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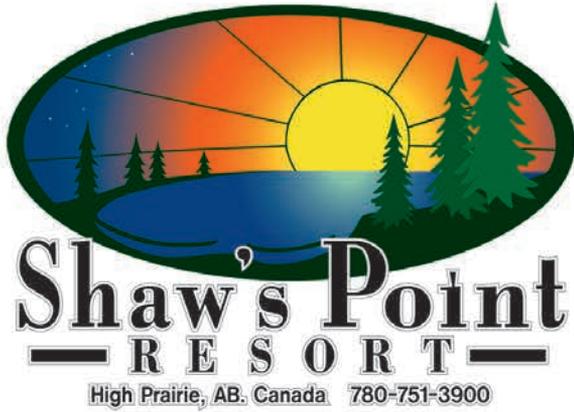
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The Alberta Guide to Sportfishing Regulations is a summary of the federal and provincial fishery regulations and is intended to assist those interested in sportfishing.

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

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Message from the Minister



Alberta is a beautiful province that encourages a diverse range of outdoor pursuits, including many family-friendly fishing opportunities.

As Albertans, we share the responsibility to conserve and protect fish populations and their habitats. Healthy fish populations and dynamic aquatic environments are part of what make our fishing trips so memorable, and we must ensure future Albertans can enjoy the same fishing experiences we have today.

With input from passionate anglers, the Alberta government has fine-tuned regulations to ensure that sustainable fishing and fish harvest opportunities are available in all parts of our province. To that end, you will notice changes in fishing regulations in some lakes this year. Moving forward, I am committed to even more changes, including reviewing fishing regulations and limits to increase low-risk, sustainable harvest, being more responsive to anglers' concerns and recommendations, simplifying our fishing regulations while considering habitat concerns, and making sure we have a sustainable resource for future generations.

Fishing is part of Alberta's cultural fabric and is enjoyed by folks from all walks of life, including those who have served in Canada's military. As a small token of our appreciation for their service, the Alberta government is proud to offer veterans of the Canadian Armed Forces a free sportfishing licence. We hope this gesture makes it easier for veterans living in Alberta to enjoy our outdoors. Please see the Licencing page in this sportfishing guide or visit the Licencing page on MyWildAlberta.ca for more information.

Over the past year, the Alberta Government has developed ways to

make fishing in Alberta easier and more enjoyable. These initiatives include online forms for competitive and non-competitive fishing events, an App for sportfishing regulations, and an opportunity to purchase an additional walleye special harvest licence regardless of whether you were drawn for a licence previously. We also launched a pilot project to allow anglers to choose traditional paper tags or electronic tags (e-tags) when they purchase a special harvest licence for walleye.

Ongoing upgrades to Alberta's fish hatcheries will continue into 2025-2026. This investment in our provincial hatcheries will ensure Albertans will have hatchery-raised trout fisheries for many years to come. The walleye stocking program, which is also supported by our fish hatcheries will continue in 2023. This means fisheries' staff will be out collecting eggs from a wild walleye population this spring with the goal of creating new angling and harvest opportunities for this desirable fish. As always, strict biosecurity measures are taken to prevent disease transfer. Please visit MyWildAlberta.ca for fish stocking information.

Fishing is a long-lived tradition in Alberta. As the Minister of Forestry, Parks and Tourism, I will continue working with and listening to Albertans to ensure the sustainability of fish populations and fishing opportunities for generations to come.

Whether fishing is a life-long passion, an activity you enjoy a few weekends a year or you are brand new to it, Alberta's scenic lakes and rivers are there to be discovered and enjoyed. Also, if you are a new angler or want to share the fishing experience, please take advantage of the two Free Fishing Weekends. Learn more on MyWildAlberta.ca for Free Fishing Weekends.

Thank you for your continued support and interest in fishing in Alberta.

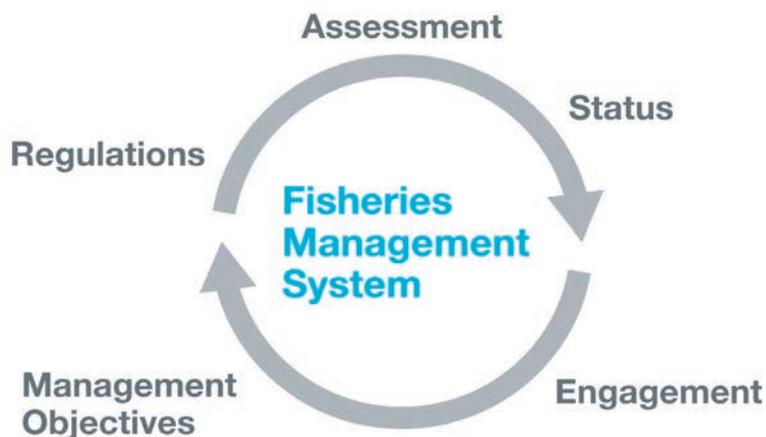
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Alberta follows the Alberta's Fish Conservation and Management Strategy. Alberta's goal of sustainability for fish populations and fisheries is central to this commitment. Alberta's Fisheries Management System is an annual process and the components include Assessment, Status, Engagement, Management Objectives, 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, 2023 to March 31, 2024.



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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 the '23-24 fisheries management engagement seminars. We appreciate the enthusiasm and passion of recreational anglers and appreciate the questions and feedback provided during the engagement this January. Please find follow-up information by visiting www.alberta.ca/fisheries-engagements.aspx. All public engagements related to sportfishing, including the What We Heard reports and future opportunities to provide input can be found there.

Low Flows and High Water Temperatures

- To help conserve fish during drought conditions, Alberta Government will be monitoring water flow and temperatures in the Bow River and other southern Alberta streams.
- In response to low stream flows and warmer water temperatures, time of day angling restrictions may be implemented.
- Please see My Wild Alberta web page for up to date information.

Know before you go!

- Know the sportfishing regulations before you go! Either download the PDF of the Guide, or take a printed copy of the Guide with you, or use the Sportfishing Regulations App.
- The application is web- and map-based; designed to be easily used; you can search for a waterbody, search an area, or use your location.
- See <https://mywildalberta.ca/fishing/regulations/default.aspx>

Updates to Competitive Fishing Events (CFE)

- See detailed information on MyWildAlberta website
- Use the online Application and Summary forms for your CFE that has >25 participants and takes place at one waterbody.
- Voluntarily use the Notification and Summary forms to notify us of your noncompetitive Fishing Event that has <26 participants.
- Online payment is available.
- Forms can be printed, completed by hand, and submitted at a FW office.
- Payment can also be submitted at a FW office.

Stocking and Transfers

Hatchery upgrades have been ongoing since 2017 and will continue until at least 2025/2026.

During upgrades, trout stocking numbers will be impacted and some lakes may see a reduction in stocked fish.

The walleye stocking program will again collect eggs from a wild population, with a focused goal of creating angling and harvest opportunities in 4 to 5 years time.

Fish transfers focus on re-stocking waters that have experienced fish kills or recovered from drought conditions. Measures are always taken to prevent disease transfer.

Please visit mywildalberta.ca for information on fish stocking.

Sportfishing Guide

The 2023-2024 Sportfishing Guide is updated annually.

Waterbodies,

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

Please see the new harvest opportunities highlighted in blue.

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

- **Alberta resident Canadian Armed Forces Veterans are eligible for a free sportfishing licence. See Licencing page for more information.**
- For convenience, download the AlbertaRELM App and keep your sportfishing licences and WiN handy.
- Remember you are required to produce your licence (paper or electronic via the AlbertaRELM App) when requested by an officer.
- Sign up to auto-renew your sportfishing licence.
- See albertarelm.com or AlbertaRELM App for additional details.

Special Harvest Licence Updates

- If successfully drawn, an SHL licence holder is eligible for 2 walleye tags for either Class A (>50 cm) or Class B (43-50 cm).
- **New! Purchase up to 5 Class C walleye licences and tags (for 2 walleye <43 cm) on a first-come first-served basis.**
- **If you were drawn for a Class A or B or purchased an undersubscribed or Class C licence you will be able to purchase additional licences starting on July 14. See MyWildAlberta.ca Fishing Licences for more information.**

Electronic Tag Pilot for Special Harvest Licences

- A electronic tag option will be piloted in 2023-24. There is no change to the draw process. Successful applicants select paper tags or electronic tags (e-tags) when purchasing their licence.
- Walleye retained with a Special Harvest Licence must be immediately tagged as per conditions of licence with either a paper and wire tag through the gill cavity and mouth, or an electronic tag using the AlbertaRELM App.
- To use e-tags, download the AlbertaRELM App to your smart phone and sign-in.
- To e-tag a fish, open the AlbertaRELM App, go to your Licences, touch the tag you are filling, and touch YES. Your e-tag is closed with date and time.
- With or without cellular service, you are required to immediately e-tag retained fish on the AlbertaRELM App. E-tagging records include the date and time of tagging.

Ice Fishing

Must identify all ice fishing shelters left unattended on the ice for more than 24 hours. Label the outside of the shelter with your WiN number OR name and phone number using 2.5 cm or taller letters.

Must remove all ice fishing shelters before March 15 in PP1 and before March 31 everywhere else, or when directed to do so by an officer.

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,

- **CATCH IT, KILL IT** If you catch Prussian carp do not release them. Kill, dispose of them, or eat them.
- **CLEAN, DRAIN, DRY YOUR GEAR** 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.
- **PULL THE PLUG!** All watercraft must have the drain plug pulled while being transported. 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. Call **1-855-336-BOAT** 24/7 hotline for more information.

CLEAN + DRAIN + DRY YOUR GEAR

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



CLEAN

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



DRAIN

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



DRY

Dry everything completely before entering another waterbody.

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

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

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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.

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

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

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

Legal Land Descriptions

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Snagging – Attempting to catch a fish using a hook:

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

Snagging Device

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

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

Sportfishing Seasons

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

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

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

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

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

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

RECOVERY OF TAGGED FISH

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.

Stocking can vary from year to year. Please check MyWildAlberta Fish Stocking Lists for up to date information.

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)
Granum Pond (NW 31-10-26-W4)
Grotto Mountain Pond (NW 21-24-9-W5)
Hogarth Lakes (SE 21-21-10-W5)
Island Lake (SE 12-8-6-W5)
Lees Lake (SW 8-7-2-W5)
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)
Talus Lake (SE 25-20-8-W5)
Tim Horton Children's Pond (NW14-24-8-W5)

Watershed Unit ES2

Alford Lake (SW 4-36-8-W5)
Brazeau Borrow Pit #1 (SE 32-45-10-W5)
Brazeau Borrow Pit #2 (SW 2-46-11-W5)
Camp 9 Trout Pond (NE 32-44-8-W5)
Dickson Trout Pond (NW 13-35-3-W5)
Elk Creek Pond (NW 33-35-12-W5)
Goldeye Lake (NE 14-40-16-W5)
Harleck Pond (SE 5-41-14-W5)
Mitchell Lake (NE 25-37-8-W5)
Nordegg Borrow Pit (East) (SE 32-40-15-W5)
Nordegg Borrow Pit (West) (SW 32-40-15-W5)
Peppers Lake (NW 30-35-12-W5)
Phyllis Lake (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)
Lower Wildhorse Lake (SW 31-49-26-W5)
Mary Gregg Lake (NW 4-48-24-W5)
Mayan Lake (NW 5-57-23-W5)
McLeod Lake (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)
South Sundance Lake (SE 1-55-21-W5)
Trapper Lake (SE 19-58-16-W5)
Upper Wildhorse Lake (SW 31-49-26-W5)
Whitcourt Town Pond (NE 35-59-12-W5)
Wildwood Pond (SW 30-53-9-W5)
Wolf Creek Pond (SW 13-53-16-W5)

Watershed Unit ES4

East Dollar Lake (NW 8-73-21-W5)
Fox Creek Trout Pond (NW 13-63-20-W5)
Grande Cache Lake (NE 1-57-8-W6)
Highway 40 Pond (SW 12-69-6-W6)
Kakut Pond (NE27-76-04-W6)
Muskoseepi Pond (SE 26-71-6-W6)
Pierre Greys Lake (Lower) (NW 6-57-4-W6)
Pierre Greys Lake (Upper) (SW 7-57-4-W6)
Spring Lake (NE 23-75-11-W6)
Swan Lake (SW 18-70-25-W5)
Two Lakes (NE 20-62-12-W6)
Two Lakes (NE7-62-12-W6)
Valleyview Children's Pond (NE 21-70-22-W6)
Victor Lake (SE 35-56-8-W5)
West Dollar Lake (SE 18-73-21-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)
Magrath Childrens Pond (SW 26-5-22-W4)
Mcquillan Reservoir (SW 13-8-19-W4)

Nicholas Sheran Park Pond (SE 26-8-22-W4)
Riverstone Pond (SW 24-8-22-W4)
Spring Coulee Park Pond (NE 12-5-24-W4)
Stirling Children's Pond (SW 29-6-19-W4)
Strathmore Children's Pond (SW 14-24-25-W4)
Taber Trout Pond (NW 1-10-17-W4)

Watershed Unit PP2

Acadia Valley Reservoir (SW 5-25-2-W4)
Anderson Dam (SW 25-28-21-W4)
Ashland Reservoir (NW 17-48-3-W5)

Bashaw Pond (SE 4-42-21-W4)
Beaumont Pond (NW 27-50-24-W4)
Black Nugget Mine Pit (NW 11-49-18-W4)
Boulder Lake (NE 18-39-27-W4)
Bud Miller Park Pond (NE 26-49-1-W4)
By The Lake Park (SW 22-46-24-W4)
Captain Eyre Lake (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)

PARKLAND-PRAIRIE ZONE

Cipperley's Reservoir (SW 8-32-1-W5)
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)
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)
Hasse Lake (SW 13-52-2-W5)
Helmer Reservoir (SW 18-31-14-W4)
Heritage Lake (NW 33-55-25-W4)
Hermitage Park Pond (NE 18-53-23-W4)
Hiller's Reservoir (SE 13-32-19-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)
Nuggent Pond (SE 14-44-3-W5)
Open Ck Reservoir (25-42-6-W5)
Oyen (Concrete Plant) Pond (NW 34-27-4-W4)
Oyen Reservoir (NE 33-30-4-W4)
Parlby Reservoir (NE 25-40-24-W4)
Pleasure Island Reservoir (SW 20-46-19-W4)

Ponoka Centennial Park Pond (NE 5-43-25-W4)
Ray's Pond (Niemela Res.; SE 1-39-3-W5)
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)
Elk Point Pond (NW 36-56-7-W4)
Lac Delorme (SE 5-57-8-W4)
Lara Fish Pond (NE 25-61-5-W4)
Legal Reservoir (NW 24-57-25-W4)
Little Bear Lake (NW 19-64-2-W4)
Mile 07 Lake (NE 35-69-14-W4)
Radway Fish Pond (SE 31-58-20-W4)
Rainbow Park Pond (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)
Christina Lake (NW 8-67-8-W5)
Edith Lake (NE 13-67-10-W5)
Horseshoe Lake (SW 31-63-25-W4)
Jane Lake (NW 11-68-8-W5)
Jessie Lake (SW 23-68-7-W5)
Marigold Lake (NW 32-65-11-W5)
McClennan Reservoir (SW 32-77-19-W5)
Parker Lake (SE 25-70-5-W5)
Peanut Lake (NE 15-58-3-W5)
Tamarack Lake (NE 10-66-12-W5)
Tea Lakes (SW 16-67-7-W5)

Watershed Unit NB3

Cecil Thompson Pond (SW 23-83-21-W5)
Fairview College Pond (SW 34-81-3-W6)
Figure Eight Lake (NE 20-84-25-W5)
Footner Pond (SE 5-111-19-W5)
High Level Community Park Pond (SE 6-110-19-W5)

High Level Pond (SE 8-110-20-W5)
Highway 686 Pond (NE 17-85-19-W5)
La Crete Pond (SW 15-106-12-W5)
Machesis Lake (NW 27-107-16-W5)
Md Peace Pond #1 (SW 27-83-23-W5)
Md Peace Pond #2 (SW 27-83-23-W5)
Montaganeusse Lake (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 (NW 17-83-6-W4)
Highway 63 Pond (NE 35-87-9-W4)
Texaco East Pond (NW 15-88-8-W4)
Texaco Pond (SW 20-88-8-W4)



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).

