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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 Fish and Wildlife Office of Alberta Environment and Parks.

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Message from the Minister



I truly appreciate the opportunity to fish with family and friends. The experiences and the stories that follow a day out on the water make me thankful to be an Albertan.

We are very fortunate to live here. Fishing has been part of Alberta's heritage for centuries and the rivers, lakes and ponds that sustain our province's fisheries are truly magnificent. As Minister of Environment and Parks, and as an avid angler, I promise to work with Albertans to ensure memorable fishing

experiences can be found here for generations to come.

I enjoy speaking with people passionate about our province's fisheries and believe all Albertans have a role to play in the sustainability of our fisheries. I also know my staff feel the same way. That's why I hope you shared your opinions and asked our experts questions during our fisheries online engagement webinars this winter.

These engagement opportunities represent our commitment to you to be transparent and open, have meaningful discussions with Albertans, and to hear your thoughts on fishing and fisheries management. Please know that staff worked very hard to capture your input during a time of unusual circumstances and this work will be instrumental as we implement changes and create future opportunities.

The Alberta government needs to work together with recreational anglers, Indigenous communities, conservation groups, and all Albertans to support and enhance fishing in our province. We have a shared obligation to remain vigilant to conserve, enhance and protect fish populations and their habitats in our waters. In the past, challenges have threatened the viability of fish and fisheries in some waterbodies in our province. Severely declining fish stocks and loss

of fish habitat led to the collapse and loss of some fisheries, and put some species at risk.

Over time, with the input and support of anglers, Alberta managed a recovery of these fish species in many of our lakes and rivers. Part of this recovery is supported through investments in hatcheries. Alberta's government has invested over \$50 million in Alberta's four provincial fish hatcheries to expand and modernize operations to support a larger, more efficient and more bio-secure fish stocking program. While some fish populations have responded well, other species or populations have not yet recovered. This is why, with your help, we're working to address these issues so that today's anglers – and future generations – can better enjoy fishing in our province. For the fisheries that are healthy, we will continue to look for opportunities to increase the quality and diversity of fishing experiences.

Our focus is more than providing fish for anglers. We also support habitat protection and the important role that fish and Alberta's fisheries hold within Alberta's ecosystem. We will explore innovative management strategies and fishing regulations to use our fisheries with a long-term vision of sustainability, so our fisheries can be strong and healthy for generations to come. For example, we recently amended legislation to create walleye harvest opportunities for youth, direct anglers to remove their ice fishing shacks before breakup, and allow Environment and Parks to develop a licence for recreational fishing guides.

For many of us, spending time in the outdoors to pursue activities such as fishing is among our fondest memories. Whether fishing is part of your weekend plans, your annual summer vacation or you simply decide to take advantage of Alberta's free family fishing weekends, angling in Alberta will give you an experience and memories you will cherish for a lifetime.

Sincerely
Jason Nixon
Minister of Environment and Parks

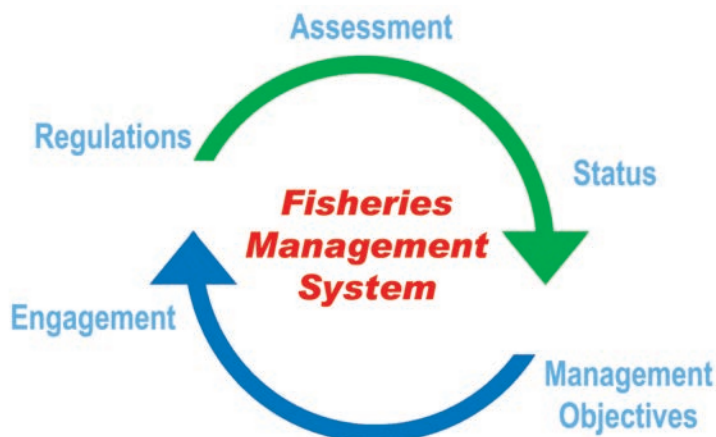


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Alberta follows the Alberta's Fish Conservation and Management Strategy. Alberta's goal of the long-term sustainability of fisheries is central to this commitment. Alberta's Fisheries Management System is an annual process and the components include Assessment, Status, Management Objectives, Engagement and Regulations.

For more information on Alberta's Fish Conservation and Management Strategy, please go to Alberta's Fisheries Management website and click the link.

HOW TO USE THIS GUIDE

1. The Table of Contents on page 9 tells you where to find key information.
2. Be sure to read the **Important Information** section (page 12) for information about management and new opportunities.
3. Definitions start on page 15 and Regulations on page 20. These sections of the Guide cover definitions and regulations that apply to Alberta.
4. Default and site specific regulations for lakes and rivers in each Watershed Unit (example, ES1, NB4) begin on page 30.
5. A map showing the Management Zones is on page 29.
6. Each Management Zone is divided into Watershed Units.
7. Each Watershed Unit features a map, default regulations and site specific regulations for lakes and streams which include waterbody detail, seasons, bait restrictions and catch limits on fish species.
8. Lake and Stream Regulations:
 - Alberta uses both **default** and **site specific** regulations.
 - Default and site specific regulations 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 site specific regulation tables
 - **Site specific regulations** include waterbody details, seasons, bait restrictions and limits on fish species and apply to lakes and streams that are listed in the site specific regulation tables
 - Please become familiar with the default regulations for lakes and streams you want to fish in each watershed unit.
 - Please become familiar with the site-specific regulations for lakes and streams that you want to fish in each watershed unit.

If you require further information, contact the Fish and Wildlife Office near to the waterbody you wish to fish (see Further Inquiries, page 27).

The regulations in this guide are effective from April 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022.

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Important Information

This section provides general information. Regulations are listed in each Watershed Unit in the Management Zones starting on page 30.

Stakeholder Engagement

Thank you for participating in Alberta Environment and Parks' 2021-2022 sportfishing regulation engagement. Engagement was shifted online to meet public health guidelines, with a series of live webinars that supported a survey. Your feedback is reflected in these 2021 Sportfishing Regulations. We are also using your feedback to identify topics for further engagements.

Please find follow-up information by visiting www.alberta.ca/fisheries-engagements.aspx. All public engagements related to sportfishing, including what we heard reports and future opportunities to provide input, can be found here. We look forward to continuing the conversations!

Amendments Related to Sportfishing

Every once in a while Alberta Fisheries Management makes changes to update, clarify, simplify sportfishing regulations. In 2020, related amendments include,

- Ability to develop a licence for fishing guides. We will continue to consult and develop this licence in 2021,
- Youth anglers (<16 y old) can harvest the supervising adults Special Harvest Licence tags,
- Crayfish can be harvested from the Beaver River. Follow associated sportfishing regulations,
- Ice fishing shelters (for example huts, tents, flip overs) left on the ice for more than 24 hours must be identified with WiN number OR name and telephone number (2.5 cm or taller letters) and must be removed before March 15 in PP1 and March 31 everywhere else.

Harvest Opportunities

An outcome of the recent engagement activities are changes to some regulations. Regulation updates are highlighted blue in the regulation tables starting on page 30.

Stocking and Transfers

Our stocked trout program was fully delivered last year following COVID guidelines and restrictions

Our walleye stocking program was deferred in 2020 due to COVID restrictions. We are planning to start the program this spring to stock walleye and transfer northern pike and yellow perch.

Please be aware that stocking walleye for put-grow-and-take fisheries does not result in immediate fishing opportunities. Updates on fish stocking and transfer activities will be provided during the year.

Our transfer program was downsized significantly due to COVID restrictions. However, yellow perch were successfully transferred to Mitsue Lake and golden trout were successfully transferred to South Fork lakes.

Fish transfers will focus on re-stocking waters that have experienced fish kills or have recovered from drought conditions. Please know measures will be in place that prevent disease transfer.

Tiger trout have been listed as a sport fish in Alberta. Tiger trout stockings have been expanded to more lakes; please review the site-specific regulations and Alberta's Stocking Report on MyWildAlberta website.

Sportfishing Guide

For easier reading, the ● symbol has been replaced with text. This clarifies regulations and further simplifies the tables.

Waterbodies,

- with regulation updates highlighted blue
- that are closed all year highlighted grey

Download and Save the Guide

This sportfishing guide can be downloaded from albertaregulations.ca website. Touch the PDF symbol below the cover of the sportfishing regulations to open, then download and save the sportfishing regulations for your favourite watersheds (examples ES1, NB3, PP2) OR download and save the complete document.

Licensing

For convenience, download the AlbertaRem App and keep your sportfishing licences and WiN card on your portable device. Please remember that you are required to produce your licence (paper or electronic via the AlbertaRem App) when requested by an officer. Also, sign up to auto-renew your sportfishing licence. See AlbertaRem.com or AlbertaRem App for additional details.

Special Harvest Licence Updates

- From the 2021 online engagement, many stakeholders supported changes to the Special Harvest Licence program.
- If successfully drawn, an SHL licence holder is eligible for 2 walleye tags for either Class B (43-50 cm) or Class C (<43 cm) walleye. Class A licence is unchanged with 2 tags for >50 cm walleye. These changes increase the sharing of fish which will allow more anglers to obtain a licence and harvest walleye.
- In 2022, Class C walleye licences will only be offered through the undersubscribed process. Therefore, anglers are encouraged to apply their Class C priority points this year (2021). Priority points for Class C licenses will not be valid in 2022.
- See page 19 for details.

Ice Fishing

Must identify all ice fishing shelters that are on the ice for more than 24 hours with your WiN number OR name and phone number with 2.5 cm or taller letters.

Must remove all ice fishing shelters before March 15 in PP1 and before March 31 everywhere else.

Angling through ice is not permitted into beaver ponds or flowing waters in ES1 to ES4 management zones except the portion of the Lobstick River lying in 53, 54-9, 10-W5.

Aquatic Health

The impacts posed by aquatic invasive species, including fish disease, continue to 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 **CLEAN, DRAIN, DRY YOUR GEAR** actions, after each watercraft and equipment use, to ensure no water, mud, fish or fish parts are moved from one waterbody to the next. This applies within Alberta as well as beyond our borders.

For more information, call the 24/7 hotline **1-855-336-BOAT (2628)**.

Always remember to:

- **PULL THE PLUG!** All watercraft must have the drain plug pulled while in transport within Alberta. It's the Law!
- **DON'T LET IT LOOSE** Never release water, plants, dead or live fish or any other animals into waterbodies they didn't originate from.

DO YOU HAVE A SUGGESTION OR COMMENT?

Alberta Environment and Parks conducts public engagement opportunities throughout the year. Open engagements related to fisheries management can be found by visiting www.alberta.ca/fisheries-engagements.aspx

Stay engaged by following our 'My Wild Alberta' Facebook page to learn more about angling, projects our staff are working on and any public engagements.

Have a question or comment? Send your email or letter to our Outreach Services team, who will forward it to the appropriate fisheries personnel.

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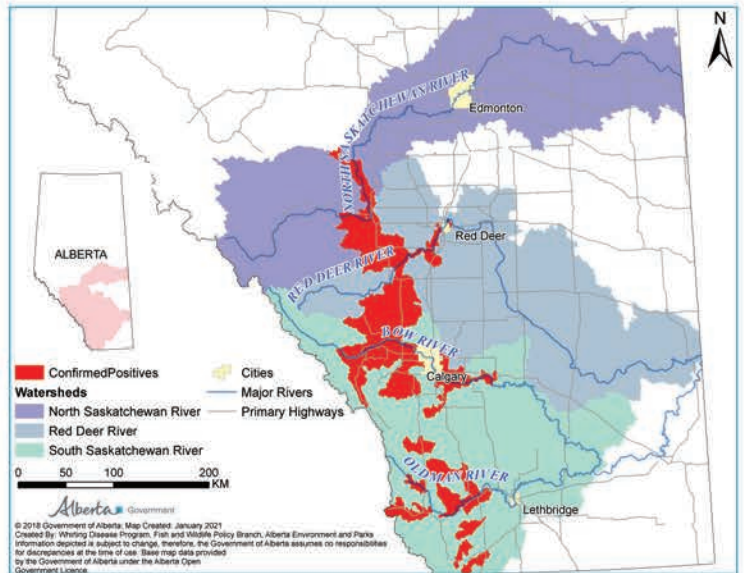
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Whirling Disease Positive Waterbodies		
Watershed Unit	Waterbody	Waterbody Detail
North Saskatchewan River Watershed		
ES2	Alford Creek	
ES2	Clear Creek	
ES2	Mud Creek	
ES2	North Saskatchewan River	Rocky Mountain House downstream to the confluence of the Brazeau River
ES2	Prairie Creek	
ES2	Swan Creek	
Red Deer River Watershed		
ES2	Beaver Creek	
ES2	Dogpound Creek	
ES2	East Stony Creek	
ES2	Fallentimber Creek	
ES2	Grease Creek	
ES2	Little Red Deer River	Headwaters downstream to Dogpound Creek confluence
ES2	North Raven River	
ES2 & PP2	Red Deer River	Forestry Trunk Road downstream to the Tolman Bridge (Hwy. 585)
ES2	Silver Creek	
ES2	Sihilis Creek	
South Saskatchewan River Watershed		
ES1	Belly River	Hwy 6 downstream to Waterton River confluence
ES1	Beaver Creek	

Whirling Disease Positive Waterbodies		
Watershed Unit	Waterbody	Waterbody Detail
ES1	Bill Griffiths Creek	
ES1 & PP1	Bow River	Banff National Park downstream to Hwy. 547
ES1	Crowsnest River	Crowsnest Lake downstream to Oldman River Reservoir
ES1	Elbow River	Glenmore reservoir downstream to Bow River
ES1	Evan Thomas Creek	
ES1	Fish Creek	
ES1	Ghost River	
ES1	Highwood River	Stimson Creek confluence downstream to Bow River
ES1	Indian Creek	
ES1	Jumpingpound Creek	
ES1	Kananaskis River	
PP1	Lee Creek	
ES1	Meadow Creek	
ES1	Oldman River	Hwy 22 downstream to Hwy 2
ES1	Policeman Creek	
ES1	Priddis Creek	
ES1	Robinson Creek	
ES1	Threepoint Creek	
ES1	Trout Creek	
ES1	Waterton River	Waterton Reservoir downstream to Belly River
ES1	Willow Creek	Chain Lakes reservoir downstream to Oldman River confluence

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REPORT WHIRLING DISEASE, CONTACT:
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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.

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 for which the main management objective is at least 10 per cent of the fish are 50 cm in length or greater.

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

If you catch a tagged fish,

- Take a clear picture of the tag number
- Do not scrap the tag
- Do not remove the tag
- Do not pull the tag

Please advise the nearest Fish and Wildlife office of the following:

- Tag number and colour
- Species of fish
- Date fish was caught
- Where fish was caught
- If the fish was released
- Total length and weight of the fish, if available
- Your name, address and phone number.



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 below.

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 22.

Some stocked waterbodies are managed as Quality Stocked Fisheries and have specific regulations. These waterbodies are listed in the Watershed Units' regulation tables starting on page 30.

