2 lakes and streams are listed alphabetically in the site specific regulation tables on the following pages.
- Smaller streams may not be listed, but may be included as tributaries to a listed larger stream.
- If a listed waterbody does not have a season listed, it is **CLOSED** to fishing during that period.
- If a ES2 lake, reservoir, river, stream or species is not listed, follow the default regulations below.
- A fish symbol (→) indicates a stocked waterbody with special trout regulations. Unless otherwise listed, regulations for other species follow the general regulations for stocked trout lakes on page 16; although species limits are shown for clarity, not all species may be present in each stocked lake.

LAKES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN all year • Bull Trout limit 0 • Arctic Grayling limit 0 • Trout limit 5 • Walleye limit 3 over 50 cm • Northern Pike limit 3 • Perch limit 15 • Mountain Whitefish limit 5 over 30 cm • Burbot limit 10 • Bait except bait fish allowed 		
STREAMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN Apr. 1 to Aug. 31 • Bull Trout limit 0 • Arctic Grayling limit 0 • Trout limit 2 • Cutthroat over 35 cm • Mountain Whitefish limit 5 over 30 cm • Walleye limit 3 over 50 cm • Northern Pike limit 3 • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Burbot limit 10 • Bait Ban 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN Sept. 1 to Oct. 31 • Bull Trout limit 0 • Arctic Grayling limit 0 • Trout and Mountain Whitefish limit 0 • Walleye limit 3 over 50 cm • Northern Pike limit 3 • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Burbot limit 10 • Bait Ban 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLOSED Nov. 1 to Mar. 31



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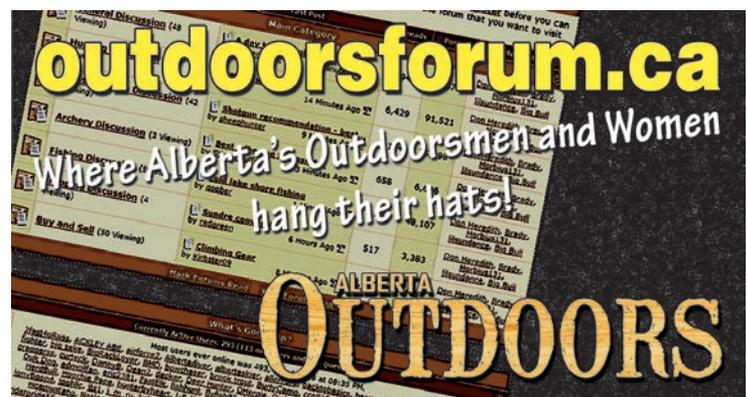
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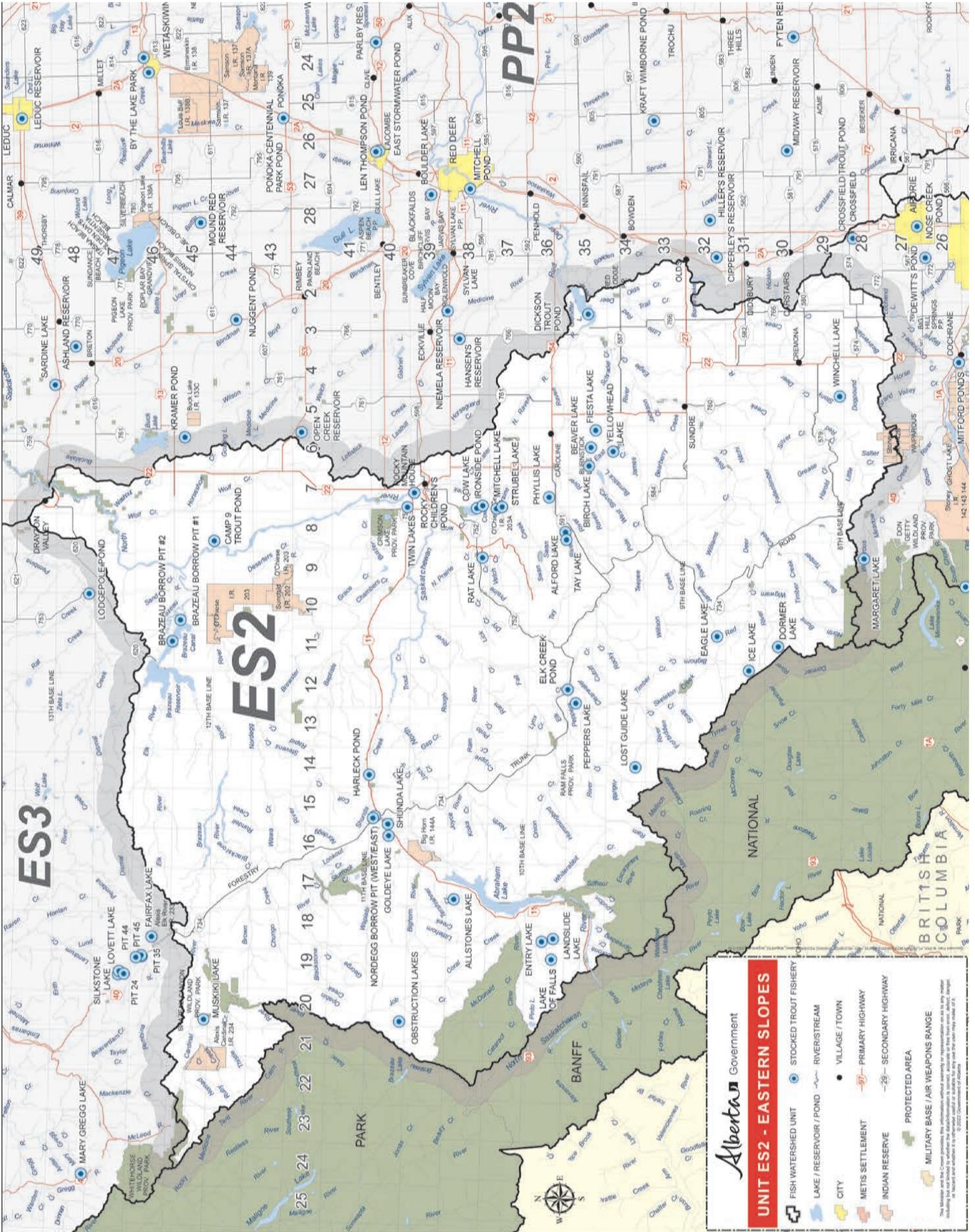
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ES2 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait except Bait fish allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	BURB	L.KTR	MNWH	RNTR	BNTR	CTR	Trout Total
Abraham Lake	36-37-18-W5; all waters within the area of the lake's high water level, includes downstream of Highway 11 (Clirne River) bridge and downstream of 2-18-36-17-W5 on the North Saskatchewan River	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban					3 fish	5 over 30 cm	over 30 cm		over 30 cm	5 trout
Allstones Lake 	30-38-17-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Beaver Lake 	16-35-6-W5	OPEN APR. 1 TO NOV. 30	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							0 trout
Birch Lake 	18-35-6-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish				1 fish			3 trout
Brazeau Canal	3-46-11-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait and bait fish allowed	3 over 50 cm	3 fish								
Brazeau Reservoir	12-46-12-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish				5 over 30 cm				5 trout
Burnstick Lake	12-35-7-W5; Includes tributaries for 1 km upstream	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait and bait fish allowed	0 fish	1 over 63 cm	5 fish							5 trout
Coral Lake	21-38-20-W5	OPEN AUG. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										1 trout over 35 cm
Cow Lake 	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km 12-38-8-W5	CLOSED ALL YEAR OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait and bait fish allowed	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							5 trout
Dormer Lake 	21-30-11-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Eagle Lake 	11-32-11-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Entry Lake 	18-36-18-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Fiesta Lake 	12-35-6-W5	OPEN APR. 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							0 trout
Gap Lake 	5-39-13-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Gleniffer Lake	30-35-2-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait and bait fish allowed	1 fish	1 fish		10 fish		3 over 30 cm				2 trout
Ice Lake 	14-31-12-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Ironside Pond 	7-38-7-W5	OPEN APR. 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							0 trout
Jackfish Lake	6-41-11-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet for 1 km downstream	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait and bait fish allowed	0 fish	0 fish	5 fish							
Job (Wilson or Blue) Lake	20-39-20-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet for 1.5 km downstream	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Jumping Fish (Unnamed) Lake	And inlets, outlet and tributaries to outlet in NE 30 & SE 31-44-17-W5 (tributary to Brown Creek)	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Kinglet Lake 	35-35-18-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							0 trout
Lake Of Falls 	10-36-19-W5	OPEN JULY 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
	Tributaries and outlet for 1.5 km downstream	OPEN JULY 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban										2 trout

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Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait except bait fish allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	BURB	LKTR	MNWH	RNTR	BNTR	CTTR	Trout Total
Landslide Lake 	7-36-18-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Lost Guide Lake 	9-34-14-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Michele (Upper And Lower) Lakes	2,11-36-20-W5	OPEN AUG. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										1 trout over 35 cm
Muskiki Lake 	Tributaries	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Obstruction Lakes 	5-45-20-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish						1 fish over 40 cm	5 trout
Pinto Lake	6-40-20-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish							2 trout
Resolute Lake	25-36-21-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet for 1.5 km downstream	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Ruby Lake	13-35-19-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										0 trout
Siffleur Wilderness Area	22,27-44-22-W5	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										2 trout
Swan Lake	All water within the Wilderness Area	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
White Goat Wilderness Area	26-36-9-W5; for outlet regs see Swan Creek	OPEN JUNE 16 TO SEPT. 15	Bait ban		3 fish								1 trout
	All water within the Wilderness Area	OPEN NOV. 1 TO JAN. 15	Bait ban		3 fish								1 trout over 70 cm
		CLOSED ALL YEAR											

ES2 - Rivers, Creeks and Streams

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait	SAUG	WALL	NRPK	BURB	GOLD	MNWH	RNTR	CTTR	BNTR	Trout Total
Alford Creek	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban						5 over 30 cm				2 trout
Baptiste River	Mainstem only	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO MAR. 31	Bait ban						0 fish				0 trout
Bighorn River	Mainstem and tributaries upstream of Crescent Falls	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban		3 over 50 cm	3 fish			5 over 30 cm				2 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban								over 30 cm		2 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban						5 over 30 cm		over 35 cm		2 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban						0 fish				0 trout
Blackstone River	Mainstem and tributaries upstream of Mons Creek including Mons Creek	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
	Mainstem downstream of Mons Creek and tributaries (except Rundell Creek)	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban						0 fish		0 fish		0 trout

Brazeau River	Mainstem upstream of Forestry Trunk Road (bridge at 6-16-45-18-W5) and tributaries (except Cardinal River), outside of Jasper National Park	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm	over 30 cm	2 trout
	Mainstem downstream of the Forestry Trunk Road (bridge at 6-16-45-18-W5) to the Brazeau Reservoir	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish		0 trout
	Mainstem downstream of Brazeau Reservoir	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish		0 trout
Burnt Timber Creek	Mainstem and tributaries (except Pinto Creek)	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban							3 over 30 cm		2 trout
Cardinal River	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish		0 trout
Clear Creek	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm		2 trout
Clearwater River	Mainstem from the Banff National Park boundary downstream to Timber Creek	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO MAR. 31	Bait ban							0 fish		0 trout
	Tributaries from the Banff National Park boundary downstream to and including Timber Creek	CLOSED ALL YEAR										
	Mainstem from Timber Creek downstream to the Forestry Trunk Road (bridge at 5-35-09-W5) and tributaries (except Elk Creek)	OPEN APR. 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm		2 trout
	Mainstem from Forestry Trunk Road (bridge at 5-35-09-W5) downstream to the North Saskatchewan River	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish		0 trout
	Mainstem and tributaries downstream to the Highway 11 (Cline River) bridge except tributaries to Coral Lake, Pinto Lake, all water within the White Goat Wilderness Area and the outlet of Pinto Lake for 1.5 km downstream.	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm					3 fish	10 fish		2 trout
Cline River	4-45-16-W5; Tributary to Brazeau River	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm	over 30 cm	2 trout
Devil's Fork (Unnamed) Creek	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish	0 fish	0 trout
Dogpound Creek	Mainstem and tributaries	CLOSED ALL YEAR										
	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 TO JUNE 15	Bait ban							0 fish		0 trout
	Mainstem and tributaries; 33-35-12-W5	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm	over 40 cm	2 trout
	Mainstem and tributaries; Upstream of the falls at 11-31-37-11-W5	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish	0 fish	0 trout
Elk Creek	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish		0 trout
Fall Creek	Mainstem and tributaries downstream of the falls at 11-31-37-11-W5	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban									0 trout
Fallenlimber Creek	Mainstem and tributaries	CLOSED ALL YEAR										
James River	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban							3 over 30 cm	0 fish	2 trout
Little Red Deer River	Headwater downstream to Twp. Rd. 352 (Cottonwood Road) and tributaries except Dogpound Creek. See PP2 for Little Red Deer River downstream of Twp. Rd. 352.	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish					3 fish	3 over 30 cm		2 trout
Lynx Creek	Mainstem and Tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish		0 trout
Nordegg River	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban									0 trout
North Ram River	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish					0 fish	0 fish		0 trout
North Raven River	STAUFFER CREEK; Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban									0 trout
		OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban						3 fish	0 fish		0 trout

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ES2 - Rivers, Creeks and Streams

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait	SAUG	WALL	NRPK	BURB	GOLD	MNWH	RNTR	CTTR	BNTR	Trout Total
North Saskatchewan River	Mainstem and tributaries from Banff National Park boundary downstream to Abraham Lake (2-18-36-17-W5) and tributaries including tributaries to Abraham Lake, except Cline River and Siffleur River	OPEN APR. 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban						5 over 30 cm	Over 30 cm	Over 30 cm		2 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban						0 fish				0 trout
		APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	3 over 50 cm	3 fish	10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm	Over 35 cm	Over 35 cm		2 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	3 over 50 cm	3 fish	10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm	Over 35 cm	Over 35 cm		2 trout
	Mainstem from Bighorn Dam downstream to Hwy 22/39	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	3 over 50 cm	3 fish	10 fish	10 fish	0 fish				0 trout
		CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Pinto Creek	35-29-10-W5; Tributary to North Burnt Timber Creek; Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban			3 fish			5 over 30 cm				2 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban			3 fish			0 fish				0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban			3 fish			0 fish				0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban			3 over 50 cm	3 fish		0 fish				0 trout
Prairie Creek	Mainstem upstream of the North Fork Road and all tributaries (except Swan Creek and tributaries between Vetch and Swan Creek)	OPEN APR. 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban										
		OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										
Ram River	The portion of the mainstem and tributaries between Vetch and Swan Creeks	OPEN APR. 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban										
Raven River	The remainder of the mainstem downstream of the North Fork Road (except the portion between Vetch and Swan Creeks)	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban		3 over 50 cm	3 fish			0 fish				0 trout
Raven Brood Trout Station	Also known as South Ram River; Mainstem and tributaries (except Fall Creek)	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban						0 fish				0 trout
Raven River	SW-5-36-5-W5; All water within	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Red Deer River	Mainstem and tributaries except North Raven River (Stauffer Creek)	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban		0 fish	3 fish			3 over 30 cm				0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish		0 fish				0 trout
Rundell Creek	Mainstem and tributaries from Banff National Park boundary downstream to the Forestry Trunk Road (13-31-10-W5)	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban		0 fish	3 fish	10 fish		3 over 30 cm				2 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										
Siffleur River	27-44-15-W5; Mainstem and tributaries	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Siffleur Wilderness Area	Mainstem and tributaries downstream from Banff National Park boundary	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Swan Creek	All water within the Wilderness Area	OPEN APR. 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban						5 over 30 cm				2 trout
		APR. 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban						5 over 30 cm				2 trout
Tay River	Mainstem and tributaries	SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban						0 fish				0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 TO AUG. 31 CLOSED SEPT. 1 TO MAR. 31	Bait ban						5 over 30 cm				2 trout

Washout Creek	24-47-8-W5; Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	5 over 30 cm	2 trout
White Goat Wilderness Area	All water within the Wilderness Area	CLOSED ALL YEAR				
Wolf Creek	13-47-8-W5; Rose Creek; Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	5 over 30 cm	2 trout

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ES3 WATERSHED UNIT REGULATIONS

■ The Athabasca River watershed upstream of Secondary Road 658 near Whitecourt, and the Pembina River watershed upstream of Highway 43 near Sangudo.

BAIT FISHING

- Fishing with Bait in ES3 streams is restricted. Check the ES3 site specific regulations and default regulations for details.
- Fishing with Bait is allowed at lakes without Bait Bans. Check the ES3 regulation tables for site specific regulations.