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)



FOUR WEBSITES TO HELP YOU.

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Sportfishing licences, special harvest licences and applications, and undersubscribed special harvest licences for walleye are available at albertarelm.com or from more than 300 private licence issuers.

If you are under 16 years of age or an Alberta resident aged 65 or older you are not required to have a sportfishing licence to fish with a rod and reel; however, you must follow Alberta's sportfishing regulations.

For information regarding Indigenous Rights and Responsibilities in regards to fishing, please visit Alberta's website at <https://www.alberta.ca/indigenous-hunting-and-fishing-in-alberta.aspx>

All recreational anglers must have an active Wildlife Identification Number (WiN) before purchasing a recreational sportfishing licence or applying on a draw. WiN card activation requires a one-time \$8.00 fee (plus GST). Current WiN card holders will be required to pay the one-time fee when their current WiN expires. Create or renew a online WiN and receive \$2.00 off the activation fee.

ALBERTA SPORTFISHING LICENCE FEES

Licence	Alberta Residents ²	Non-resident Canadians ³	Non-residents Outside of Canada
CAF Veterans Sportfishing Licence¹	No Charge	Not Available	Not Available
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	\$27.00
7-Day Sportfishing Licence	Not Available	\$41.00	\$55.00
Special Walleye Licence Applications	\$3.35	Not Available	Not Available
Special Walleye Harvest Licence ⁴	\$11.00	Not Available	Not Available

- 1 A resident Canadian Armed Forces Veteran is an Alberta resident who is a former member of the Canadian Armed Forces, has successfully undergone basic training and has been honourably discharged.
- 2 Alberta resident is a resident of Canada and has their only or primary residence in Alberta.
- 3 A non-resident Canadian has their only or primary residence in Canada and is a Canadian citizen permanent residence in Canada and has lived in Canada for the immediately preceding 12-month period.
- 4 See page 19 for draw information.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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.

Special Harvest Licence for Walleye

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 harvest 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.

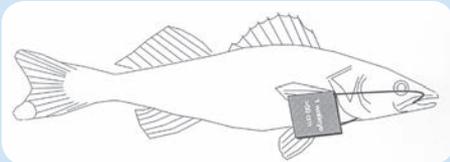
Notice to Anglers

At the time of printing this document, the lakes identified are open for the current season under a Special Licence Draw. Alberta Government reserves the right to close any lake if it is deemed that a fish stock cannot sustain itself or sustain a harvest. For example, if a lake has experienced serious winterkill, a zero harvest regulation may be implemented. If you have any questions regarding this statement, contact EPA.Outreach-Services@gov.ab.ca.

Tagging Instructions

When purchasing your licence, choose either paper or electronic tags.

Walleye retained with a Special Harvest Licence must be immediately tagged as per conditions of licence with either a paper tag and wire through the gill cavity and mouth, or an electronic tag using the AlbertaRELM App.



Immediately e-tag retained fish on the AlbertaRELM App, with or without cell service. Harvest records indicate the date and time of tagging.

Special Harvest Licences are to be used only by the licence holder, other than the exemption below.

Anglers who are less than 16 years old are permitted to use a supervising adult's Special Harvest Licence tags for walleye.

2023 DRAWS

March 30 - April 23, 2023 Draw applications may be purchased for \$3.35 (plus GST) online at albertarelm.com or at licence issuers.

May 9, 2023 Draw results may be viewed online at albertarelm.com.

May 9, 2023 Special Walleye Licence may be purchased for \$11.00 (plus GST) online at albertarelm.com and at licence issuers.

May 9, 2023 Undersubscribed Licence information available online at albertarelm.com.

May 9, 2023 If not drawn, a undersubscribed licence (Class A or B) or up to 5 Class C licences can be purchased for \$11.00 (per licence; plus GST) online at albertarelm.com or at licence issuers.

DRAW RULES including types of Special Harvest Licences for walleye

Type of Special Harvest Licence Draws Available	Restrictions on Applying for these Draws	Application
Class A (2 walleye over 50) Class B (2 walleye 43-50 cm)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> An Alberta resident may apply for both draws but will only be drawn in one. Draws will be conducted in the following order: Class A, Class B. 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 or Class B 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.

New! Purchase up to 5 Class C walleye licences on a first-come first-served basis, after licence information is available on albertarelm.com.

If you were drawn for a Class A or B or purchased an undersubscribed or Class C licence you will be able to purchase additional licences starting on July 14. See MyWildAlberta.ca Fishing Licences for more information.

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 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 Class A and Class B Special Walleye Licence quotas, the undersubscribed licences are made available to eligible Alberta resident anglers to purchase on a first-come first-served basis.

Undersubscribed licences become available for purchase May 9, 2023.

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.

- Fizz fish – it is undue harm and reduces survival of released fish.
- Use live fish for bait.
- Use amphibians, such as frogs and salamanders, as bait.
- Dispose of unused bait within 50 metres of waterbodies except in a regularly serviced waste disposal receptacle.
- Set out or use bait to attract fish unless it is attached to a hook used in angling (that is chumming).
- Fish by snagging.
- Possess fish taken by snagging.
- Possess a snagging device (such as a gaff or gaff hook) while angling.
- Use gaffs, gaff hooks or spring-loaded hooks (spring-loaded hooks incorporate a device that snags/traps/holds the fish).
- Use snares, firearms, or any device to attract, stun or kill fish by causing an explosion or electrical current in the water.
- Use lights to sportfish unless the light is attached to a hook or line used in angling. This includes visible lights that are emitted by underwater cameras.
- Clean fish for transport home in a manner that is not authorized (see Cleaning and Transporting Fish, Page 25).

Additional Restrictions:

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

Catch Limits

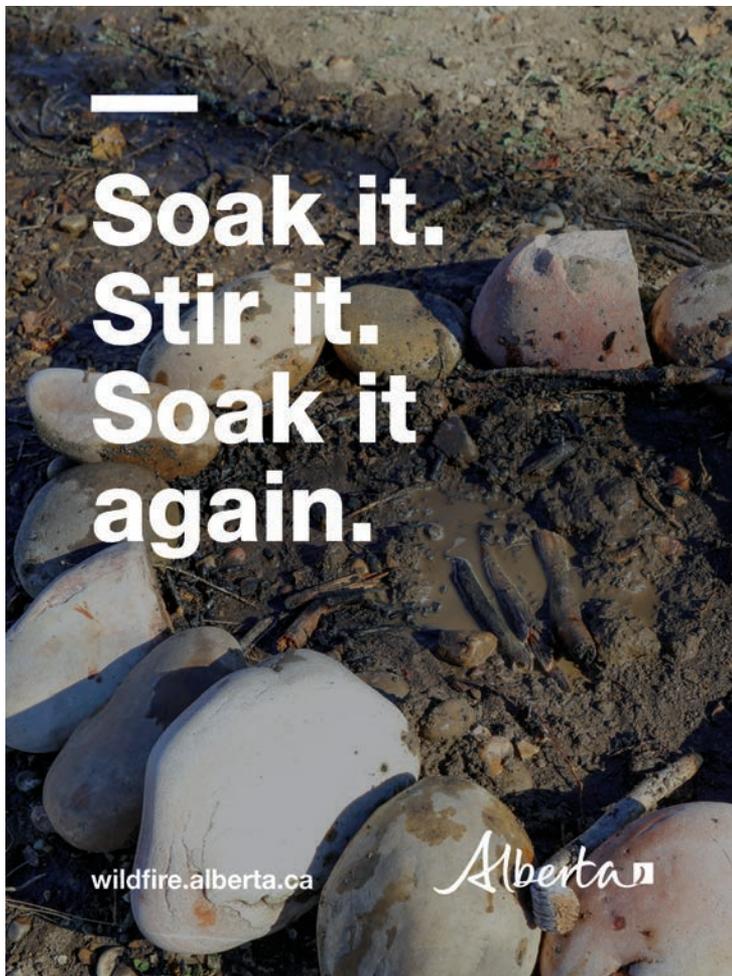
In this guide the word limit refers to the number of fish you are allowed to keep or have in your possession. As outlined below, you may not exceed the Daily Catch Limit at any waterbody fished, nor possess more fish than the Maximum Possession.

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



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.

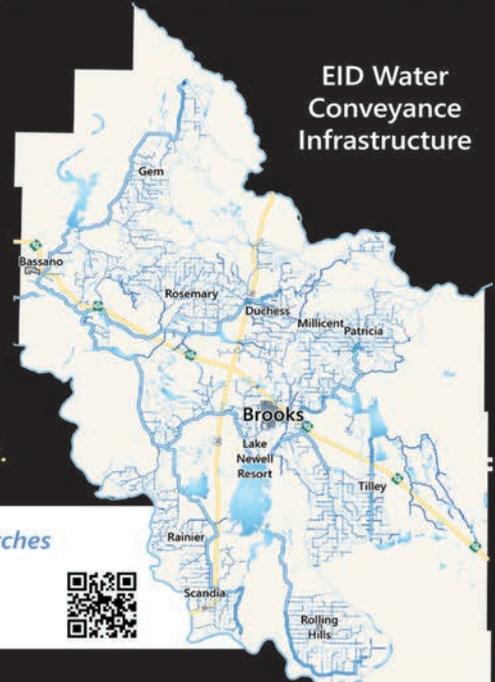
The below conditions must be followed:

- 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 must be registered with EID's Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Program and follow approved prevention procedures
- Ice shacks 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, certain areas have added restrictions.

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

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

Please clean, drain and dry your watercraft.



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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 in combination – 3 in total.**
- **Walleye – 3** or no more than 12 when harvested under the authority of Special Fish Harvest Licences when combined with any other licences.
- **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** – Includes sucker species. There is no limit on the number of non-game fish.

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.

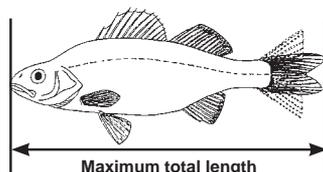
Tributaries and Beaver Ponds

- 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, live well or other holding device usually die if released because of stress and damage to their gills, fins and scales. Culling is unlawful if the practice occurs beyond a person's legal possession limit.

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 and eyes.
- Keep the fish in the water.
- Remove the hook carefully.
- Leave deeply swallowed hooks in the fish (Side-cutters can be used to cut the hook instead of the line).
- Help revive the fish by holding it in the water.
- Do not fizz – it reduces survival of released fish.
- Fish for walleye and perch in relatively shallow water.

For more information, search for fish handling on mywildalberta.ca.

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 net means a net the ends of which are brought together or hauled ashore. Examples include beach seine or a throwing net.
- Seine nets may not be larger than 3 m in length and 2 m in depth.
- Minnow traps may not have dimensions greater than 60 cm in length by 30 cm in width, depth or diameter.
- No more than 2 minnow traps may be used at one time.
- Minnow traps must be labeled with the operator's name, address and sportfishing licence number.
- **Crayfish cannot be used as bait. It is unlawful to possess live crayfish.**

REMEMBER

- It is illegal to use live bait fish or crayfish (live or dead) as bait.
- It is illegal to set out or use bait to attract fish unless the bait is attached to a hook used in angling.
- It is illegal to use scented lures or scented weights where bait bans are in effect.
- Discard live unused bait in its original packaging in a garbage receptacle.

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 fishing lines from tangling in the units and damaging them.

REMEMBER

- **ALL ICE FISHING SHELTERS THAT ARE ON THE ICE FOR MORE THAN 24 HOURS MUST BE LABELLED ON THE OUTSIDE WITH 2.5 cm BLOCK LETTERS OR LARGER WITH W# 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. Search “Fish Consumption Advisory” on mywildalberta.ca for more information, or download the “Should I eat this fish” App to your cell phone.

Cleaning and Transporting Fish

Fish caught in Alberta:

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

Tips:

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

REMEMBER

When cleaning fish away from your permanent residence, DO NOT REMOVE evidence of species and, if size limits apply, evidence of length as described above, unless the fish are to be consumed immediately.

Fish caught by someone else:

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

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

Fish caught outside of Alberta:

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

Gill Nets

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

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

Gill Nets continued on next page.

Regulations and Information

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

- Fishing in the critical habitats offered by Alberta's Wilderness and Ecological Areas is prohibited under the Wilderness, Areas, Ecological Reserves, Natural Areas and Heritage Rangelands Act.
- Off-highway vehicle (OHV) access is prohibited in most provincial parks and provincial recreation areas.
- Off-highway vehicle access may be limited or prohibited within counties, municipal districts or within special public land management areas such as Public Land Use Zones (PLUZ).
- Special conditions, such as extreme fire hazard, may warrant additional temporary access conditions.