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)
 Emerald Lake (SE 8-8-5-W5)
 Granum Pond (NW 31-10-26-W4)
 Grotto Mountain Pond (NW 21-24-9-W5)
 Island Lake (SE 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)
 Mitford Ponds (SE 4-26-4-W5)
 Nose Creek Pond (NE 1-27-1-W5)
 Payne Lake (NE 10-2-28-W4)
 Sibbald Lake (NE 14-24-7-W5)
 Sibbald Meadows Pond (SW 20-24-7-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)
 Harlech 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 (NW 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 (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)
 Mary Gregg Lake (NW 4-48-24-W5)

Mayan Lake (NW 5-57-23-W5)
 Mcleod Lake (SE 25-61-12-W5)
 Niton Lake (SE 32-53-12-W5)
 Obed Lake (NE 11-53-22-W5)
 Petite Lake (NW 12-54-26-W5)
 Rainbow Lake (SE 10-57-22-W5)
 South Sundance Lake (SE 1-55-21-W5)
 Trapper Lake (SE 19-58-16-W5)
 Whitecourt Town Pond (NE 35-59-12-W5)
 Wildhorse Lakes (SW 31-49-26-W5)
 Wildwood Pond (SW 30-53-9-W5)
 Wolf Creek Pond (SW 13-53-16-W5)

Watershed Unit ES4

County Sportplex Pond (NW 14-72-6-W6)
 Dollar Lakes (NW 8-73-21-W5)
 Dollar Lakes (SE 18-73-21-W5)
 Fox Creek Trout Pond (NW 13-63-20-W5)
 Grande Cache Lake (SE 1-57-8-W5)
 Highway 40 Pond SW 12-69-6-W6
 Kakut Lake (SW 34-76-4-W6)
 Kakut Pond (NE 27-76-4-W6)
 Muskoseepi Pond SE 26-71-6-W6
 Pierre Greys Lakes (NW 6-57-4-W6)
 Pierre Greys Lakes (SE 12-57-5-W6)
 Spring Lake (NE 23-75-11-W6)
 Swan Lake (SW 18-70-25-W5)
 Two Lakes (NE 20-62-12-W6)
 Valleyview Children's Pond (NE 21-70-22-W5)
 Victor Lake (SE 35-56-8-W5)

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)
 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)
 Keenex Trout Pond (NW 10-11-24-W4)
 Magrath Childrens Pond (SW 26-5-22-W4)
 Mcquillan Reservoir (SW 13-8-19-W4)

Mcvinnie Reservoir (SW 33-12-21-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)
 Bud Miller Park Pond (NE 26-49-1-W4)
 By The Lake Park (SW 22-46-24-W4)
 Captain Eyre Lake (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)

PARKLAND-PRAIRIE ZONE

Claude N. Brennan Memorial 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)
Fyten Reservoir (NW 4-30-24-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 (SW 29-38-3-W5)
Helmer Reservoir (SW 18-31-14-W4)
Heritage Lake (NW 33-55-25-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)
Mirror Reservoir (SW 29-40-22-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 (SE 1-39-3-W5)
Nuggent Pond (SE 14-44-3-W5)
Oyen (Concrete Plant) Pond (NW 34-27-4-W4)
Oyen Reservoir (NE 33-30-4-W4)
Open Ck Reservoir (25-42-6-W5)
Parlby Reservoir (NE 25-40-24-W4)

Pleasure Island Reservoir (SW 20-46-19-W4)
Ponoka Centennial Park Pond (NE 5-43-25-W4)
Pro Alta Pond (SE 18-39-2-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)
Spring Lake (SW 30-52-1-W5)
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 (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 (NW 7-61-5-W4)
Boyle Pond (NE 16-64-19-W4)
Chatwin Lake (NE 4-61-6-W4)
Lac Delorme (SE 5-57-8-W4)
Lac La Biche Trout Pond (NW 5-67-13-W4)
Lara Fish Pond (NE 25-61-5-W4)
Legal Reservoir (NW 24-57-25-W4)
Little Bear Lake (NW 19-64-2-W4)
Medley River (SE 11-65-2-W4)
Mile 07 Lake (NE 35-69-14-W4)
Radway Fish Pond (SE 31-58-20-W4)
Rainbow Park 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)
Blue Lake (NW 13-69-17-W5)
Christina Lake (NW 8-67-8-W5)
Edith Lake (NE 13-67-10-W5)
Horseshoe Lake (SE 31-63-W4)
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)

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 (SE 6-110-19-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 (NE 31-86-3-W6)
Moonshine 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 (SE 17-83-6-W4)
Highway 63 Pond (NE 35-87-9-W4)
Texaco East Pond (NW 15-88-8-W4)
Texaco Pond (SW 17-88-8-W4)



The **REPORT A POACHER** program provides Albertans with the opportunity to report suspected violations using a toll-free number:

1-800-642-3800 or **#3800 on the TELUS Mobility network** (courtesy TELUS Mobility).

The line is in operation 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Fishing or hunting out of season, night hunting, exceeding bag limits, illegal sale of fish and wildlife and deposit of harmful substances in lakes and rivers

are violations that seriously affect fish and wildlife in Alberta. If you see or know of a violation, you should record all information, including

- date
- 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).

Online Licensing: Things you should know.

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)



Recreational fishing licences, special walleye licence applications and undersubscribed special walleye licences are available for purchase online at albertarelm.com or at one of more than 300 private licence issuers.

If you are under 16 years of age, an Alberta resident aged 65 or older, or a First Nations person who is defined as Indigenous under the federal Indian Act, you are not required to have a Sportfishing Licence to fish with rod and reel; however, you must follow sportfishing regulations unless fishing under the authority of a domestic fishing licence in specified eligible waters. For more information regarding Indigenous Rights and Responsibilities in regards to fishing, please visit the department's website at <https://www.alberta.ca/fish-wildlife.aspx>.

All anglers must have an active Wildlife Identification Number (WiN) before purchasing a recreational fishing licence or applying on a draw. WiN card activation requires a one-time \$8.00 fee (plus GST). To activate, current WiN card holders are required to pay the one-time fee when their card expires. **After activation, your WiN never expires and no renewals are needed!**

FOUR WEBSITES TO HELP YOU.

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ALBERTA SPORTFISHING LICENCE FEES

Licence	Alberta Residents ¹	Non-resident Canadians ²	Non-residents Outside of Canada
Annual Sportfishing Licence (16-64 years)	\$28.00	\$60.00	\$85.00
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	\$60.00	\$85.00
1-Day Sportfishing Licence	Not Available	\$25.00	\$26.63
7-Day Sportfishing Licence	Not Available	\$41.00	\$55.00
Special Walleye Licence Applications	\$3.35	Not Available	Not Available
Special Walleye Harvest Licence³	\$11.00	Not Available	Not Available

¹ Alberta resident is a resident of Canada and has their only or primary residence in Alberta.

² A non-resident Canadian has their only or primary residence in Canada and is a Canadian citizen or is admitted to permanent residence in Canada and has lived in Canada for the immediately preceding 12-month period.

³ See page 18 for draw information.

Licences must be carried at all times when sportfishing and transporting fish.

The AlbertaReIm 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.

How are the Sportfishing Licensing fees used? Over 300,000 Sportfishing licences were sold in 2020 generating over \$9 million in revenue. 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.

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.

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Special Walleye Draws

For more information about Special Walleye Draws, go to albertarelm.com and mywildalberta.ca

Draws For Special Harvest Licences

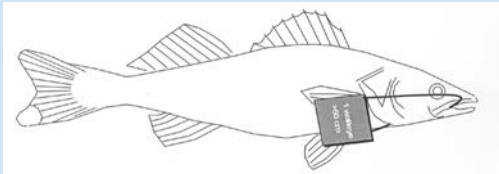
Alberta uses an innovative approach to allow a sustainable level of harvest of walleye from lakes that have recovered from major declines. Several fisheries have recovered to the point where a limited harvest of specific sizes of walleye can be allocated. Recognizing the need to conserve fisheries, where fishing pressure is substantial, a limited harvest option has been developed. A special licence is available for walleye to Albertans selected through a draw at specified lakes. These lakes are selected based on current stock assessment and sport fishery information.

Notice to Anglers

At the time of printing this document, the lakes identified are open for the current season under a Special Licence Draw. Alberta Environment and Parks 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, AEP will implement a zero harvest regulation. If you have any questions regarding this statement, contact Fish and Wildlife Policy Branch by email at AEP.Outreach-Services@gov.ab.ca.

Tagging Instructions

A walleye that is retained must be **tagged immediately through the gill cavity and mouth** with a paper tag and wire. To tag your walleye refer to the instructions on the tag.



IT IS LAWFUL FOR AN ANGLER LESS THAN 16 YEARS OLD TO HARVEST THE SUPERVISING ADULT ANGLER'S SPECIAL HARVEST LICENCE AND TAGS

ALL RETAINED FISH MUST BE IMMEDIATELY TAGGED

- Special Walleye Licence's are to be used only by the licence holder.
- No party fishing; only the licence holder can catch, retain, and tag fish.
- See exemption above regarding youth anglers able to harvest a supervising adults SHL tags.

2021 DRAWS

March 30 - April 22, 2021 Draw applications may be purchased for \$3.35 (plus GST) online at albertarelm.com or at licence issuers.

May 5, 2021 Draw results may be viewed online at albertarelm.com.

May 5, 2021 Special Walleye Licence may be purchased for \$11.00 (plus GST) online at albertarelm.com and at licence issuers.

May 5, 2021 Undersubscribed Licence information available online at albertarelm.com.

May 5, 2021 Undersubscribed Special Walleye Licences maybe purchased for \$11.00 (plus GST) online at albertarelm.com or at licence issuers.

DRAW RULES including types of Special Walleye Licences

Type of Special Walleye Licence Draws Available	Restrictions on Applying for these Draws	Application
<p>Stakeholder supported changes to the Special Walleye Licence increase the sharing of fish which will allow more anglers to obtain a licence and harvest walleye</p> <p>Class A (2 walleye over 50)</p> <p>Class B (2 walleye 43-50 cm)</p> <p>Class C (2 walleye <43 cm)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An Alberta resident may apply for all 3 draws but will only be drawn in one. • Draws will be conducted in the following order: Class A, Class B, Class C. • Applicants drawn will be eliminated from subsequent draws. Applicants NOT drawn will be issued a priority point. This increases the chance of being drawn in future draws. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your application for either Class A, B, or C can include your 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choice of lake. • Up to 4 applicants can apply as a group. • The priority of a group application is based on the individual with the lowest priority. • Please visit albertarelm.com for more detailed information on what opportunities are available including statistics on previous draws.

In 2022, Class C walleye licences will only be offered through the undersubscribed process. Therefore, anglers are encouraged to apply their Class C priority points to Class C draws in 2021. Priority points for Class C licences will not be valid in 2022.

All applicants require a Wildlife Identification Number (WiN). A WiN can be purchased online at albertarelm.com and at any licence issuer.

If you only want to increase your draw priority, choose priority only (999) as your first and only choice.

You can view last year's Special Licence Draw Summary Report. This provides statistics on the number of applications, licences available, and your chances of being drawn. Visit albertarelm.com.

If there are not enough draw applicants to fill the Special Walleye Licence quotas, the undersubscribed licences are made available to eligible Alberta resident anglers on a first-come first-served basis.

Undersubscribed licences become available for purchase May 5, 2021.

Draw priorities are not affected by purchasing an undersubscribed licence.

Harvest tags and wires can be ordered online at albertarelm.com or picked up at your local Fish and Wildlife office or Licence Issuer.

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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.

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 bait fish.
- Possess live game fish – unless the fish have been lawfully

caught by angling and are within 5 metres of the waters from which they were caught.

- 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.

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 and 25 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.

Catch Limits continued on page 22



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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. The below conditions must be followed:

- 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 are required to fully participate in the EID Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Program as per County of Newell Bylaw 1980-20
- Ice fishing shelters must be removed from EID land by May 1st every year
- No off-highway vehicles, camping or fires
- Do not disturb livestock
- Obey all signs, some areas have added restrictions

Access to these private lands is a privilege not a right, **PLEASE USE RESPECT**

Contact our office in Brooks for further information at 403-362-1400



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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Regulations and Information

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:

- **Trout – 5 in total, combined of:**
 - 0 bull trout (native to Alberta)
 - 2 Northern Dolly Varden (historically released into Chester Lake);
 - 1 golden trout;
 - 3 lake trout;
 - 5 cutthroat trout;
 - 5 rainbow trout;
 - 5 brown trout;
 - 5 brook trout.
 - 5 tiger trout.
- **Arctic Grayling – 0**
- **Mountain Whitefish – 5 in total.**
- **Walleye and Sauger – 3 in combined total.**
- **Northern Pike – 3 in total.**
- **Yellow Perch – 15 in total.**
- **Lake Whitefish and Cisco (Tullibee) – 10 in combined total.**
- **Goldeye and Mooneye – 10 in combined total.**
- **Burbot (Ling) – 10 in total.**
- **Lake Sturgeon – 0**
- **Non-game fish** – no restriction on the numbers kept.

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

Sportfishing Seasons

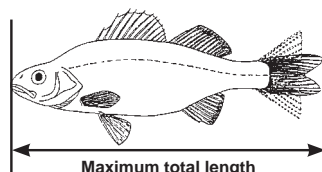
Check for dates of open and closed seasons under each Watershed Unit of the Fish Management Zones starting on Page 30.

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

Length – the 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.

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 or in a tub 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.

Tips on Releasing Fish

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 hooked on the outside of the mouth or in the lip have a better chance of survival. Fishing during cooler times of the day, in shallower water, releasing fish quickly, and using methods that result in being hooked around the mouth are the best ways to reduce post-release hooking mortality. Still fishing with bait or slowly drifting flies will result in more deeply hooked fish. Keeping tight lines and setting the hook immediately after the strike may reduce the occurrence of deeply hooked fish. Walleye and Yellow Perch have a reduced chance of survival if they are caught from deep water (>6 m or 20 feet).

- Retrieve your catch quickly.
- Release fish immediately (with care).
- Avoid squeezing the fish.
- Keep your fingers out of the gills.
- 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.
- Fish for walleye and perch in relatively shallow water.

For more information, obtain a copy of the pamphlet Handle and Release Fish with Care from your nearest Fish and Wildlife Office.

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.



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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.

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 88).
- 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 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 bear 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 within its original packaging inside a garbage receptacle.

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.

Hooking Mortality

Restrictions on the use of bait are required to increase the survival of released fish. Anglers are generally encouraged to fish with unbaited lures because fish may be hooked in the lip or mouth more often. Hooking mortality is generally higher for fish caught on baited hooks as they tend to take the baited hook deeper into the gills and stomach area and they take longer to release.



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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.

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.
- 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 lines tangling the units and damaging them.

REMEMBER

- **ALL ICE FISHING SHELTERS THAT ARE ON THE ICE FOR MORE THAN 24 HOURS MUST BE LABELLED (2.5 cm BLOCK LETTERS) 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.**
- **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.**

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. **Visit MyWildAlberta website** for a list of waterbodies with Fish Consumption Advisories. Go to Fishing/Advisories, Corrections and Closures/Fish Consumption Advisory.

Also, download and use the Should I Eat This Fish? App from the App Store or Google Play.

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.

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 caught the fish. This letter must provide the following information:

- The licence number, name and signature of the individual who caught 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 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.

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.

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 (see licence exemptions under "Requirements"), 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).

Competitive Fishing Events

Go to **MyWildAlberta website** and search for Competitive Fishing Events for more information or contact your nearest Fish and Wildlife Office and speak to a fisheries biologist (see Page 27).

Be Bear Smart While Fishing

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

Streams, rivers and lakeshores make convenient travel corridors for wildlife, and the sound of moving water can mask the noise that normally warns animals of your approach.

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

Gaff and Gaff Hooks

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

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-use.aspx>) provides links to information for recreation on public land along with contact information. You can also call toll free 1-877-944-0313 or email AEP.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.

Access to Public Lease Land

In 2003, the Alberta Government passed legislation clarifying the rules for recreational access on public lands leased for grazing and cultivation. While the new rules provide "reasonable access" on foot, as a recreational user you are required to contact the leaseholder prior to your visit, even if you are only crossing the land to get to a particular waterbody. Forest Grazing Allotments, such as those found in the forested area of the foothills along the Eastern Slopes, are not affected by this legislation.



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ZONE 1 - EASTERN SLOPES

Blairmore	403-562-3289
Calgary	403-297-6423
Cochrane/Canmore	403-932-2388
Drayton Valley	780-542-6616
Edson	780-723-8244
Fox Creek	780-622-3421
Grande Cache	780-827-3356
Grande Prairie	780-538-5263
Hinton	780-865-8264
Pincher Creek.....	403-627-1116
Rocky Mountain House	403-845-8230
Sundre	403-638-3805
Valleyview.....	780-524-3605
Whitecourt	780-778-7112

ZONE 3 - NORTHERN BOREAL

Athabasca.....	780-675-2419
Barrhead.....	780-674-8236
Bonnyville	780-826-3142
Fort McMurray	780-743-7200
Fort Vermilion	780-927-4488
Grande Prairie	780-538-5263
High Level.....	780-926-2238
High Prairie.....	780-523-6521
Lac La Biche.....	780-623-5247
Manning.....	780-836-3065
Peace River.....	780-624-6405
Slave Lake.....	780-849-7123
Smoky Lake.....	780-656-3556
St. Paul.....	780-645-6313

ZONE 2 - PARKLAND-PRAIRIE

Camrose	780-679-1225
Cardston	403-653-5158
Drumheller	403-823-1670
Edmonton	780-427-3574
Hanna	403-854-5540
Lethbridge.....	403-381-5266
Medicine Hat.....	403-529-3680
Oyen	403-664-3614
Provost	780-753-2433
Red Deer	403-340-7052
Stettler	403-742-7510
Stony Plain (Spruce Grove).....	780-960-8190
Strathmore.....	403-934-3422
Vegreville.....	780-632-5410
Vermilion.....	780-853-8137
Vulcan.....	403-485-6971

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310-0000 in Alberta
780-427-2711 outside of Alberta

Sportfishing regulations: www.mywildalberta.com

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

Licencing and WiN card: AlbertaRELM Helpdesk,
1-888-944-5494 (0600 to midnight, 7 days a week),
AlbertaRELM.com, ab.webmaster@aspirasupport.com

Legislation is available at Alberta Queen's Printer:
Edmonton, 10611-98 Avenue, 780-427-4952,
www.qp.alberta.ca

National Parks-Parks Canada:
1-888-773-8888, www.pc.gc.ca

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

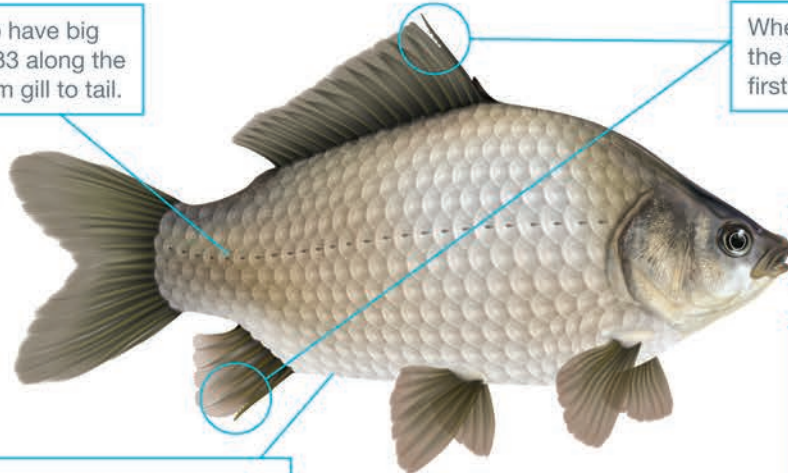


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Prussian Carp

Carassius gibelio

Prussian Carp have big scales; 29 to 33 along the lateral line from gill to tail.