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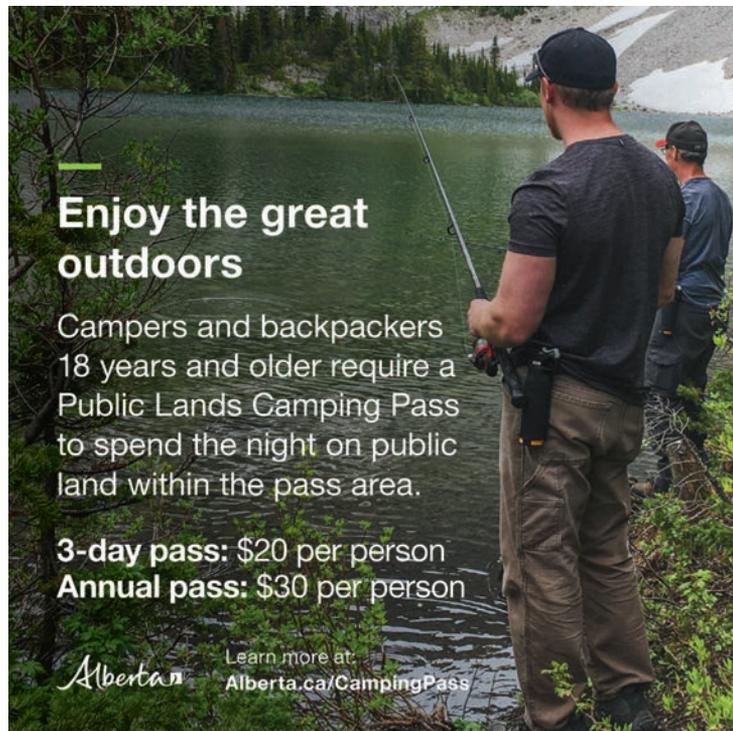
Ice fishing: Angling is not permitted through the ice; a) into beaver ponds or b) into flowing waters in ES3 except the portion of the Lobstick River lying in 53, 54-9, 10-W5 (Open June 16 to Oct. 31)

Mainstem of a river: includes the mainstem channel and any side channel, oxbows, riparian flow channels, and plunge pools below spillways.

ES3 Default Sportfishing Regulations

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STREAMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN June 16 to Aug. 31 • Athabasca Rainbow and Bull Trout limit 0 • Arctic Grayling limit 0 • Other Trout limit 2 • Mountain Whitefish limit 5 over 30 cm • Walleye limit 3 over 50 cm • Northern Pike limit 3 over 63 cm • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Lake Whitefish limit 10 • Burbot limit 10 • Bait Ban 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN Sept. 1 to Oct. 31 • Athabasca Rainbow and Bull Trout limit 0 • Other Trout, Arctic Grayling and Mountain Whitefish limit 0 • Walleye limit 3 over 50 cm • Northern Pike limit 3 over 63 cm • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Lake Whitefish limit 10 • Burbot limit 10 • Bait Ban 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLOSED Nov. 1 to June 15



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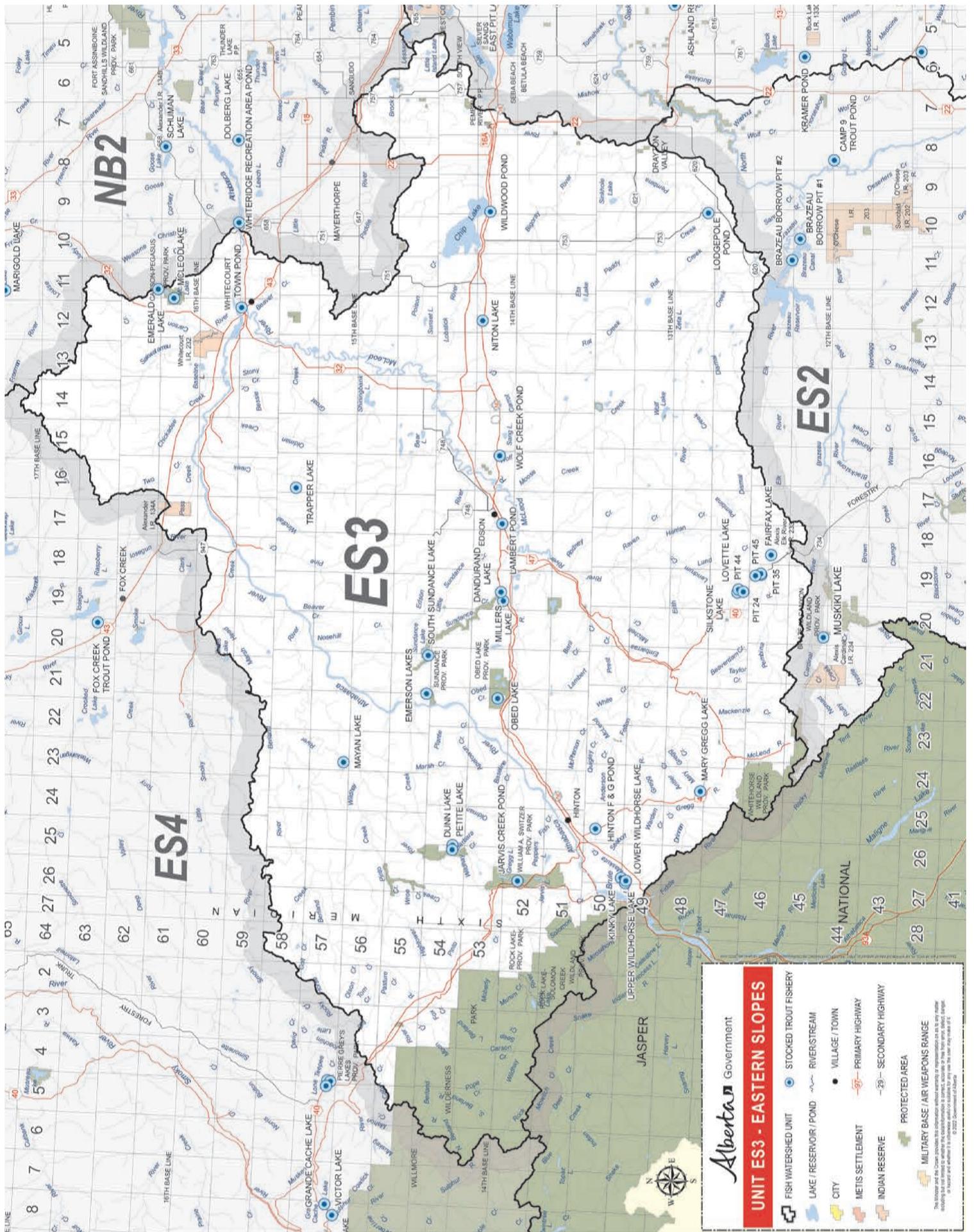
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ES3 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	LKTR	RNTR	Trout Total
Bear Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	0 fish	1 over 63 cm	15 fish					
Blue Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed		0 fish	15 fish	10 fish				
Busby Lake	6-51-1-W6	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban								0 trout
Cache Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed		0 fish	15 fish	10 fish				
Chip Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed		3 fish			2 fish			
Embaras Pit Lakes	NW-25-47-21-W5	CLOSED ALL YEAR									
Fickle Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish				
Graveyard Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish				
Gregg Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	1 fish	0 fish		10 fish				
Horseshoe Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed		3 fish	15 fish					
Jarvis Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	1 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish				
Lac Des Roches	13-47-24-W5	CLOSED ALL YEAR									
Lodgepole (Unnamed) Pond	NE-01-48-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait allowed	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish					2 trout
Long Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	1 fish	3 over 63 cm	10, only 5 fish 25 cm or greater					
Lovett Lake	10-47-19-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish					1 trout over 40 cm
Millers Lake	8-53-19-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait allowed	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish					2 RNTR, TGTR 1 over 40 cm, BNTR 1 over 40 cm
Minnow Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish					
Mystery Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish					
Pit 24 Lake	24-48-26-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban								0 trout
Pit 35 Lake	15,16, NE4-47-19-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish					1 trout over 40 cm
Pit 44 Lake	24-46-19-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish					1 trout over 40 cm
Pit 45 Lake	SW 35-46-19-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish					1 trout over 40 cm
Rock Lake	24-46-19-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish					1 trout over 40 cm
Shiningbank Lake	52-2-W6	OPEN MAY 15 TO SEPT. 15	Bait ban		0 fish				3 over 50 cm	0 fish	
Silkstone Lake	Tributaries	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	5 fish	0 fish				
Sphinx (Unnamed) Lake	9-47-19-W5	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	5 fish				0 fish	
Sundance Lake	NE-6-48-24-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish					1 trout over 40 cm
Wolf Lake	SE-12-49-15-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait allowed		3 over 63 cm						
	Tributaries to lake and outlet	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	1 fish	1 over 63 cm	15 fish					
		OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	0 fish	1 over 63 cm	15 fish					

ES3 - Rivers, Creeks and Streams

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait	WALL	NRPK	BURB	GOLD	MNWH	RNTR	BKTR
Athabasca River	Upstream of Sec. Rd. 658 (near Whitecourt) to Jasper National Park Boundary mainstem river only (including Brule Lake)	OPEN APR. 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	5 over 30 cm	0 fish	2 fish
	Upstream of Sec. Rd. 658 (near Whitecourt) to Jasper National Park Boundary mainstem river only (including Brule Lake)	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	5 over 30 cm	0 fish	0 fish
Berland River	Mainstem only - downstream of Hwy 40	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm			5 over 30 cm	0 fish	
Bigoray River	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban					0 fish		0 fish
Deerlick Creek	Mainstem including tributaries	CLOSED ALL YEAR								
Dismal Creek	Mainstem including tributaries; See Pembina River	CLOSED ALL YEAR								
Embarras River	Mainstem including tributaries except Erith River	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban					0 fish	0 fish	0 fish
Eunice Creek	23-48-23-W5, includes tributaries	CLOSED ALL YEAR								
Gregg River	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban					0 fish	0 fish	0 fish
Lobstick River	Portion upstream of Chip Lake including tributaries to Chip Lake	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban		3 fish	2 fish				
Lobstick River	Portion downstream from Chip Lake to the Pembina River	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm		
Luscar Creek	Mainstem including tributaries	CLOSED ALL YEAR								
Mackenzie Creek	Mainstem including tributaries	CLOSED ALL YEAR								
McLeod River	Mainstem only; Headwater downstream to Hwy 47	OPEN APR. 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	10 fish		5 over 30 cm	0 fish	2 fish
	Mainstem only; Headwater downstream to Hwy 47	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	10 fish		5 over 30 cm	0 fish	0 fish
	Mainstem only; Hwy 47 downstream to the Athabasca River	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	10 fish		5 over 30 cm	0 fish	2 fish
Pembina River	Headwater downstream to Sec. Rd. 753 near Lodgepole, includes Dismal and Rat creeks and tributaries	CLOSED ALL YEAR								
	Mainstem only - downstream from Sec. Rd. 753 (near Lodgepole) to Hwy. 43 (near Sangudo)	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm		
Plante Creek	Mainstem including Apetowun Creek and tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban					0 fish	0 fish	0 fish
Rat Creek	Mainstem including tributaries; see Pembina River	CLOSED ALL YEAR								
Wampus Creek	Mainstem including tributaries	CLOSED ALL YEAR								
Wildhay River	Mainstem including tributaries and Jarvis Creek	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban		0 fish			0 fish	0 fish	0 fish
Windfall Creek	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban					0 fish	0 fish	0 fish

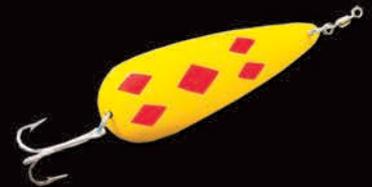
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ES4 WATERSHED UNIT REGULATIONS

■ The Smoky River watershed upstream of the 21st Base Line, and the Albright Creek watershed.

BAIT FISHING

- Fishing with Bait in ES4 streams is restricted. Check the ES4 regulation tables for site specific regulations.
- Fishing with Bait Fish in streams is **NOT** allowed except at portions of the Smoky and Little Smoky Rivers.
- Fishing with Bait including Bait Fish in lakes is allowed except at lakes listed with Bait Bans under the ES4 site specific regulations.

Alberta Fish and Wildlife may announce short-term emergency stream closures in response to low stream flows and warmer water temperatures. Sportfishing would be suspended and fishing not allowed for the duration of the emergency period.

Ice fishing: Angling is not permitted through the ice; a) into beaver ponds or b) into flowing waters in ES4

Mainstem of a river: includes the mainstem channel and any side channel, oxbows, riparian flow channels, and plunge pools below spillways.

ES4 Default Sportfishing Regulations

- The names of most ES4 lakes and streams are listed alphabetically in the site specific regulation tables on the following pages.
- Smaller streams may not be listed, but may be included as tributaries to a listed larger stream.
- If a listed waterbody does not have a season listed, it is CLOSED to fishing during that period.
- If a ES4 lake, reservoir, river, stream or species is not listed, follow the default regulations below.
- A fish symbol (🐟) indicates a stocked waterbody with special trout regulations. Unless otherwise listed, regulations for other species follow the general regulations for stocked trout lakes on page 16; although species limits are shown for clarity, not all species may be present in each stocked lake.

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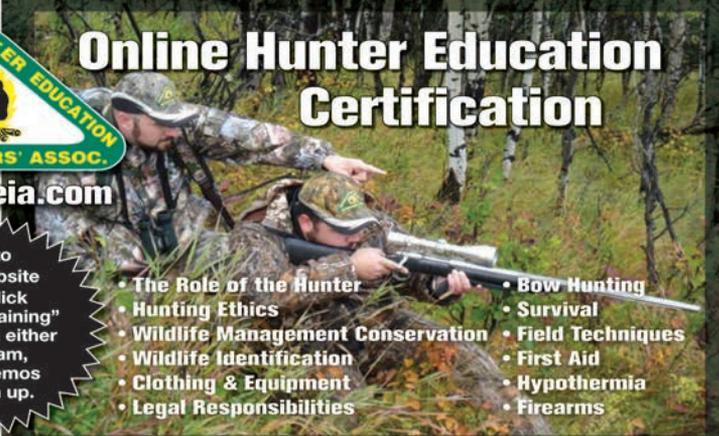


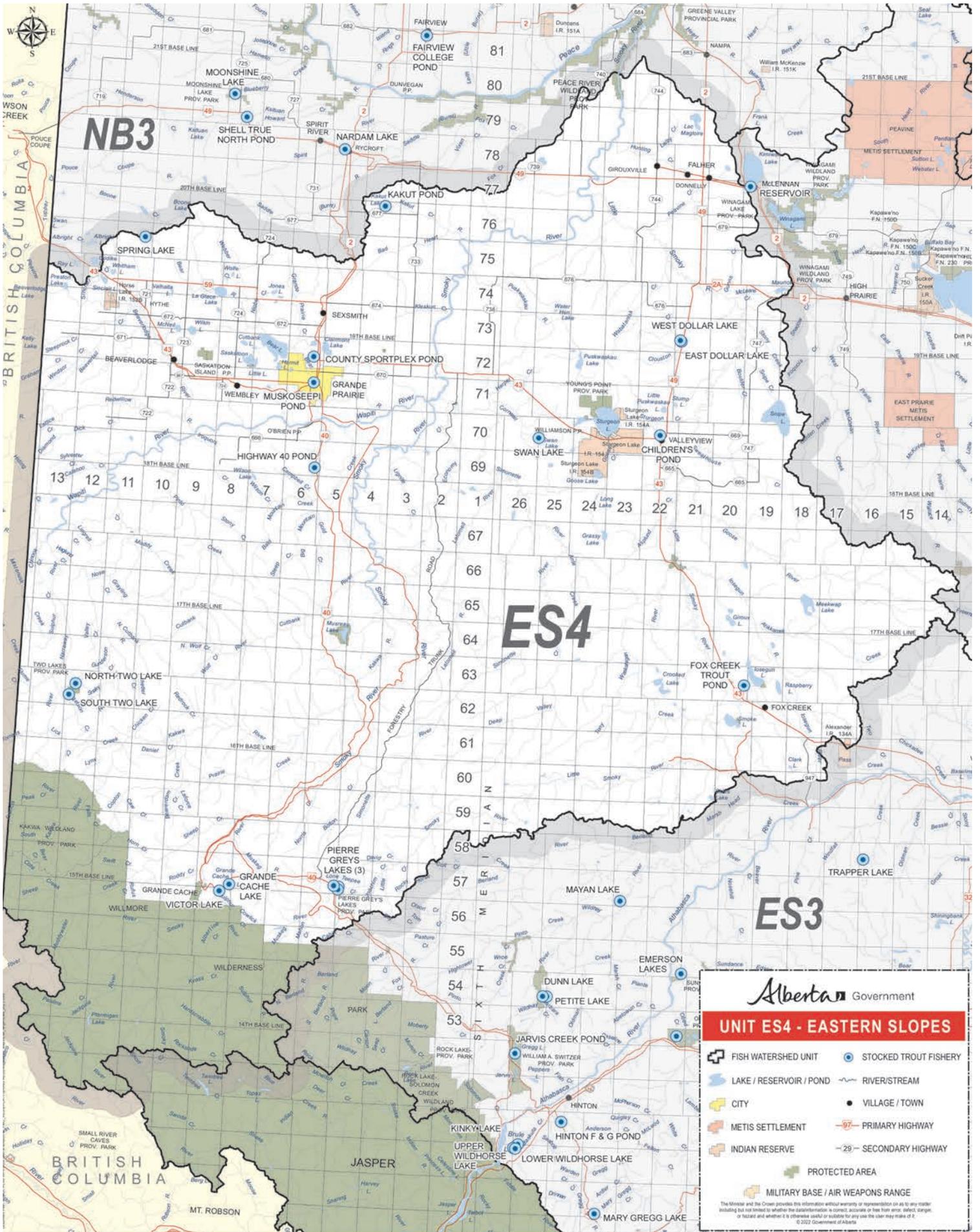

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ES4 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	RNTR	Trout Total
A La Peche Lake	55-6-W5	OPEN JUNE 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban							5 trout
Crooked Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 fish	10 fish				
County Sportplex Pond 		OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish				0 fish
Goose Lake	69-24-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Iosegun Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	0 fish	10 fish		
	Tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish		0 fish			
Long Lake	68-24-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Meekwap Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Pierre Greys Lakes 	Lower or MacDonald Lake; 7-57-4-W6	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish				1 trout over 40 cm
Raspberry Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Smoke Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	0 fish	10 fish		
Snipe Lake	Tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish		0 fish			
	Tributaries and outlet 1 km downstream	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	5 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Sturgeon Lake		OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	1 over 50 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	5 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
		OPEN APR. 1 TO SEPT. 30 AND JAN. 16 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	5 fish	0 fish	10 fish		
		OPEN OCT. 1 TO JAN. 15 BETWEEN SUNRISE AND SUNSET	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	5 fish	0 fish	10 fish		
	Goose Creek tributary	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	5 fish	0 fish	10 fish		