Access to Crown Agricultural Lease Land

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



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Alberta Government / Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Services Offices

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

Alberta Government offices for these services	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Hunting, trapping and sportfishing regulations ● Licences: RFMA/Trapping, Fish Stocking, Fish Research, Competitive Fishing, Fur Dealers, Taxidermy, Tannery, Damage Control ● Found Dead Wildlife or Export Permit applications ● Registrations for Compulsory Furbearer Species and Big Game, fish or wildlife disease inquiries including freezer locations ● Wildlife or Fisheries Management inquiries 	

Eastslopes	Calgary	403-297-6674
	Drayton Valley	780-542-6616
	Edson	780-723-8527
	Grande Prairie	780-538-5260
	Hinton	780-865-8264
	Pincher Creek	403-627-1120
	Rocky Mountain House	403-845-8230
	Whitecourt	780-778-7153
Northern Boreal	Athabasca	780-675-2419
	Bonnyville	780-826-3142
	Fairview	780-835-7200
	Fort McMurray	780-743-7200
	Fort Vermilion	780-927-3712
	High Level	780-841-0132
	High Prairie	780-523-6521
	Lac La Biche	780-623-5247
	Manning	780-836-3065
	Peace River	780-624-6167
	Slave Lake	780-849-7123
	St Paul	780-645-6313
	Spruce Grove	780-960-8600
Parkland-Prairie	Edmonton	780-427-3574
	Lethbridge	403-381-5322
	Medicine Hat	403-529-3680
	Red Deer	403-340-7052
	Vermilion	780-853-8137

Report A Poacher: Report suspicious or illegal hunting and fishing activity, or dangerous wildlife encounters by phone or online 1-800-642-3800

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

Alberta Government Fish and Wildlife Services:
Great West Life Building,
9920 – 108 Street, Edmonton, Alberta
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310-0000 in Alberta
780-427-2711 outside of Alberta

Sportfishing regulations: www.mywildalberta.com

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

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1-888-944-5494 (0600 to midnight, 7 days a week),
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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

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



Public Safety and Emergency Services / Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Services Offices	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● For non-urgent enforcement or problem wildlife matters see contact information below ● For hunting and fishing violations in progress or imminent public safety risk or significant property loss due to wildlife call Report A Poacher line 1-800-642-3800 ● Fish and Wildlife Enforcement media requests 780-644-3009 ● The first location listed is the designated Unit Hub office location responsible for the subsequent locations listed 	

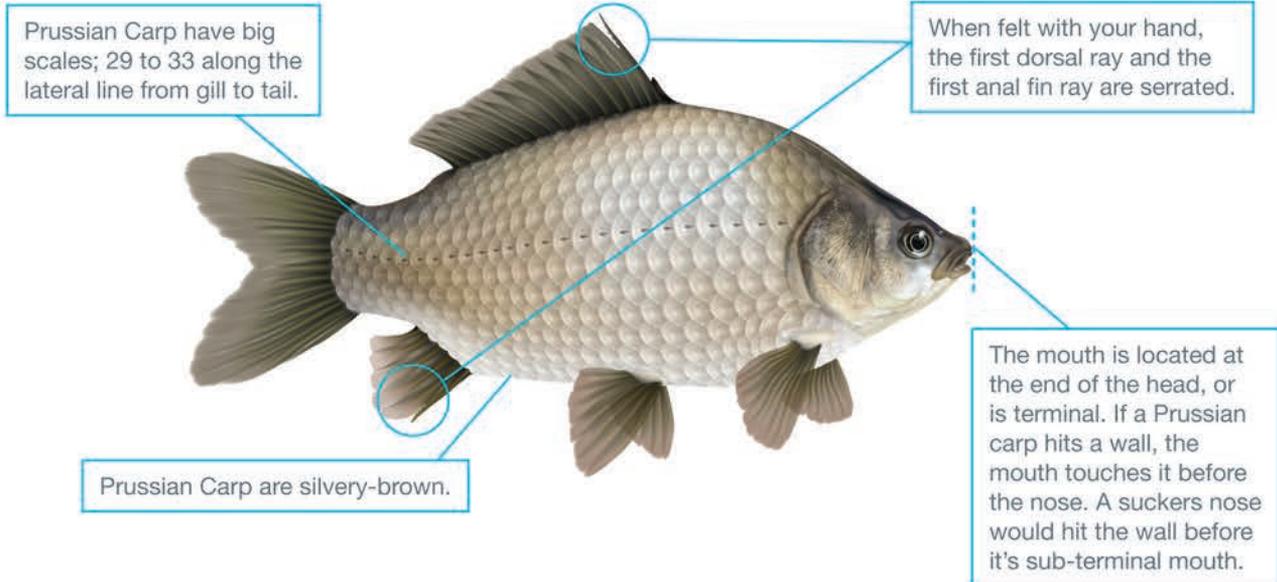
Northwest Region	Grande Prairie, Grande Cache, Spirit River, Valleyview	780-538-5265
	High Prairie, Edson, Fox Creek, Hinton, Slave Lake, Whitecourt	780-523-6526
	Peace River, Fairview, Fort Vermilion, High Level, Manning	780-624-6405
	Rocky Mountain House, Drayton Valley, Evansburg, Nordegg, Sundre	403-845-8300
Northeast Region	Athabasca, Bonnyville, Cold Lake, Fort McMurray, Lac La Biche	780-675-8169
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	Spruce Grove, Barrhead	780-960-8190
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	Vegreville, Camrose ¹	780-632-5410
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	Lethbridge, Brooks, Cardston, Medicine Hat, Vulcan	403-381-5266
	Blairmore, Claresholm, Pincher Creek	403-562-3289

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¹ Part time offices – please contact for service hours.

Prussian Carp

Carassius gibelio

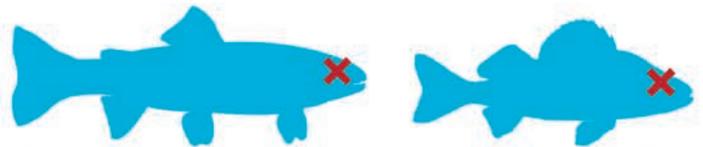


CATCH IT KILL IT

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



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 **North Saskatchewan, Bow, Red Deer, Oldman and South Saskatchewan Rivers.**



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.

3X 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!

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

- ZONE 1 Eastern Slopes Zone on pages 30 to 53.**
- ZONE 2 Parkland-Prairie Zone on pages 54 to 67.**
- ZONE 3 Northern Boreal Zone on pages 68 to 92.**



Maps

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

Watershed Boundaries

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



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ZONE 1 *Eastern Slopes*

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

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

ES1 WATERSHED UNIT REGULATIONS

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

BAIT FISHING

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

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

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.
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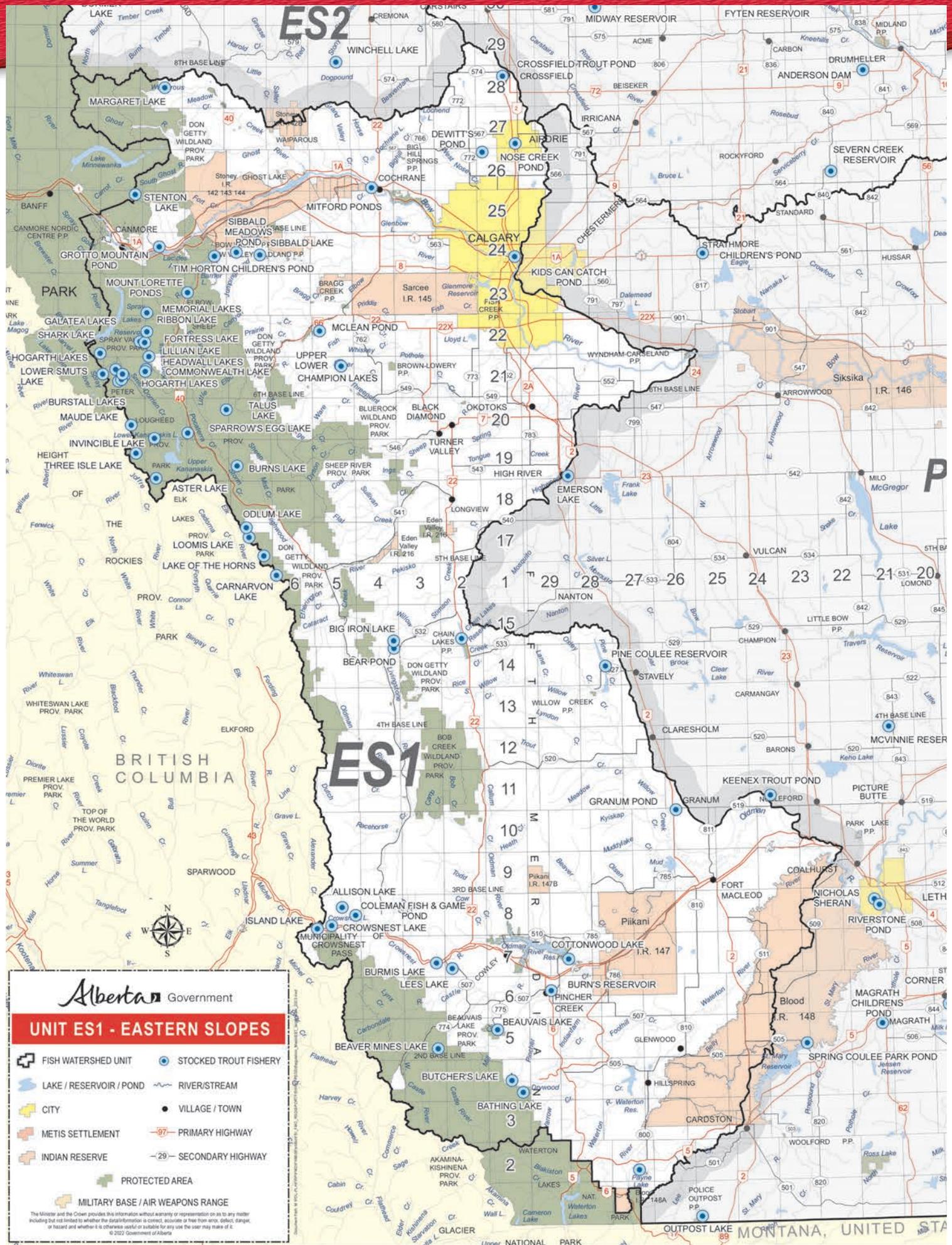
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ES1 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

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
Bear Pond	Tributaries and outlet	CLOSED ALL YEAR											1 trout over 30 cm; 0 ARGR
Bear Paw Reservoir	36-14-4-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban										1 trout over 30 cm; 0 ARGR
Big Iron Lake	1-15-4-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●				3 fish	5 over 30 cm					Other trout limit 1 under 35 cm
Burns Lake	17-19-7-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										1 trout over 30 cm; 0 ARGR
Burstall Lakes	All lakes; 16-21-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Carburn Park Pond	NE-23-23-1-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban										2 trout
Carmarvon 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
East Scarpe Lake	Tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban								2 fish		Other trout 0
Emerald (Hart) Lake	Tributaries	OPEN SEPT. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										0 trout
Fortress Lake	13-3-3-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●					0 fish					2 trout
Galatea Lakes	SE-8-8-5-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●				3 fish	3 over 30 cm					5 trout
Gap Lake	6-22-9-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Ghost Reservoir	Upper and lower; 13-22-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Glenmore Reservoir	SW 20-24-09-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban					5 over 30 cm			2 fish		Other trout 0
Headwall Lakes	Upper and lower; 19-30-21-9-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait and bait fish allowed					5 over 30 cm					5 trout; 0 CTRR
Hogarth Lakes	Upper, middle, lower; 21-21-10-W5	OPEN MAY 1 TO OCT. 31	●		3 fish	15 fish		5 over 30 cm					5 trout
Invincible Lake	5-20-9-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Kids Can Catch Pond	13-24-1-W5	CLOSED FOR THE 2023 SEASON											1 trout over 40 cm
Lake Of The Horns	11-17-7-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout
Lillian Lake	13-22-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout

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

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Stenton Lake	35-25-10-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban										1 trout over 40 cm
Sunken Lakes	Champion Lakes; Upper and lower; 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	Upper and lower; 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
Widow Mountain Lake	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
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm					0 trout
Boulton Creek	Includes tributaries	OPEN JULY 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
Bow River	Banff National Park downstream to Bassano Dam including Reservoir	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish					0 trout
Canmore Creek	Includes tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 to SEPT. 30	Bait ban								2 fish	Other trout 0

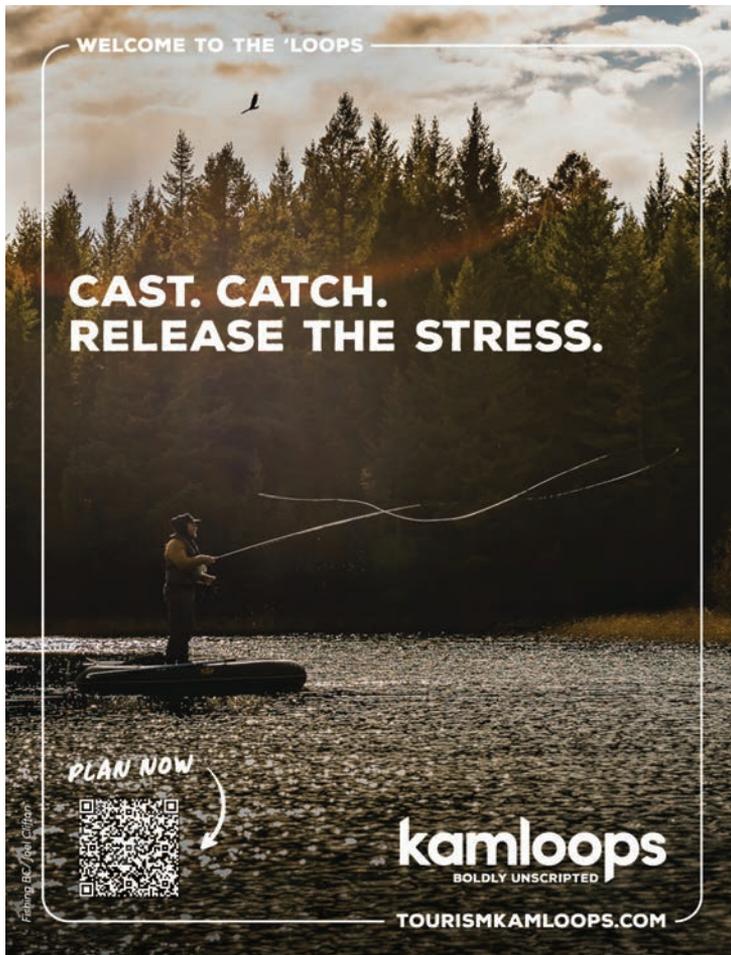
Canyon Creek	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban															0 trout
Carbondale River	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm											0 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban					0 fish										0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over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