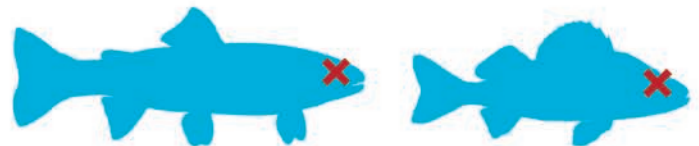
When felt with your hand, the first dorsal ray and the first anal fin ray are serrated.

Prussian Carp are silvery-brown.

The mouth is located at the end of the head, or is terminal. If a Prussian carp hits a wall, the mouth touches it before the nose. A suckers nose would hit the wall before it's sub-terminal mouth.

CATCH IT KILL IT

If you catch a Prussian carp, kill it and dispose of it or eat it. Do not put it back in the water.



Prussian carp are bad news for native fish populations as they out-compete them for food and habitat.



Likely introduced by intentional releases, response or eradication is challenged by spread through connected waterbodies.

Intentional release of invasive species is illegal.



Alberta was the first jurisdiction in North America to have invasive Prussian carp and can be found in the main stem and tributaries of the **Bow, Red Deer, Oldman and South Saskatchewan Rivers.**

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Females can spawn up to three times in one year, making them prolific invaders.



Releasing Prussian Carp into any waterbody can start an invasion; but you can stop it!

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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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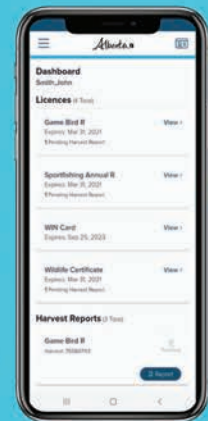
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Please remember the onus is on the angler to produce their licence (paper or electronic) when requested by an officer in the field.

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, Ghost Reservoir and Pine Coulee Reservoir.

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 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.
- General regulation stocked trout lakes are listed on page 16.

ES1 Default Sportfishing Regulations			
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 		
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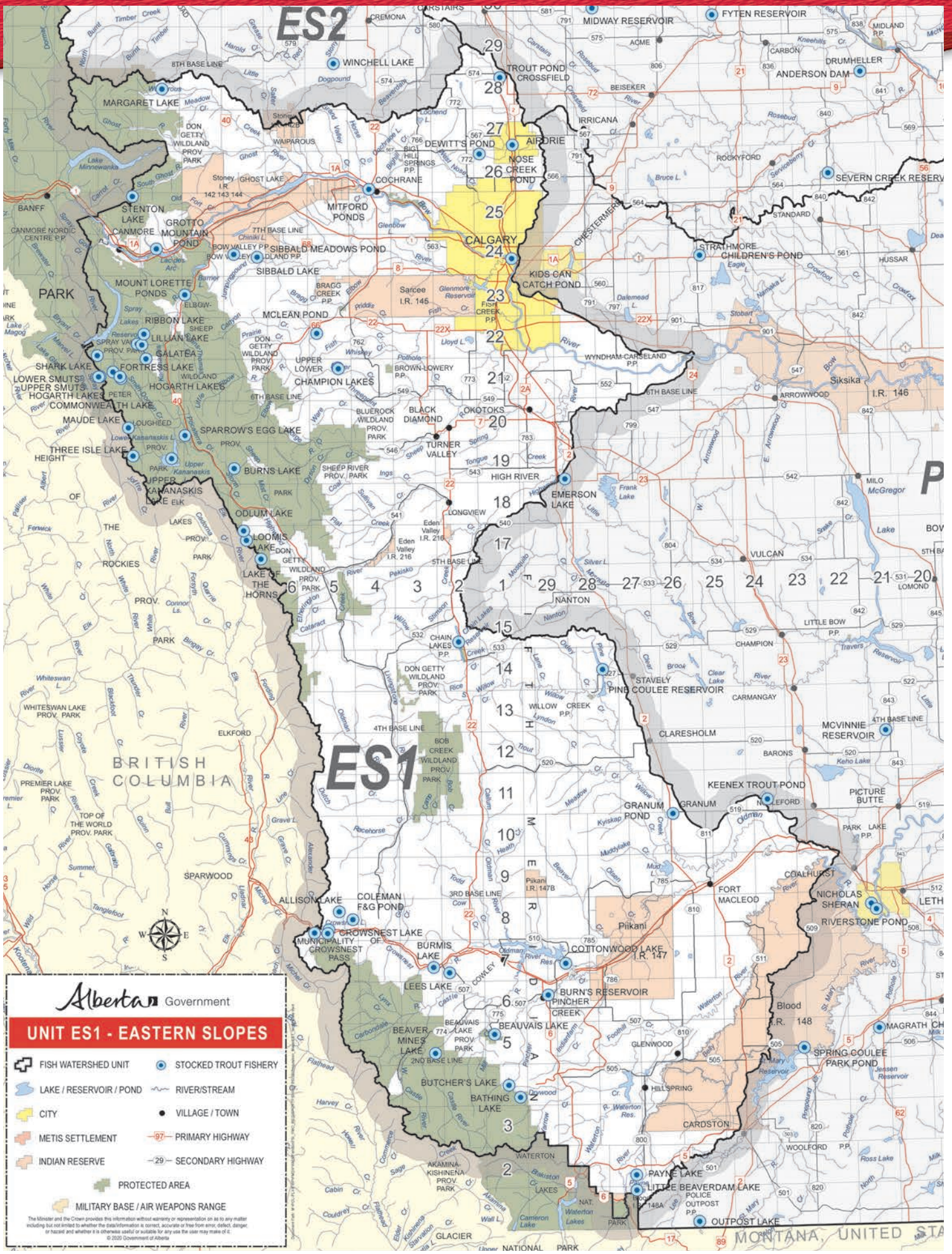
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ES1 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

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	●										2 trout
Barnaby Lake	32-4-3-W5	OPEN JULY 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										1 trout over 40 cm
	Tributaries and outlet	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Bear Pond	36-14-4-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban										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										1 trout over 30 cm; 0 ARGR
Burns Lake	17-19-7-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Burstall Lakes [Upper]	16-21-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Carburn Park Pond	NE-23-23-1-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban										
Camarvon Lake	30-16-6-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										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 fish	2 trout
Commonwealth Lake	29-21-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Crowsnest Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●			3 fish		5 over 30 cm					5 trout
	Tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban					5 over 30 cm			2 fish		Other trout 0
	Tributaries	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban					0 fish					0 trout
East Scarpe Lake	13-3-3-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Fortress Lake	6-22-9-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Galatea Lakes	13-22-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										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 CTRR
Glenmore Reservoir		OPEN MAY 1 TO OCT. 31	●		3 fish	15 fish		5 over 30 cm					5 trout
Headwall Lakes	19-30-21-9-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Hogarth Lakes	21-21-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban										1 trout over 40 cm
Invincible Lake	5-20-9-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Kids Can Catch Pond	13-24-1-W5	OPEN MAY 1 TO SEPT. 30	Bait ban										0 trout
Lake Of The Horns	11-17-7-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Lillian Lake	13-22-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Loomis Lake	21-17-7-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout

ES1 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait, ● except bait fish allowed	WALL	MRPK	YLPR	LKTR	MNWH	RNTR	CTTR	BKTR	DLVR	Trout Total
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						over 50 cm	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	●										2 trout
Mount Lorette Ponds	6-23-9-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Mud Lake	19-23-8-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Odlum Lake	22-21-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Oldman Reservoir	33-17-7-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●					5 over 30 cm					5 trout
Phillips Lake	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	●										2 trout
Picklejar Lakes	18-8-5-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR											0 trout
Pine Coulee Reservoir	16, 17-18-6-W5	OPEN JULY 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										5 trout
Quarry Lake	29-24-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait and bait fish allowed	3 fish	3 fish								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											0 trout
Ribbon Lake	11-19-9-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN JULY 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										2 trout
Rummel Lake	19-22-9-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										1 trout over 40 cm
Running Rain Lake	3-22-10-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN JULY 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										2 under 30 cm
Shark Lake	7-18-7-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban										2 trout
Smuts Lakes	NW-1-22-11-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										1 trout over 40 cm
Southfork Lake	24-21-11-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban										1 trout over 40 cm
Sparrow's Egg Lake	29-4-3-W5	OPEN JULY 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										1 trout over 50 cm
Spray Lakes Reservoir	Tributaries and outlet	CLOSED ALL YEAR											5 trout (includes 3 LKTR)
	6-20-8-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN JULY 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										2 trout
	Tributaries	OPEN JULY 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban					5 over 30 cm	over 35 cm				2 trout
	Tributaries	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban					0 fish					0 trout

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Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait except bait fish allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKTR	MNWH	RNTR	CTTR	BKTR	DLVR	Trout Total
Stenton Lake	35-25-10-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban										1 trout over 40 cm
Sunken Lake	Champion Lake; 26-21-5-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban										1 trout over 40 cm
Talus Lake	25-20-8-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Three Isle Lake	23-19-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Tombstone Lakes	13-20-8-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Unnamed (Blairmore Water Supply Reservoir)	34-7-4-W5	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Upper Kananaskis Lake	The portion of the lake within 100m of Rawson Creek Inlet	OPEN JULY 16 TO MAY 31	Bait ban					over 50 cm	over 50 cm	over 50 cm			1 trout
Watridge Lake	The remainder of the lake	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban					over 50 cm	over 50 cm				1 trout
Wedge Pond	11-22-11-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN JULY 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										0 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

ES1 - Rivers, Creeks and Streams

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait except Bait fish allowed	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
Boulton Creek		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm					0 trout
Bow River	Banff National Park downstream to Bassano Dam including Reservoir	OPEN JULY 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
Canmore Creek		OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban		0 fish	0 fish	0 fish					0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to SEPT. 30	Bait ban							2 fish		Other trout 0

Canyon Creek	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban																0 trout
Carbondale 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								
Castle River	Mainstem from Hwy. 3 to West Castle River and includes tributaries except Mill, Beaver Mines, and Screwdriver creeks and Carbondale River	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							0 fish									
Crowsnest River	Mainstem from outlet of Crowsnest Lake downstream to the Cowley Bridge All tributaries of Crowsnest River except Gold Creek	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish										0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm				1 or 2 fish					
Elbow River	All tributaries of Crowsnest River except Gold Creek Headwater downstream to Elbow Falls and tributaries except Quirk Creek	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish										0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish				2 fish					
Ghost River	Mainstem, Elbow Falls downstream to Canyon Creek Mainstem, Canyon Creek downstream to Hwy. 22	CLOSED ALL YEAR																	
		OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish									
Ghost River Wilderness Area	Mainstem, Hwy. 22 downstream to Glenmore Reservoir and tributaries Mainstem, from Glenmore Reservoir downstream to Bow River	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm	over 35 cm	over 35 cm							2 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish									
Gold Creek	Includes tributaries	CLOSED ALL YEAR																	
		OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish				2 fish					
Gorge Creek	Tributary to Oldman River	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban																0 trout
		CLOSED SEPT. 1 to JUNE 15																	
Highwood River	Headwater originating at Storm Ck and Mist Ck confluence downstream to Kananaskis County boundary; Includes tributaries except Storm Creek Mainstem from K-Country boundary downstream to 500m above the mouth & tributaries except Sheep R	OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm									0 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm									
Jumpingpound Creek	Includes tributaries	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish										0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm				2 fish					
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish									Other trout 0

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ES1 - Rivers, Creeks and Streams

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait	WALL	NRPK	BURB	MNWH	RNTR	CTTR	BKTR	BNTR	Trout Total
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
Livingstone River	Headwater downstream to Hwy. 1 including tributaries except Smith-Dorrien Creek	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish			2 fish		Other trout 0
		OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm			2 fish		Other trout 0
Livingstone River	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
		CLOSED SEPT. 1 to JUNE 15										
Mill Creek	Including Gladstone and Whitney creeks	OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban				0 fish			2 fish		Other trout 0
		OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm					0 trout
Oldman River	Tributaries of Oldman River from headwater downstream to Sec. Rd. 510 excluding Livingstone River and Hidden Creek	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 trout
Mainstem - Racehorse Creek downstream to Racehorse Creek	Mainstem - Racehorse Creek 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	Mainstem - Racehorse Creek downstream to Hwy. 22	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to JUNE 15	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
Mainstem - Hwy. 22 downstream to Sec. Rd. 510	Mainstem - Hwy. 22 downstream to Sec. Rd. 510	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	Mainstem downstream from Sec. Rd. 510 - see Oldman Reservoir											
		OPEN APR. 1 to JUNE 15	Bait ban			3 fish	0 fish					0 trout
Oldman Reservoir dam downstream to Sec. Rd. 509	Oldman Reservoir dam downstream to Sec. Rd. 509	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

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 Bridge at Indian Oils Day-use Site downstream to Gorge Creek and tributaries (except Gorge Creek)	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban																	0 trout
		CLOSED ALL YEAR																		
Silverster Creek	Mainstem - Gorge Creek downstream to Highwood River	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					5 over 30 cm												0 trout
Smith-Dorrien Creek	Includes tributaries	CLOSED ALL YEAR	Bait ban																	0 trout
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		CLOSED ALL YEAR																		
Unnamed	INGLEWOOD BIRD SANCTUARY; SE 12-24-1-W5; All water within sanctuary except the Bow River main channel	CLOSED ALL YEAR																		
Waiparous Creek	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban					5 over 30 cm												2 fish
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban					0 fish												2 fish
Waterton River	Tributaries upstream of Waterton Reservoir including Drywood Creek Mainstem - upstream of Waterton Reservoir	OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban					5 over 30 cm	0 fish	0 fish										1 or 2 fish
		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										1 or 2 fish, over 40 cm
		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	0 fish										0 fish
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban					5 over 30 cm												0 trout
Willow Creek	Includes tributaries Mainstem and tributaries upstream of Hwy. 532 Mainstem and tributaries from Hwy. 532 downstream to Pine Coulee Reservoir Diversion Headpond Mainstem only downstream of Pine Coulee Reservoir Diversion Headpond Tributaries downstream 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
		OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban					5 over 30 cm	0 fish	0 fish										0 fish
		OPEN MAY 8 to OCT. 31	Bait ban					5 over 30 cm	over 30 cm	over 30 cm										
		OPEN NOV. 1 to MAR. 15	Bait ban				0 fish	0 fish	0 fish											0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban																	0 trout

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BAIT FISHING

- Fishing with Bait in ES2 streams is restricted. Check the ES2 site specific regulations and default regulations for details.
- 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.
- General regulation stocked trout lakes are listed on page 16.