ES4 - Rivers, Creeks and Streams

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait	WALL	NRPK	BURB	MNWH	Trout Total
Cutbank River	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm	5 trout
Deep Valley Creek	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish	0 trout
Grizzly Creek	Tributary to Kakwa River	CLOSED ALL YEAR						
Kakwa River	Mainstem including tributaries except Lynx Creek	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish	0 trout

Little Smoky River	Headwaters downstream to Hwy. 43	OPEN JUNE 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban			5 over 30 cm	0 fish	
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban			0 fish		
		OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	5 over 30 cm	0 trout	
Lynx Creek	Tributary to Kakwa River	CLOSED ALL YEAR						
		OPEN JUNE 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban			5 trout		
Muskeg River	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	5 over 30 cm	0 trout	
Simonette River	Mainstem including tributaries except Deep Valley Creek	OPEN JUNE 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	0 fish	2 trout	
Smoky River	Headwater downstream to Hwy. 43 and tributaries except Kakwa, Muskeg, Simonette rivers	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	0 fish	0 trout	
		OPEN JUNE 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait allowed	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm			
Torrens River	Mainstem - downstream of Hwy. 43 to 21st Base Line	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban			0 fish	0 trout	
		OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	5 over 30 cm	0 trout	
Wapiti River	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	0 fish	0 trout	

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ZONE 2 - Parkland-Prairie

■ The Parkland-Prairie consists approximately of the southeastern quarter of the province, east of Highway 2 from the Montana border to the North Saskatchewan River. Four major rivers that start in the mountains flow through the Parkland-Prairie. Shallow lakes and reservoirs are also found in the Parkland-Prairie.

The Parkland-Prairie two Watershed Units are the Milk and South Saskatchewan rivers, including portions of the Oldman and Bow rivers (PP1), and the Red Deer, Battle and North Saskatchewan rivers (PP2).

PP1 WATERSHED UNIT REGULATIONS

■ The Milk River watershed, and the South Saskatchewan River watershed upstream to Secondary Road 509 on the Oldman River near Coalhurst, including the St. Mary River watershed, and upstream to Highway 24 on the Bow River near Carseland.

BAIT FISHING

- Fishing with Bait, including Bait Fish in PP1 lakes and streams is allowed except at locations listed with Bait Bans under site specific regulations.

Alberta Government may implement time of day angling restrictions in this watershed unit in response to low stream flows and warmer water temperatures. Please see the Important Information page and My Wild Alberta webpage for more information.

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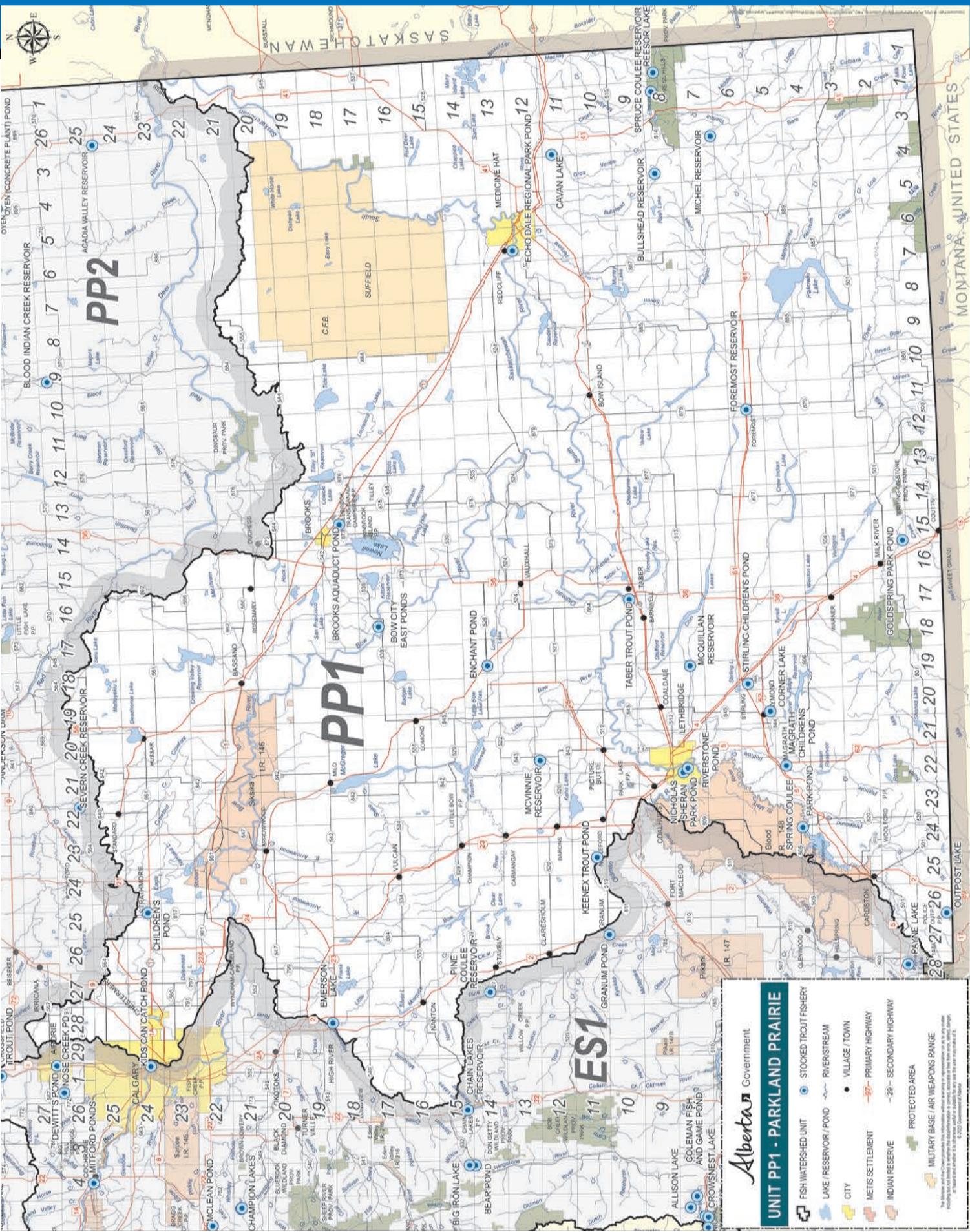
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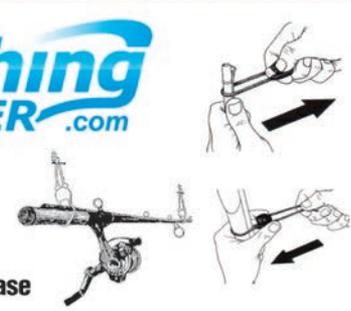
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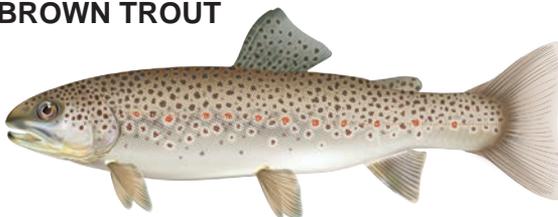
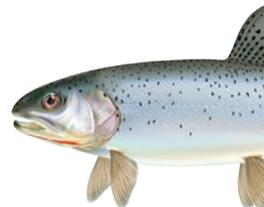
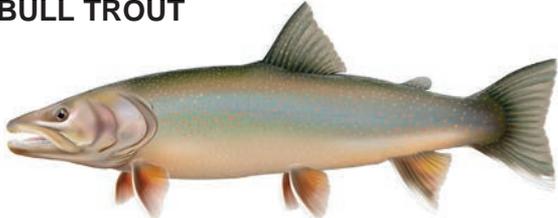
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TROUT – BLACK SPOTS	
<p>BROWN TROUT</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – pale haloes around large black spots on back and body – red spots on sides 	<p>CUTTHROAT TROUT</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – no halos around black spots – red-orange slash under throat
CHAR – NO BLACK SPOTS	
<p>BULL TROUT</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – no spots or markings on dorsal fin or tail – pale yellow to red spots on the body 	<p>LAKE TROUT</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – pale spots on body and dorsal fin – tail deeply forked – lower fins have a pale leading edge

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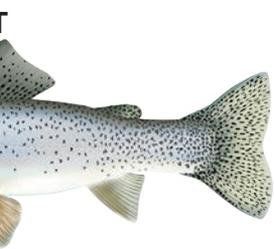

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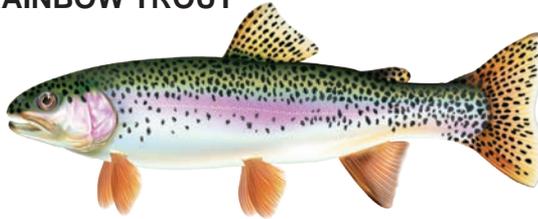
of common trout species. Remember, if you don't know, let it go!
 (fin) on back behind dorsal fin and small scales on body.

SPOTS ON SIDES



spots
 the jaw

RAINBOW TROUT



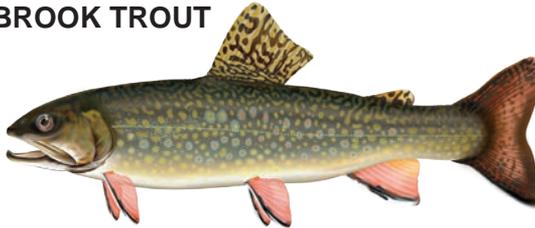
- no halos around black spots
- no red-orange slash under the jaw

K SPOTS ON SIDES



dorsal fin
 leading edge

BROOK TROUT



- black markings on dorsal fin - slightly forked tail
- lower fins have a black stripe behind a pale leading edge

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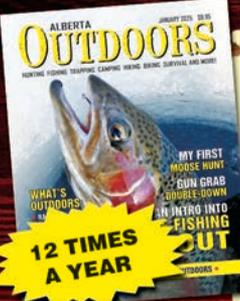
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Lake Sturgeon

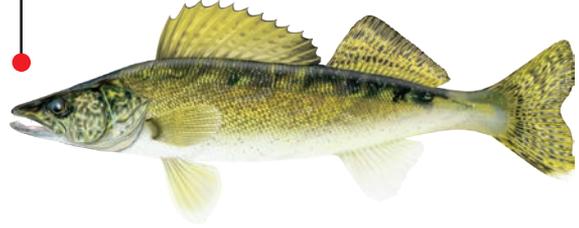
Lake Sturgeon are a Threatened Species due to population size and concerns with viability. They have a zero possession limit across the province - IF YOU CATCH THIS FISH YOU MUST RELEASE IT.

Lake Sturgeon have a large brown or grey body covered with tough, leather-like tissue and five rows of bony plates. They have a shark-like, upturned tail and a pointed snout with four barbels.



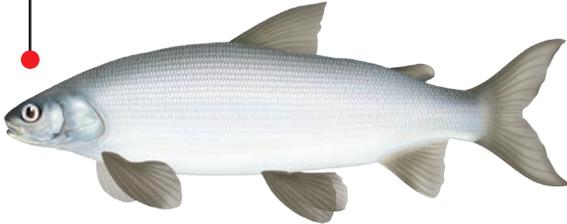
Walleye

Walleye have two distinct fins on their back, the first with large spines. They have a yellow-olive back, brassy, silvery sides with yellow spots, a white underside, and white on the lower lobe of the tail. Dusky vertical bars are often found on the body as well.



Lake Whitefish

Lake Whitefish are olive-green to blue on the back, with silvery sides. They have a small mouth below a rounded snout, and a deeply forked tail.



Sauger

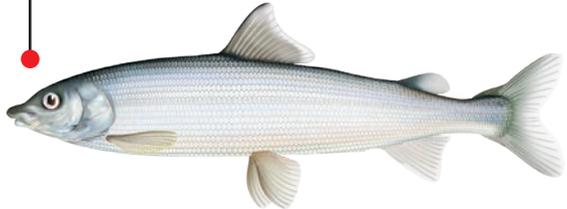
Sauger are Sensitive in Alberta due to few occurrences, habitat degradation and being misidentified as walleye.

Sauger are golden olive on the back with silver-yellow sides and a white underside. They also have a large spiny dorsal fin, distinct rows of spots on the dorsal fins and three or four dusky vertical bars on the body.



Mountain Whitefish

Mountain Whitefish have large scales, no spots and small mouths with no teeth. Their general body colour is a bronze-white or greenish white.



Burbot

Burbot have a slim, brownish black body with smooth skin, a flattened head, and a fin that stretches along the back half of the body. Distinctive barbels hang from the lower jaw and nostrils.



Northern Pike

Northern Pike are a long, slender fish with duck-like jaws and a long, flat head. The back and sides are predominantly dark green to olive green, with yellow to white spots.



Goldeye

Goldeye have prominent eyes with bright yellow pupils, a blunt head, and a deep, compressed body. Their colour ranges from dark blue to blue-green on its back, with silvery or white sides.



Yellow Perch

Yellow Perch are golden yellow or green, with broad, dark vertical bands on their sides. They also have needle-like spines on the dorsal fin.



Mooneye

Mooneye and Goldeye have very similar appearance. Mooneye have prominent eyes with the top being golden, a blunt head, and a deep, compressed body with a longer keel. Their colour ranges from grey-blue to silver back with silvery or white sides.

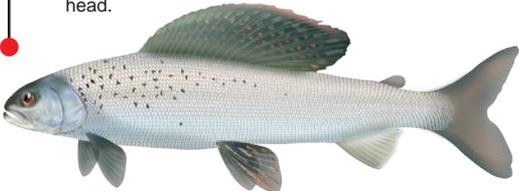


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Arctic Grayling

Arctic Grayling are a Species of Special Concern due to overharvest and passage barriers. They have a zero possession limit across the province - IF YOU CATCH THIS FISH YOU MUST RELEASE IT.

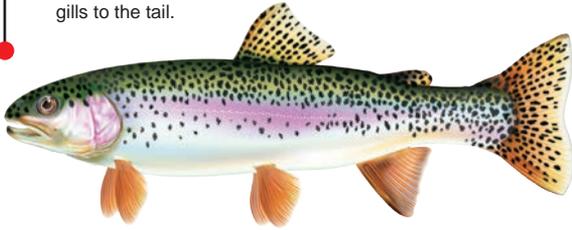
Arctic grayling can be identified by their colourful and very large dorsal fin and by their large scales with brown or black spots on the body behind the head.



Rainbow Trout

Athabasca rainbow trout are the only strain native to Alberta and are found in the Upper Athabasca watershed. They are a Threatened Species due to habitat degradation and overharvest and have a zero possession limit. Stocked populations outside their native range are not threatened.

Rainbow Trout are olive-green in color with heavy black spotting over the body. Adult fish have a red-coloured stripe along the lateral line, from the gills to the tail.



Brown Trout

Brown trout are golden brown in colour with large black spots on the back, and red spots (some with pale halos) on the sides. They are the only trout with both red and black spotting.



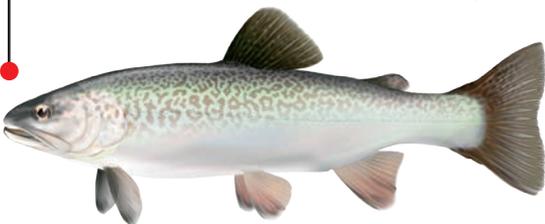
Golden Trout

Golden trout are the most colourful of trout, with an olive-green back and bright red-to-gold sides and belly.



Tiger Trout

The tiger trout is a sterile hybrid from crossing brown trout eggs and brook trout milt. Tiger trout can be light to dark in colour and have pronounced vermiculations like the stripes of a tiger.



Brook Trout

Brook trout are among the most colourful trout. The back is dark green with pale wavy lines, while the sides have a purple sheen with blue-haloed red spots.



Bull Trout

Bull Trout are a Threatened Species due to small population and concerns of viability. They have a zero possession limit across the province - IF YOU CATCH THIS FISH YOU MUST RELEASE IT.

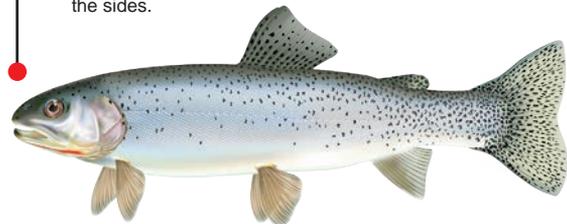
Bull trout are slim fish with a large head. Their back is olive-green to grey while their sides are silvery and marked with pale yellow to red spots. There are no black spots on the dorsal fin.