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Kananaskis River	Headwater downstream to Hwy. 1 including tributaries except Smith-Dorrien Creek	OPEN APR. 1 to JUNE 15	Bait ban				0 fish			2 fish		Other trout 0
		OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm	0 fish	0 fish			Other trout 2
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish			2 fish		Other trout 0
Livingstone River	Mainstem from Hwy. 1 downstream to Bow River	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm			2 fish		Other trout 0
		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
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
Oldman River	Tributaries of Oldman River from headwater downstream to Sec. Rd. 510 excluding Livingstone River and Hidden Creek	OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm					0 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm					0 trout
Pincher Creek	Mainstem - Racehorse Creek downstream to Hwy. 22	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to JUNE 15	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm	over 35 cm	over 35 cm	over 35 cm		2 trout
Policeman Creek	Mainstem - Hwy. 22 downstream to Sec. Rd. 510	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm					0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to JUNE 15	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban				5 over 30 cm					0 trout
Pincher Creek	Mainstem downstream from Sec. Rd. 510 - see Oldman Reservoir	OPEN APR. 1 to JUNE 15	Bait ban				0 fish					0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban				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
Policeman 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
		OPEN APR. 1 to SEPT. 30	Bait ban				0 fish				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	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban																	0 trout
	Bridge at Indian Oils Day-use Site downstream to Gorge Creek and tributaries (except Gorge Creek)	CLOSED ALL YEAR																		
Silverster Creek	Mainstem - Gorge Creek downstream to Highwood River	OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm	over 35 cm	over 35 cm								2 trout
	Includes tributaries	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm										0 trout
Smith-Dorrien Creek	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban																	0 trout
	Includes tributaries	CLOSED ALL YEAR																		
South Castle River	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm										0 trout
	Includes tributaries	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish										0 trout
Storm Creek	Upstream of Mist Creek confluence; Includes tributaries (18-7-W5)	CLOSED ALL YEAR																		
	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										Other trout 0
	Includes tributaries	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish										Other trout 0
Waterton River	Tributaries upstream of Waterton Reservoir including Drywood Creek	OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm	0 fish	1 or 2 fish	2 trout							
	Mainstem - upstream of Waterton Reservoir	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish										0 trout
West Castle River	Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm	0 fish	2 trout								
	Mainstem and tributaries - downstream of Waterton Reservoir	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban							0 fish										0 trout
Willow Creek	Mainstem and tributaries upstream of Hwy. 532	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm	0 fish	2 fish	2 trout							
	Mainstem and tributaries from Hwy. 532 downstream to Pine Coulee Reservoir Diversion Headpond	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm	0 fish	Other trout 2								
	Mainstem only downstream of Pine Coulee Reservoir Diversion Headpond	OPEN MAY 8 to OCT. 31	Bait ban							5 over 30 cm	over 30 cm	2 trout								
	Tributaries downstream of Pine Coulee Reservoir Diversion Headpond	OPEN NOV. 1 to MAR. 15	Bait ban							0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish	0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban																	0 trout

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BAIT FISHING

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

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

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

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

ES2 Default Sportfishing Regulations

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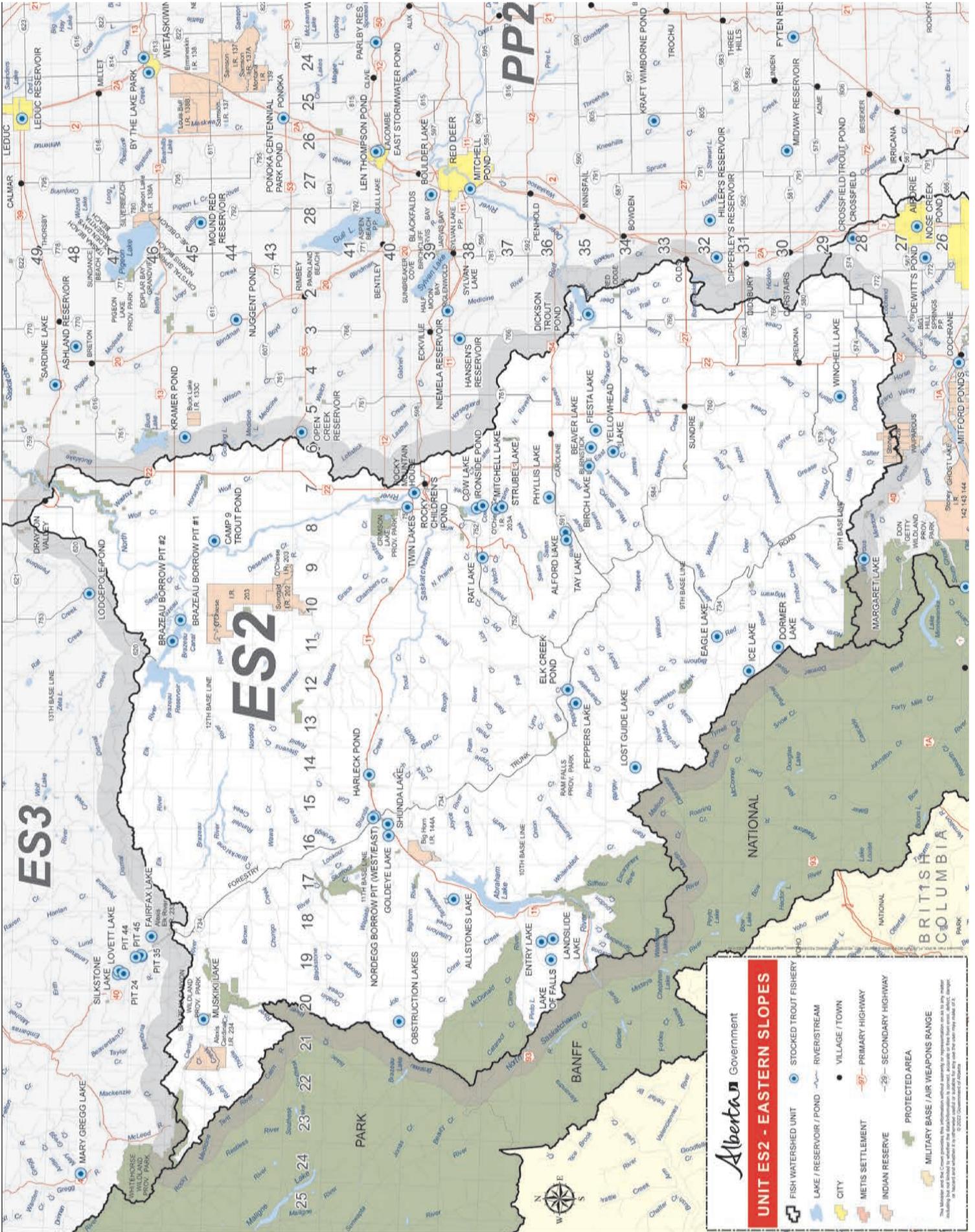
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Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait ● = Bait except Bait fish allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	BURB	L.KTR	MNWH	RNTR	BNTR	CTTR	Trout Total
Abraham Lake	36-37-18-W5; all waters within the area of the lake's high water level; includes downstream of 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 over 50 cm	3 fish								
Brazeau Reservoir	12-46-12-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish				5 over 30 cm				5 trout
Burnstick Lake	12-35-7-W5; Includes tributaries for 1 km upstream	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait and bait fish allowed	0 fish	1 over 63 cm	5 fish							5 trout
Coral Lake	21-38-20-W5	OPEN AUG. 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban										1 trout over 35 cm
Cow Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
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
Landslide Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1.5 km downstream	OPEN JULY 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban										2 trout
	7-36-18-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●										2 trout

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Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait except bait fish allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	BURB	LKTR	MNWH	RNTR	BNTR	CTTR	Trout Total
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									0 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											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 OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban Bait ban		3 over 50 cm	3 fish			0 fish 5 over 30 cm				0 trout 2 trout
Bighorn River	Mainstem and tributaries upstream of Crescent Falls	OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban								over 30 cm		2 trout
	Mainstem and tributaries downstream of Crescent Falls	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31 OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban Bait ban						5 over 30 cm		over 35 cm		0 trout 2 trout
Blackstone River	Mainstem and tributaries upstream of Mons Creek including Mons Creek Mainstem downstream of Mons Creek and tributaries (except Rundell Creek)	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31 CLOSED ALL YEAR OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban Bait ban Bait ban						0 fish				0 trout 0 trout 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
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban						0 fish		0 trout
Burnt Timber Creek	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
		OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish			0 fish		0 trout
Cardinal River	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban						3 over 30 cm		2 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish				0 fish		0 trout
Clear Creek	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban						5 over 30 cm		2 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban						0 fish		0 trout
Cleanwater River	Mainstem from the Banff National Park boundary downstream to Timber Creek	OPEN APR. 1 to AUG. 31	Bait ban						5 over 30 cm		2 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban						0 fish		0 trout
Cline River	Tributaries from the Banff National Park boundary downstream to and including Timber Creek	CLOSED ALL YEAR									
		OPEN APR. 1 to AUG. 31	Bait ban						5 over 30 cm		2 trout
Dogpound Creek	Mainstem from Forestry Trunk Road (bridge at 5-35-09-W5) downstream to the North Saskatchewan River	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban						0 fish		0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 fish	10 fish			5 over 30 cm		2 trout
Elk Creek	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
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban						0 fish	0 fish	0 trout
Fall Creek	Mainstem and tributaries; 33-35-12-W5	OPEN APR. 1 to JUNE 15	Bait ban						0 fish	0 fish	0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban						5 over 30 cm	over 40 cm	2 trout
Falltimber Creek	Mainstem and tributaries; Upstream of the falls at 11-31-37-11-W5	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban						0 fish	0 fish	0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban						0 fish		0 trout
James River	Mainstem and tributaries downstream of the falls at 11-31-37-11-W5	OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban						3 over 30 cm	0 fish	2 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	3 fish				3 over 30 cm		2 trout
Little Red Deer River	Headwater downstream to Twp. Rd. 352 (Coitwood 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		0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								
North Ram River	Mainstem and Tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish	0 fish			0 fish		0 trout
North Raven River	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish					0 fish		0 trout
STAUFFER CREEK; Mainstem and tributaries	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								0 trout
Lynx Creek	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								0 trout
Nordegg River	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								0 trout
North Raven River	Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban								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	0 fish	3 over 50 cm	3 fish	10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm	Over 35 cm	Over 35 cm		2 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to AUG. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	3 over 50 cm	3 fish	10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm	Over 35 cm	Over 35 cm		2 trout
Pinto Creek	Mainstem from Bighorn Dam downstream to Hwy 22/39	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	3 over 50 cm	3 fish	10 fish	10 fish	0 fish				0 trout
		CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Prairie Creek	35-29-10-W5; Tributary to North Burnt Timber Creek; Mainstem and tributaries	OPEN APR. 1 to AUG. 31	Bait ban			3 fish			5 over 30 cm				2 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban			3 fish			0 fish				0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to AUG. 31	Bait ban			3 fish			0 fish				0 trout
		OPEN APR. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm		3 fish			0 fish				0 trout
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 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											
		CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Siffleur River	Mainstem and tributaries downstream from Banff National Park boundary	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
Siffleur Wilderness Area	All water within the Wilderness Area	CLOSED ALL YEAR											
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 CLOSED SEPT. 1 to MAR. 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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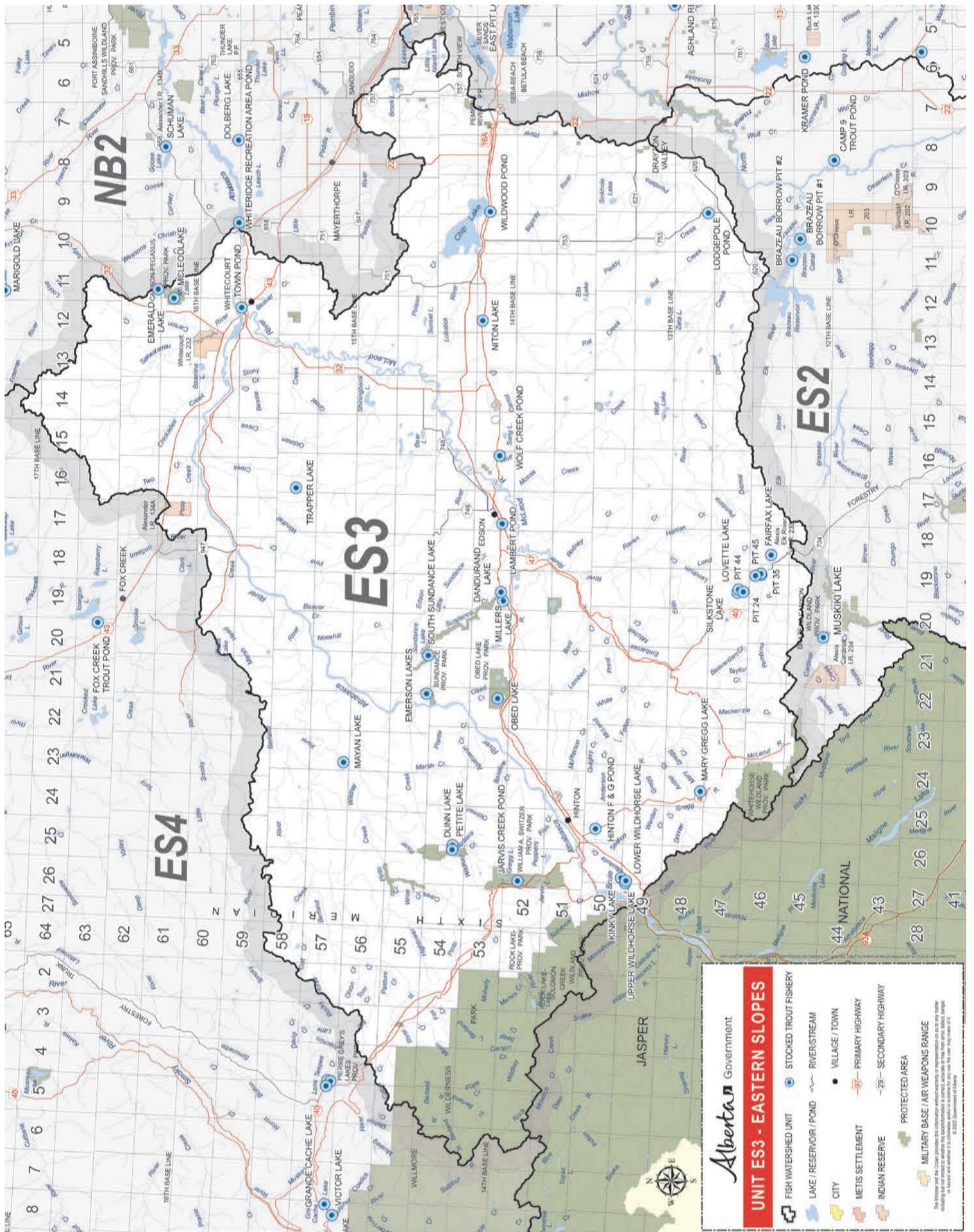
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Bear Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	0 fish	1 over 63 cm	15 fish					
Blue Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed		0 fish	15 fish	10 fish				
Busby Lake	6-51-1-W6	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban								0 trout
Cache Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed		0 fish	15 fish	10 fish				
Chip Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed		3 fish			2 fish			
Embarras Pit Lakes	NW-25-47-21-W5	CLOSED ALL YEAR									
Fickle Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish				
Graveyard Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish				
Gregg Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	1 fish	0 fish		10 fish				
Horseshoe Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed		3 fish	15 fish					
Jarvis Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	1 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish				
Lac Des Roches	13-47-24-W5	CLOSED ALL YEAR									
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								2 RNTR; 0 TGTR
Millers Lake	8-53-19-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait allowed								
Minnow Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish					
Mystery Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish					
Pit 24 Lake	24-48-26-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban								0 trout
Pit 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		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait allowed	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	5 fish	0 fish				
Silkstone Lake	9-47-19-W5	OPEN JUNE 16 TO OCT. 31	Bait allowed	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	5 fish				0 fish	1 trout over 40 cm
Sundance Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban								
Unnamed (Lodgepole) Pond	NE-01-48-10-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait allowed		3 over 63 cm						
Unnamed (Sphinx) Lake	NE-6-48-24-W5	CLOSED ALL YEAR	Bait allowed								2 trout
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					

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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	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	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	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

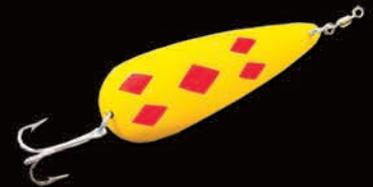
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ES4 WATERSHED UNIT REGULATIONS

■ 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.