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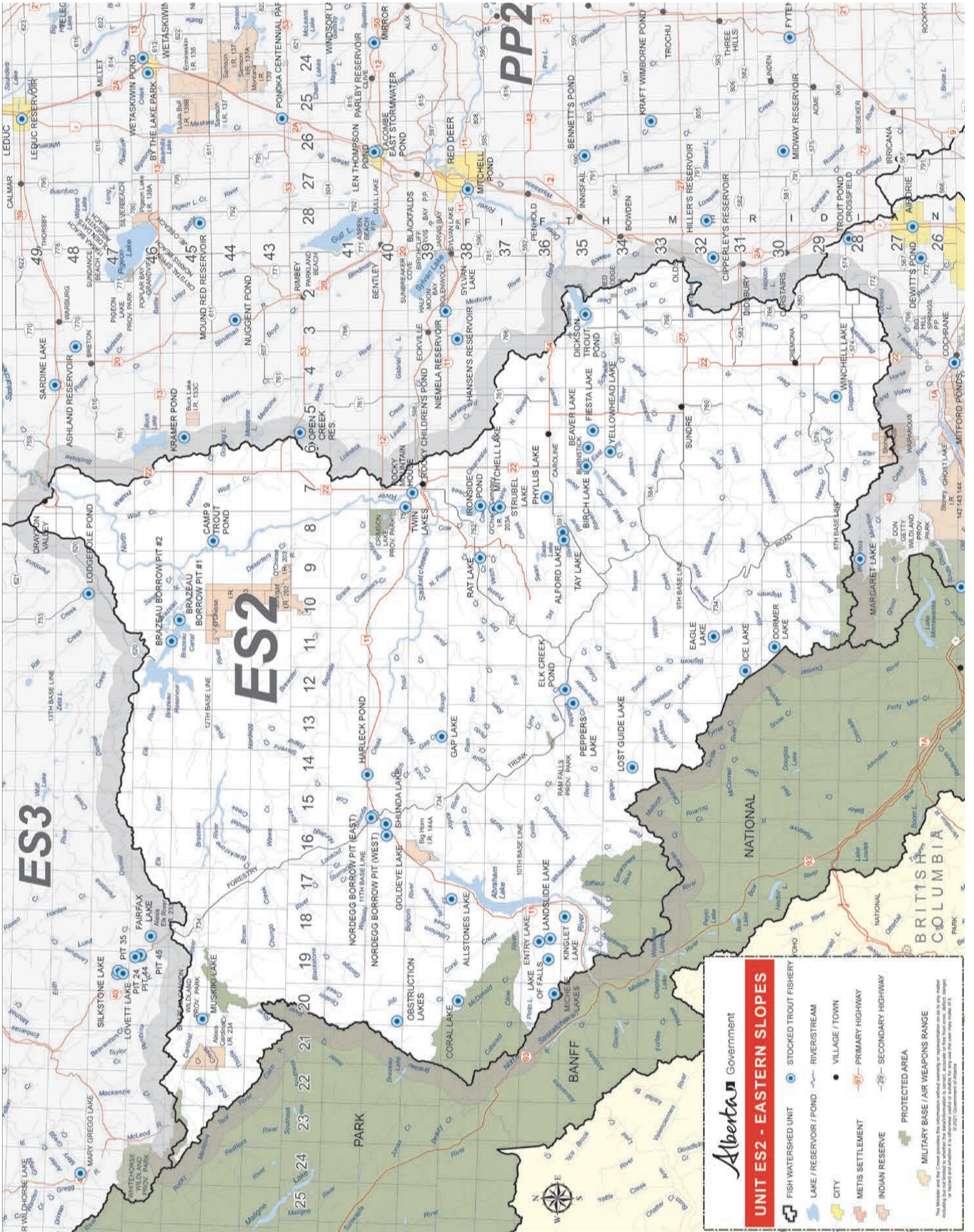
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ES2 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait except Bait fish allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	BURB	L.KTR	MNWH	RNTR	BNTR	CTTR	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 (Cline 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	●										2 trout
Beaver Lake	16-35-6-W5	OPEN APR. 1 TO NOV. 30	Bait ban										0 trout
Birch Lake	18-35-6-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●							1 fish			3 trout
Brazeau Canal	3-46-11-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait and bait fish allowed		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		0 fish	15 fish				5 fish any size	0 fish		
Dormer Lake	28-30-11-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Eagle Lake	11-32-11-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Entry Lake	18-36-18-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Fiesta Lake	15-12-35-6-W5	OPEN APR. 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										0 trout
Gap Lake	5-39-13-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										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	13-31-12-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Inside Pond	7-38-7-W5	OPEN APR. 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										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											
Kinglet Lake	35-35-18-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban										0 trout
Lake Of Falls	10-36-19-W5	OPEN JULY 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										2 trout
	Tributaries and outlet for 1.5 km downstream	OPEN JULY 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban										2 trout
Landslide Lake	7-36-18-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout

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Lost Guide Lake	9-34-14-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										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 5-45-20-W5	CLOSED ALL YEAR OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban									1 fish over 40 cm	5 trout
Obstruction Lakes	6-40-20-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Pinto Lake	25-36-21-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet for 1.5 km downstream	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Resolute Lake	13-35-19-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban					0 fish					0 trout
Ruby Lake	22,27-44-22-W5	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban								2 fish		2 trout
Siffleur Wilderness Area	All water within the Wilderness Area	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Swan Lake	26-36-9-W5; for outlet regs see Swan Creek	OPEN JUNE 16 TO SEPT. 15	Bait ban		3 fish								1 trout
White Goat Wilderness Area	All water within the Wilderness Area	CLOSED ALL YEAR	Bait ban		3 fish								1 trout over 70 cm
Unnamed (Jumping Fish) Lake	And inlets, outlet and tributaries to outlet in NE 30 & SE 31-44-17-W5 (tributary to Brown Creek)	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 the Forestry Trunk Road (bridge at 6-16-45-18-W5) to the Brazeau Reservoir	OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm						5 over 30 cm	over 35 cm	2 trout
Burnt Timber Creek	Mainstem downstream of Brazeau Reservoir	OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish				0 fish		0 trout
Cardinal River	Mainstem and tributaries (except Pinto Creek)	OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								3 over 30 cm		2 trout
Clear Creek	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								0 fish		0 trout
	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 to AUG. 31	Bait ban		3 fish						5 over 30 cm		2 trout
Clearwater River	Mainstem from the Banff National Park boundary downstream to Timber Creek	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban		3 fish						0 fish		0 trout
	Tributaries from the Banff National Park boundary downstream to and including Timber Creek	CLOSED ALL YEAR									5 over 30 cm		2 trout
	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								0 fish		0 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								5 over 30 cm		2 trout
Cline River	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 JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban								5 over 30 cm	over 30 cm	2 trout
Dogpound Creek	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								0 fish	0 fish	0 trout
	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
Elk Creek	Mainstem and tributaries; 33-35-12-W5	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								0 fish		0 trout
Fall Creek	Mainstem and tributaries; Upstream of the falls at 11-31-37-11-W5	OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								0 fish		0 trout
	Mainstem and tributaries downstream of the falls at 11-31-37-11-W5	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								0 fish		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		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
	STAUFFER CREEK; Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban		3 fish						0 fish		0 trout

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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 except maggots allowed Aug. 16 to Oct. 31	0 fish	3 over 50 cm	3 fish	10 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	10 fish	5 over 30 cm	Over 35 cm	Over 35 cm		2 trout
Pinto Creek	35-29-10-W5; Tributary to North Burnt Timber Creek; Mainstem and tributaries	CLOSED ALL YEAR	Bait ban	0 fish	3 over 50 cm	3 fish	10 fish	10 fish	0 fish				0 trout	
		OPEN APR. 1 to AUG. 31	Bait ban						5 over 30 cm					2 trout
Prairie Creek	Mainstem upstream of the North Fork Road and all tributaries (except Swan Creek and tributaries between Vetch and Swan Creek)	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 over 50 cm	3 fish	10 fish	10 fish	0 fish					0 trout
Ram River	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 Brood Trout Station	SW-5-36-5-W5; All water within	CLOSED ALL YEAR												
Raven 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	
Red Deer River	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	0 fish		0 fish				0 trout	
Rundell Creek	Mainstem from Forestry Trunk Road downstream to Gleniffer (Reservoir) Lake and tributaries (except Fallentimber Creek, Raven River, North Raven River and Pinto Creek)	OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban		0 fish	3 fish	10 fish		3 over 30 cm				2 trout	
		CLOSED ALL YEAR												
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												
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Swan Creek	Mainstem and tributaries; Downstream for 2 km below Swan Lake	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	The remainder including tributaries to Swan Lake	SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban						0 fish				0 trout	
		OPEN APR. 1 to AUG. 31	Bait ban						5 over 30 cm				2 trout	

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.

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 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

- The names of most ES3 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 ES3 lake, reservoir, river, stream or species is not listed, follow the default regulations below.
- General regulation stocked trout lakes are listed on page 16.

LAKES	REGULATIONS	SEASONS
	<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 • Northern Pike limit 3 • Yellow 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 • 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
		• CLOSED Nov. 1 to June 15

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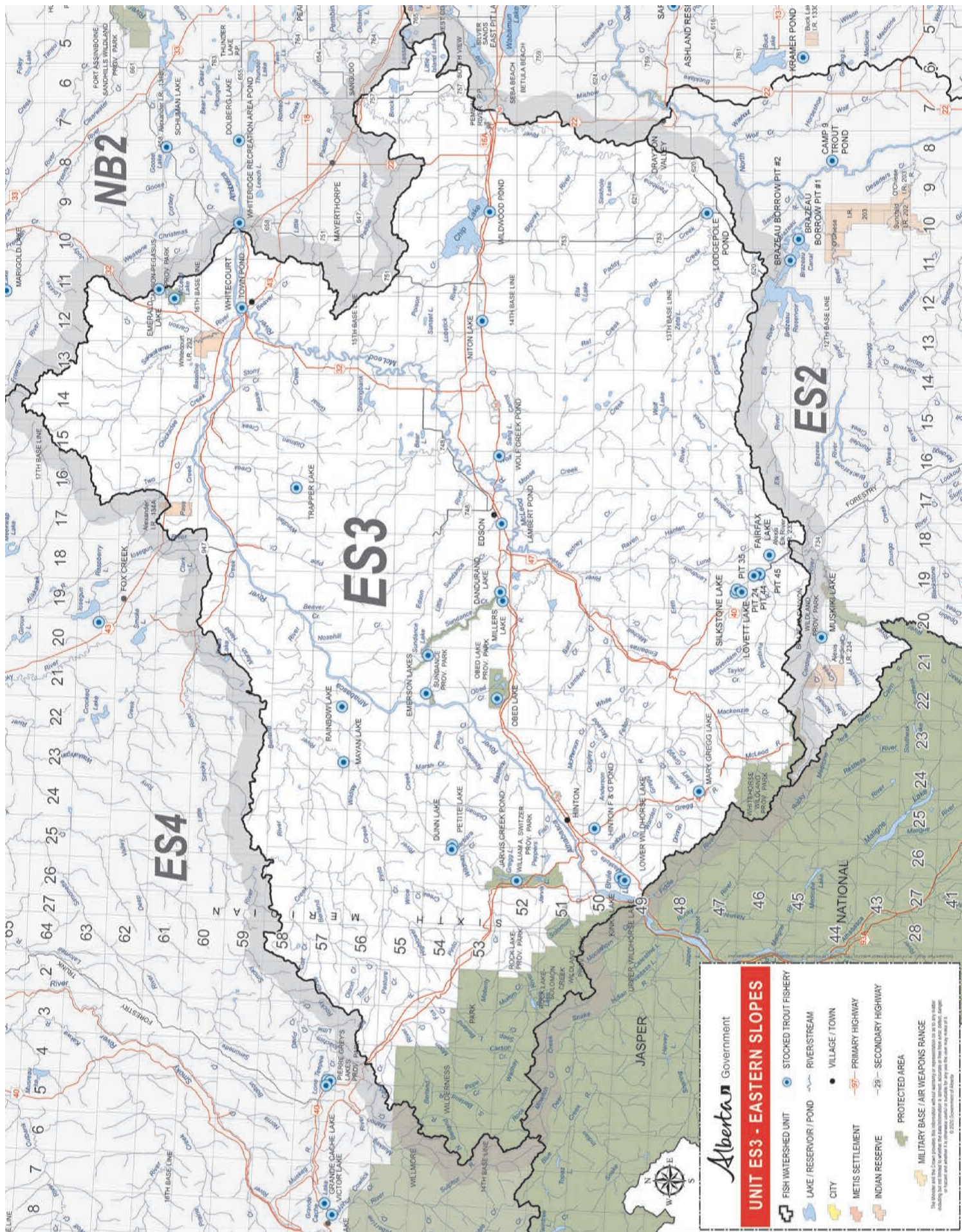
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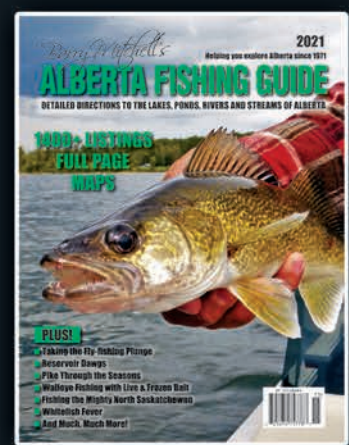
ES3 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

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				
	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish				
Graveyard Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed		0 fish	10 fish	10 fish				
Gregg Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	1 fish	0 fish	10 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									
Long Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	1 fish	3 over 63 cm	15 fish					1 trout over 40 cm
Lovett Lake	10-47-19-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban								
Millers Lake	8-53-19-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait allowed								2 RNTR; 0 TGTR
Minnow Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish					
Mystery Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish					
	24-48-26-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban								0 trout
Pit 24 Lake	15,16, NE4-47-19-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban								1 trout over 40 cm
Pit 35 Lake	24-46-19-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban								1 trout over 40 cm
Pit 44 Lake	SW 35-46-19-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban								1 trout over 40 cm
Pit 45 Lake	24-46-19-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban								1 trout over 40 cm
Rock Lake	52-2-W6	OPEN MAY 15 TO SEPT. 15	Bait ban		0 fish				3 over 50 cm	0 fish	
Shiningbank Lake	Tributaries	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	5 fish	10 fish				
		OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	5 fish				0 fish	
Silkstone Lake	9-47-19-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban								1 trout over 40 cm
Unnamed (Lodgepole) Pond	NE-01-48-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait allowed								2 trout
Unnamed (Sphinx) Lake	NE-6-48-24-W5	CLOSED ALL YEAR									
Wolf Lake	SE-12-49-15-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	1 fish	1 over 63 cm	15 fish					
	Tributaries to lake and outlet	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								
Embaras 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.
- General regulation stocked trout lakes are listed on page 16.

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STREAMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN June 1 to Aug. 31 • Bull Trout limit 0 • Trout and Arctic Grayling limit 0 • 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 • Bull Trout limit 0 • 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 May 31

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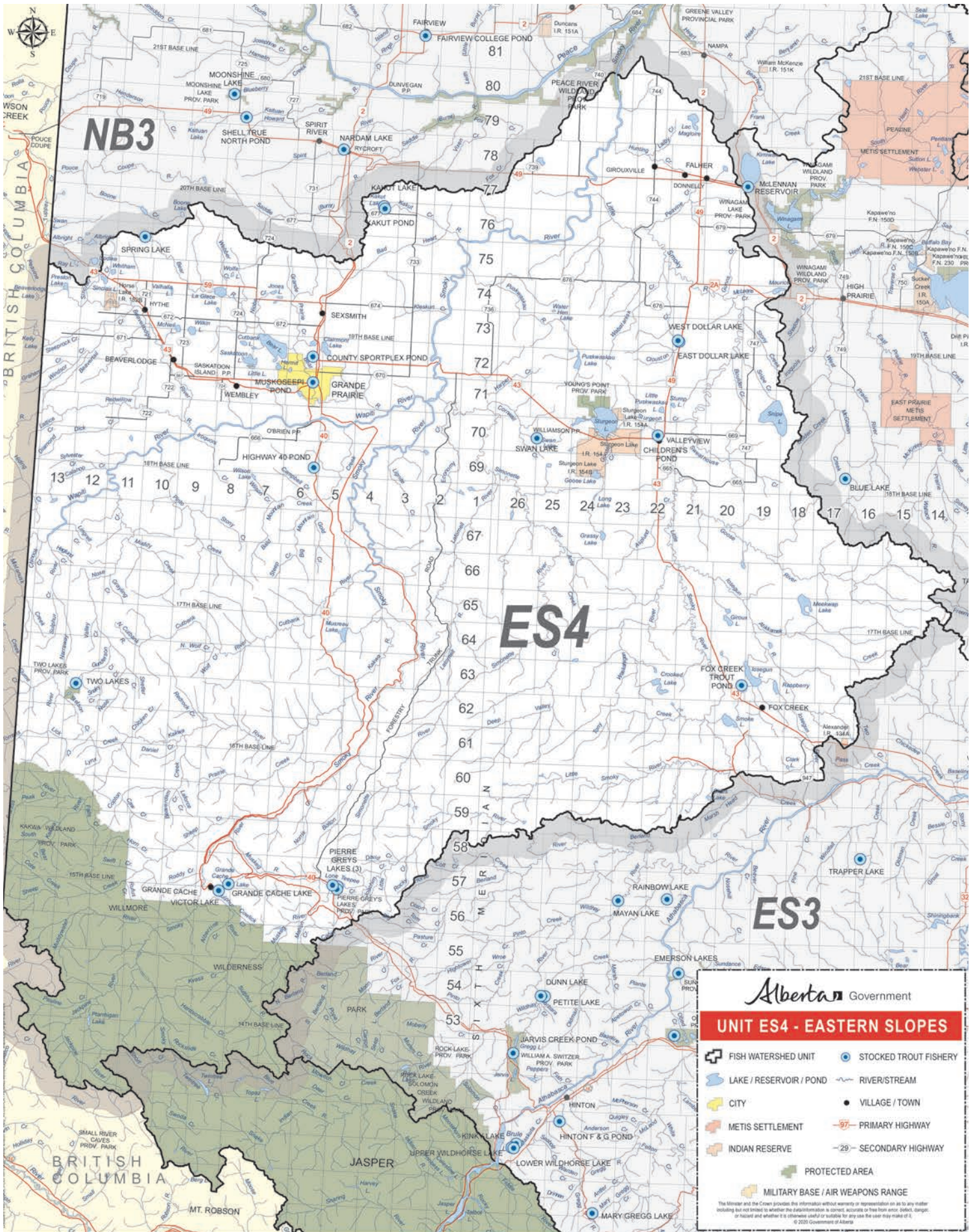
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ES4 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