Westslope Cutthroat Trout

Westslope Cutthroat Trout are a Threatened Species due to hybridization, a reduced native range (within the S. Saskatchewan R basin) and concerns of viability. Stocked populations outside of their native range are not threatened.

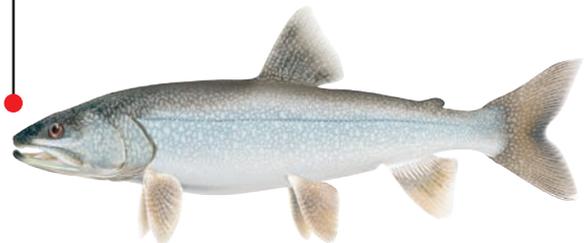
Cutthroat trout are named for the bright red-orange streak in the fold under the mouth. They also have small scales and black spots without halos on the sides.



Lake Trout

Lake Trout are a Sensitive Species due to being limited to a few lakes.

Lake Trout are a grey fish with irregular white spots and a forked caudal fin.



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Learn more about fish identification on mywildalberta.ca, or visit albertanativetrout.com for tips on identifying native trout.

For more information, please see Alberta's Species at Risk and Fisheries Management status websites: <https://www.alberta.ca/species-at-risk.aspx> or <https://www.alberta.ca/fish-wildlife.aspx>

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PP1 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	MNWH	Trout Total
Badger Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Bassano Reservoir	See Bow River from Hwy. 24 downstream to Bassano Dam									
Burdett (Unnamed) Lake	10-12-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 50 cm	3 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Chestermere Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	3 over 63 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish				
Chin Lakes		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish		10 fish	10 fish		
Clear Lake	14-25-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		1 fish 63-70 cm					
Cowoki Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 fish			
	Cowoki Irrigation Canal, between Cowoki Lake and Tilley B Reservoir	OPEN MAY 8 TO SEPT. 30 AND DEC. 15 TO MAR. 15	Bait ban		1 fish 63-70cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
CPR Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Crawling Valley Reservoir	3-21-18-W4; Includes inlet canal downstream of canal headworks	OPEN MAY 8 TO NOV. 30 between sunrise and sunset	●	0 or SHL tags	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	3-21-18-W4; Includes inlet canal downstream of canal headworks	OPEN ALL DAY DEC. 1 TO MAR. 15	●	0 or SHL tags	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Cross Coulee Reservoir	5-20-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	0 fish	0 fish		10 fish	10 fish		
Eagle Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish		10 fish		
Elkwater Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Fincastle Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 over 55 cm	3 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Forty Mile Coulee Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Gun Club (Cann) Reservoir	17-19-14-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish				
Hays (Grantham Reservoir) Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	2 fish	2 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Henderson Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Horsefly Lake Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	2 fish	2 fish	15 fish				
Jamieson Lake	16-19-14-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 over 63 cm					
Jensen Reservoir	4-22-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	0 fish	0 fish		10 fish	10 fish		
Johnson Lake	Interlakes Reservoir; 9-19-14-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		1 fish	15 fish				
Keho Lake	Includes inlet canal to the first drop structure	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm		10 fish	10 fish		
Kitsim Reservoir	17-16-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish				
Lake Newell	NE-32-16-15-W4; inlet canal downstream of the Bow Slope turnout structure. Includes connected water and ponds west of Highway 873, including the square outlet pond.	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Leithbridge University Pond		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					
Little Bow Lake Reservoir	Includes inlet canal	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Lost Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					

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Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	MINWH	Trout Total
Marsh Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					
Mcgregor Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO NOV. 30 between sunrise and sunset	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Mcvinnie Reservoir 		OPEN ALL DAY DEC. 1 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Michel Creek Reservoir 	5-7-3-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish				5 trout
Milk River Ridge Reservoir	Includes upstream to the inlet canal to the first drop structure	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish		10 fish	10 fish		
Murray Lake	10-7-8-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Outpost (Police) Lake 	8-1-26-W4	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish				1 trout over 50 cm
Park Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	1 fish	1 fish	15 fish				
Picture Butte Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					
Rattlesnake (Sauder) Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Raymond Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					
Raymond Sugar Factory Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					
Reesor Lake 	20-8-1-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish				Trout limit 5; TGTR over 50 cm; RNTR no size limit; only one trout may be TGTR
Rock Lake	20-15-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		1 fish	15 fish				
Rolling Hills Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Scope (Unnamed) Lake	Scope Reservoir ; 13-14-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish			
Shays Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					
Sherburne Lake	Sherburne Reservoir	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 over 50 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Snake Reservoir	19-17-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish				
Spruce Coulee Reservoir 	26-8-2-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish				5 trout
St. Mary Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish		
Stafford Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm		10 fish	10 fish		
Stonehill Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 over 63 cm					
Taber Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					
Tilley B Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Timko Lake (J Or Bantry Reservoir)	33-17-13-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish				

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Travers Reservoir	Portion west of SW 2-15-22-W4 (North of a line from the farm building to Little Bow Provincial Park pumphouse on the east); no fishing within 100 m of the Canal inlet structure The remainder of the Reservoir including the canal between Travers and McGregor reservoirs; no fishing within 100m of the canal inlet structure	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
Twelve Mile Coulee Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
Twin Valley Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
Yellow Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 50 cm	3 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			

PP1 - Rivers, Creeks and Streams

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL + SAUG	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	GOLD	MNWH	RNTR	CTR	Trout Total
Battle Creek	8-1-W4; Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	Bait ban										0 trout
Bow River	Banff National Park downstream to Bassano Dam including Reservoir	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish				0 fish	0 fish			0 trout
	Bassano Dam downstream to South Saskatchewan River	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	3 in combination, WALL over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm			10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm			2 trout
Carseland-Bow River Headwater Canal	Between McGregor Lk and the drop structure 1 km upstream of Sec. Rd. 542	OPEN MAY 8 TO NOV. 30 between sunrise and sunset and OPEN DEC.1 TO MAR.15 all day	●	1 fish 50- 55 cm	0 fish	15 fish		10 fish					
Graburn Creek	8-1-W4; Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	Bait ban										0 trout
Lee Creek	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban		3 fish				10 fish	5 over 30 cm			2 trout
	Travers Reservoir upstream to Township Rd. 144A	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish			0 trout
Little Bow River		CLOSED ALL YEAR											
	Township Rd. 144A upstream to Cairnangay	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 15	●	3 in combination, WALL over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish		10 fish					
	Twin Valley Reservoir Dam downstream to Rge. Rd. 252	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	Bait ban		0 fish								
Oldman River	Mainstem from Sec. Rd. 509 downstream to South Saskatchewan River and tributaries	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	3 in combination, WALL over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm			10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm			
South Saskatchewan River		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	3 in combination, WALL over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm			10 fish	10 fish				
St. Mary River	Mainstem upstream of St Mary Reservoir; Includes tributaries except Lee Creek	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban		3 fish					5 over 30 cm			2 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban		3 fish								0 trout
	Mainstem downstream of St Mary Reservoir; Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 in combination, WALL over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm					5 over 30 cm	0 fish		0 trout

PP2 WATERSHED UNIT REGULATIONS

■ The Red Deer River watershed downstream of the Dickson Dam west of Innisfail, the Battle River watershed, and the North Saskatchewan River watershed downstream of Highway 22/39 near Drayton Valley, excluding tributary watersheds entering on the left (north) bank downstream of Highway 38 near Redwater (NOTE: The boundary between the Parkland-Prairie and Northern Boreal zones follows the north terrace and river break along the North Saskatchewan River valley).

BAIT FISHING

- Fishing with Bait, including Bait Fish, in PP2 lakes and streams is allowed except at locations listed with Bait Bans under site specific regulations.

Mainstem of a river: includes the mainstem channel and any side channel, oxbows, riparian flow channels, and plunge pools below spillways.

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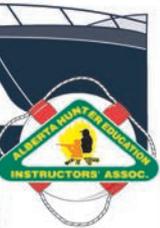
- The names of most PP2 lakes and streams are listed alphabetically in the site specific regulation tables on the following pages.
- Smaller streams may not be listed, but may be included as tributaries to a listed larger stream.
- If a listed waterbody does not have a season listed, it is CLOSED to fishing during that period.
- If a PP2 lake, reservoir, river, stream or species is not listed, follow the default regulations below.
- A fish symbol (🐟) indicates a stocked waterbody with special trout regulations. Unless otherwise listed, regulations for other species follow the general regulations for stocked trout lakes on page 16; although species limits are shown for clarity, not all species may be present in each stocked lake.

LAKES	REGULATIONS	STATUS
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN all year • Walleye limit 3 over 50 cm • Northern Pike limit 3 over 63 cm • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Lake Whitefish limit 10 • Burbot limit 2 (Burbot limit 0 Feb. 1 to Mar. 31) • Trout limit 5 • Mountain Whitefish limit 5 over 30 cm • Bait allowed 	
STREAMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN May 15 to Mar. 31 • Lake Sturgeon limit 0 • Walleye and Sauger limit 3 • Walleye over 50 cm • Northern Pike limit 3 over 63 cm • Trout limit 2 • Mountain Whitefish limit 5 over 30 cm • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Lake Whitefish limit 10 • Burbot limit 2 (Burbot limit 0 Feb. 1 to Mar. 31) • Goldeye limit 10 • Bait allowed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLOSED Apr. 1 to May 14



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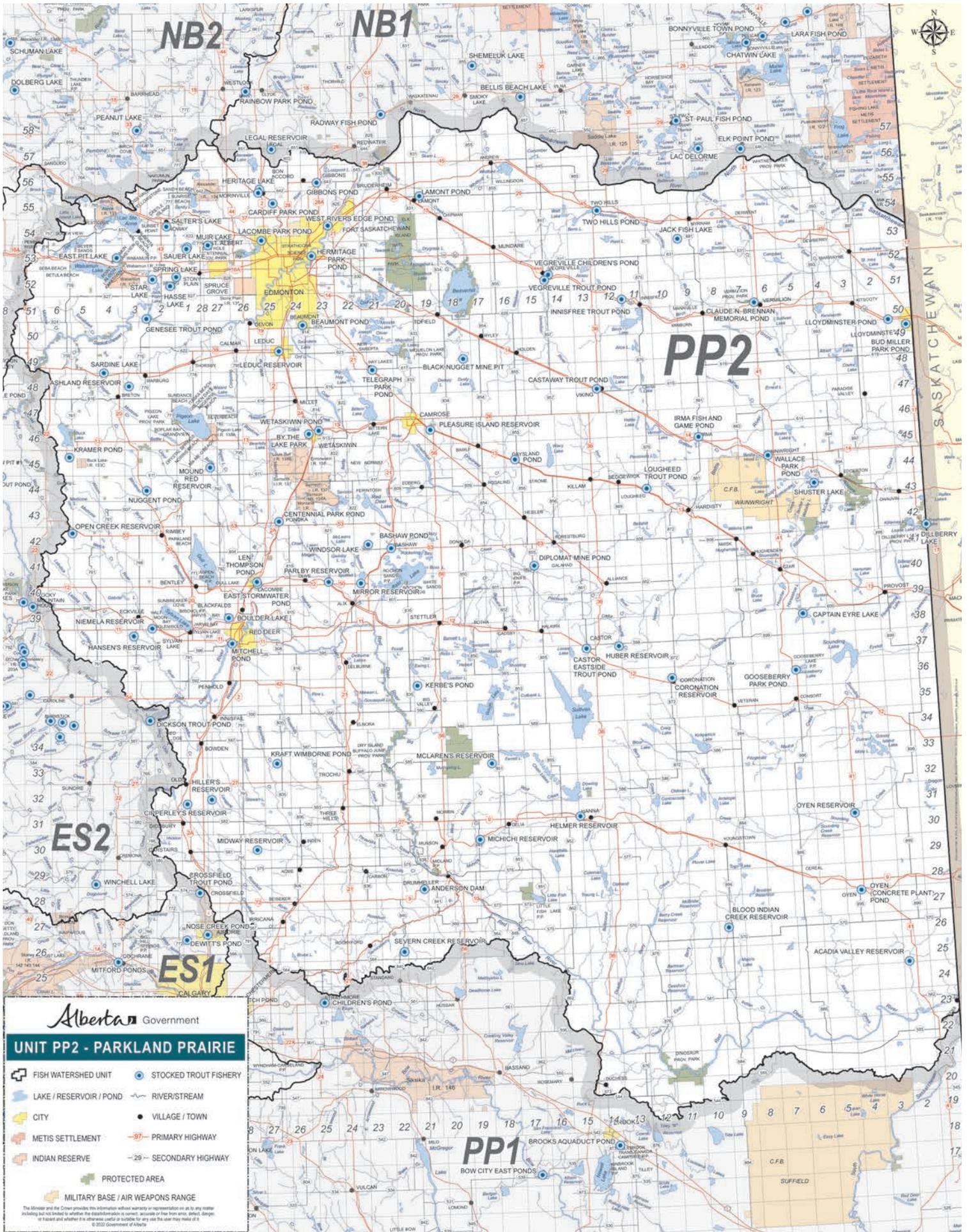
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PP2 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	Trout Total
Arm Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish			
Battle Lake	Portion west of the west boundary of section 22-46-2-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet downstream to Sec. Rd. 771	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	5 fish	10 fish	2 fish; but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	
Berry Creek (Carolside) Reservoir	Remainder of the lake	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	5 fish	10 fish	2 fish; but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	
Berry Creek (Carolside) Reservoir	27-12-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish			
Big Lake	Includes tributaries	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish	3 fish	15 fish			
Blood Indian Creek Reservoir	21-26-9-W4; Includes tributaries	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 50 cm	3 fish	15 fish			Trout limit 3; BNTR, BKTR, TGTR, over 35 cm; RNTR, no size limit; only 1 trout of that total may be a BNTR, BKTR, or TGTR
Buck Lake	Includes tributaries and the portion of the outlet located in 3-47-6-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	5 fish	0 fish	2 fish; but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	
Buffalo Lake	Portion located in 40-22-W4 (the Narrows)	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish			2 fish; but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	
Buffalo Lake	Remainder of the lake	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm			2 fish; but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	
Chain Lakes (Upper and Middle)	42-24,25-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 fish any size				
Clear (Barnes) Lake	Includes tributaries upstream 1 km and outlet downstream 1 km; 44-5-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish			
Coal Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 fish	5 fish			
Driedmeat Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish			
East Twin Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish			
Forestburg Reservoir	Includes the Battle River upstream to Sec. Rd. 855	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 fish 63-70 cm			2 fish; but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	
Gull Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO OCT. 31 AND DEC. 11 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	5 fish	3 fish	2 fish; but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	
Hubbles Lake	Diversion Canal located in 34,35,36-40-1-W5	CLOSED ALL YEAR							
Hubbles Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish			
Isle Lake	Includes tributaries and outlet (Sturgeon River)	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish any size	1 over 63 cm	10 fish		0 fish	

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Jack Fish Lake	52-2-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	
Kerbe's Pond 	NE-19-36-20-W4	OPEN APR. 1 TO NOV. 30	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish			1 trout over 50 cm
Lac Ste. Anne	Includes tributaries & outlet (Sturgeon River)	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	2 fish; but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	
Lessard Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish			
Little Fish Lake	Includes tributaries & outlet	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	0 fish			
Lloydminster Pond 	SE-6-50-1-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish			2 trout
Magee Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 fish				
Matchaway (Devil's) Lake	Includes tributaries and outlet (Sturgeon River)	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	3 over 63 cm	15 fish		2 fish; but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	
Mayatan Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 fish	15 fish			
Medicine Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 over 63 cm	5 fish			
Mere Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish			
Mink Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish			
Muir Lake 	31-53-27-W4	OPEN MAY 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish			1 trout over 50 cm
Pigeon Lake	Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	5 over 25 cm	10 fish	1 fish; but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	
Pine Lake	Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish	1 over 63 cm	5 fish			
Raft Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish			
Rat Lake	10-46-6-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish				
Spotted Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish			2 fish; but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	
Spring Lake 	SW 30-52-1-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish			2 trout
Sylvan Lake	Includes tributaries	OPEN MAY 15 TO OCT. 31 AND DEC. 11 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish	0 fish	5 fish	5 fish	2 fish; but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	
Wabamun Lake	Includes tributaries, outlet and canals	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	SHL tags or 1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	0 fish	5 fish	2 fish; but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	
West Twin Lake	Includes Tributaries and outlet; 9,10-46-3-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish			
Wizard Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish			

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PP2 - Rivers, Creeks and Streams