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 • Northern Pike limit 3 • Yellow Perch limit 15 • Lake Whitefish limit 10 • Burbot limit 10 • Bait including Bait Fish allowed 		
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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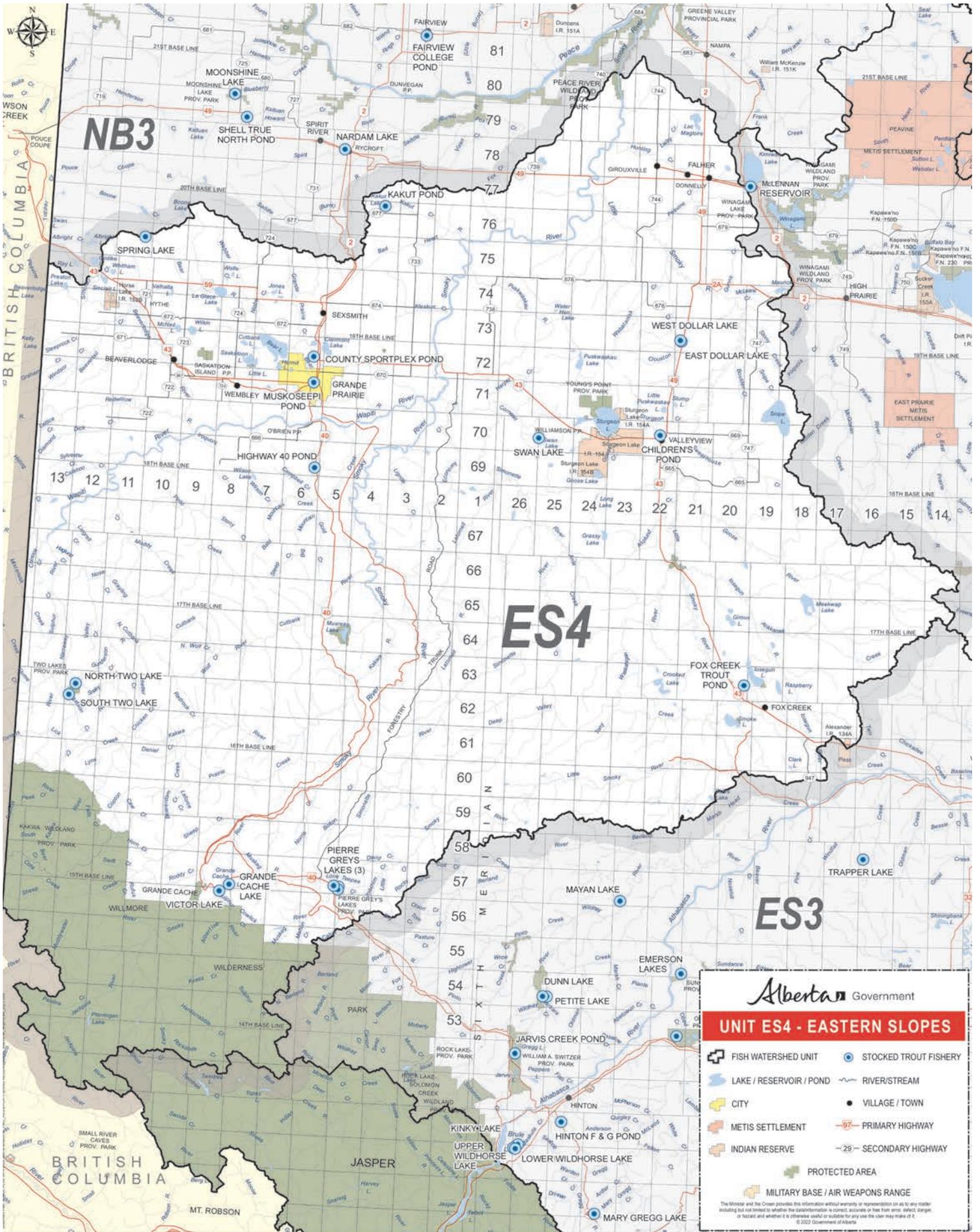
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Legend: As examples, '3 over 63 cm' indicates a possession and size limit of '3 fish each over 63 cm' or '10 fish' indicates a possession limit of 10 for that species of any size. An empty cell indicates the species is not likely present at that waterbody; 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.

ES4 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	RNTR	Trout Total
A La Peche Lake	55-6-W5	OPEN JUNE 1 TO AUG. 31	Bait ban							5 trout
Crooked Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 fish	10 fish				
County Sportplex Pond		OPEN APR. 1 TO OCT. 31	●							0 fish
Goose Lake	69-24-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Iosegun Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	0 fish	10 fish		
	Tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish		0 fish			
Long Lake	68-24-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Meekwap Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Pierre Greys Lakes	Lower or MacDonald Lake; 7-57-4-W6	OPEN ALL YEAR	Bait ban							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	1 fish 63-70 cm	5 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Tributaries and outlet 1 km downstream	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	1 over 50 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	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	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	5 over 30 cm	0 fish	0 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban					
		OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	Bait allowed	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	5 over 30 cm	0 fish	0 trout
Lynx Creek	Tributary to Kakwa River	CLOSED ALL YEAR						
		OPEN JUNE 1 to AUG. 31	Bait ban					5 trout
Muskeg River	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 to AUG. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	5 over 30 cm	0 fish	0 trout
Simonette River	Mainstem including tributaries except Deep Valley Creek	OPEN JUNE 1 to AUG. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	0 fish	0 fish	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	5 over 30 cm	0 fish	0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 1 to AUG. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	0 fish	0 fish	2 trout
Torrens River	Mainstem - downstream of Hwy. 43 to 21st Base Line	OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait allowed	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm			0 trout
		OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	0 fish	0 fish	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 fish	0 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	0 fish	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

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

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

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

PP1 Default Sportfishing Regulations

- The names of most PP1 lakes and streams are listed alphabetically in the site specific regulation tables on the following pages.
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- General regulation stocked trout lakes are listed on page 16.

**See pages 60-62
for PP1 waterbody
specific regulations.**

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 10 • Trout limit 5 • Mountain Whitefish limit 5 over 30 cm • Bait allowed 	
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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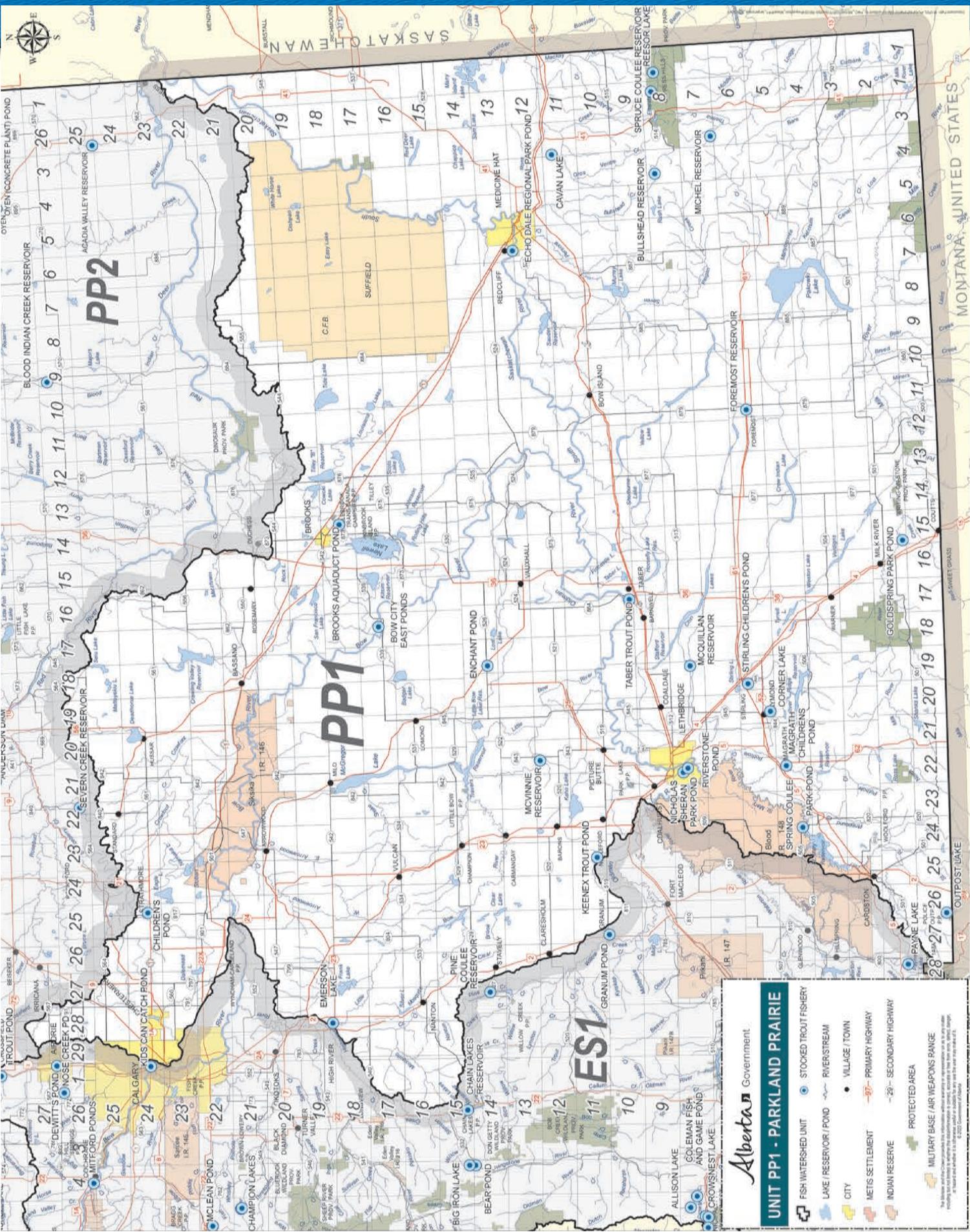
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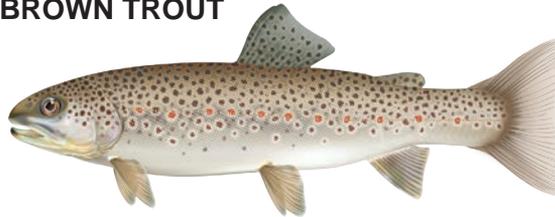
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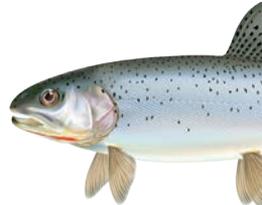
TROUT – BLACK SPOTS

BROWN TROUT



- pale haloes around large black spots on back and body
- red spots on sides

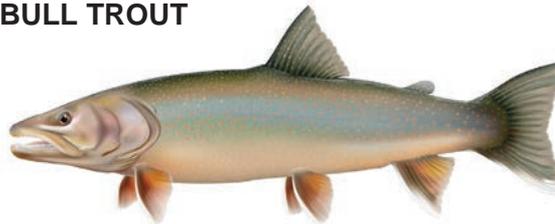
CUTTHROAT TROUT



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

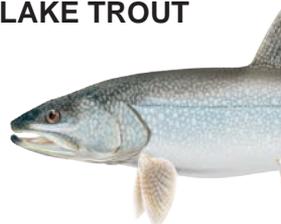
CHAR – NO BLACK SPOTS

BULL TROUT



- no spots or markings on dorsal fin or tail
- pale yellow to red spots on the body

LAKE TROUT



- pale spots on body and dorsal fin
- tail deeply forked
- lower fins have a pale leucogelatinous band

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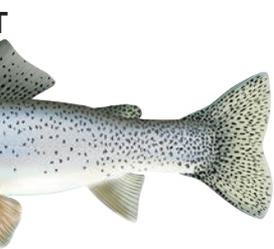
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IDENTIFICATION

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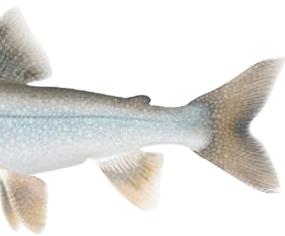
spots
the jaw

RAINBOW TROUT



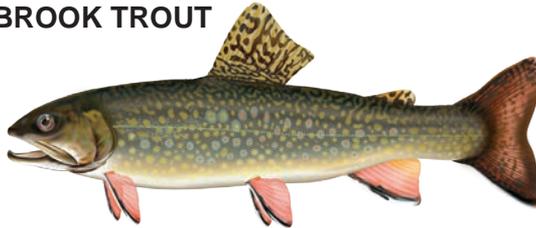
- no halos around black spots
- no red-orange slash under the jaw

BLACK SPOTS ON SIDES



dorsal fin
leading edge

BROOK TROUT



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



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Lake Sturgeon

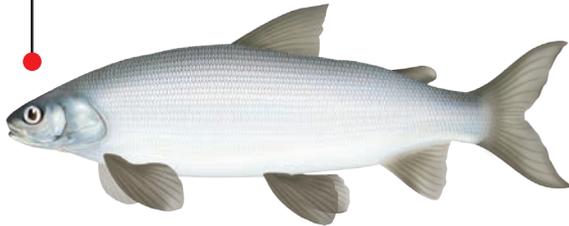
Lake Sturgeon are a **Threatened Species** due to population size and concerns with viability. They have a zero possession limit across the province - **IF YOU CATCH THIS FISH YOU MUST RELEASE IT.**

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



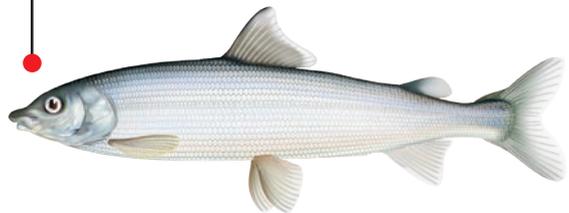
Lake Whitefish

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

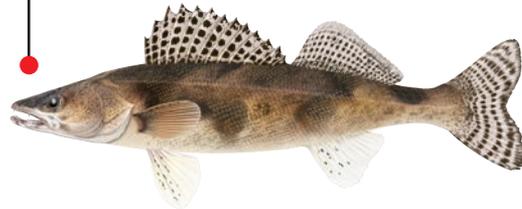
Walleye have two distinct fins on their back, the first with large spines. They have a yellow-olive back, brassy, silvery sides with yellow spots, a white underside, and white on the lower lobe of the tail. Dusky vertical bars are often found on the body as well.