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				
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							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	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	0 fish	10 fish		
	Tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish		0 fish			
Snipe Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	5 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Tributaries and outlet 1 km downstream	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	5 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Sturgeon Lake		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	
	Mainstem; Downstream of Hwy. 43	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban			0 fish	
	Tributary to Kakwa River	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	Bait allowed	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	5 over 30 cm	0 trout
Lynx Creek	Mainstem including tributaries	CLOSED ALL YEAR					
Muskeg River	Mainstem including tributaries except Deep Valley Creek	OPEN JUNE 1 to AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 trout
Simonette River		OPEN JUNE 1 to AUG. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	5 over 30 cm	0 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
	Mainstem - downstream of Hwy. 43 to 21st Base Line	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	Bait allowed	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	0 fish	2 trout
Torrens River	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 trout
Wapiti 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
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	0 fish	0 trout

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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

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STREAMS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OPEN May 8 to Mar. 15 • Lake Sturgeon limit 0 • Trout limit 2 • Mountain Whitefish limit 5 over 30 cm • Walleye and Sauger limit 3 • Walleye over 50 cm • Northern Pike limit 3 over 63 cm • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Lake Whitefish limit 10 • Burbot limit 10 • Goldeye limit 10 • Bait allowed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLOSED Mar. 16 to May 7

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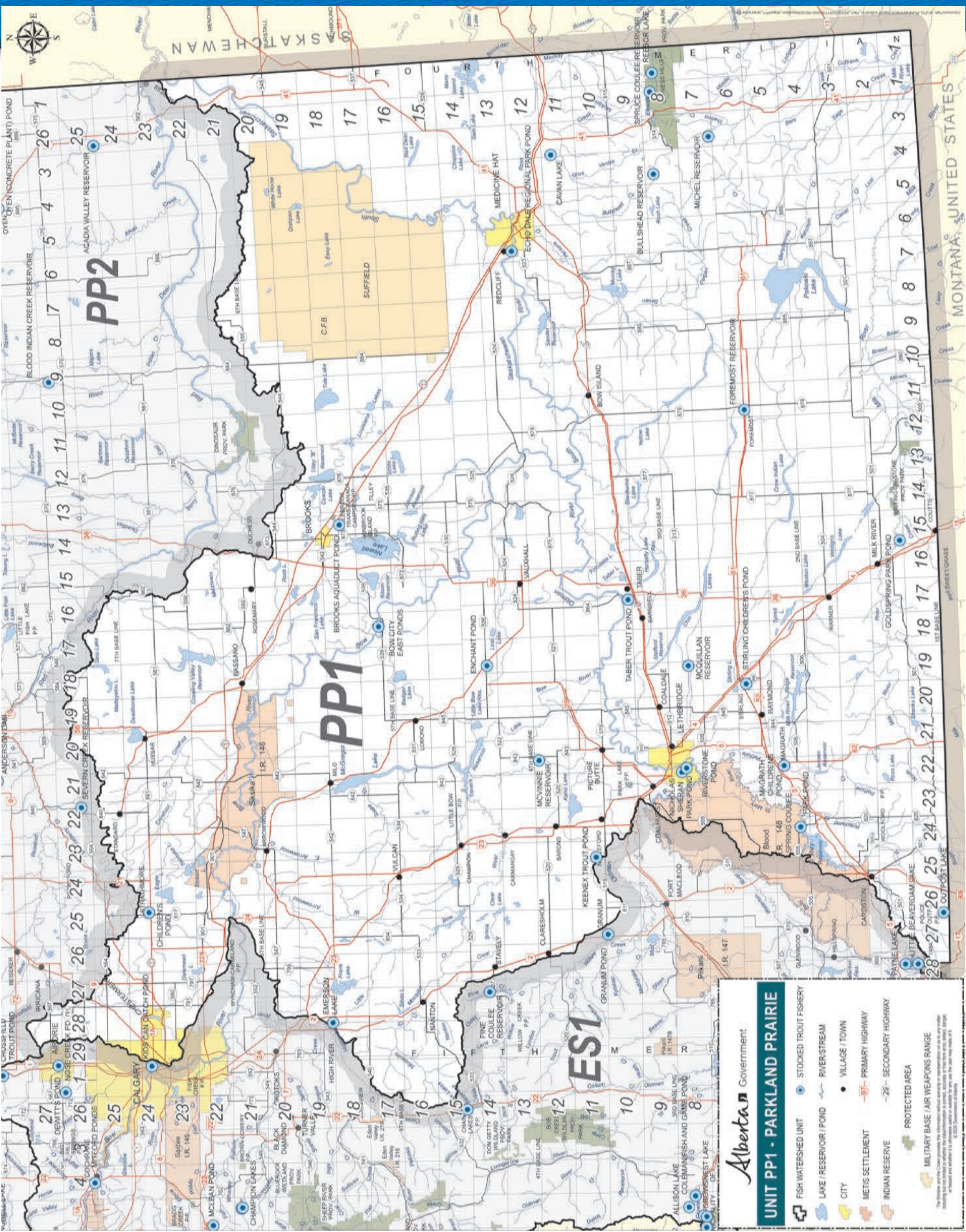
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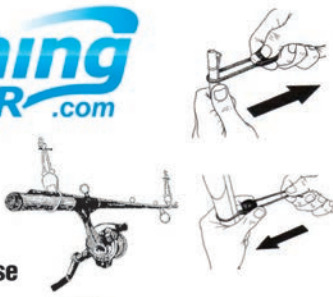
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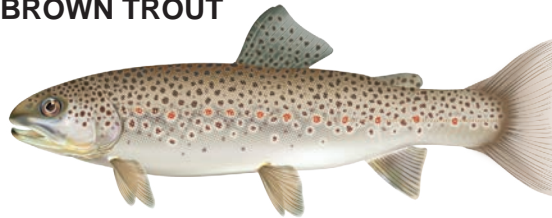
TROUT IDENTIFICATION

The following illustrates important characteristics of

Trout (true trout and char) – rayless, fleshy lobe (adipose fin)

TROUT – BLACK SPOTS

BROWN TROUT



– pale haloes around black spots

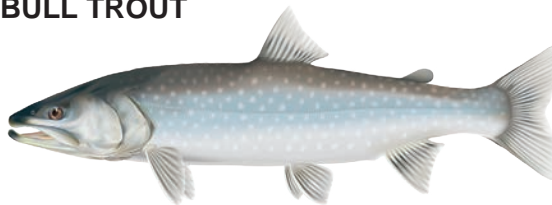
CUTTHROAT TROUT



– no halos around black spots
– red-orange slash under throat

CHAR – NO BLACK SPOTS

BULL TROUT



– no spots or markings on dorsal fin
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LAKE TROUT



– pale spots on dorsal fin

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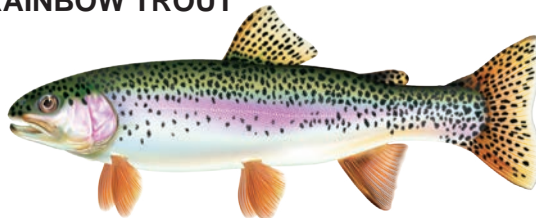
Dark spots on back behind dorsal fin and small scales on body.

SPOTS ON SIDES



Dark spots on the jaw

RAINBOW TROUT



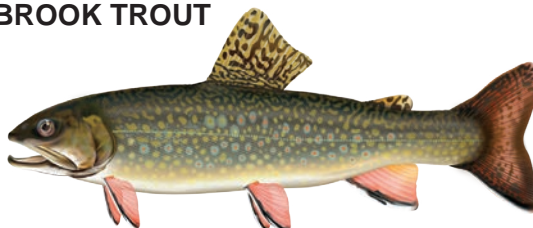
- no halos around black spots
- no red-orange slash under the jaw

BLACK SPOTS ON SIDES



Deeply forked tail

BROOK TROUT



- black markings on dorsal fin - tail not deeply forked

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Lake Sturgeon

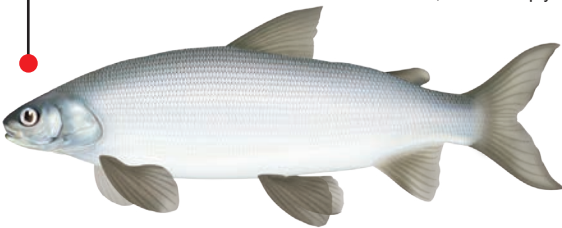
Lake Sturgeon are a **Threatened Species** due to population size and concerns with viability.

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.



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.



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.



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.



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.



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.



Sauger

Sauger are a **Threatened Species** due to hybridization, habitat degradation and overharvest.

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.



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.



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.



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.

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.



Brook Trout

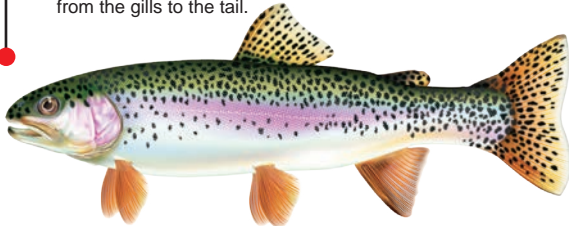
Brook trout are among the most colourful trout. The back is dark green with pale wavy lines, while the sides have a purple sheen with blue-haloed red spots.



Rainbow Trout

Athabasca Rainbow Trout are a Threatened Species due to habitat degradation and overharvest

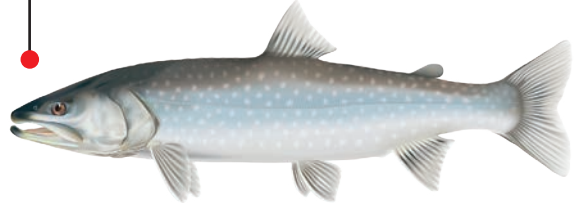
Rainbow Trout are olive-green in color with heavy black spotting over the body. Adult fish have a red-coloured stripe along the lateral line, from the gills to the tail.



Bull Trout

Bull Trout are a Threatened Species due to small population and concerns of viability.

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.



Brown Trout

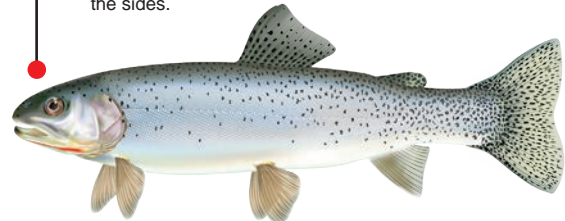
Brown trout are golden brown in colour with large black spots on the back, and red spots (some with pale haloes) on the sides. They are the only trout with both red and black spotting.



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.



Golden Trout

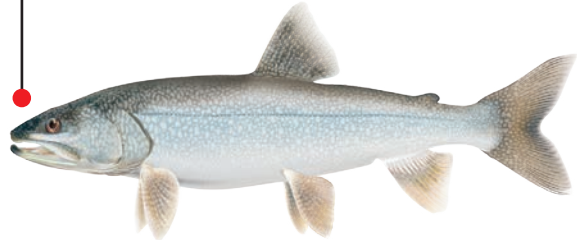
Golden trout are the most colourful of trout, with an olive-green back and bright red-to-gold sides and belly.



Lake Trout

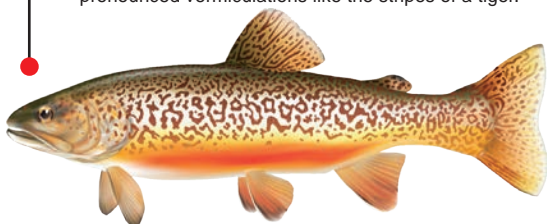
Lake Trout are a Sensitive Species due to being limited to a few lakes.

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



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.



Because of their vulnerability, Alberta Environment and Parks has implemented a zero possession limit on Arctic Grayling, Athabasca Rainbow Trout, Bull Trout, Westslope Cutthroat Trout and Lake Sturgeon. PLEASE release these species immediately.

NOTE: Some fish are easily confused with at-risk species. If you can't identify a fish, please release it!

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

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Badger Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Bassano Reservoir	See Bow River from Hwy. 24 downstream to Bassano Dam									
Bullhead Reservoir	28-8-4-W4; Includes Bullhead Creek (outlet) downstream to Eagle Butte Rd. Bridge	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban							1 trout over 50 cm
Chestermere Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	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 over 100 cm					
Comer Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					
Cowoki Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		0 fish	15 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 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Cross Coulee Reservoir	3-21-18-W4; Includes inlet canal downstream of canal headworks	OPEN ALL DAY DEC. 1 TO MAR. 15	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Eagle Lake	5-20-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	0 fish	0 fish		10 fish	10 fish		
Elkwater Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish		10 fish		
Fincastle Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Forty Mile Coulee Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 over 55 cm	3 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Gun Club (Cann) Reservoir	17-19-14-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Hays (Grantham Reservoir) Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish				
Henderson Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	2 fish	2 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Horsefly Lake Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Jamieson Lake	16-19-14-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	2 fish	2 fish	15 fish				
Jensen Reservoir	4-22-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 over 63 cm					
Johnson Lake	Interlakes Reservoir; 9-19-14-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 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		
Kitisim Reservoir	17-16-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	3 over 63 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish				
Lake Newell	NE-32-16-15-W4; inlet canal downstream of the Bow Slope turnout structure	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	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Lost Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					
Marsh Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					

McGregor Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO NOV. 30 between sunrise and sunset OPEN ALL DAY DEC.1 TO MAR. 15	●	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
McVinnie Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish							5 trout
Michele Creek Reservoir	5-7-3-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●									Trout limit 5; BNTR over 35 cm; RNTR no size limit; only one trout may be BNTR
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	0 fish		10 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	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		1 trout over 50 cm
Outpost (Police) Lake	8-1-26-W4	OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban		3 fish	3 fish						
Park Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	1 fish	1 fish	1 fish	15 fish					
Picture Butte Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	3 fish						
Rattlesnake (Sauder) Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Raymond Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	3 fish						
Raymond Sugar Factory Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	3 fish						
Reesor Lake	20-8-1-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●									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	1 fish	15 fish					
Rolling Hills Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Shays Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	3 fish						
Sherburne Lake	Sherburne Reservoir	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	3 over 50 cm	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Snake Lake	19-17-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 over 63 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish					
Spruce Coulee Reservoir	26-8-2-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish	3 fish	3 fish						5 trout
St. Mary Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Stafford Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	0 fish		10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Stonehill Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 over 63 cm	3 over 63 cm						
Taber Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	3 fish						
Tilley B Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 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	3 over 63 cm	15 fish					
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	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 15	●	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	The remainder of the Reservoir including the canal between Travers and McGregor reservoirs; no fishing within 100m of the canal inlet structure	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		

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PP1 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	MNWH	CTTR	Trout Total
Twelve Mile Coulee Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
Twin Valley Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 over 63 cm							
Unnamed	Scope Reservoir	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Unnamed (Burdett) Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 50 cm	3 fish	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	CTTR	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
Carseland-Bow River Headwater Canal	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
Cowoki Irrigation Canal	Between McGregor Lk and the drop structure 1 km upstream of Sec. Rd. 542	OPEN MAY 8 to SEPT. 30 and DEC. 1 to MAR. 15	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish						
Graburn Creek	Between Cowoki Lake and Tilley B Reservoir	OPEN MAY 8 to SEPT. 30 and DEC. 15 to MAR. 15	Bait ban		0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish					
Lee Creek	8-1-W4; Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 to MAR. 31	Bait ban										0 trout
	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban		3 fish				10 fish	5 over 30 cm	over 30 cm		2 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish			0 trout
Little Bow River	Travers Reservoir upstream to Township Rd. 144A	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	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		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					
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	over 35 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.