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL + SAUG	NRPK	YLPR	BURB	GOLD	MNWH	Trout Total
Battle River	Mainstem from Battle Lake downstream to Hwy. 771 - See Battle Lake									
	Mainstem from Hwy. 771 downstream to Hwy. 855	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 in combination; WALL over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm					
	Mainstem from Hwy. 855 downstream to the Forestburg Reservoir - See Forestburg Reservoir									
	Mainstem from downstream of the Forestburg Reservoir and tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 in combination; WALL over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm		2 fish	10 fish		
Berry Creek	Mainstem including ALL tributaries	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 SAUG; 1 wall 45-50 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish				
Blindman River	Mainstem including ALL tributaries	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 1	●	0 WALL	3 over 63 cm		2 fish, but limit is zero from Feb. 1 to Mar. 1	10 fish	3 over 30 cm	0 trout
Little Red Deer River	Mainstem from Cottonwood Road (Twp. Rd. 352) downstream to Red Deer River; Includes ALL tributaries	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 1	Only maggots allowed	0 WALL	3 over 63 cm		2 fish, but limit is zero from Feb. 1 to Mar. 1	10 fish	3 over 30 cm	0 trout
Medicine River	Mainstem including ALL tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO MAR. 1	Only maggots allowed	0 WALL	3 over 63 cm		2 fish, but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 1	10 fish	3 over 30 cm	0 trout
North Saskatchewan River	Mainstem downstream Hwy. 22/39 (Drayton Valley) to the Alberta/ Saskatchewan border	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	0 WALL or SAUG	1 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm	
	Tributaries (excluding the Sturgeon River; See Redwater River in NB1); from Hwy. 22/39 downstream to the Alberta/ Saskatchewan border	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 within 500 m of mainstem	1 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm	
Parlyb Creek	23-40-22-W4; Portion between Buffalo and Alix lakes	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish					
Red Deer River	Mainstem from Dickson Dam downstream to the Tolman Bridge (Hwy. 585) including ALL named and unnamed tributaries (excluding Medicine River) (Sec. Hwy. 585 [14-33-22-W4])	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 1	Only maggots allowed	0 WALL; 3 SAUG	3 over 63 cm		2 fish, but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 1	10 fish	3 over 30 cm	0 trout
	Mainstem and tributaries from Tolman Bridge (Sec. Hwy. 585) downstream to the Alberta/ Saskatchewan border	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 in combination; WALL over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm		2 fish, but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	10 fish		
Sturgeon River	From headwater downstream to Big Lake	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 WALL or SAUG	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	2 fish, but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31			
	From Big Lake downstream to Sec. Hwy. 825	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 WALL or SAUG	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	2 fish, but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	10 fish		
	From Sec. Hwy. 825 downstream to North Saskatchewan River	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	0 WALL all year; 0 SAUG from Apr. 1 to May 14; 3 SAUG from May 15 to Mar. 31	1 over 63 cm	15 fish	2 fish, but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	10 fish		
Sylvan Creek	NE-11-38-28-W4; Includes Cygnet Lake	CLOSED ALL YEAR								

ZONE 3 - Northern Boreal

■ The Northern Boreal consists of a vast area of central and northern Alberta consists of boreal forest. Throughout the boreal forest, many of the streams are low gradient, brown water streams which in turn are part of the major drainage basins of the Athabasca, Peace and Hay rivers. The majority of the lakes in Alberta occur in the boreal forest zone.

The four Northern Boreal Watershed Units (NB1-NB4) are made of the Beaver, Athabasca, La Biche, Lesser Slave, Pembina, Peace, Wabasca, Hay, Christina, Clearwater rivers and Lake Athabasca watersheds.

NB1 WATERSHED UNIT REGULATIONS

■ The Beaver River watershed and the Athabasca River watershed between the north boundary of Township 78 (near Pelican River) and Sec. Rd. 813 (near the town of Athabasca), including the Calling River watershed, and the La Biche River watershed (NOTE: the tributary watersheds, including several lakes in the “Lakeland District,” entering on the left downstream bank [north bank] of the North Saskatchewan River downstream of Highway 38 near Redwater are also part of NB1).

BAIT FISHING

- Fishing with Bait, including Bait Fish in NB1 lakes and streams is allowed except at locations listed with Bait Bans under site specific regulations.

Mainstem of a river: includes the mainstem channel and any side channel, oxbows, riparian flow channels, and plunge pools below spillways.

NB1 Default Sportfishing Regulations

- The names of most NB1 lakes and streams are listed alphabetically in the site specific regulation tables on the following pages.
- Smaller streams may not be listed, but may be included as tributaries to a listed larger stream.
- If a listed waterbody does not have a season listed, it is CLOSED to fishing during that period.
- If a NB1 lake, reservoir, river, stream or species is not listed, follow the default regulations below.
- A fish symbol (→) indicates a stocked waterbody with special trout regulations. Unless otherwise listed, regulations for other species follow the general regulations for stocked trout lakes on page 16; although species limits are shown for clarity, not all species may be present in each stocked lake.

LAKES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN May 15 to Mar. 31 • Arctic Grayling limit 0 • Walleye limit 3 over 50 cm • Northern Pike limit 3 over 63 cm • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Lake Whitefish limit 10 • Burbot limit 10 • Trout limit 3 • Bait allowed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLOSED Apr. 1 to May 14
STREAMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN June 1 to Oct. 31 • Arctic Grayling limit 0 • Walleye limit 3 over 50 cm • Northern Pike limit 3 over 63 cm • Mountain Whitefish limit 5 over 30 cm • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Lake Whitefish limit 10 • Burbot limit 10 • Trout limit 2 • Bait allowed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLOSED Nov. 1 to May 31

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Amisk Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Angling Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Bangs Lake	Includes tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish				
Beatrapp Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	15 fish				
Beaver Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Behan Lake	11-1-73-11-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Bentley Lake	58-8-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	15 fish				
Big Chief Lake	16-72-11-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 fish	15 fish				
Big Johnson (Chump) Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 fish	15 fish				
Bluet Lake	58-4-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 70 cm	10 fish				
Bourque Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Brodrick (Unnamed) Lake	60-17-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Burnt Lake	67-3-W4	CLOSED ALL YEAR								
Calling Lake		OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Includes tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 fish 45-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Claude Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish		15 fish				
Clyde Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 fish	15 fish				
Cold Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	1 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	1 fish 65-70 cm from May 15-Sept. 14 and Nov. 16-Mar. 31; 0 from Sept. 15-Nov. 15	
Cow Lake	8-72-11-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 fish	15 fish		10 fish		
Crane (Moore) Lake	Includes outlet stream	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish		10 fish		
Crickett Lake	64-18-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 fish					
Drown Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 fish	15 fish				
Elinor Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Ethel (Bear) Lake	Includes tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	1 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		



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Fishing Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Floatingstone Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Fork Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Francis Lake	69-11-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish				
Frog Lake	57-3-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	1 over 63 cm	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Garnier Lake	60-12-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	5 fish		10 fish		
Garnier Lakes	58-4-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 70 cm	10 fish				
Goodfish Lake	61-13-W4	CLOSED ALL YEAR								
Goodwin Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	15 fish				
Halfmoon Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	15 fish				
Hanmore Lake	61-17-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
Heart Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Hilda Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	1 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Hope Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Ironwood Lake	65-11-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Island Lake	62-17-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 55 cm	10 fish				
Island (Unnamed) Lake	57-1-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm					
Kadiuk Lake	60-15-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Kehiwin Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Lac Bellevue	56-9-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	10 fish				
Lac La Biche		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	3 fish	10 fish		
Lac La Biche Trout Pond 	Tributaries and outlet; see La Biche River and Owl River Alexander Hamilton Pond	CLOSED ALL YEAR								
		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish				3 trout

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Lac Saint Cyr		57-9-W4		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10, only 5 fish 25 cm or greater				
Lac Sante		Includes outlet		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 over 63 cm	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Lakeland Provincial Park		All lakes including Blackett, Dabbs, Helena, Jackson, Kinnaird, McGuffin, Shaw and Snake; Species limits are combined for all water.		OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	1 over 63 cm	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Laurier Lake		56-4-W4		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Legal Reservoir 		24-57-25-W4		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	2 fish				5 fish
Little Bear Lake		34-70-10-W4		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 fish	15 fish				
Lodge Lake		66-17-W4		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish			
Logan Lake				OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish				
Lone Pine Lake		63-14-W4		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish		
Long Lake		56-1-W4		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Long Lake		Boyle area: 63-19-W4		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	1 fish 63-70 cm	10, only 5 fish 25 cm or greater	10 fish	10 fish		
Manatokan Lake		Boyle area: tributaries		OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	1 fish 63-70 cm	10, only 5 fish 25 cm or greater	10 fish	10 fish		
Marie Lake				OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Marie Lake				OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
May Lake				OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Minnie Lake				OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	15 fish				
Mons Lake		60-16-W4		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Moonshine Lake		58-1-W4		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm					
Moose Lake		Portion south of a line from the easternmost point of land in NW2-61-7-W4 (Pelican Point) to the southernmost point of land in E2-61-7-W4 (Deadman's Point) and southeast to the northernmost point of land in SW31-60-6-W4 (Ferbey Subdivision)		OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 1	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Moosehills Lake		Remainder of the lake and tributaries for 1 km upstream and outlets for 1 km downstream		OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Moosehills Lake		57-6-W4		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm					

Legend: As examples, '3 over 63 cm' indicates a possession and size limit of 3 fish each over 63 cm or '10 fish' indicates a possession limit of 10 for that species of any size. An empty cell indicates the species is not likely present at that waterbody; however, if caught the default regulations for the Watershed Unit apply - unless the waterbody is stocked, in which case provincial put and take stocked lake regulations apply (see p. 16). SHL=Special Harvest Licence, BKTR = Brook Trout, BNTR=Brown Trout, BURB = Burbot, CISC = Cisco, CTR = Cutthroat Trout, DLVR = Dolly Varden, GOLD = Goldeye, LKTR = Lake Trout, LKWH = Lake Whitefish, MNWH = Mountain Whitefish, NRPK = Northern Pike, RNTR = Rainbow Trout, SAUG = Sauger, TGTR = Tiger Trout, WALL = Walleye, YLPR = Yellow Perch. Regulation changes are highlighted blue. Waterbodies closed to angling are highlighted grey.

NB1 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	LKTR	Trout Total
North Buck Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Piche Lake	Includes outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Pinehurst Lake	Portion north of a line drawn from the easternmost point of land in NW19-65-09-W4 easterly to the westernmost point of land in NE19-65-09-W4 locally known as Snug Cove (Mud Bay)	CLOSED ALL YEAR								
Primrose Lake	Remainder of the lake	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Reed Lake	61-12-W4	CLOSED ALL YEAR	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Rock Island Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Ross Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Seibert Lake	56-4-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Sinclair Lake	23-65-5-W4	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	Bait ban	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Skeleton Lake	65-18-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Soars Lake	59-1-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 70 cm	15 fish	10 fish			
Spencer Lake	NOTE: Spencer Lake is located in the Cold Lake Air Weapons Range and live ammunition is used in the area. Use of the lake by anglers is dependent on the approval of the Canadian Forces at the Base. If necessary for Base operations, access to Spencer Lake may be closed during some of the open periods listed above. Due to safety concerns, the Canadian Forces does not permit overland access to Spencer Lake on any trails that are inside the Bombing Range boundary, including the trail between Seibert and Spencer lakes. Spencer Lake may only be accessed from the west tip of Spencer Lake and it is unlawful to go ashore inside the bombing range boundary.	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31 FROM 1700H FRIDAY TO 1/2H AFTER SUNSET THE FOLLOWING SUNDAY	●	2 fish 45-50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31 LONG WEEKENDS WITH THE HOLIDAY FRIDAY; 1700H THURSDAY TO 1/2H AFTER SUNSET THE FOLLOWING SUNDAY	●	2 fish 45-50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31 LONG WEEKENDS WITH THE HOLIDAY MONDAY; 1700H FRIDAY TO 1/2H AFTER SUNSET THE FOLLOWING MONDAY	●	2 fish 45-50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Stoney (Siler) Lake	56-8-W4	OPEN DEC. 24 1700H TO 1/2H AFTER SUNSET ON JAN. 1	●	2 fish 45-50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish		0 fish		

NB1 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	LKTR	Trout Total
Sunday Lake	74-9-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	15 fish	10 fish			
Sowka (Unnamed) Lake	10-18-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish					
Touchwood Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Tucker Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 fish			
Victor Lake	63-14-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm					
Wayetenaw Lake	61-13-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Whitefish Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Whitemud (Unnamed) Lake	62-19-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish					
Whitney Lake	56-4-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Wiau Lake	34-73-9-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 fish	15 fish		10 fish		
Wolf Lake Complex	Includes all lakes within TWP 66, RNG 6 and 7, W4M; Includes Wolf, Sapphire, Magician, Corner, Lane lks; Species limits are combined for all water	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		

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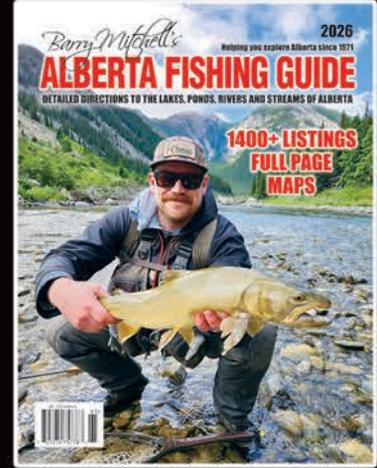
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NB1 - Rivers, Creeks and Streams

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	GOLD	MNWH	LKTR	RNTR
Athabasca River	Mainstem from Sec. Rd. 813 (near Athabasca) and the north boundary of Township 78 (near Pelican River)	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm			10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm		
Beaver River	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	1 over 63 cm	15 fish						
La Biche River	Between Hwy 63 and Lac La Biche	CLOSED ALL YEAR										
Lakeland Provincial Park	All water within the Provincial Park; Species limits are combined for all water	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish				
Martineau River		OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	1 over 63 cm						0 fish	
Medley River	11-62-2-W4	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	1 over 63 cm						0 fish	5 fish
Owl River	From Lac La Biche upstream to Piche River	CLOSED ALL YEAR										
Piche River	From confluence with Piche River upstream to headwater Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	3 over 63 cm							
Redwater River		OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	3 over 63 cm							
		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 over 50 cm								
				0 within 500 m of the confluence with the North Sask. River	1 over 63 cm within 500 m of the confluence with the North Sask. River							

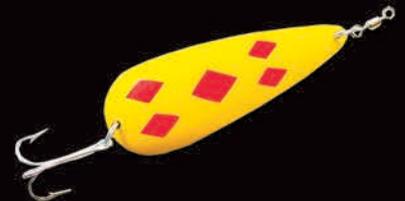
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NB2 WATERSHED UNIT REGULATIONS

■ The Athabasca River watershed between Sec. Rd. 813 near Athabasca and Sec. Rd. 658 near Whitecourt, including the Lesser Slave River watershed and the Pembina River watershed upstream to Highway 43 near Sangudo.

BAIT FISHING

- Fishing with Bait in NB2 streams is **NOT** allowed except at portions of a few rivers under NB2 site specific listing regulations.
- Fishing with Bait in NB2 lakes is allowed, except at lakes listed with Bait Bans under NB2 site specific regulations.
- Fishing with Bait Fish is allowed except at locations listed with Bait Bans under NB2 site specific regulations.

Mainstem of a river: includes the mainstem channel and any side channel, oxbows, riparian flow channels, and plunge pools below spillways.

NB2 Default Sportfishing Regulations

- The names of most NB2 lakes and streams are listed alphabetically in the site specific regulation tables on the following pages.
- Smaller streams may not be listed, but may be included as tributaries to a listed larger stream.
- If a listed waterbody does not have a season listed, it is **CLOSED** to fishing during that period.
- If a NB2 lake, reservoir, river, stream or species is not listed, follow the default regulations below.
- A fish symbol (🐟) indicates a stocked waterbody with special trout regulations. Unless otherwise listed, regulations for other species follow the general regulations for stocked trout lakes on page 16; although species limits are shown for clarity, not all species may be present in each stocked lake.