Sauger

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

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



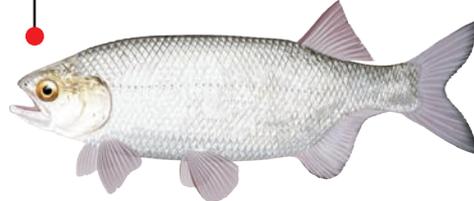
Burbot

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

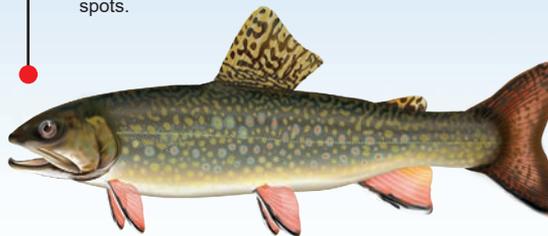
Arctic Grayling are a Species of Special Concern due to overharvest and passage barriers. They have a zero possession limit across the province - IF YOU CATCH THIS FISH YOU MUST RELEASE IT.

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



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 the only strain native to Alberta and are found in the Upper Athabasca watershed. They are a Threatened Species due to habitat degradation and overharvest and have a zero possession limit.

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. They have a zero possession limit across the province - IF YOU CATCH THIS FISH YOU MUST RELEASE IT.

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



Brown Trout

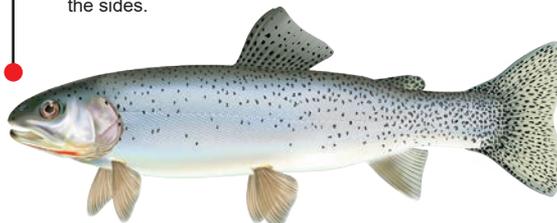
Brown trout are golden brown in colour with large black spots on the back, and red spots (some with pale haloes) on the sides. They are the only trout with both red and black spotting.



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

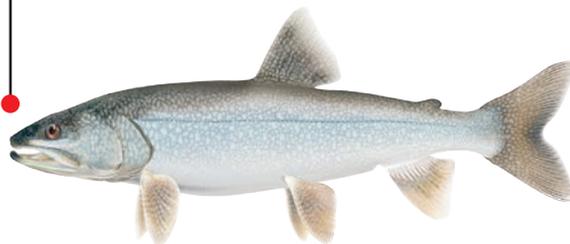
Golden trout are the most colourful of trout, with an olive-green back and bright red-to-gold sides and belly.



Lake Trout

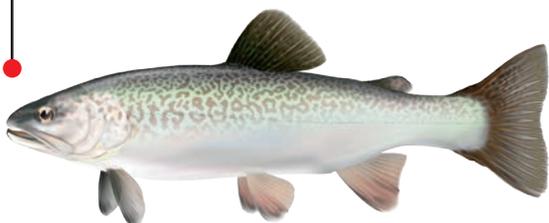
Lake Trout are a Sensitive Species due to being limited to a few lakes.

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.



Remember, If you don't know, let it go!
Learn more about fish identification on mywildalberta.ca, or visit albertanativetrout.com for tips on identifying native trout.

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

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PP1 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	MNWH	Trout Total
Badger Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Bassano Reservoir	See Bow River from Hwy. 24 downstream to Bassano Dam									
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	●		0 fish					
Corner Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish				5 trout
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 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	3-21-18-W4; Includes inlet canal downstream of canal headworks	OPEN ALL DAY DEC. 1 TO MAR. 15	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Cross Coulee Reservoir	5-20-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	0 fish	0 fish		10 fish	10 fish		
Eagle Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish		10 fish		
Elkwater Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Fincastle Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 over 55 cm	3 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Forty Mile Coulee Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Gun Club (Cann) Reservoir	17-19-14-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish				
Hays (Grantham Reservoir) Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	2 fish	2 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Henderson Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Horsefly Lake Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	2 fish	2 fish	15 fish				
Jamieson Lake	16-19-14-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 over 63 cm					
Jensen Reservoir	4-22-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	0 fish	0 fish		10 fish	10 fish		
Johnson Lake	Interlakes Reservoir; 9-19-14-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		1 fish	15 fish				
Keho Lake	Includes inlet canal to the first drop structure	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm		10 fish	10 fish		
Kitisim Reservoir	17-16-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish				
Lake Newell	NE-32-16-15-W4; inlet canal downstream of the Bow Slope turnout structure	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Lethbridge University Pond		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					
Little Bow Lake Reservoir	Includes inlet canal	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Lost Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					
Marsh Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					

McGregor Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO NOV. 30 between sunrise and sunset	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
		OPEN ALL DAY DEC.1 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	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	10 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	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						
Park Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	1 fish	1 fish	15 fish					
Picture Butte Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish						
Rattlesnake (Sauder) Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Raymond Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish						
Raymond Sugar Factory Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish						
Reesor Lake	20-8-1-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●								Trout limit 5; TGTR over 50 cm; RNTR no size limit; only one trout may be TGTR
Rock Lake	20-15-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		1 fish	15 fish					
Rolling Hills Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Shays Reservoir		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish						
Sherburne Lake	Sherburne Reservoir	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Snake Reservoir	19-17-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish					
Spruce Coulee Reservoir	26-8-2-W4	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 fish							5 trout
St. Mary Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	3 over 50 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		10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Stonehill Lake		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		3 over 63 cm						
Taber Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish						
Tilley B Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●		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	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	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	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	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		

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Twelve Mile Coulee Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		0 trout
Twin Valley Reservoir		OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	0 fish	1 over 63 cm					
Unnamed (Scope) Lake	Scope Reservoir ; 13-14-W4	OPEN MAY 8 TO MAR. 15	●	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish			
Unnamed (Burdett) Lake	10-12-W4	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
	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
Carsland-Bow River Headwater Canal	Between McGregor Lk and the drop structure 1 km upstream of Sec. Rd. 542	OPEN MAY 8 to NOV. 30 between sunrise and sunset, and OPEN DEC. 1 TO MAR. 15 all day	●	1 fish 50- 55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish					
Cowoki Irrigation Canal	Between Cowoki Lake and Tilley B Reservoir	OPEN MAY 8 to SEPT. 30 and DEC. 15 to MAR. 15	Bait ban		0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish					
Graburn Creek	8-1-W4; Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 to MAR. 31	Bait ban										0 trout
Lee Creek	Mainstem including tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban		3 fish				10 fish	5 over 30 cm			2 trout
		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 Carmangay	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	10 fish	5 over 30 cm			
South Saskatchewan River		OPEN MAY 8 to MAR. 15	●	3 in combination, WALL over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm			10 fish	10 fish				
St. Mary River	Mainstem upstream of St Mary Reservoir; Includes tributaries except Lee Creek	OPEN JUNE 16 to AUG. 31	Bait ban		3 fish					5 over 30 cm			2 trout
		OPEN SEPT. 1 to OCT. 31	Bait ban		3 fish								0 trout
	Mainstem downstream of St Mary Reservoir; Includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 in combination, WALL over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm					5 over 30 cm	0 fish		0 trout

PP2 WATERSHED UNIT REGULATIONS

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

BAIT FISHING

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

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

PP2 Default Sportfishing Regulations

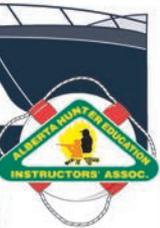
- The names of most PP2 lakes and streams are listed alphabetically in the site specific regulation tables on the following pages.
- Smaller streams may not be listed, but may be included as tributaries to a listed larger stream.
- If a listed waterbody does not have a season listed, it is CLOSED to 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.

<p>LAKES</p>	<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 	
<p>STREAMS</p>	<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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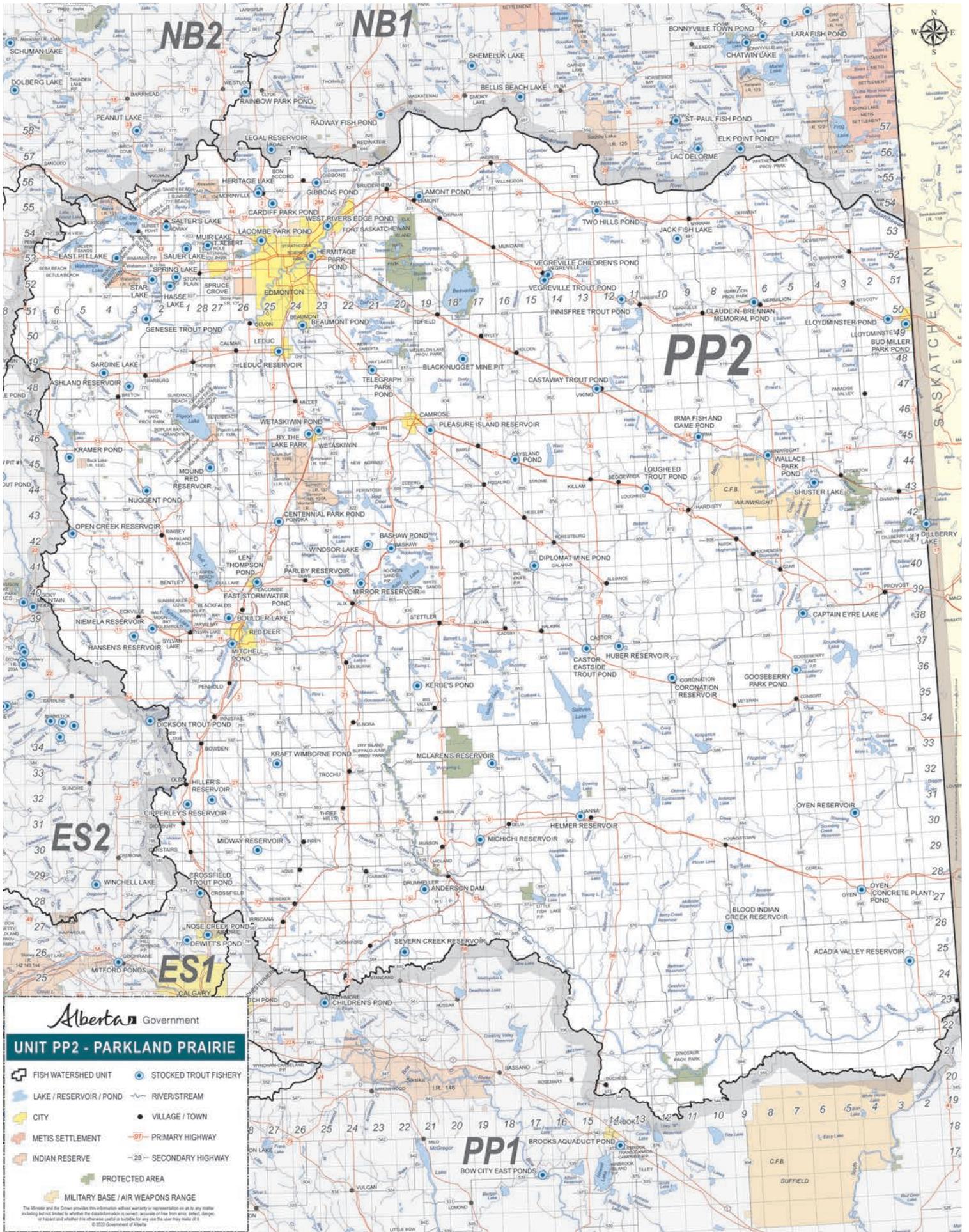
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Arm Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish			
Battle Lake	Portion west of the west boundary of section 22-46-2-W5; Includes tributaries and outlet downstream to Sec. Rd. 771	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	5 fish	10 fish	2 fish; 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	
Chain Lakes (Upper and Middle)	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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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									
	Mainstem from Hwy. 771 downstream to Hwy. 855	OPEN MAY 15 to MAR. 31	●	3 in combination; WALL over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm					
Berry Creek	Mainstem from Hwy. 855 downstream to the Forestburg Reservoir - See Forestburg Reservoir									
	Mainstem from downstream of the Forestburg Reservoir and tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	●	3 in combination; WALL over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm		2 fish	10 fish		
Blindman River	Mainstem including ALL tributaries	OPEN MAY 15 to MAR. 31	●	0 SAUG; 1 wall 45-50 cm	1 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish				
	Mainstem including ALL tributaries	OPEN MAY 15 to MAR. 1	●	0 WALL	3 over 63 cm		2 fish, but limit is zero from Feb. 1 to Mar. 1	10 fish	3 over 30 cm	0 trout
Little Red Deer River	Mainstem from Cottonwood Road (Twp. Rd. 352) downstream to Red Deer River; Includes ALL tributaries	OPEN MAY 15 to MAR. 1	Only maggots allowed	0 WALL	3 over 63 cm		2 fish, but limit is zero from Feb. 1 to Mar. 1	10 fish	3 over 30 cm	0 trout
	Mainstem including ALL tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to MAR. 1	Only maggots allowed	0 WALL	3 over 63 cm		2 fish, but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 1	10 fish	3 over 30 cm	0 trout
North Saskatchewan River	Mainstem downstream Hwy. 22/39 (Drayton Valley) to the Alberta/ Saskatchewan border	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	0 WALL or SAUG	1 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm	
	Tributaries (excluding the Sturgeon River; See Redwater River in NB1); from Hwy. 22/39 downstream to the Alberta/ Saskatchewan border	OPEN MAY 15 to MAR. 31	●	0 within 500 m of mainstem	1 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm	
Parlyb Creek	23-40-22-W4; Portion between Buffalo and Alix lakes	OPEN MAY 15 to MAR. 31	●		0 fish					
Red Deer River	Mainstem from Dickson Dam downstream to the Tolman Bridge (Hwy. 585) including ALL named and unnamed tributaries (excluding Medicine River) (Sec. Hwy. 585 [14-33-22-W4])	OPEN MAY 15 to MAR. 1	Only maggots allowed	0 WALL; 3 SAUG	3 over 63 cm		2 fish, but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 1	10 fish	3 over 30 cm	0 trout
	Mainstem and tributaries from Tolman Bridge (Sec. Hwy. 585) downstream to the Alberta/ Saskatchewan border	OPEN MAY 15 to MAR. 31	●	3 in combination, WALL over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm		2 fish, but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	10 fish		
Sturgeon River	From headwater downstream to Big Lake	OPEN MAY 15 to MAR. 31	●	0 WALL or SAUG	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	2 fish, but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31			
	From Big Lake downstream to Sec. Hwy. 825	OPEN MAY 15 to MAR. 31	●	0 WALL or SAUG	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	2 fish, but limit is 0 from Feb. 1 to Mar. 31	10 fish		
Sylvan Creek	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