PP2 Default Sportfishing Regulations

- 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.
- General regulation stocked trout lakes are listed on page 16.

LAKES	<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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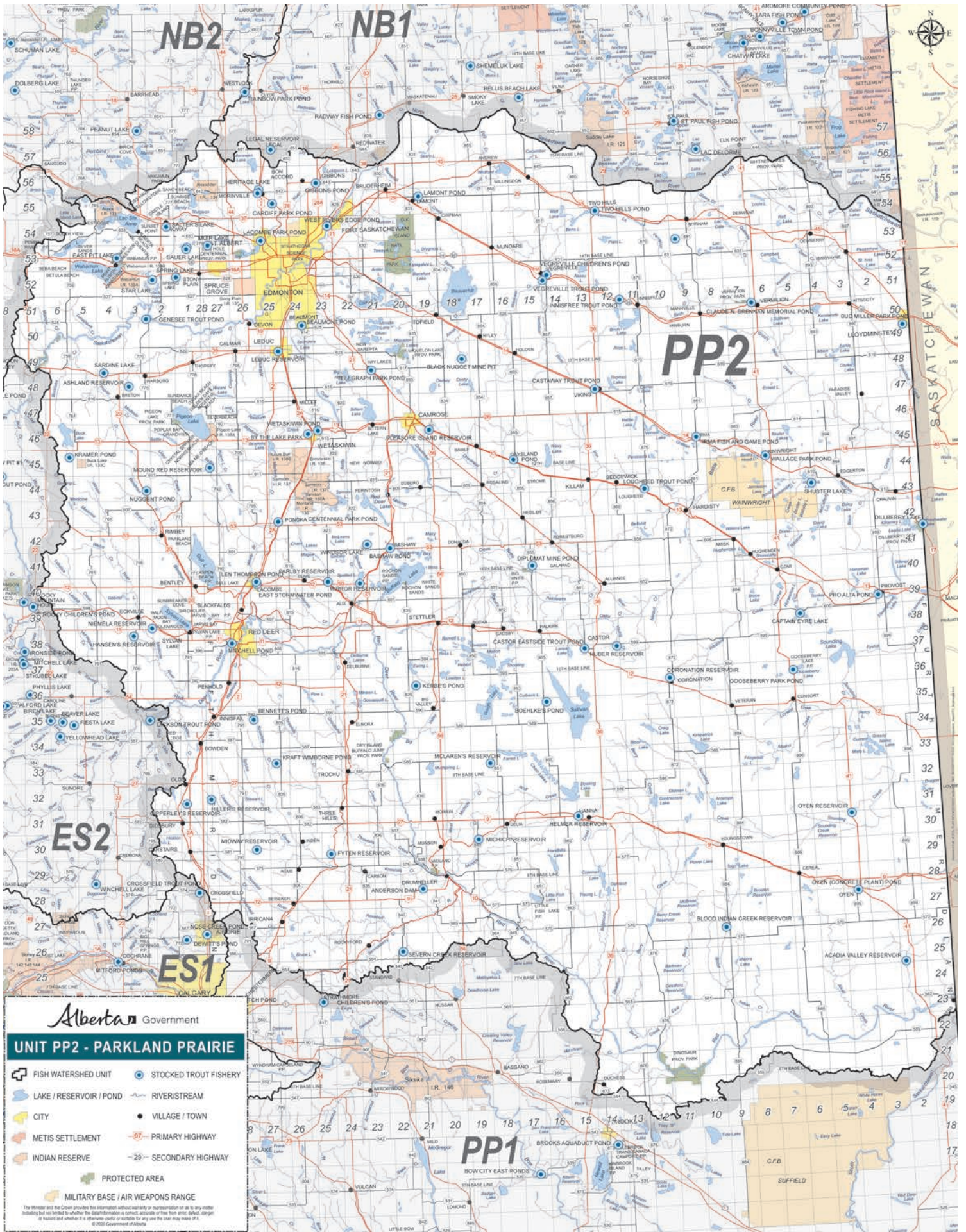
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PP2 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

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	●	0 fish	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	●	0 fish	0 fish	5 fish	10 fish	2 fish; but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	
Big Lake	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	●	0 fish	3 over 63 cm	15 fish			
Blood Indian Creek Reservoir	21-26-9-W4; Includes tributaries	OPEN ALL YEAR	●						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	●	0 fish	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	0 fish			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			

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PP2 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	Trout Total
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	
Jack Fish Lake	52-2-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	
Kerbe's Pond	NE-19-36-20-W4	OPEN APR. 1 TO NOV. 30	Bait ban						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	●						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 over 63 cm	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						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	
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	●	0 or SHL tags	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	OPEN MAY 15 to MAR. 31	●	3 in combination; WALL over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm					
Berry Creek	Mainstem from Hwy. 771 downstream to Hwy. 855	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	●	3 in combination; WALL over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm		2 fish	10 fish		
Blindman River	Mainstem from Hwy. 855 downstream to the Forestburg Reservoir - See Forestburg Reservoir	OPEN MAY 15 to MAR. 31	●	0 SAUG; 1 wall 45-50 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish				
Little Red Deer 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
Medicine River	Mainstem from Cottonwood Road (Twp. Rd. 352) downstream to Red Deer River; Includes 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
North Saskatchewan River	Mainstem including ALL tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to MAR. 1	●	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
Parlyb Creek	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	
Red Deer River	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	
Sturgeon River	23-40-22-W4; Portion between Buffalo and Alix lakes	OPEN MAY 15 to MAR. 31	●		0 fish					
Sylvan Creek	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	●	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		
	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		
	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

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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 • Bait allowed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLOSED Nov. 1 to May 31

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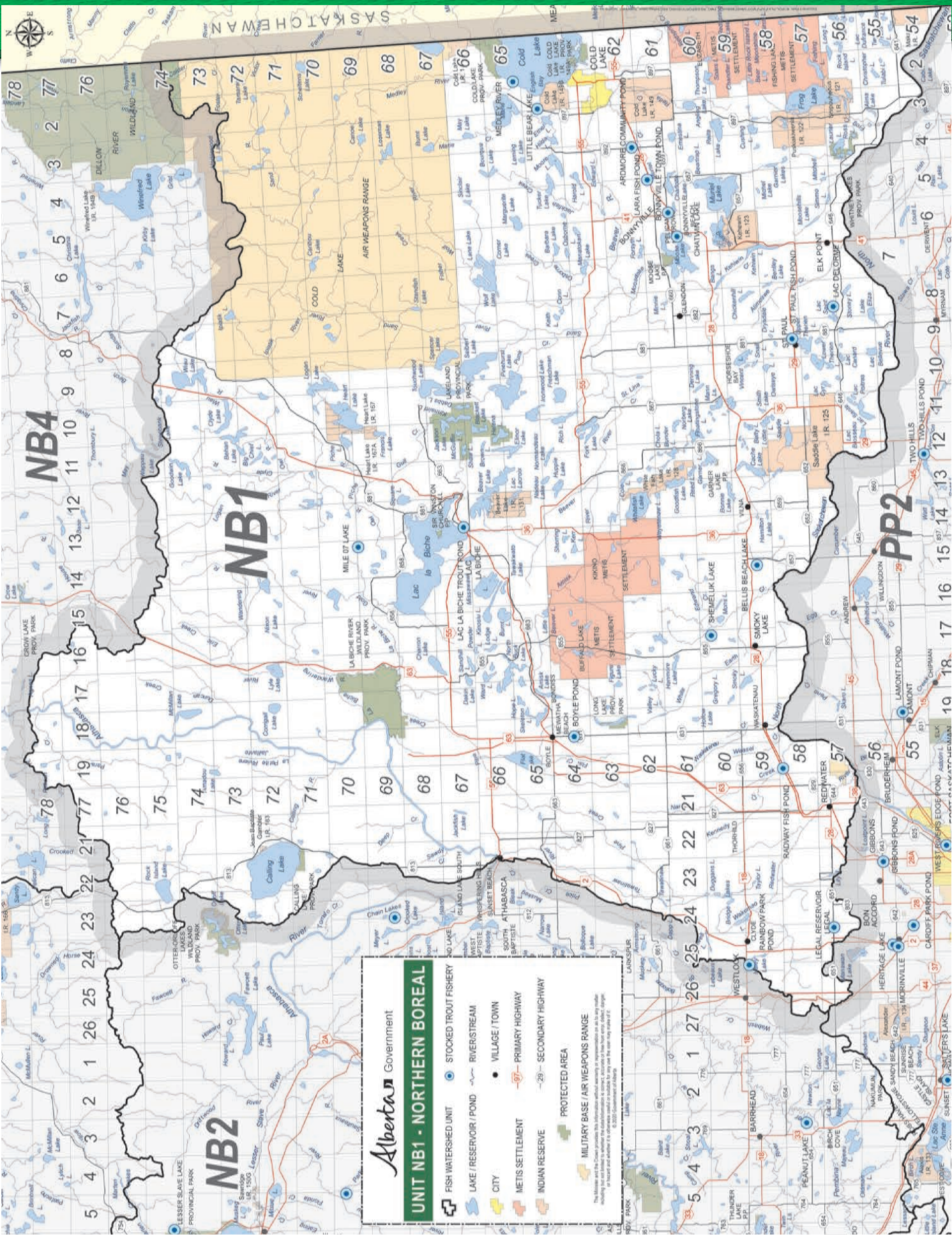
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Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	LKTR	Trout Total
Amisk Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Angling Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Bangs Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	15 fish				
Beatrap Lake	Includes tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish				
Beaver Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	15 fish				
Behan Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Bentley 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				
Bonnie Lake	RED LAKE; 60-13-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Bourque Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Bunder Lake	61-12-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Burnt Lake	67-3-W4	CLOSED ALL YEAR								
Cache Lake	59-12-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Cailling 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		
Chickenhill Lake	59-8-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Claude 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 over 75 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	0 fish	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					



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Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	LKTR	Trout Total
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		
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		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 fish 55-63 cm	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Frog Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	1 over 63 cm	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Garner Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	5 fish		10 fish		
Garnier Lakes		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	10 fish				
Goodfish Lake		CLOSED ALL YEAR								
Goodwin Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	15 fish				
Greenstreet Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm					
Halfmoon Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	15 fish				
Hanmore Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
Heart Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	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	●	0 fish	1 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Ironwood Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Island Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 55 cm	10 fish				
Kaduk Lake		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		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		
	Tributaries and outlet; see La Biche River and Owl River	CLOSED ALL YEAR								

Lac La Biche Trout Pond	Alexander Hamilton Pond	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish				3 trout
Lac Saint Cyr	57-9-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Lac Sante		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 over 63 cm	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Includes outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 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 MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Laurier Lake	56-4-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 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	0 fish	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	0 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Boyle area: tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Lottie Lake	58-11-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Lower Mann Lake	60-10-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Manatokan 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		
	57-6-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm					
Muriel Lake	Includes tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish		
North Buck Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Includes outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Piche Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		

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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								
Rock Island Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Ross Lake	56-4-W4	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Saddle Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	1 over 63 cm	15 fish				
Seibert Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	0 or SHL tags	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Sinclair Lake	23-65-5-W4	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	Bait ban		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 over 70 cm	15 fish				
Soars Lake	59-1-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 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 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Sunday Lake	74-9-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	10 fish				
Touchwood Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		

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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	3 over 63 cm							
		OPEN MAY 15 to MAR. 31	●	0 within 500 m of the confluence with the North Sask. River	3 over 63 cm			10 fish				

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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.
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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.
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- If a NB2 lake, reservoir, river, stream or species is not listed, follow the default regulations below.
- General regulation stocked trout lakes are listed on page 16.

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
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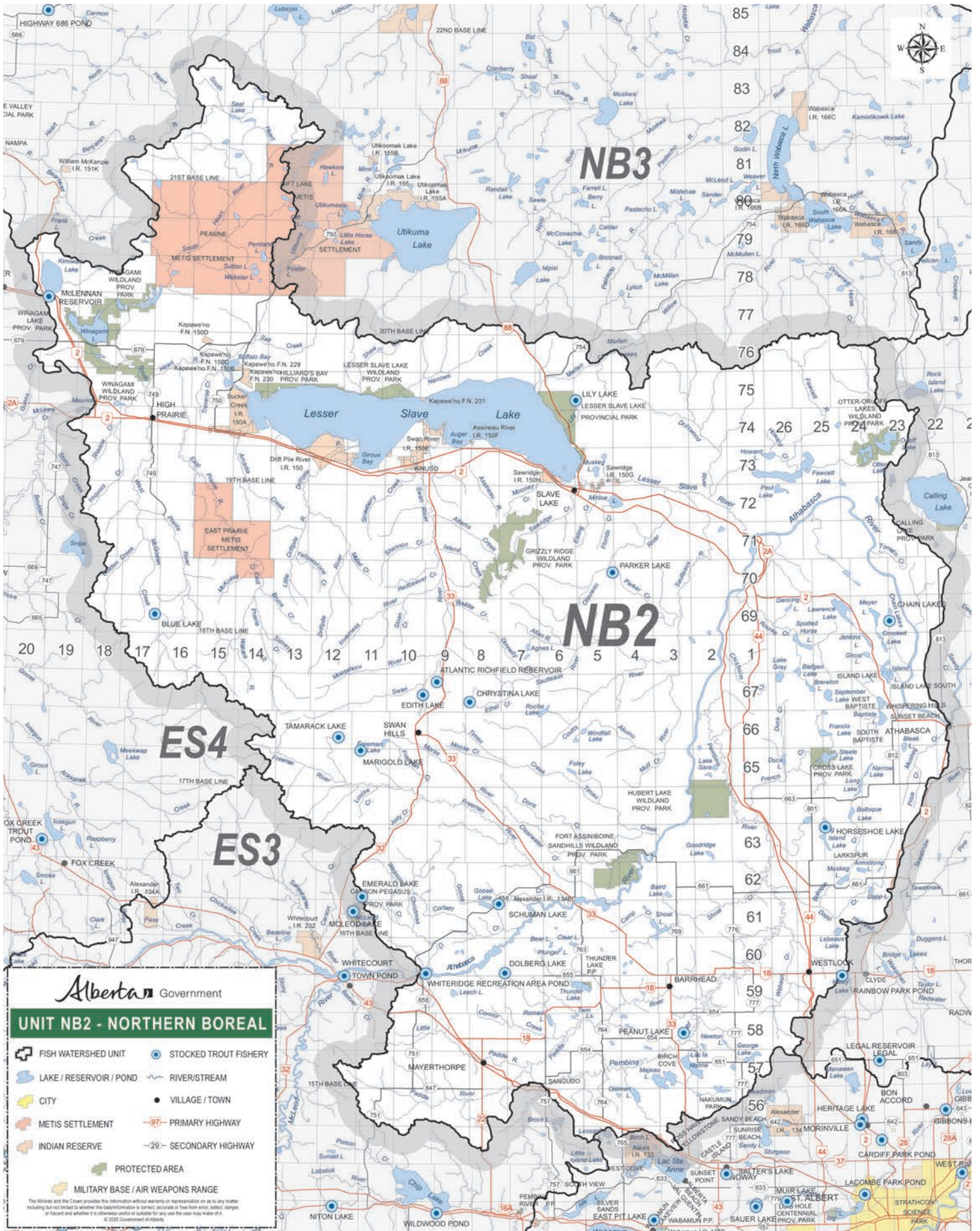


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Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	Trout Total
Baptiste Lake	66-24-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish		10 fish	
Blue Lake	13-69-17-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●			0 fish			5 trout
Bolloque Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	15 fish			
Chain (Lower) Lake	69-23-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●						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						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				
		OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	●		3 fish				
Ghost Lake	16-68-24-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	15 fish			
Gilroy Lake		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	
	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	
Jenkins Lake	68-24-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	2 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
	Includes outlet downstream for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	2 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
Lac La Nonne		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
Lawrence Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 fish	15 fish		10 fish	

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NB2 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	Trout Total
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 JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	●	1 over 43 cm	3 over 55 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
		OPEN NOV. 1 TO MAR. 1	●	2 over 43 cm	3 over 55 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
	Remainder of the lake and outlet (Lesser Slave River) downstream to the weir below Hwy. 88	OPEN MAY 15 TO OCT. 31	●	1 over 43 cm	3 over 55 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
		OPEN NOV. 1 TO MAR. 31	●	2 over 43 cm	3 over 55 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
Lily Lake	7-75-5-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●						2 BKTR; 0 TGTR
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	●	0 fish	2 over 63 cm	0 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	
	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish				
Paul Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 over 70 cm				
Schuman Lake	35-61-8-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●						5 RNTR; 0 TGTR
Steele (Cross) Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 fish	15 fish			
Thunder Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	0 fish			
Whiteridge Recreation Area Pond (Blueridge Pit)	SW-01-60-10-W5	OPEN MAY 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban						1 trout over 40 cm
Winagami Lake	Includes Boone's Slough and South Heart Reservoir	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 60 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 60 cm	0 fish		10 fish	10 fish	

NB2 - Rivers, Creeks and Streams

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait	WALL	NRPK	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	10 fish	5 over 30 cm	
East Prairie River		OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 over 43 cm	3 over 55 cm						
Freeman River	Mainstem includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 fish					0 fish	0 trout
Lesser Slave River	See Lesser Slave Lake; outlet portion downstream to the weir below Hwy. 88 The tributary and backwater downstream of the bridge that is east of the weir on the Old Smith Highway The portion of river downstream of the weir below Hwy. 88	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 over 43 cm	2 over 63 cm						
Pembina River	Downstream of Hwy. 43 (near Sanduogo)	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 over 43 cm	2 over 63 cm						
South Heart River	Portion between the South Heart Reservoir and the West Prairie River	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm			10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm	
Strawberry Creek	Portion from the confluence with the West Prairie River downstream to Buffalo Bay and tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 over 43 cm	3 over 55 cm						
Travers Creek	Tributary to Buffalo Bay	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 over 43 cm	3 over 55 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
West Prairie River		OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 over 43 cm	3 over 55 cm						

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NB3 WATERSHED UNIT REGULATIONS

■ The Peace River watershed, including the Wabasca and Birch rivers, the Hay River and Petitot 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.
- General regulation stocked trout lakes are listed on page 16.