LAKES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN May 15 to Mar. 31 • Arctic Grayling limit 0 • Walleye limit 3 over 50 cm • Northern Pike limit 3 over 63 cm • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Lake Whitefish limit 10 • Burbot limit 10 • Trout limit 3 • Bait allowed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLOSED Apr. 1 to May 14
STREAMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN June 1 to Oct. 31 • Arctic Grayling limit 0 • Walleye limit 3 over 50 cm • Pike limit 3 over 63 cm • Mountain Whitefish limit 5 over 30 cm • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Lake Whitefish limit 10 • Burbot limit 10 • Trout limit 2 • Bait Ban 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLOSED Nov. 1 to May 31

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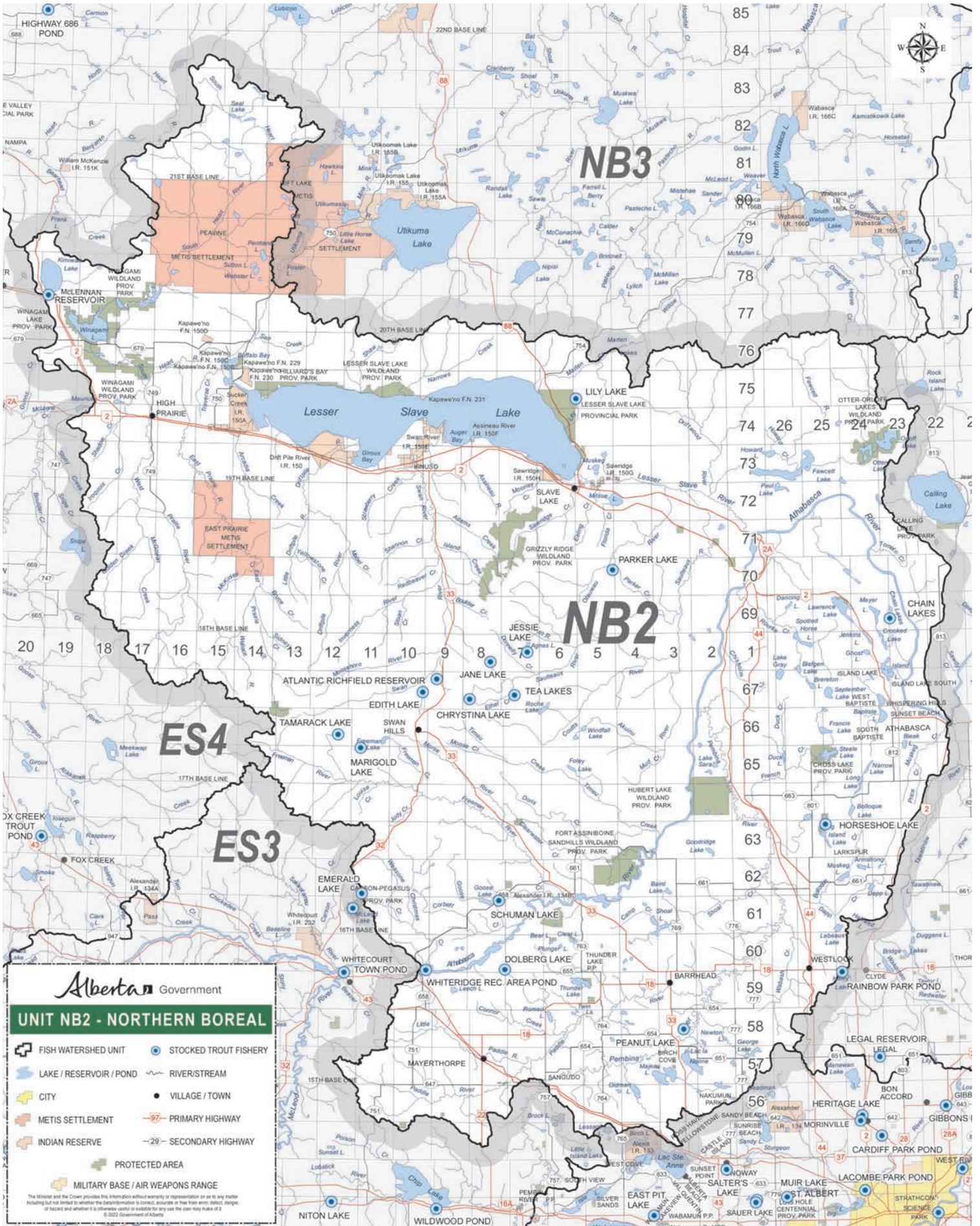
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NB2 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	Trout Total
Baptiste Lake	66-24-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish		10 fish	
Blue Lake	13-69-17-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●			15 fish			5 trout
Bolloque Lake	69-23-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	15 fish			
Chain (Lower) Lake 		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish			2 RNTR any size; 0 TGTR; 0 BNTR
Crooked Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	15 fish			
Dolberg Lake 	8-1-60-8-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish			1 trout over 50 cm
Fawcett Lake	Remainder of the lake	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
	Portion north and east of a line drawn from the MD boat launch in SE12-73-26-W4 to the point of land in SE11-73-26-W4 including the Mink River, Fawcett (Howard) River, and the areas locally known as the narrows and east basin	OPEN JULY 1 TO MAR. 1	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
	Includes tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
Francis Lake	18-66-25-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	15 fish			
Freeman Lake	Tributaries	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish				
Ghost Lake	16-68-24-W4	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	●		3 fish				
Gilroy Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	15 fish			
		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish				
Goose Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	15 fish			
	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	15 fish			
Island Lake	67-24-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
Jenkins Lake	Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
	Includes outlet downstream for 1 km	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	2 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
Lac La Nonne		OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	2 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
Lawrence Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	2 fish; but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31
Lesser Slave Lake	Portion west of a line drawn from Shaw Point to the point of land in 26-74-14-W5 known as Little Grassy Point, including Buffalo Bay and the Grouard Channel, and their tributaries (except East Prairie River, South Heart River and Traverse Creek)	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	3 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
	Remainder of the lake to the outlet (Lesser Slave River)	OPEN JUNE 16 TO MAR. 1	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
Lily Lake 	7-75-5-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish			2 BKTR; 0 TGTR

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NB2 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	MRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	Trout Total
Long Island Lake	24-63-26-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	15 fish			
Long Lake	36-64-25-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	15 fish			
Meyer Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	15 fish			
Mitsue Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 fish				
Nakamun Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 fish				
Narrow Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish			
Orloff Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
Paul Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish				
Schuman Lake 	35-61-8-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 over 70 cm	15 fish			5 RNTR; 0 TGTR
South Heart Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish			
Steele (Cross) Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 55 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
Thunder Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 fish	15 fish			
Whitridge Recreation Area Pond (Blueridge Pt) 	SW-01-60-10-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 fish	0 fish			
Whitridge Recreation Area Pond (Blueridge Pt) 		OPEN MAY 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish			1 trout over 40 cm
Winagami Lake	Includes Boone's Slough	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
	Tributaries, inlet canal, outlet stream, and outlet canal	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 over 55 cm	0 fish		10 fish	10 fish	

NB2 - Rivers, Creeks and Streams

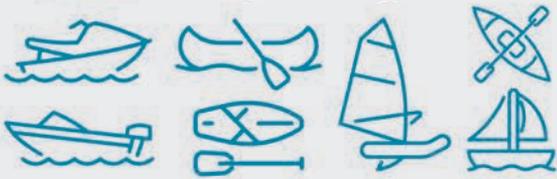
Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait	WALL	MRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	GOLD	MNWH	Trout Total
Athabasca River	Mainstem between Sec. Rd. 658 (near Whitecourt) downstream to Sec. Rd. 813 (near Athabasca)	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed in river only	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm				10 fish	5 over 30 cm	
Freeman River	Mainstem includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 fish					0 fish	0 trout
Pembina River	Downstream of Hwy. 43 (near Sandugo)	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed in river only	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm				10 fish	5 over 30 cm	
South Heart River	Portion between the South Heart Reservoir and the West Prairie River	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish						
	Portion from the confluence with the West Prairie River downstream to Buffalo Bay and tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish						
East Prairie R., Strawberry Ck., Travers Ck., West Prairie R.		OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
Lesser Slave River and tributaries to Lesser Slave Lake	Includes Lesser Slave River mainstem and tributaries and all tributaries to Lesser Slave Lake including Driftple R., Sucker Ck., Arcadia Ck., Swan R., Assineau R., Marten R., Saiteaux R., Sawridge Ck., Ottauwau R., and Fawcett R. downstream of Fawcett Lake.	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm	

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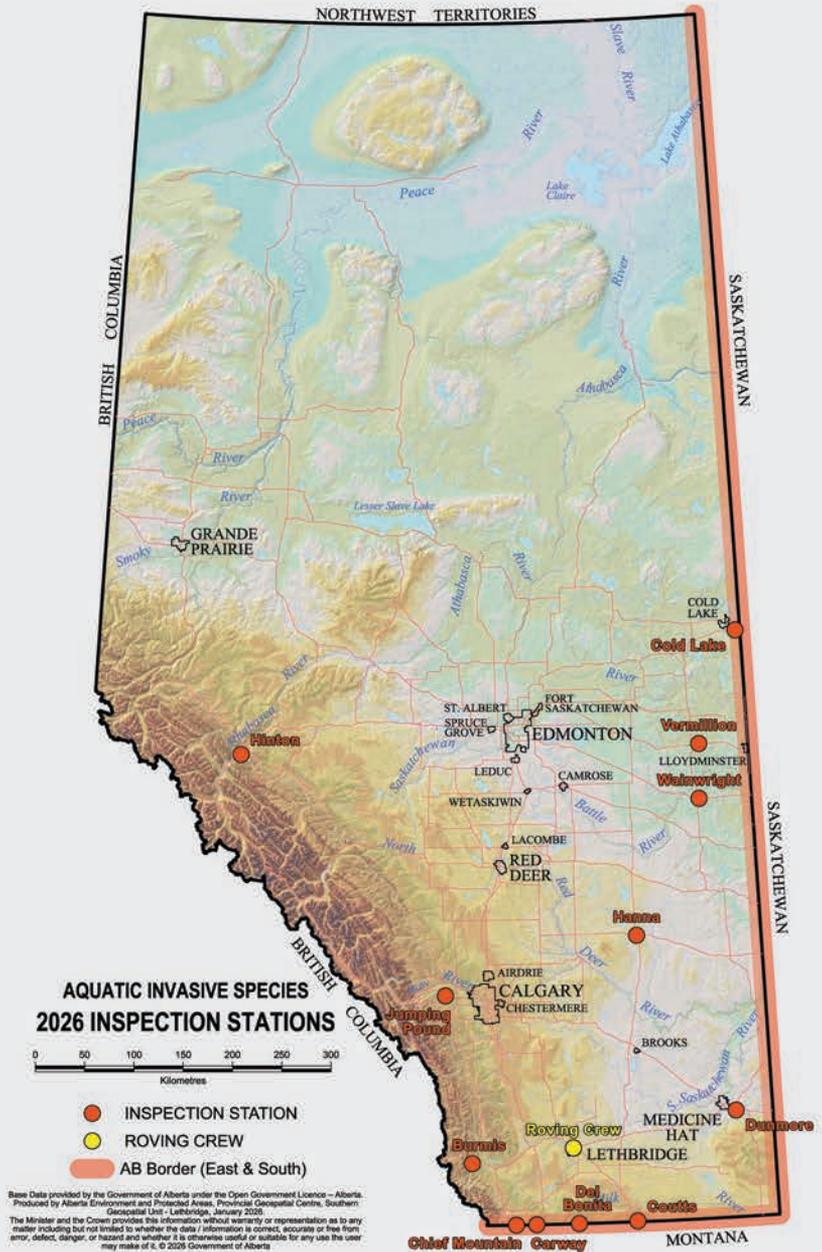
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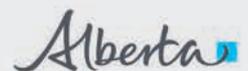
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NB3 WATERSHED UNIT REGULATIONS

■ The Peace River watershed, including the Wabasca and Birch rivers, the Hay River and Petiotot River watersheds, and the Fontas River, Yates River, Whitesand River and Buffalo River watersheds.

BAIT FISHING

- Fishing with Bait in NB3 streams is **NOT** allowed except at portions of a few rivers under NB3 site specific listing regulations.
- Fishing with Bait in NB3 lakes is allowed, except at lakes listed with Bait Bans under NB3 site specific regulations.
- Fishing with Bait Fish is allowed except at locations listed with Bait Bans under NB3 site specific regulations.

Mainstem of a river: includes the mainstem channel and any side channel, oxbows, riparian flow channels, and plunge pools below spillways.

NB3 Default Sportfishing Regulations

- The names of most NB3 lakes and streams are listed alphabetically in the site specific regulation tables on the following pages.
- Smaller streams may not be listed, but may be included as tributaries to a listed larger stream.
- If a listed waterbody does not have a season listed, it is **CLOSED** to fishing during that period.
- If a NB3 lake, reservoir, river, stream or species is not listed, follow the default regulations below.
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LAKES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN May 15 to Mar. 31 • Lakes, reservoirs and ponds located north of township 104 are OPEN all year • Arctic Grayling limit 0 • Walleye limit 3 over 50 cm • Northern Pike limit 3 over 63 cm • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Lake Whitefish limit 10 • Burbot limit 10 • Trout limit 3 • Bait allowed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLOSED Apr. 1 to May 14
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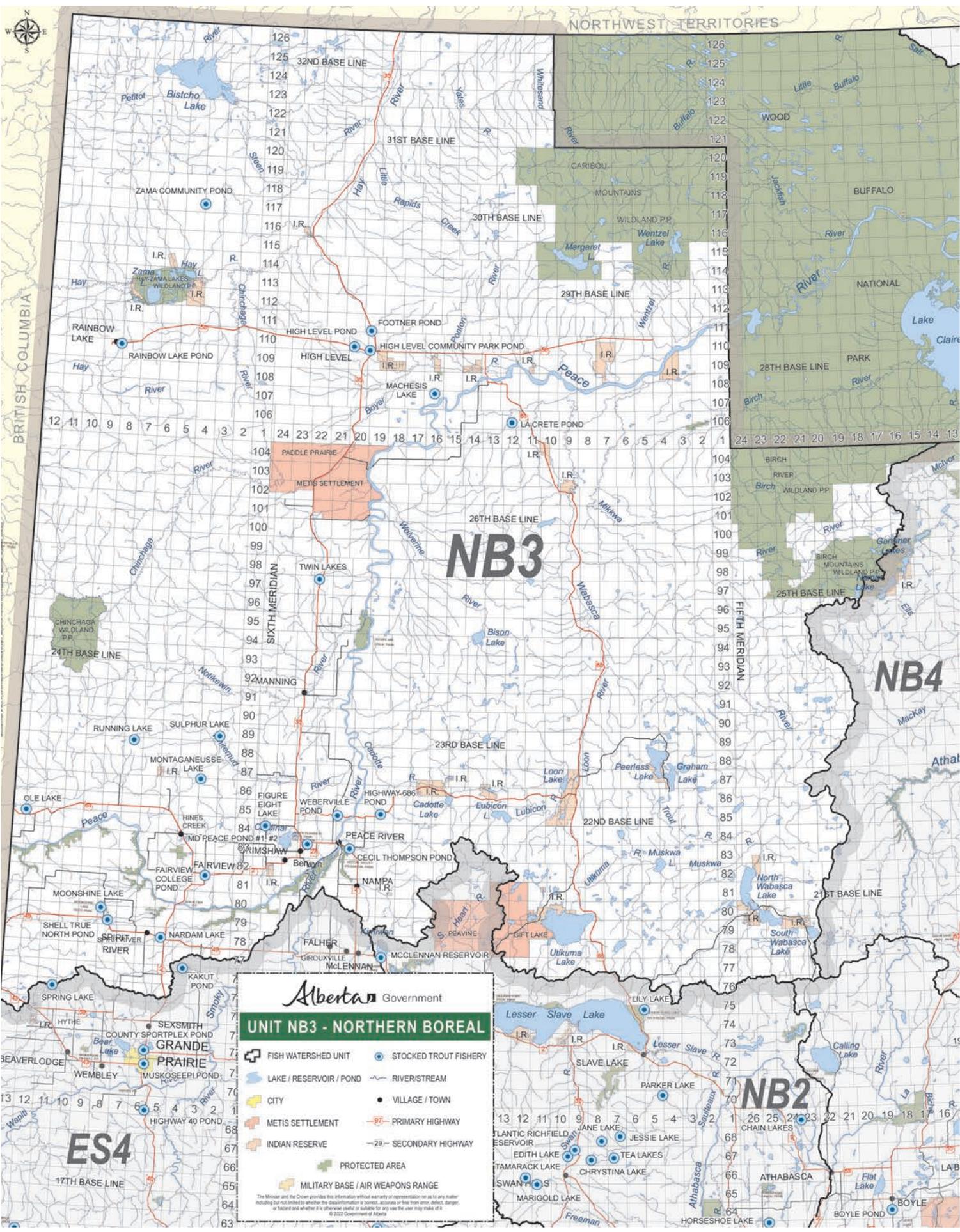


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NB3 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	LKTR	Trout Total
Albright Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					
Artisinn (unnamed) Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	15 fish				
Beatty Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm					
Berry Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm					
Bistocho Lake	The bay north of Kirkness Island; the portion of lake northerly of a line drawn from the southernmost tip of the point of land in SE31-124-5-W6 southeasterly to the westernmost tip of the point of land in SW28-124-5-W6 on Kirkness Island, and northerly of a line drawn from the easternmost tip of the point of land in SW27-124-5-W6 on Kirkness Island northeasterly to the southernmost tip of the point of land in SW35-124-5-W6	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Bistocho Lake	The bay north of Kirkness Island; the portion of lake northerly of a line drawn from the southernmost tip of the point of land in SE31-124-5-W6 southeasterly to the westernmost tip of the point of land in SW28-124-5-W6 on Kirkness Island, and northerly of a line drawn from the easternmost tip of the point of land in SW27-124-5-W6 on Kirkness Island northeasterly to the southernmost tip of the point of land in SW35-124-5-W6	OPEN JULY 1 TO MAR. 1	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish		
Brintnell Lake	Remainder of the lake	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish		
Cadotte Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish	0 fish			
Calder Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					
Caribou Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Caribou Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	
Equisetum Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm					
Equisetum Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Equisetum Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Fish (Jackfish) Lake	76-11-W6	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Gods Lake	90-02-W5	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 over 100 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Gods Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	1 over 100 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Goodfish Lake	89-5-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Goodfish Lake	87-4-W5	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Graham (Trout) Lake	Tributaries and outlet downstream to Maria Lake	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	0 fish	
Graham (Trout) Lake	Tributaries and outlet downstream to Maria Lake	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	0 fish	
Haig Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	3 fish		
Haig Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	3 fish		
Hebephrenic (Jackfish) Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	2 over 70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Hebephrenic (Jackfish) Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	2 over 70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Hutch Lake	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	1 over 63 cm	0 fish				
Hutch Lake	Includes tributaries	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	1 over 63 cm	0 fish				
Joker Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	1 fish	1 fish	15 fish				
Legend Lake	12-7-97-18-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 75 cm		10 fish			
Legend Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	0 fish	0 fish		
Little Sandy Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	0 fish	0 fish		