- The names of most NB1 lakes and streams are listed alphabetically in the site specific regulation tables on the following pages.
- Smaller streams may not be listed, but may be included as tributaries to a listed larger stream.
- If a listed waterbody does not have a season listed, it is CLOSED to fishing during that period.
- If a NB1 lake, reservoir, river, stream or species is not listed, follow the default regulations below.
- 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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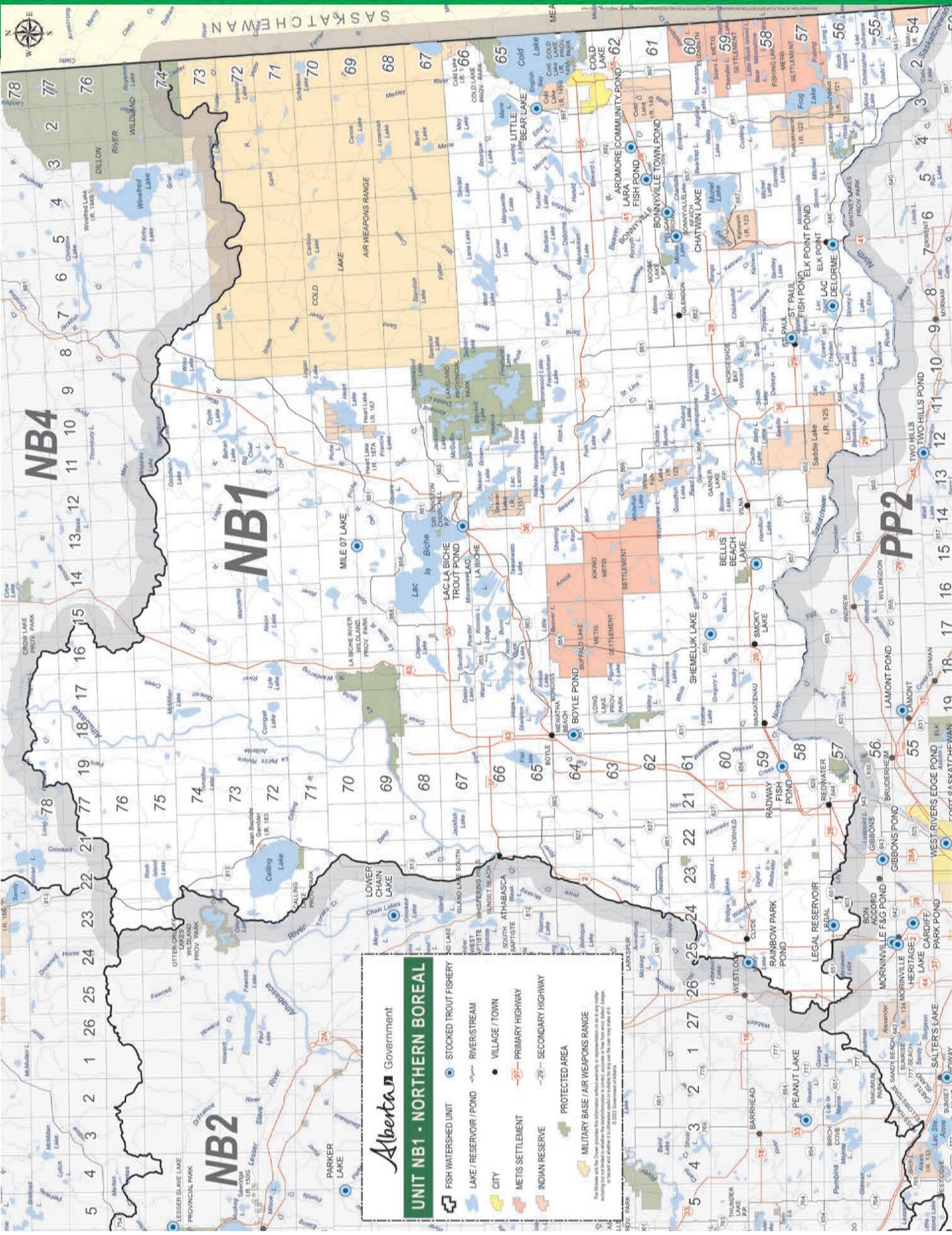
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NB1 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

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	Includes tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 fish	3 fish	15 fish				
Beartap Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	15 fish				
Beaver Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Behan Lake	11-1-73-11-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Bentley Lake	58-8-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	15 fish				
Big Chief Lake	16-72-11-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 fish	15 fish				
Big Johnson (Chump) Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 fish	15 fish				
Bluet Lake	58-4-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 70 cm	10 fish				
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				
Calling Lake	Includes tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Chickenhill Lake	59-8-W4	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 fish 45-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Claude Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Clyde Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish		15 fish				
Cold Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	1 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	1 fish 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	15 fish				

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NB1 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

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	69-11-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish				
Frog Lake	57-3-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	1 over 63 cm	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Garner Lake	60-12-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	5 fish		10 fish		
Garnier Lakes	58-4-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 70 cm	10 fish				
Goodfish Lake	61-13-W4	CLOSED ALL YEAR								
Goodwin Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	15 fish				
Greenstreet Lake	60-11-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm					
Halfmoon Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	15 fish				
Hanmore Lake	61-17-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
Heart Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	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	65-11-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Island Lake	62-17-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 55 cm	10 fish				
Kaduk Lake	60-15-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Kehiwin Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Lac Bellevue	56-9-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	10 fish				
Lac La Biche		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	0 fish	15 fish	3 fish	10 fish		
	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	Includes outlet	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●				0 fish	10 fish	10 fish					
Lakeland Provincial Park	All lakes including Blackett, Dabbs, Helena, Jackson, Kinnaid, McGuffin, Shaw and Snake; Species limits are combined for all water	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●				0 fish	10 fish	10 fish					
Laurier Lake	56-4-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●				1 fish 45-50 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish				
Little Bear Lake	34-70-10-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●				1 over 63 cm	10 fish						
Lodge Lake	66-17-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●				1 fish	15 fish						
Logan Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●				0 fish	15 fish	10 fish					
Lone Pine Lake	63-14-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●				0 fish		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 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish				
Manatohan Lake	Boyle area, tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●				0 or SHL tags	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish				
Marie Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●				0 or SHL tags	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish				
May Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●				3 fish	15 fish						
Minnie Lake		OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●				0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish				
Mons Lake	60-16-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●				1 fish 50-55 cm	15 fish						
Moonshine Lake	58-1-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●				1 fish 50-55 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish				
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 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	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				
North Buck Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●				1 over 63 cm	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish				
Piche Lake	Includes outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●				1 over 63 cm	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish				
		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●				0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish				

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Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	LKTR	Trout Total
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	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Ross Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Seibert Lake	56-4-W4	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Sinclair Lake	23-65-5-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish				
Skeleton Lake	65-18-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Soars Lake	59-1-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 70 cm	15 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	●		1 over 70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	2 fish 45-50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	2 fish 45-50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	2 fish 45-50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Stoney (Siler) Lake	56-8-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	2 fish 45-50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Sunday Lake	74-9-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 63 cm	10 fish		0 fish		
Touchwood Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		0 fish	15 fish	10 fish			
Tucker Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish 63-70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		

Unnamed (Brodick) Lake	60-17-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●			1 over 63 cm	10 fish			
Unnamed (Island) Lake	57-1-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●			1 over 63 cm				
Unnamed (Little Perch) Lake	56-9-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●			1 over 63 cm				
Unnamed (Sowka) Lake	10-18-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●			2 fish				
Unnamed (Whitemud) Lake	62-19-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●			2 fish				
Victor Lake	63-14-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●			1 over 63 cm				
Waytenaw Lake	61-13-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●			1 over 63 cm	10 fish			
Whitefish Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags		0 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Whitney Lake	56-4-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●			1 over 63 cm	10 fish			
Wiau Lake	34-73-9-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●			1 fish	15 fish		10 fish	
Wolf Lake Complex	Includes all lakes within TWP 66, RNG 6 and 7, W4M; Includes Wolf, Sapphire, Magician, Corner, Lane lks; Species limits are combined for all water	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags		0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
	Tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags		0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	

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NB1 - Rivers, Creeks and Streams

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



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NB2 WATERSHED UNIT REGULATIONS

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

BAIT FISHING

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

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

NB2 Default Sportfishing Regulations

- The names of most NB2 lakes and streams are listed alphabetically in the site specific regulation tables on the following pages.
- Smaller streams may not be listed, but may be included as tributaries to a listed larger stream.
- If a listed waterbody does not have a season listed, it is **CLOSED** to fishing during that period.
- If a NB2 lake, reservoir, river, stream or species is not listed, follow the default regulations below.
- 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 • 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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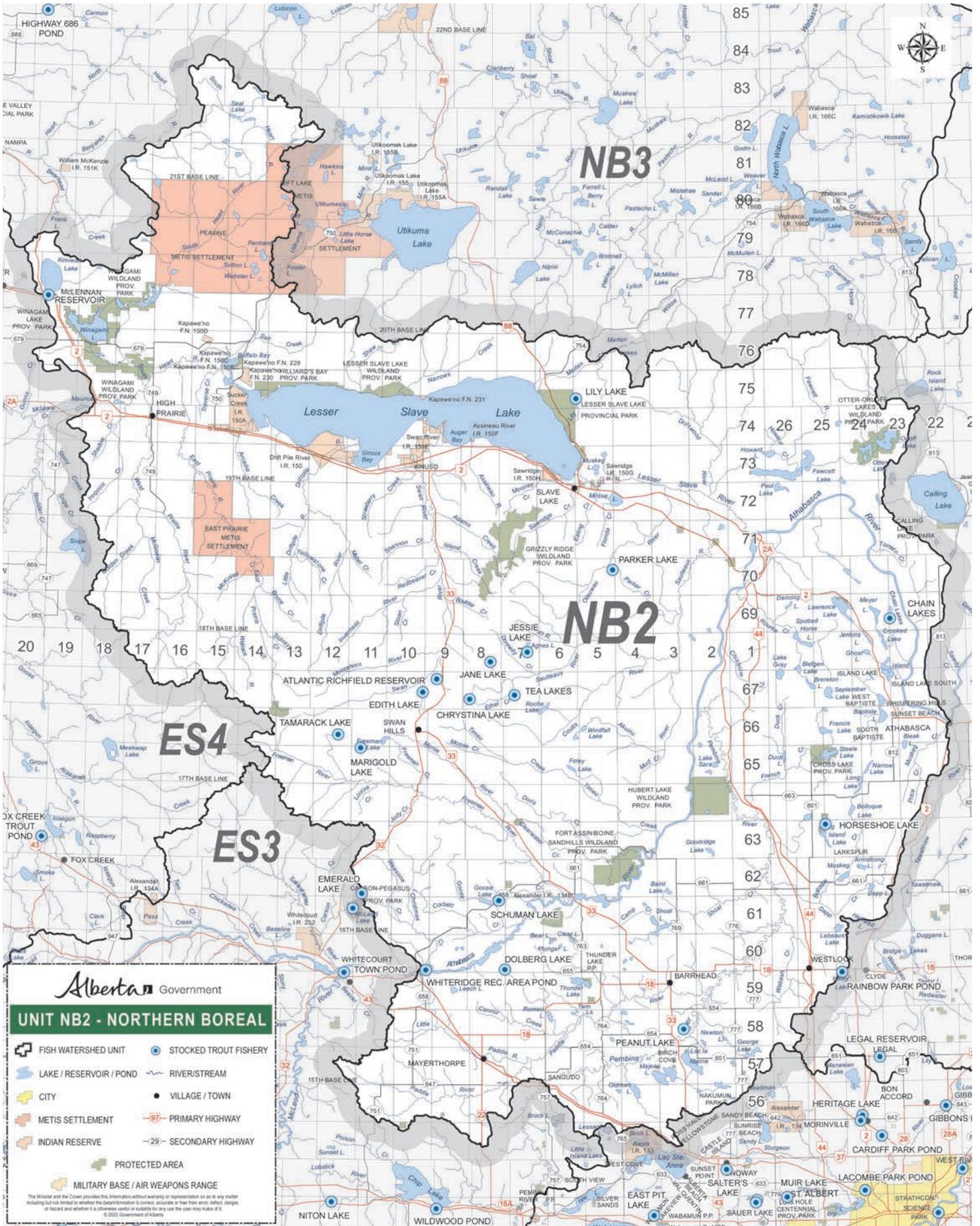


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NB2 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	Trout Total
Baptiste Lake	66-24-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	15 fish		10 fish	
Blue Lake	13-69-17-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●			0 fish			5 trout
Boilique 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	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	
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 MAR. 1	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	
	Remainder of the lake to the outlet (Lesser Slave River)	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	

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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		
Paul Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish				
Schuman Lake	35-61-8-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	0 fish	1 over 70 cm				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			
Whitridge Recreation Area Pond (Blueridge Pt)	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 Tributaries, inlet canal, outlet stream, and outlet canal	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31 OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 over 55 cm 1 over 55 cm	0 fish 0 fish	15 fish 10 fish	10 fish 10 fish	10 fish 10 fish	

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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	
Freeman River		Mainstem includes tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait ban	3 over 50 cm	3 fish					0 fish	0 trout
Pembina River		Downstream of Hwy. 43 (near Sandugo)	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	Bait allowed in river only	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm			10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm	
South Heart River		Portion between the South Heart Reservoir and the West Prairie River	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish						
East Prairie R., Strawberry Ck., Travers Ck., West Prairie R.		Portion from the confluence with the West Prairie River downstream to Buffalo Bay and tributaries	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish						
Lesser Slave River and tributaries to Lesser Slave Lake		Includes Lesser Slave River mainstem and tributaries and all tributaries to Lesser Slave Lake including Driftpile R., Sucker Ck., Arcadia Ck., Swan R., Assineau R., Marfen R., Salteaux R., Sawridge Ck., Crauwau R., and Fawcett R. downstream of Fawcett Lake.	OPEN JUNE 16 to OCT. 31	Bait allowed	1 fish 45-50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm	