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
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 • Bait Ban 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLOSED Nov. 1 to May 31

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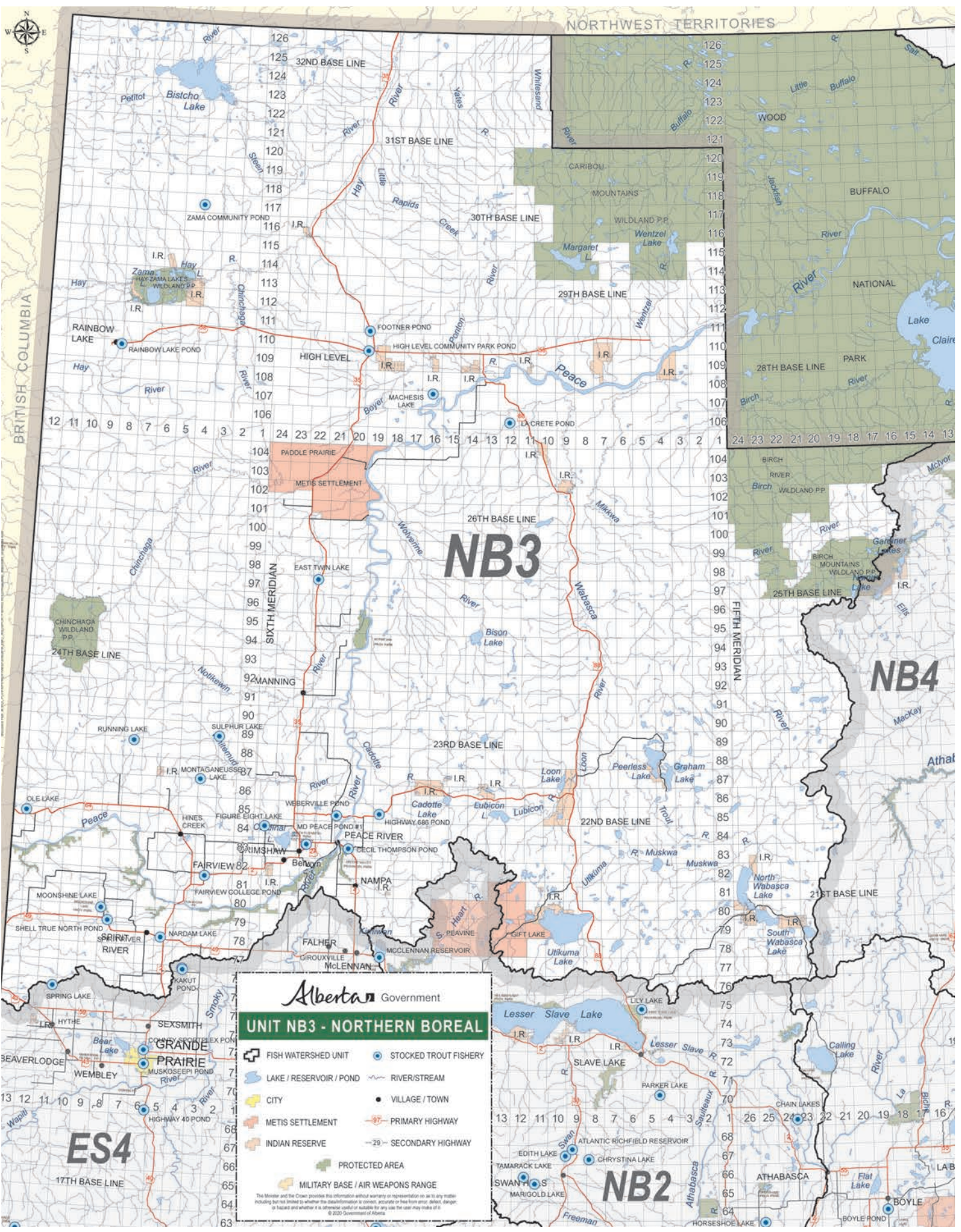
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NB3 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	LKTR	Trout Total
Albright Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 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					
Bischo 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				
Equisetum Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	
Fish (Jackfish) Lake		OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Gods Lake	76-11-W6 90-02-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Goodfish Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Graham (Trout) Lake	89-5-W5 87-4-W5	OPEN JUNE 16 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 over 100 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Haig Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	1 over 100 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Hebephrenic (Jackfish) Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Hutch Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Joker Lake	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Legend Lake	12-7-97-18-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish	1 fish	15 fish				
Little Sandy Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	0 fish	0 fish		
		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		
Long Lake	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		
Margaret 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			
Mink Lake #1	17-82-11-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	
Mistehae Lake	80-2-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 55 cm	5 fish				
Muskwa Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 over 70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Nipisi Lake	13-23-78-7-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 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		
Pastecho Lake	Remainder of the lake	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Peerless Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish			0 fish	
Pitchimi Lake		OPEN APR. 1 TO MAY 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	0 fish	
Rainbow Lake		OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	
Round Lake		OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	
Sandy Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	
Sawm 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		
Semo Lake	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		
South Wabasca Lake	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		
		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	2 fish; 1 under 63 cm and 1 over 100 cm	15 fish				
		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	
	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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NB3 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

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		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	0 fish	3 over 63 cm	15 fish				
		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	0 fish	1 fish 63-70 cm		10 fish	10 fish		
	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	1 fish 63-70 cm		10 fish	10 fish		
Twin Lakes	29-97-22-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●							5 trout; only 2 TGTR over 35 cm
Unnamed	Artisinn Lake	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	15 fish				
Utikuma Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	2 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Utikumasis Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Vandersteene Lake		OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Wadlin Lake		OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	5 fish	10 fish	3 fish		
	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	5 fish	10 fish	3 fish		
Wentzel Lake		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	MNWH
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		
Mikikwa River		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 Mikikwa, 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	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.
- General regulation stocked trout lakes are listed on page 16.

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 • Bait allowed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CLOSED Nov. 1 to May 31

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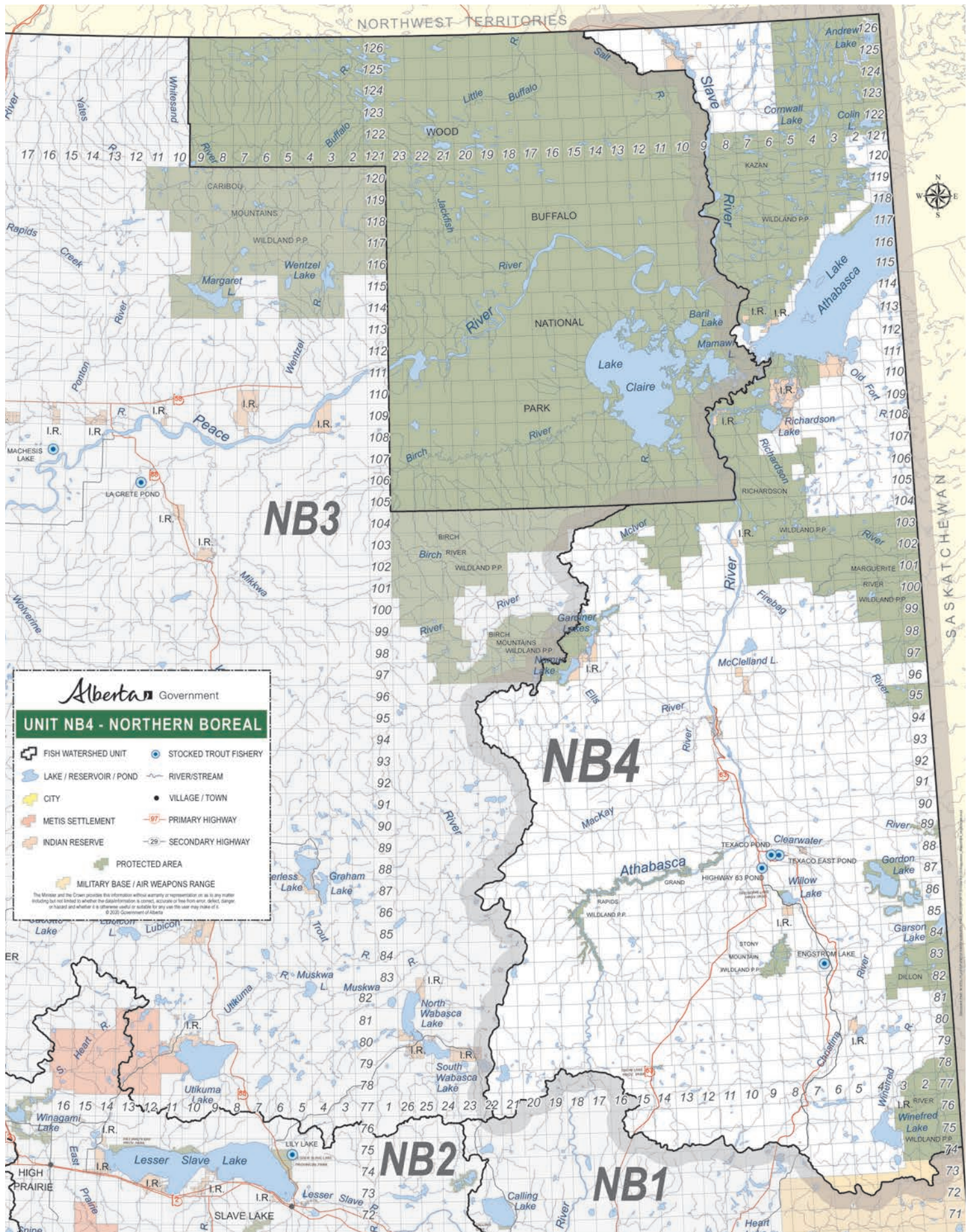
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NB4 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

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			
	Includes tributaries within 10 km of the lake; see Sunday, Monday and Birch creeks and Jackfish River	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
	Remainder of the lake	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
Cockscomb 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	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	10 fish		
Grist Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	10 fish	10 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 (Stern) Lake	75-5-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●			0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish	3 fish	10 fish
Lake Athabasca		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish	3 fish	
Leggo Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●			3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish	3 fish	
Leland Lakes		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 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	10 fish	10 fish		
Mcclelland Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish	3 fish	
Mercredi Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●			3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish	3 fish	
Myers Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Namur Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	Bait ban		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish	2 over 65 cm	
One Week Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●			3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Pans Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●								3 fish	
Peters Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●			3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Potts Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●			3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish	3 fish	
Richardson Backcountry	All water within area between Twp. 103 and 107, and Rge 04-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	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	10 fish	10 fish		
Royemma Lake	75-1-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●			0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Ryan Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
St. Agnes Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●			3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish	3 fish	
Steepbank 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	10 fish	10 fish		
Tulip Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●			3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 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	Includes tributaries and outlet within 10 km of the lake (excluding Grist Lake)	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	Bait ban	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Winnifred Lake	118-3-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●			3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Woodman Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●			3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Wylie Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●			3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	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. 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	OPEN APR. 1 to MAY 31	●	0 fish	3 over 63 cm			10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm
	Mainstem	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 tributaries and outflows within 10km of Christina Lake including Jackfish River, Birch, Sunday and Monday Creeks	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
		OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm			10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm
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
		OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm			10 fish		5 over 30 cm
Ellis River	96-11-W4	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm			10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm
		OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm			10 fish		5 over 30 cm
Hangstone River	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm					
House River		OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm					
Jackfish River	Beyond 10 km of Christina Lake	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	●	0 fish	3 over 63 cm					
Monday Creek	Beyond 10 km of Christina Lake	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	●	0 fish	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		
		OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm			10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm
Sand River	This includes tributaries and outflows within 10 km of Winefred including Winefred River, Unnamed (Sand) River, Grist River and excludes Grist Lake.	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	●							
Sunday Creek	Beyond 10 km of Christina Lake	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	●	0 fish	3 over 63 cm					
Winefred Lake Tributaries and Outflows	Includes all tributaries and outflows within 10km of Winefred Lake including Winefred River, Unnamed (Sand) river, Grist River (excludes Grist Lake)	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	1 fish between 45-50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish	



by Fred Noddin

Summer Days, Fishing, and Children

It's a lazy, easy-going summer day. The air is warm, the feel... peaceful, comfortable, and we are at the river. This is Constable Chelsey Robinson Park on the North Saskatchewan River where fun, laughter, and adventure await. It is a place we visit often. There are numerous picnic sites, a large field, trails to explore, and a river full of possibilities. Of all the river parks and places we hang out at, this is one of our favourites.

The first and most important bits of gear I pull from our loaded pickup truck are butterfly nets. I can't hand them out fast enough.

"Come on Rae! Come on Fraser!" Cedar says enthusiastically. "Let's catch butterflies."

The energy levels of these three young children are off the charts. Little children chasing butterflies with butterfly nets is the realization of pure joy. They race and they laugh and bark butterfly-catching strategies to each other. And they run some more. I

join in, my own net in hand, having just as much fun. Some butterflies are caught but most get away and in time, they are happy and satisfied with their efforts.

We return to the truck where the gear is ready.

"I'm ready to go to the beach," Cedar announces.

Fraser chimes in, "Go to the beach!" "Yay!" Rae cheers.

Beach may be a strong word for where we are heading, but it is an apt enough

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"Warm summer days and fishing with kids make for a perfect fit."

description. There are sandy spots, gravelly spots, bushy areas, and even a little mud. It's a kid's paradise. The grasshoppers are out and a welcomed breeze is moving along the river valley. We hike 100 metres to the first bit of slack water along the river and I announce, "We are here."

The kids immediately race off to a nearby bushy area and play hide-and-seek while I poke fishing rod holders into the gravel bar and set up fishing lines.

The gear is simple. I pinch on a single, large split shot about two feet up the line, and on the end I tie a size 2 bait hook. For bait, I lightly hook a full dew worm so that most of the worm trails out behind the hook and I cast it out. Usually there are fish where the current and the slack water meet so that's where I cast our lines. Sometimes I am only casting 20 feet. I do this for the two or three rods we bring and as each line is cast out, I stick



"Be it a sucker, goldeye, redhorse, or other, catching fish is always a thrill."

the rod in its rod holder and that is that.

Back on shore, Cedar, Rae and Fraser are playing. Moms Mel and Danielle have set up base camp; aka, a picnic area with chairs, a blanket, and loads of snacks. So far, the children have shown no signs of hunger, but there will be a time when they will need food and need it now, and they will smash all of the snacks we've brought. Suddenly the middle rod starts shaking.

"Fish on!" I yell, and get out of the way. I look to see Cedar in a full run, racing directly to the bouncing rod. She grabs the rod like a pro, sets the hook, and starts reeling. It's hard to believe she's only five. Shortly, Rae and Fraser catch up; excited in the moment. Fraser has been to this rodeo before and knows what's coming but this is new to Rae. They cheer Cedar on and look to the water, trying to will the fish in.

"It's a goldeye! It's a goldeye!" Cedar yells to me, even though I'm only standing a few feet away.

"Yay! We've got a fish," I happily cheer. I love the enthusiasm and everyone's eyes are sparkling.

Cedar lands her prize and I ease the hook out and place the fish in Cedar's hands. Rae and Cedar have a closer look and everyone is happy. Fraser suddenly spies a quality pile of rocks nearby, goes over and starts tossing them in, because that's what little boys do. Cedar and Rae take an extra moment with their fish. Happy with their time to look the fish over, Cedar gently places the goldeye into the water and says,

“Thank you fishy.” And the fish dutifully swims away.