NB3 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	LKTR	Trout Total
Long Lake	Peerless Lake area; 89-5-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Peerless Lake area; Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Long Lake	Second Last Lake; 90-2-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	2 over 70 cm	15 fish	10 fish			
Margaret Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	
Mink Lake #1	17-82-11-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 55 cm	15 fish				
Mistehae Lake	80-2-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Muskwa Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish			
Nipisi Lake	13-23-78-7-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
North Wabasca Lake	Portion south of a line drawn from the northern boundary of Wabasca Reserve 166b in NW 35-80-26-W4 to the point of land in the east half of NE 31-80-25-W4, which includes the mouth of the Willow River and channel of the Wabasca River	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 1	●	1 over 50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Remainder of the lake	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Pastecho Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish			0 fish	
Peerless Lake		OPEN APR. 1 TO MAY 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	0 fish	
		OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	
	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	
Pitchimi Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	
Rainbow Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	0 fish	0 fish			10 fish		
Round Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
		OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Sandy Lake	Portion north of a line drawn from the point of land on the west shore in the SE half of 19-79-22-W4 to the point of land on the east shore in the SW half of 21-79-22-W4	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 1	●	0 fish	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Portion south of a line drawn from the point of land on the west shore in the SW half of 5-79-22-W4 to the point of land on the east shore in the SW half of 3-79-22-W4	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 1	●	0 fish	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Remainder of the lake	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Sawn Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	2 fish; 1 under 63 cm and 1 over 100 cm	15 fish				
Semo Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm		10 fish		1 fish	
South Wabasca Lake	Portion north of a line drawn from the southernmost point of land in E1/2 13-80-25-W4 to the point of land in the SW 15-80-25-W4, which includes the channel of the Wabasca River	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 1	●	1 over 50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Portion south and west of a line drawn from the easternmost point of land in SE 31-79-24-W4 to the point of land in NW 27-79-24-W4	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 1	●	1 over 50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	0 fish	10 fish		
	Remainder of the lake	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	0 fish	10 fish		

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Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	LKTR	Trout Total
Spawn Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish		
Talbot Lake	Tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish		
Thurston Lake	Includes tributaries	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	1 over 70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Twin Lakes	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km 29-97-22-W5	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	1 fish 65-80 cm		10 fish	10 fish		
Utikuma Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish				5 trout; only 2 TGTR over 35 cm
Utikumasis Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	2 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Vandersteene Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Wadlin Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Wentzel Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
		OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	5 fish	10 fish	3 fish		
		OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	5 fish	10 fish	3 fish		
		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	

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NB3 - Rivers, Creeks and Streams

Waterbody		Waterbody Detail		Season	Bait ● = Bait ban	WALL	NRPK	L.KWH	BURB	GOLD	MNVH
Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait								
Chinchaga River	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed in river only	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	10 fish					
Hay River	Mainstem including tributaries except Chinchaga River	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed in river only	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	10 fish					
Loon River	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed in river only downstream of Loon Lake	1 over 50 cm	2 over 63 cm	10 fish					
Mikkwa River	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed in river only	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	10 fish					
Muskwa River	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 over 50 cm	2 over 63 cm	10 fish					
Nipisi River	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 over 50 cm	2 over 63 cm	10 fish					
Notikewin River	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed in river downstream of hwy. 35 only	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	10 fish					
Peace River	Mainstem	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed in river only	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	10 fish				10 fish	5 over 30 cm
	Tributaries to the Peace River except Mikkwa, Smoky, Notikewin and Wabasca river drainages	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	10 fish				10 fish	5 over 30 cm
Pettitot River	Mainstem including tributaries upstream to Spawn Lake	OPEN JULY 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	10 fish					
Smoky River	Mainstem downstream of the 21st Base Line	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	10 fish					5 over 30 cm
Wabasca River	Portion downstream of Sandy Lake to South Wabasca Lake and the portion between South and North Wabasca lakes	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 1	Bait allowed in river only	1 over 50 cm	1 over 75 cm	10 fish					
	Portion downstream of North Wabasca Lake to South Wabasca Lake and tributaries except the Loon, Muskwa and Nipisi Rivers	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed in river only	1 over 50 cm	2 over 63 cm	10 fish				10 fish	

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NB4 WATERSHED UNIT REGULATIONS

■ The Athabasca River watershed downstream of the north boundary of Township 78 (near Pelican River), including the Clearwater River and Christina River watersheds, and the Slave River and Lake Athabasca watersheds, including the lakes and streams north of Lake Athabasca.

BAIT FISHING

- Fishing with Bait, including Bait Fish, in NB4 lakes and streams is allowed except at locations with Bait Bans listed under site specific regulations.

Mainstem of a river: includes the mainstem channel and any side channel, oxbows, riparian flow channels, and plunge pools below spillways.

NB4 Default Sportfishing Regulations

- The names of most NB4 lakes and streams are listed alphabetically in the site specific regulation tables on the following pages.
- Smaller streams may not be listed, but may be included as tributaries to a listed larger stream.
- If a listed waterbody does not have a season listed, it is **CLOSED** to fishing during that period.
- If a NB4 lake, reservoir, river, stream or species is not listed, follow the default regulations below.
- A fish symbol (🐟) indicates a stocked waterbody with special trout regulations. Unless otherwise listed, regulations for other species follow the general regulations for stocked trout lakes on page 16; although species limits are shown for clarity, not all species may be present in each stocked lake.

LAKES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN May 15 to Mar. 31 • Arctic Grayling limit 0 • Walleye limit 3 over 50 cm • Northern Pike limit 3 over 63 cm • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Lake Whitefish limit 10 • Burbot limit 10 • Trout limit 3 • Bait allowed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLOSED Apr. 1 to May 14
STREAMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN June 1 to Oct. 31 • Arctic Grayling limit 0 • Walleye limit 3 over 50 cm • Northern Pike limit 3 over 63 cm • Mountain Whitefish limit 5 over 30 cm • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Lake Whitefish limit 10 • Burbot limit 10 • Trout limit 2 • Bait allowed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLOSED Nov. 1 to May 31

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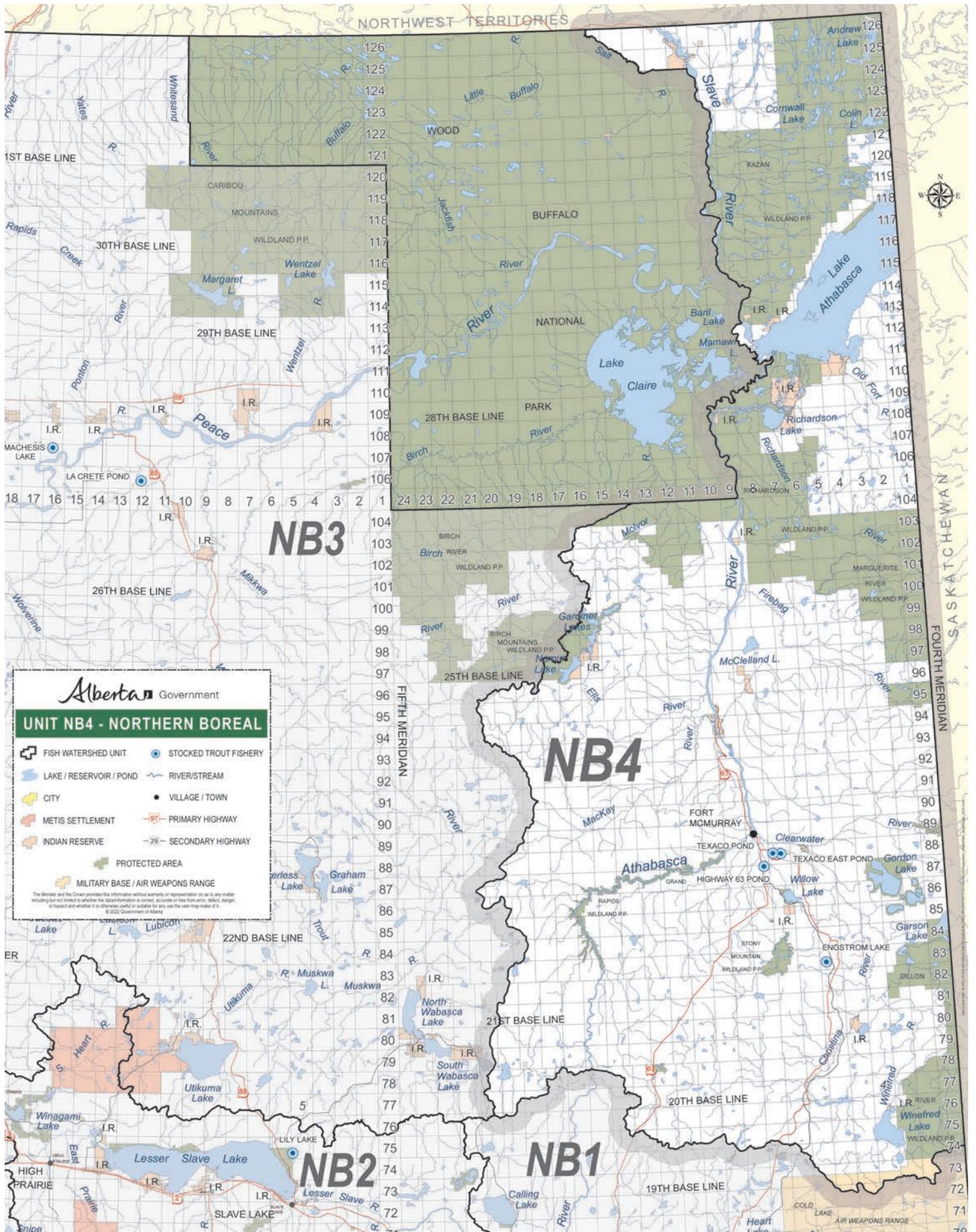
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Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	LKTR	GOLD	CISC
Alexander Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm						
Andrew Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	3 fish		
Arch Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm						
Ashton Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm		10 fish				
Barrow Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 43 cm	1 over 63 cm		10 fish				0 fish
Base Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	15 fish	10 fish				
Bayonet Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish			3 fish		
Big Island Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish		10 fish				
Blanche Lake	Includes outlet	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish			3 fish		
Bocquene Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Bryant Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Burstall Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Charles Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Cherry Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Christina Lake	Portion locally known as Sawbones Bay (2-77-6-W4)	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 15	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
	Remainder of lake. For flowing water refer to Christina Lake Tributaries and Outflows.	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
Cockscob Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Colin Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Collins Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Cornwall Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Cowper Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
			●		3 over 63 cm	5 fish; only 1 over 30 cm					
Daly Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Darwin Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Dawson Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Disappointment Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Ells Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm						
Fletcher Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Florence Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Gardiner Lakes	Moose Lake	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
	Moose Lake; Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish						
Gipsy Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		1 under 70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
Glover (Birch) Lake	79-5-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish		10 fish	10 fish			
Gregoire (Willow) Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			

NB4 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	LKTR	GOLD	CISC
Grist Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish		10 fish		1 fish 60-70 cm		
Hooker Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm						
Kimowin (Hook) Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 fish	5 fish; only 1 over 30 cm					
Kirby (Sterner) Lake	75-5-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	15 fish	10 fish				
Lake Athabasca		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	3 fish	10 fish	
Leggo Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Leland Lakes		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Limon Lake	Includes outlet	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish					
Loutit Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
McClelland Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Mercredi Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Myers Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Namur Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait ban		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	2 over 65 cm		
One Week Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Pans Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●						3 fish		
Peters Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Potts Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Richardson Backcountry	All water within area between Twp. 103 and 107, and Rge 01-W4 and Rge 08-W4; Locally known as Richardson Backcountry	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
Richardson Lake	Includes outlet (Jackfish Channel)	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish					
Roderick Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Royemma Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	15 fish	10 fish				
Ryan Lake	75-1-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
St. Agnes Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Steebank Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 70 cm	15 fish					
Treasure Loch Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm		10 fish				
Tulip Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Turtle Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm						
Wappau Lake	14-75-11-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	15 fish					
Weekes Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		2 over 63 cm				3 fish		
Winefred Lake	For lake only. For flowing water see Winefred Lake Tributaries and Outflows.	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait ban	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
Winnifred Lake	118-3-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm		10 fish				
Woodman Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm		10 fish				
Wylie Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm		10 fish		3 fish		

Legend: As examples, '3 over 63 cm' indicates a possession and size limit of '3 fish each over 63 cm' or '10 fish' indicates a possession limit of 10 for that species of any size. An empty cell indicates the species is not likely present at that waterbody; however, if caught the default regulations for the Watershed Unit apply - unless the waterbody is stocked, in which case provincial put and take stocked lake regulations apply (see p. 16). SHL=Special Harvest Licence, BKTR = Brook Trout, BNTR=Brown Trout, BURB = Burbot, CISC = Cisco, CTR = Cutthroat Trout, DLVR = Dolly Varden, GOLD = Goldeye, LKTR = Lake Trout, LKWH = Lake Whitefish, MNWH = Mountain Whitefish, NRPK = Northern Pike, RNTR = Rainbow Trout, SAUG = Sauger, TGTR = Tiger Trout, WALL = Walleye, YLPR = Yellow Perch. Regulation changes are highlighted blue. Waterbodies closed to angling are highlighted grey.

NB4 - Rivers, Creeks and Streams

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	GOLD	MNWH
Athabasca River	Mainstem north of the north boundary of TWP78 (Near Pelican River). For area south of this, see Athabasca Mainstem in NB1 Rivers, Creeks and Streams	OPEN APR. 1 TO MAY 31	●	0 fish	3 over 63 cm			10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm
	Mainstem north of the north boundary of TWP78 (Near Pelican River). For area south of this, see Athabasca Mainstem in NB1 Rivers, Creeks and Streams	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm			10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm
	Tributaries except Clearwater and Hangingstone rivers	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm
Birch Creek	Beyond 10 km of Christina Lake	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	3 over 63 cm					
Christina Lake Tributaries and Outflows	Includes all named and unnamed tributaries and outflows within 10km of Christina Lake including Jackfish River, Birch, Sawbones, Sunday and Monday Creeks. Excludes the Christina River	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Clearwater River	Snye Channel	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm			10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm
	Mainstem including tributaries; the portion upstream of the Christina River	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm			10 fish		5 over 30 cm
Ellis River	Mainstem including tributaries; the portion downstream of the Christina River	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm			10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm
Hangstone River	96-11-W4	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish		
House River	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	●		3 over 63 cm					
Monday Creek	Beyond 10 km of Christina Lake	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm					
Richardson Backcountry	All water within area between Twp. 103 and 107, and Rge 01-W4 and Rge 08-W4; Locally known as Richardson Backcountry	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Richardson River	Beyond 10 km of Christina Lake	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	3 over 63 cm					
Sunday Creek	Beyond 10 km of Christina Lake	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm
Winefred Lake Tributaries and Outflows	Includes all named and unnamed tributaries and outflows within 10km of Winefred Lake including Winefred River, (Unnamed) Sand River and Grist River	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		



PERCH-ANCE TO DREAM

Managing Alberta's Yellow Perch Fisheries

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Across Alberta, anglers flock to lakes in search of walleye, northern pike, and the ever-popular yellow perch. These species are the backbone of Alberta's recreational fisheries, and for good reason. They're fun to catch, and many anglers love them for a fish fry. Yellow perch may be smaller than pike or walleye, but don't let their stature fool you. Yellow perch are the fourth most popular sportfish species in Alberta, and it's easy to see why. These little fighters are scrappy and tasty. But while many anglers have fond memories of pulling up perch by the bucketful, others have noticed that quality perch fishing is getting harder to find. Simply put, many of Alberta's perch fisheries aren't what they used to be.



“Perch Transfer: Manatokan to Frenchman Lake.”

Fisheries managers have been hearing from recreational anglers across the province, and the message is clear: people want more memorable perch fishing opportunities. Who wouldn't? A day catching fat perch is the stuff of fishing legends. But here's the catch: yellow perch grow slowly. It can take years for them to reach “keeper” size. A half-pound perch, about 25 cm (10 inches) long, is usually five years old. A one-pound perch, 30 cm (12 inches) or more, can take eight to ten years to grow. Creating fisheries that produce perch of this size requires careful planning, smart management, and an understanding of what anglers really want.

DIVERSIFYING AND ENHANCING PERCH FISHERIES

To meet the growing demand for quality perch fishing, Forestry and Parks fisheries staff are exploring a two-pronged approach:

1. Perch transfers: In some Alberta lakes, perch populations disappeared or were severely limited by poor water quality. Where conditions are now improving, we're diversifying fishing opportunities and giving these lakes a boost by restocking with perch from nearby healthy populations.
2. Memorable perch fishing through regulatory changes: This focuses on using regulations to create fisheries specifically managed for a high-quality perch fishing experience.

PERCH TRANSFERS INTO UNDERPERFORMING LAKES

Perch transfers sound straightforward, but there's a lot more to it than just scooping up some fish and dropping them into a new lake. It's a meticulous process that involves planning, finding suitable donor and recipient waterbodies, disease testing and conducting fieldwork to assess habitat conditions—all of which take time and effort.

One example, Frenchman Lake in northeastern Alberta, has been fishless since 1995 due to significant changes in water levels that made it impossible for fish populations to survive. However, ongoing water quality monitoring since 2019 suggested that the lake might once again support sportfish. This sparked a joint effort with a local volunteer group to reintroduce yellow perch to the lake.

In the summer of 2024 and 2025, volunteers joined us to transfer a total of 7,300 yellow perch from a donor lake to Frenchman Lake. The process was carefully planned to ensure the health of the donor population, avoid disease transmission, and minimize ecosystem disruption. Now, we're keeping a close eye on the lake to see if the perch can establish a self-sustaining population. If all goes well, Frenchman Lake could become a new hotspot for anglers in the years to come.

In 2026, we'll be working closely with stakeholders to identify other waterbodies that might benefit from a perch transfer. We're checking habitat, examining water quality in both summer and winter, and identifying potential new donor populations of perch so we can continue to establish new or revived opportunities for perch fishing in Alberta.



LISTENING TO ANGLERS

Please remember that moving fish between lakes must be left to the experts. Without careful oversight and testing, transferring fish can spread harmful diseases and invasive species, upset the balance of an ecosystem, and undo years of conservation work. Moving fish without approval is illegal and can land you a serious fine. Fish transfers are carefully planned over months or even years by biologists to protect healthy populations and keep Alberta's lakes thriving, so leave it to the professionals!

Dedicated perch anglers tell us that a good perch lake is one where you can consistently catch numerous fish weighing between 0.5 and 1.5 pounds. In other words, size matters, but so does the experience of catching fish regularly. Unfortunately, many of Alberta's perch lakes go through boom-and-bust cycles; periods of excellent fishing followed by years of disappointment. These cycles often occur when strong year-classes of perch are heavily harvested, leaving poor recruitment in the years that follow.

At lakes where we want higher-quality perch fishing, we need to break this boom-and-bust cycle by managing perch populations more carefully. This might involve reducing harvest limits or introducing minimum size limits to protect younger fish and maintain strong year-classes. However, there are trade-offs. Focusing on higher quality perch fishing may come at the expense of walleye or pike in the same lake, as managing one species often affects the others.

This year, we are piloting new quota and



size limits at a handful of perch lakes with the goal of improving perch fishing. We'll monitor these lakes closely to see if the new regulations achieve their goals.

Managing fisheries is always a balancing act, and when it comes to yellow perch, anglers don't want a one-size-fits-all solution. Some anglers dream of catching large perch, while others value lakes where

they can catch lots of smaller fish for a fun family outing. By listening to anglers, and tailoring management strategies to create diverse perch fishing experiences, we can provide opportunities for all types of anglers to enjoy. Whether you're chasing big perch or just enjoying time on the water, exciting things are on the horizon for Alberta's yellow perch. ●





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Welcome Back to the **WATER**

*Inside Alberta's Hidden
World of Fish Culture*

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Every spring, as Alberta's lakes quietly shed their ice and anglers return to the open water, busy preparation is underway behind the scenes. Long before a single cast is made, teams of biologists, technicians, and aquaculture specialists have spent months or even years preparing for the upcoming angling season. Constant monitoring, countless feedings, and careful adjustments to rearing conditions have been tediously undertaken to raise many of the fish that Albertans will catch in

2026 and beyond. This is the world of fish culture: a blend of science, stewardship, passion and careful management ensuring sustainable recreational fishing opportunity across the province.

Alberta has relatively few lakes that naturally contain fish—about 800 in total—which is a very small number compared to other provinces. At the same time, Albertans are passionate anglers, putting high pressure on limited native stocks. Stocked fisheries help meet this demand by increasing fishing opportunities and providing more places

where anglers can harvest fish. Each year, nearly 2.1 million hatchery-raised trout are stocked in lakes and ponds across Alberta, giving anglers many options to enjoy the sport and spend time with family and friends.

IT ALL STARTS AT THE HATCHERY

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and their skilled staff support the stocking of more than 240 lakes and ponds across Alberta. Fish culture is a year-round process. From spawning and rearing fish to preparing them for transport, this continuous work ensures Albertans can access a wide range of fishing opportunities throughout the province.

STOCKED FOR ADVENTURE: FISHING OPPORTUNITIES FOR EVERY ANGLER

Stocked trout form an important pillar of Alberta’s recreational fishing program. Depending on where you fish, you may catch rainbow, brook, brown, tiger, or cutthroat trout. All are raised in Alberta hatcheries, and each species offers a different fishing experience.

Fish are stocked in a variety of waterbodies to support different types of anglers, including:

- **Urban ponds**, which are ideal for families and new anglers learning the basics.
- **Quality stocked fisheries**, where trout are stocked at a young age and grow for several years, often reaching large sizes.
- **Diversified fisheries**, where more than one trout species is stocked to increase variety.
- **Remote and alpine lakes**, often stocked by helicopter, offering quiet fishing experiences in mountain and remote settings.
- **Crown land and provincial park waters**, providing fishing opportunities across Alberta’s natural picturesque landscapes.

Most stocked lakes are managed as put-and-take fisheries. This means fish are stocked specifically to be caught and kept during the fishing season. Some lakes are



stocked multiple times in spring and fall to maintain good catch rates, especially where fish cannot survive the winter. Alberta also boasts many put-grow-take fisheries that give anglers the chance to catch a trout that rivals the size of their steelhead cousins from the west coast!

HOW A LAKE MAKES THE TROUT STOCKING LIST

Trout stocking has a storied history in Alberta for over 100 years, including within the national parks, and trout, in all its forms, remains one of the most popular sportfish in North America. However, not all lakes or ponds are suitable for stocking. Before fish are introduced, each waterbody is carefully assessed for the right conditions trout need to survive and grow.

Biologists consider conditions, like habitat quality, water temperature, and dissolved oxygen levels. Trout generally need cool, well-oxygenated water and do best at temperatures below 18°C. Sudden changes in water quality, temperature, or pH can make a lake unsuitable, sometimes making a permanent impact. Shallow lakes or those with limited habitat may only support seasonal or put-and-take fisheries.

Biologists must also check for competing or invasive species that could limit the success of a stocked fishery. Invasive carp, mussels, and other organisms can damage habitat, reduce water quality, and spread disease. Once invasive species become established, they are very difficult to remove and can result in fishing closures while restoration efforts are carried out. The release of aquarium species or transfer of

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native species can be incredibly damaging to stocked waters, to the point of making the waters unsuitable for trout.

While certain lakes recover during wetter years, others may no longer support trout. Natural or man made barriers that prevent stocked fish from moving into nearby waterways are important features for stocked waters. Barriers keep fish in place where they are stocked and protect native fish populations from unintended impacts like hybridization between species. To further reduce risk, most trout stocked in Alberta are sterile, meaning they cannot reproduce or interbreed with native species.

Climate change has added new challenges. Warmer, drier summers have already affected some stocked waters. As conditions continue to change, Alberta is exploring whether different fish species may be better suited to some lakes in the future. Any new species is only considered after a thorough risk assessment to ensure it will not harm native fish or ecosystems.

**MORE THAN STOCKING:
THE MANY ROLES OF AQUACULTURE**

Fish culture involves much more than raising fish for anglers. Alberta’s aquaculture program also plays a key role in protecting ecosystems by diverting fishing pressure from high use areas and supporting conservation through recovery stocking efforts. In addition, it oversees the movement of live fish within Alberta and administers licensing for recreational and commercial aquaculture operations, such as fish farms.



To learn more, the public can take advantage of touring the Sam Livingston Fish Hatchery at Calgary’s Bow Habitat Station, which provides an interactive experience that is family friendly. Visitors can see how fish are raised and learn more about the role aquaculture plays in fisheries management.

YOUR NEXT CATCH AWAITS

With more than 240 stocked waters across Alberta, there are many places to explore and fish. You might even see a stocking truck arrive while you’re already on the water. Whether you’re fishing

for the first time or planning a challenging backcountry trip, stocked fisheries provide options for all skill levels. Anglers can find stocking updates on the My Wild Alberta website at mywildalberta.ca/fishing, as well as on the My Wild Alberta Facebook page, which posts updates throughout the year.

Stocked fisheries are a shared public resource. They are supported by anglers, maintained by skilled biologists and technicians, and enjoyed by thousands of Albertans every year. If you haven’t visited a stocked lake recently, now is a great time to plan a trip and enjoy Alberta’s stocked waters. ●

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Decoding DNA

*How the Forensic Lab Supports
the Conservation of Fish and Wildlife*

by Dr. Richard Jobin

Sheriffs Branch – Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Services,
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Alberta is a world-class destination for hunting and fishing, and protecting these resources for future generations is a top priority. One powerful tool in the fight against poaching and illegal trafficking of fish and game is forensic science.

Operating for more than 30 years, Alberta's Forensic Unit has been at the forefront of using DNA analysis and other scientific techniques to support investigations into fish and wildlife related offences throughout the province. The laboratory is part of Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Services within the Alberta Sheriffs and is accredited through the Standards Council of Canada as a forensic laboratory.

What the Lab Can Do

Alberta's Forensic Unit offers a wide range of investigative services, including:

- Support executing search warrants
- Postmortem examinations
- Morphological identifications of fish and wildlife parts
- DNA analysis, which accounts for most of the work conducted in the lab



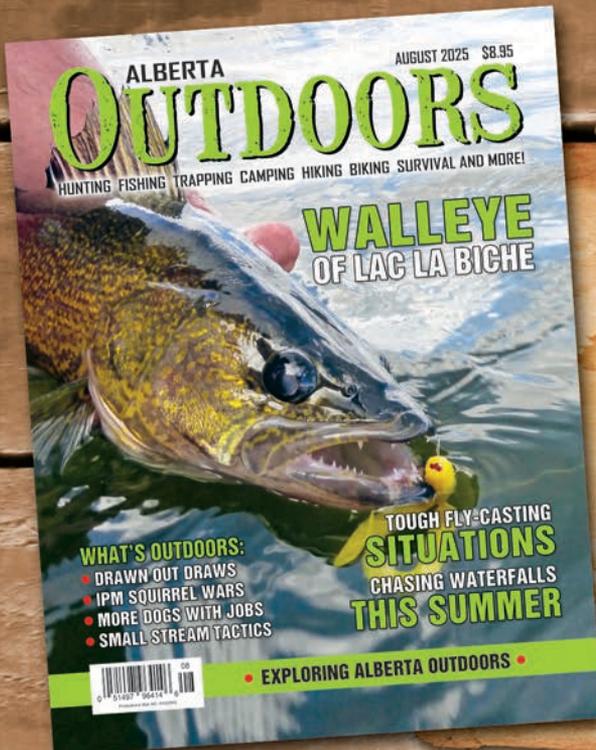
"Fish parts from fish trafficking."

Because Alberta's forensic unit analyzes samples from wildlife, it cannot use traditional commercially developed DNA-based tests designed for humans. Instead, the lab has developed its own DNA tests and databases for a wide variety of fish and wildlife in Alberta.

This allows analysts to perform species identification and DNA matching on most large game and fish found in Alberta, including moose, bighorn sheep, grizzly bears and walleye.

Modern forensic DNA technology has opened a world of information and

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"Walleye fillets from Slave Lake."

possibilities. Through the development of highly sensitive tests, the Forensic Unit can identify the species of origin or perform DNA matching from tiny traces of biological material, such as a speck of blood, a single hair or even a single fish scale.

Two Powerful DNA Tools

The lab uses two types of DNA-based tests: sequencing and fragment analysis.

Sequencing-based tests allow the laboratory to identify the species of origin from almost any biological material submitted. For example, if a fish and

wildlife officer submits blood-stained clothing of unknown origin, sequencing can identify the specific animal or fish species the blood came from.

Fragment analysis-based tests can determine whether two samples came from the same fish or animal, whether they are related, or whether the fish or animal originated from a specific population or geographic area. This allows the lab to determine, for example, whether a fish came from a specific lake or waterbody—critical information in cases involving illegal harvest or transport.

Morphological Identification: When DNA Isn't Needed

Not all investigations rely on DNA analysis. Lab personnel are trained to identify fish and fish parts using morphological features such as size, shape, colour, fillets, scales and bones. These techniques are often used when very large amounts of fish are seized.

In one major trafficking operation, more than 700 fish and fish parts were submitted to the laboratory, with the majority successfully identified using morphological characteristics.

The lab can also estimate overall fish length based on measurements of muscle segments on fish fillets. This helps determine whether the fish met legal size requirements and can provide clues about where they likely originated.

DNA in Action: Real Alberta Cases

1. Illegal fish dumped into water

In a recent investigation, suspects were keeping illegally caught fish in plastic bags. When approached by a fish and wildlife officer, the suspects dumped the fish into the water in an attempt to hide evidence. The officer seized the plastic bags and submitted them to the Forensic Unit, which confirmed they had contained mountain whitefish and cutthroat trout.

2. Tracing fillets back to Lesser Slave Lake

During an ice-fishing check on Lesser Slave Lake, a fish and wildlife officer discovered concealed fish fillets. The angler claimed the fillets had been purchased from a commercial fishery from a nearby lake. The seized fillets were submitted to the Forensic Unit. DNA-based fragment analysis determined that the fish were walleye—24 in total—harvested from

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Lesser Slave Lake. Faced with the forensic evidence, the angler pleaded guilty.

3. Connecting discarded fish to a suspect's boat

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Protecting Alberta's Wildlife

Every fish and wildlife officer in Alberta has access to the modern forensic technology of the Forensic Unit. From DNA sequencing to expert morphological analysis, these tools are essential in solving wildlife crimes and safeguarding Alberta's natural resources.



"Fish scale from boat in Sylvan Lake."

The Province of Alberta remains committed to conserving and protecting fish and wildlife resources, and the

Forensic Unit plays a vital role in ensuring those who break fish and wildlife laws are held accountable. ●

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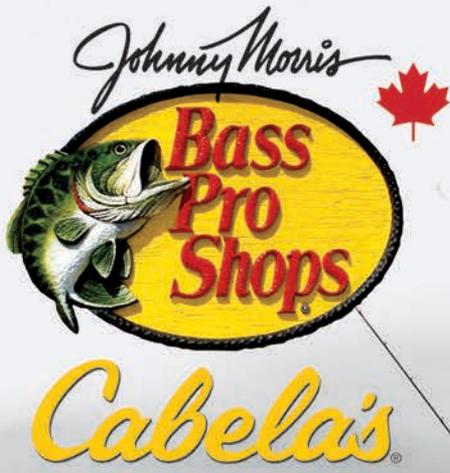
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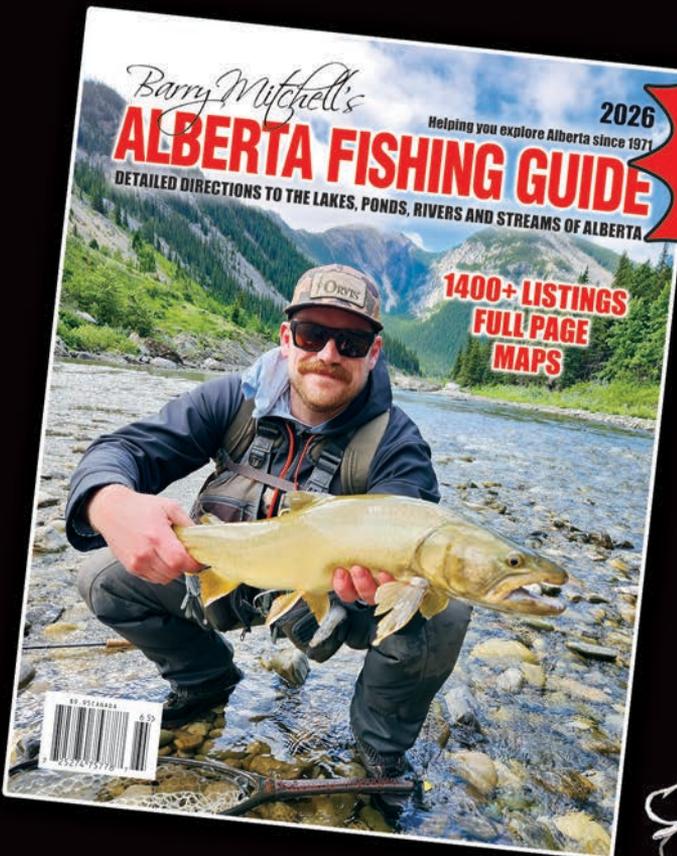
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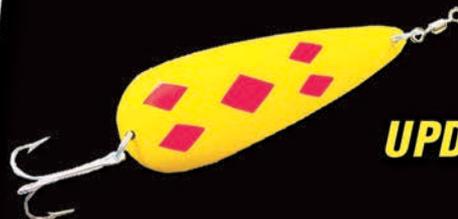


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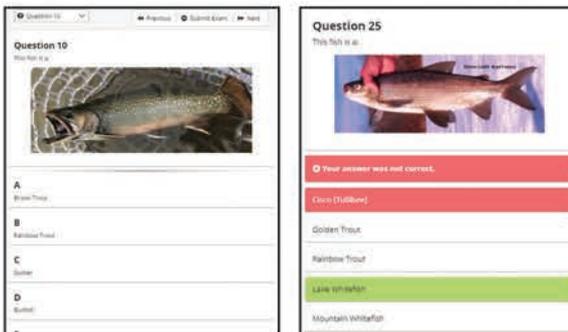


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Hunting and fishing licence sales support ACA initiatives like **Alberta's first mobile fish hatchery**. By incubating eggs directly at lakes and streams, this innovative approach boosts fish survival and supports existing stocking efforts. **In 2025, over 1.5 million walleye fry were released** at Travers Reservoir, proving mobile hatcheries help enhance conservation and fish populations across the province.

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