“I want to catch one!” Rae says immediately. Cedar replies, “You can be next, and then it’s Fraser’s turn.”

Satisfied with this plan, the girls, now a bit wet from handling the fish, decide wading into the backwater is required. To be safe, I immediately jump in the water ahead of them, and wade all over to check the bottom to see how deep it is. It’s only knee deep and quite safe, so I let them know where they can play and how deep they can go, and with that, in they go. There is a ton of splashing, squeals of laughter, and more splashing. This catches Fraser’s attention. He forgets about his rocks and runs over. It is a full on water war with three happy kids, and three sets of parent’s eyes watching over them.

It is fun watching them have the time of their lives. Occasionally, I would glance at the rods and on one of those times the far rod starts bouncing.

“Fish on!” I yell and a trio of little people churn up a storm, exit the water, and race towards the rod.

Cedar is there first. She grabs the rod, sets the hook, and delivers it to Rae. I come over to help. Rae is excited and eagerly turns the reel handle, looking into the water to see her fish. Silvery splashes give it away and Cedar enthusiastically yells, “It’s another goldeye!”

Together they bring in the fish. This time it’s Rae’s catch and she couldn’t be happier. Everyone gathers around to celebrate her fish and she is immensely proud. I ease the hook out and leave it up to the girls to release the fish.

The girls and Fraser return to the slack water, play some more, and then find a toad, which becomes the focal point of their joy for at least an hour. More fish bite and more fish are caught. Each one celebrated and happily released. In the mix of goldeye, mooneye, and suckers is a fancy red-finned fish called a redhorse, and this gets everyone’s attention for how pretty it looks.

Somewhere in the middle of all the fun, the kids realize that they haven’t eaten for quite some time and are very hungry. They circle us parents looking for food and find the snack bags placed out for this very moment. They smash the food; there’s no delicate way to describe it. The watermelon is hit first, and then drink boxes, then strawberries, then fruit gummies, and then more. It’s a kid feast. Fueled up, they get back to the business of playing, which they do with all their might.

We stay at the river until the sun goes low and the temperature, although warm, starts



“Cedar and Rae with another catch!”

to chill wet children. Having had many hours of racing around the river shore and forested trails, Cedar, Fraser, and Rae are ready for the trip home.

We pack our gear and make our way back to the truck and when we get there, we pull out a complete set of clean, dry clothes, and everyone gets a full change. Cedar and Fraser settle in with a contented smile. I see Rae doing the same thing in the car next to ours. We say our goodbyes

to Danielle and Rae and put the truck in gear. There is a peaceful quiet in the truck and it’s noticeable. Everyone is happy.

Oh, to be a kid; one moment covered in sand and full of watermelon, the next, put in dry clothes and settled into the warmth of a comfy truck, happy, and immensely satisfied for how the day transpired. Content in the moment, thinking about everything, and a world of possibilities, and then... they fall fast asleep. ●

An advertisement for Winefred Lake Outfitters. It features a large wooden sign with the business name, phone numbers (780-404-3822 and 780-404-3213), and services like boat rentals, cabin rentals, and boat launch. The sign also mentions 'Trapper Paul's Road', 'Dike Bay', and 'Trapline 2361'. Below the sign are three photos of anglers holding their catches. At the bottom, there is a red banner with the website 'winefredlakeoutfitters.com' and a circular logo celebrating the 50th anniversary (1968-2018) of Winefred Lake Outfitters Ltd.



Big pike are unique, old creatures that adapt to their environments to feed, rest, digest, and stay in the comfort zone. Catching pike usually isn't a problem but catching trophy-sized pike is like angling for a different fish altogether.

Big pike are coldwater creatures. The largest of the species are females that grow into incredible eating and reproducing machines. To put their size into perspective, the Alberta Fish and Game Association's Alberta Wildlife Records list the biggest pike caught and kept in the province at 17.237 kilograms, measuring 115.6 centimetres in length, and caught in Keho Lake in 1983. The largest pike in Alberta by length only was 127.4 centimetres caught in the Clearwater River in 1999.

Whether fishing in cold flowing rivers, deep reservoirs, or the myriad of Alberta lakes, there are trophy fish to target.

Catching a trophy pike is not easy. They are similar to muskellunge, which are considered a fish of 1,000 casts. The secret is to fish where the big pike live at different times of the year. A good rule of thumb is; you are in the wrong spot if you are catching smaller-sized pike. Small pike scatter in the presence of one that can swallow them up in a single gulp. Big fish seek out the best habitats and hold their ground, or water, to any competition.

In early spring, ice melts off lakes and rivers and the sun stays above the horizon for most of the day. The shallow bays and shorelines, and surface temperatures, begin to warm up in many lakes. After initial ice-out, the shallow, warming bays act like a spa for big pike that have just finished spawning. The warm water allows them to eat and digest meals quickly to regain energy reserves.

HUNTING BIG PIKE

by Brad Fenson



However, life in the warm shallows is short-lived, and big pike soon seek deeper, cooler water to stay comfortable. Anglers need to change-up tactics from those shallow-water presentations and figure out where the big girls went to hide.

Once anglers discover where the fish migrate to, summer can be a prime time for targeting big pike. The key is figuring out what deep-water habitat best suits the pike in any given lake and then using the right bait or lure to generate a strike. Seasonal movements can make these

fish hard to locate. However, with a little experimentation and technical help from maps and sonar, anyone can target and catch big pike throughout the summer. Start by looking for deep-water habitat adjacent to the shallow mud bays, creeks, rivers, and south-facing shorelines that

An advertisement for Quantum fishing gear. It features several fishing rods and reels arranged on a grey background with a faint fish pattern. On the left, three rods are shown vertically, with the brand name 'ACCURIST' at the bottom. In the center, a long rod is shown horizontally, with the brand name 'SMOKE' at the end. Below it are two reels. At the bottom right, the Quantum logo is prominently displayed in red. Above the logo is a red box with the text 'ROCK SOLID 5 YEAR LIMITED WARRANTY'. At the bottom right, there are social media icons for Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, and YouTube, along with the website 'QUANTUMFISHING.COM'.

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hold pike in the spring. Use a hydrographic map to narrow your target area quickly. Highlight rivers, creeks, or other sources of flowing water with nearby deep-water structure. Look for tight contours, which indicate steep drops or long points extending into the lake, as well as wide

contour gaps that denote deep-water flats. Rocky points are midsummer pike favourites. Whether you're fishing the main shoreline or areas adjacent to islands or shoals, look for cobble- to boulder-sized rocks to hold fish. The rocky drop-offs provide easy feeding

zones for big pike, allowing them to trap their prey against the vertical substrate. The structure also acts as an elevator to take actively feeding fish up to their food supply, and then back to the cool comforts of the deep. Big fish like big easy meals, and the deep water is home to various prey, such as whitefish, tullibee, smelt, and even burbot.

Getting lures or bait in front of deep-water pike can be challenging. However, some techniques are for quickly and methodically covering productive areas. Most midsummer pike relate to structure in depths of 20 to 60 feet.

Trolling the flats is a great way to cover lots of water in search of actively feeding fish. Spoons and crankbaits are proven tackle for big pike. With their lifelike appearance and action, crankbaits are a great option for enticing strikes. Spoons are highly visible and create vibrations that fish key in on, often triggering them to strike out of aggression.

To figure out what speed imparts the best action on a lure, run it beside the boat. While there are cranks that will run to 20 feet or more, most trolling lures and spoons require weights, downriggers, or diving planers to get to the fish. There are advantages to each technique, so you'll need to decide what works best for the area you're fishing.

In short, diving planers reduce the drag felt on the rod. At the same time, downriggers are easy to use and operate, providing confidence that you're fishing at a specific depth. Meanwhile, clip weights or three-way swivels with bell sinkers are quick and simple to use and adapt to different angling conditions.

Pike are good visual feeders that look upward for meals, so it's best to run your lure slightly above any fish that are feeding or cruising near the bottom. One to three ounces of weight is usually needed to get into the deep-water strike zone, depending on your trolling speed and the wave action.

Back-trolling always provides more control over your favourite weighted rig, allowing you to stay on top of the presentation. It can also help you feel the substrate, weeds, and strikes and adjust line distance from the boat to ensure the lure or bait is presented in the most productive areas. Try to keep the lure within three feet of the bottom. Drop your rod tip to bounce your weight on the bottom, and then lift the rod to troll your lure in the strike zone.

 The advertisement features a scenic background of a sunset over a lake with mountains in the distance. A wooden dock with a person standing on it is in the foreground. The text is overlaid on this image.

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If you don't have clip weights, a three-way swivel with a bell sinker run off the bottom eyelet is an easy-to-fish alternative. Attach the sinker with a dropper line that's up to three feet in length. Keep the weight in contact without dragging on the bottom, and the lure will run off the back eyelet of the swivel at the preferred depth.

Meanwhile, jigs tipped with salted minnows or Gulp Leech are great for working specific structures, such as rock points, deep weedbeds, or rock walls. Jigs-and-blade baits let you sit directly over smaller pieces of structure or target fish you've located on sonar. Thumping a big jig against rocks is like sending out a telegraph that it's feeding time. When jigging for suspended fish, you can fish at the exact depth you mark baitfish on a sonar.

A bobber and quick-strike rig can also be useful when fishing specific structures. As well, drifting, anchoring, or back-trolling can be used to stay over the target. Finding the best boat-control method, of course, depends on wind and wave conditions, but it's key to fishing small or specific structure.

Whether you're trolling or jigging, a depth sounder is crucial for finding and following



"When you find big pike, mark the spot for future reference."

contours along fish-holding structure. Also, watch the sonar for suspended fish and baitfish. Flowing water holds big pike all year, so never overlook inlet and outlet streams on a lake. Alberta rivers are also big pike hotspots.

The other half of the battle is tackling these big fish with the right rod and reel. A medium-to-medium-heavy-action rod and level-wind or bait-casting reel are essential for landing fish quickly and minimizing the stress on these cold-blooded creatures. Monofilament in the 10- or 12-pound test category works well

for trolling and landing fish quickly. On the other hand, braided lines are advantageous for fishing deep and telegraphing structure details and bites. The no-stretch line is an instant telegraph for a fish teasing your bait.

In the end, having the right gear and looking in the right places will increase success for hooking and landing that monstrous Alberta northern. When you find big pike, mark the spot. The best habitat locations on any waterbody will be regular hangouts for big fish. ●

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Alberta's River
WALLEYE

by TJ Schwanky



Alberta isn't blessed with a large number of walleye lakes and rivers when compared to many of our neighbours. But what we lack for in quantity, we more than make up for in quality. This is especially true in some of our larger rivers where walleye have been known to exceed 15 pounds.

I'm often asked where the best opportunity to hook a 10-pound-plus walleye exists and there's little question it is in one of the province's major rivers during the months of September and October.

Walleye are found right from the furthest southern to most northern reaches of the province and the true giants are found at all points in between. The Athabasca River is fast becoming the hotspot for trophy walleye. The best angling is upstream of Fort Assiniboine but shore and conventional boat fishing opportunities are limited on this river. Jet boats are king on the Athabasca, especially once you get upstream of the Town of Athabasca, as roads are limited in the region. There are undoubtedly large stretches of the river that rarely see an angler. The river does get deep enough near Fort McMurray that you will see anglers out in propeller-driven boats but it's still a challenging river to run. I've personally taken several walleye in the 10- to 12-pound range out of the Athabasca and it just seems to be getting better.

For those in the southern part of the province, the South Saskatchewan River has been a constant producer of giant walleye for decades. The Forks, where the Oldman and Bow come together to form the South Saskatchewan River, has long been a favourite for anglers in search of trophy walleye and this area is easily fished from shore and small boats.

I've been fishing this hotspot for the better part of 30 years, never walk away disappointed, and have lost count of the 10- to 12-pound walleye I've seen come out of here. The section downstream of The Forks, near Medicine Hat, has always been a bit of a hidden gem but more and more anglers are starting to discover it.

The Red Deer River is one of the province's most overlooked trophy fisheries for walleye, primarily because the lower stretches of this river, where the best walleye fishing exists, are relatively inaccessible. Most of the fish are accessed by



"Netting a big fall river walleye on the Athabasca River."

anglers drifting the river in canoes but it does see a small amount of jet boat traffic too.

The best fishing is below Highway 9 and there are a couple of daylong float options here that allow you to take out at one of the highway crossings downstream. This does require the use

of two vehicles and considerable planning, but the rewards can be huge. One of the more popular floats is from the Highway 9 Bridge down to Drumheller.

While driving over the bridge on Wayne Gretzky Drive, most Edmontonians don't realize that the North Saskatchewan River is another of the province's great walleye

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"The Holy Grail, a 10-pound

Alberta river walleye."

factories. Some urban anglers are starting to realize what they have in their backyard and the fishing can be good within city limits, but I wouldn't call the section that runs through the city the best part of the river. It's the stretch of river downstream of Edmonton where anglers are quietly taking some truly remarkable walleye.

Access is limited and boating is tough but the stretch from Highway 897 north of Marwayne, all the way downstream to the Saskatchewan border is where the bulk of big walleye are

"Alberta's bigger rivers are consistently producing walleye that exceed that magical 10-pound mark."

taken. I've also been hearing reports of big walleye also being taken upstream almost all the way to Drayton Valley. This area is getting more popular with the jet boat crowd and many are finding big walleye in the deeper holes, especially where there is an incoming water source.

Certainly, there are numerous other rivers in the province with the potential to produce big walleye, like the Battle, Pembina, Clearwater, Peace, Wabasca, and Smoky to name a few but the bigger rivers are the ones that are consistently producing walleye that exceed that magical 10-pound mark.

Walleye are typically lazy by nature and will rarely be found in the fast-flowing sections of the river. They will seek out deeper holes where they can get out of the current or near incoming creeks where there are back eddies with low current flow. Also, as water levels drop in the fall, often the deeper holes are the only areas with enough water to support them.

In addition to being lazy, big fall walleye are also gluttons and will always be near food. They will set up near current, where there is a constant source of feed coming by. In a deep hole for example, the most aggressive walleye will always be at the upstream end of it, in a position to grab the food coming downstream first. The same goes for incoming creeks. The most aggressive walleye will be closest to the mouth of the creek.

Jigs in the 3/8- to 1/2-ounce range are my favourite way to hook these big walleye in flowing water. I rarely use a rubber body on a jig but in these flowing waters, it makes sense. It adds bulk, colour, and vibration to your presentation making it much easier for the walleye to key in on in the typically turbid water. Unlike lakes where you often fish tiny jigs for delicately feeding walleye, river walleye don't have the luxury to examine a bait as it flows by in the current. They either have to grab it quickly or miss the opportunity. Making your bait as easy as possible to locate is the real key to success. Adding frozen minnows or night crawlers, where legal, definitely increase your odds of success as well, because they emit a scent trail

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"Using big crankbaits is an effective way to fish river walleye."

“Where the current isn’t overly heavy, casting minnow-imitating crankbaits can be very effective.”

crankbaits with rattles in them are ideal, as it gives hungry walleye one more way to locate your bait. Fish these similar to the jigs, by casting slightly upstream and then retrieving slowly as they drift down with the current. A fast-diving crankbait works best, as it allows you to get down to the bottom of the hole quickly.

Catching river walleye is typically not as challenging as getting to them. It’s their inaccessibility that allows them to grow big and plentiful in Alberta rivers. Unlike rivers in Saskatchewan and Manitoba that are easily navigated in conventional boats, Alberta’s rivers are shallow and rock filled; a virtual minefield for an outboard with a propeller on it. The good news is that many of these rivers offer great shore fishing for those willing to do some exploring and to seek out permission on private property. Others are well suited to floating in a canoe or cartopper, and the remainder, well, if you don’t have a jet boat, there are a number of guides that would be more than willing to take you out.

A 10-pounder is the Holy Grail for most walleye anglers and for good reason, but they are out there, especially in Alberta’s larger rivers. ●

downstream of your jig, creating one more way for walleye to easily locate your jig.

My favourite presentation with a jig is to cast it just above the head of a deep hole or right up into an incoming creek to allow the current to carry it naturally downstream to waiting walleye. The key here is to allow the jig to move naturally with the current but still maintain enough contact to detect a bite when it happens. You need to use a heavy enough jig so that it reaches the bottom but not one

so heavy that it constantly hangs up. Don’t be afraid to let the jig hold in the current downstream once the jig has completed its drift. On many occasions, I’ve hooked a big walleye straight downstream of the boat.

In rivers where the current isn’t overly heavy, another option is casting minnow-imitating crankbaits. This is a technique I’ve used very successfully at The Forks on the South Saskatchewan River. As with jigs, the bigger the better and

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