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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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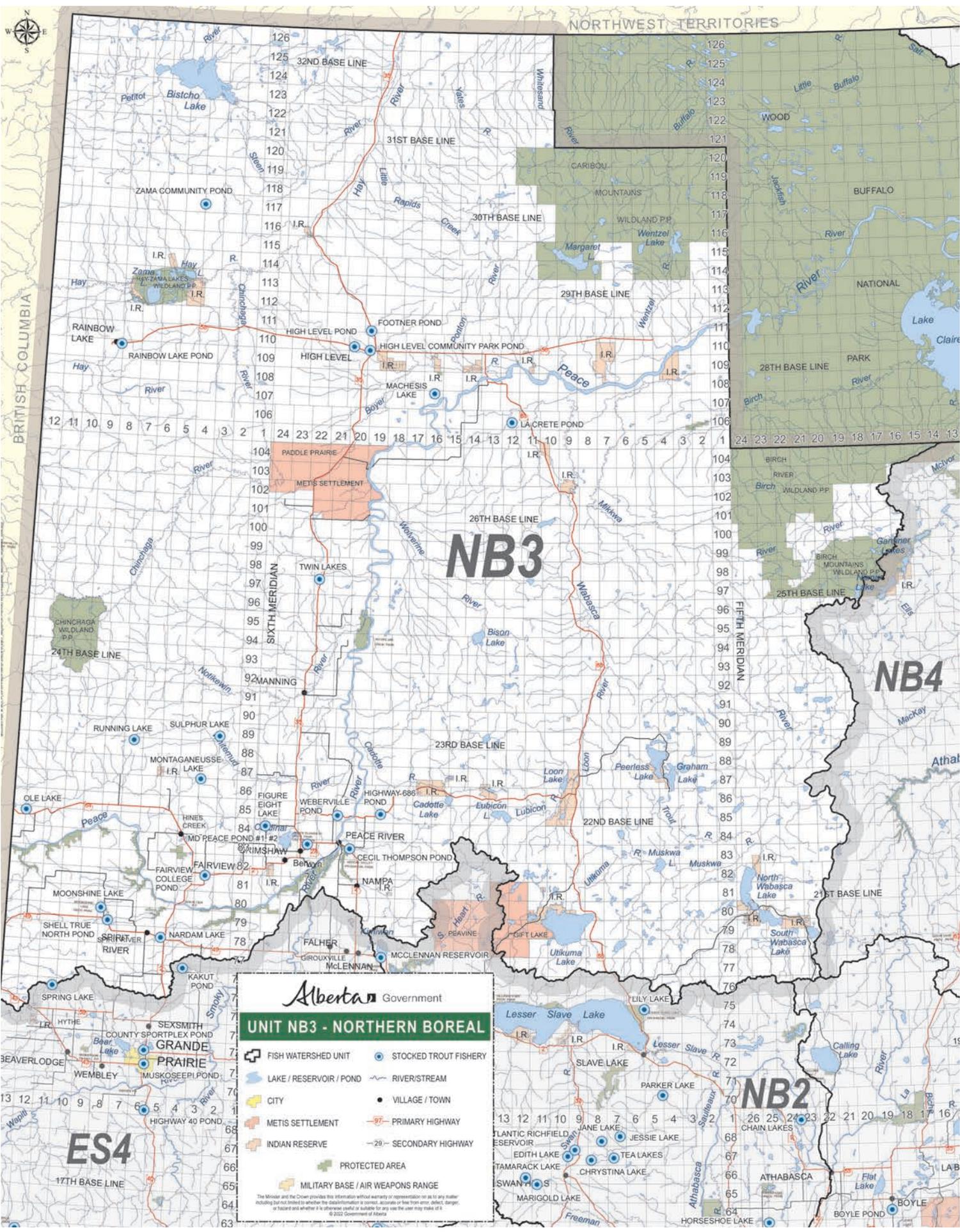
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Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait allowed	WALL	NRPK	YLPR	LKWH	BURB	LKTR	Trout Total
Albright Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish					
Beatty Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm					
	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm					
Berry Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish				
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		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	
	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Fish (Jackfish) Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 fish	15 fish				
Gods Lake	76-11-W6	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	1 over 100 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	90-02-W5	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	1 over 100 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Tributaries and outlet		●							
Goodfish Lake	89-5-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Graham (Trout) Lake	87-4-W5	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	0 fish	
	Tributaries and outlet downstream to Maria Lake	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	0 fish	
Haig Lake		OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	3 fish	
Hebephrenic (Jackfish) Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	2 over 70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	2 over 70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Huich Lake	Includes tributaries	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	1 over 63 cm	0 fish				
Joker Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	1 fish	1 fish	15 fish				
Legend Lake	12-7-97-18-W4	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 75 cm		10 fish			
Little Sandy Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	0 fish			
	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 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		
Long Lake	Second Last Lake; 90-2-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	3 over 50 cm	2 over 70 cm	15 fish	10 fish			
Margaret Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR			3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	
Mink Lake #1	17-82-11-W5	OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 55 cm	5 fish				
Mistehae Lake	80-2-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Muskwa Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish			
Nipisi Lake	13-23-78-7-W5	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
North Wabasca Lake	Portion south of a line drawn from the northern boundary of Wabasca Reserve 166b in NW 35-80-26-W4 to the point of land in the east half of NE 31-80-25-W4, which includes the mouth of the Willow River and channel of the Wabasca River	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 1	●	1 over 50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
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	
Peerless Lake		OPEN APR. 1 TO MAY 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	0 fish	
Pitchimi Lake		OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	
Rainbow Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	
Round Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	
Sandy Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	0 fish	0 fish			10 fish		
Sandy Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Sandy Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31		1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Sawm Lake		OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 1	●	0 fish	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Sawm Lake		OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 1	●	0 fish	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Sawm Lake		OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 1	●	0 fish	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Sawm Lake		OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 1	●	0 fish	2 fish; 1 under 63 cm and 1 over 100 cm	15 fish				
Sawm Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 over 63 cm		10 fish		1 fish	
Sawm Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR					10 fish			
South Wabasca Lake		OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 1	●	1 over 50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
South Wabasca Lake	Portion north of a line drawn from the southernmost point of land in E1/2 13-80-25-W4 to the point of land in the SW 15-80-25-W4, which includes the channel of the Wabasca River	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 1	●	1 over 50 cm	1 over 75 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
South Wabasca Lake	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		
South Wabasca Lake	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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Spawn Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish		
Talbot Lake	Tributaries	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish		
Thurston Lake	Includes tributaries	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	1 over 70 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Twin Lakes	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km 29-97-22-W5	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	1 fish 65-80 cm		10 fish	10 fish		
Unnamed	Artisinn Lake	OPEN ALL YEAR	●	1 fish 50-55 cm	1 fish 65-80 cm		10 fish	10 fish		5 trout, only 2 TGTR over 35 cm
Utikuma Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		2 fish	15 fish				
Utikumasis Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	2 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Vandersteene Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	1 over 50 cm	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Wadlin Lake	Tributaries and outlet	OPEN JUNE 1 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish		
Wentzel Lake	Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	5 fish	10 fish	3 fish		
		OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	●	0 or SHL tags	0 fish	5 fish	10 fish	3 fish		
		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	1 fish	

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NB3 - Rivers, Creeks and Streams

Waterbody	Waterbody Detail	Season	Bait ● = Bait ban	WALL	NRPK	L.KWH	BURB	GOLD	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		
Mikkwa 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 Mikkwa, Smoky, Notikewin and Wabasca river drainages	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish	10 fish	5 over 30 cm
Pettitot River	Mainstem including tributaries upstream to Spawn Lake	OPEN JULY 1 to OCT. 31	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish		
Smoky River	Mainstem downstream of the 21st Base Line	OPEN JUNE 1 to OCT. 31	Bait allowed	3 over 50 cm	3 over 63 cm		10 fish		5 over 30 cm
Wabasca River	Portion downstream of Sandy Lake to South Wabasca Lake and the portion between South and North Wabasca lakes	OPEN JUNE 1 to MAR. 1	Bait allowed in river only	1 over 50 cm	1 over 75 cm	10 fish	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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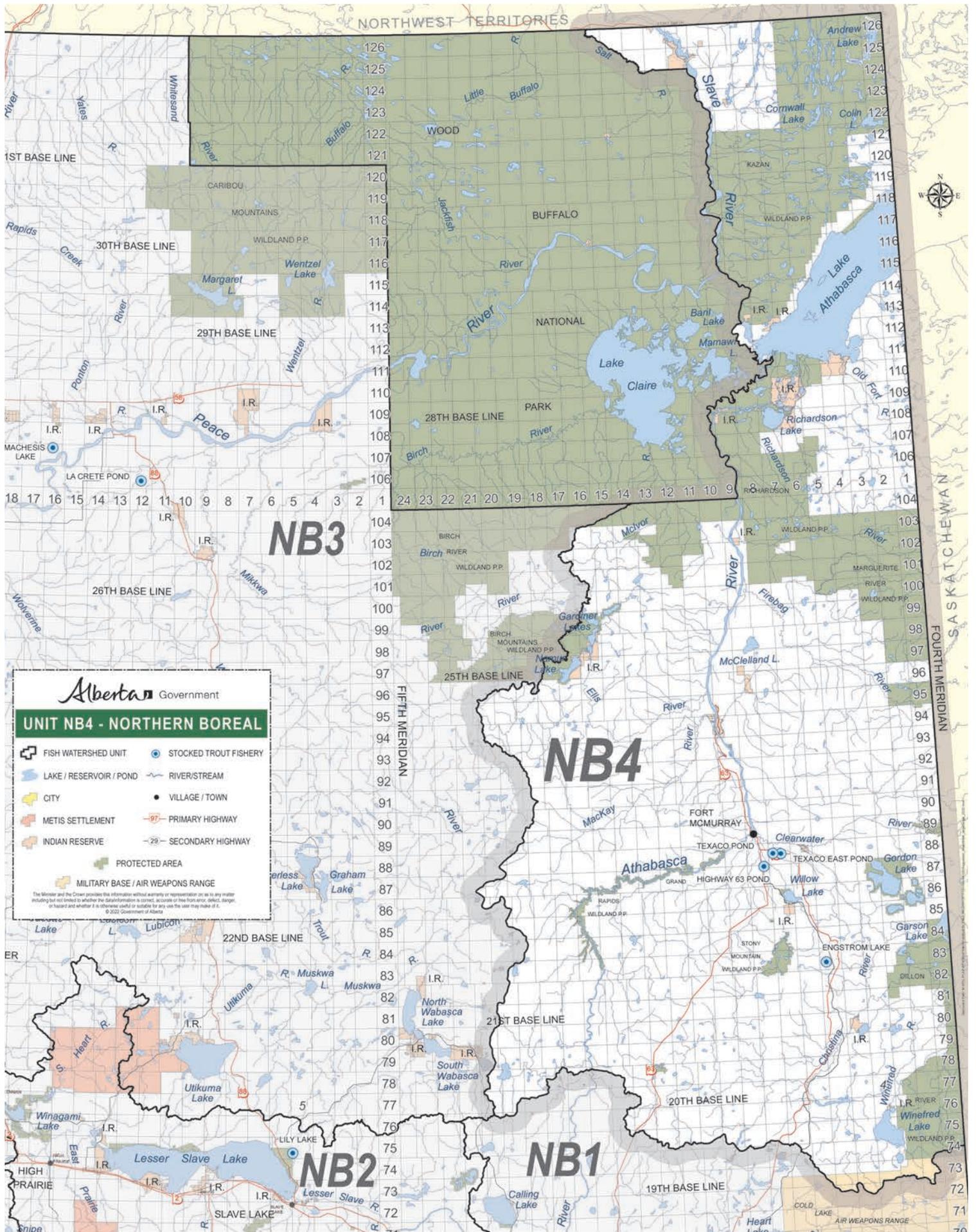
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NB4 - Lakes, Reservoirs and Ponds

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			
	Remainder of lake. For flowing water refer to Christina Lake Tributaries and Outflows.	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
Cockscob Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Colin Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Collins Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Cornwall Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Cowper Lake		OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
			●		3 over 63 cm	5 fish; only 1 over 30 cm					
Daly Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Darwin Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Dawson Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Disappointment Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Ells Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm						
Fletcher Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●	3 over 43 cm	3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish				
Florence Lake		OPEN ALL YEAR	●		3 over 63 cm	15 fish	10 fish		3 fish		
Gardiner Lakes	Moose Lake	OPEN MAY 15 TO MAR. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 fish			
	Moose Lake: Tributaries and outlet for 1 km	OPEN JUNE 1 TO OCT. 31	Bait ban	0 fish	0 fish	15 fish	10 fish	10 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			

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

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NB4 - Rivers, Creeks and Streams

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



Home on the **RIVER**

by Fred Noddin

“Do you think we’ll catch something?” I ask my kids, Cedar, Fraser and Rose, as we walk down a well-worn path to the river. “Yes,” Cedar says in the affirmative, adding, “I bet we will catch at least five fish.” Fraser is equally enthusiastic. He races ahead to greet the water and start his all-important rock tossing. To him, there’s nothing quite as satisfying as tossing rocks in the water. One-hundred metres down the shore is a pool. Not large by any standard, but it’s large enough. “This will do perfectly,” I say to my wife Mel. We pop up camp chairs, set out snacks, and release the children, who race off in all directions. The day’s adventure is underway.

I put a worm on a hook and pinch on a large split-shot a couple feet up the line. This is our standard river rig. I toss the bait in and just like that, we are fishing. I do the same for a second rod and then I stick the rods in their rod holders and settle in. It takes no time before the closest rod starts bouncing.



“Creamy gold scales and a deep red tail, the shorthead redhorse is a river favourite.”

“Fish on!” I yell, and Cedar and Fraser come running. Cedar is first on the rod, which strains under good weight. The fish has some jam and pulls line. I look to where the line meets the water and can see the fish racing back and forth, having its way with things for the moment.

“This fish has some shoulders,” I say to Cedar.

With so many different fish species swimming in the water it’s anyone’s guess what it is, but my money is on some sort of sucker. With the line close, the mystery is

revealed—it’s a large longnose sucker.

“It’s a beauty,” I say.

Cedar gently cradles her prize and lifts it up for a picture. The fish though, has other ideas and starts wiggling side to side while in Cedar’s hands, causing all of us to laugh.

“Thank you for biting,” she says, and places the sucker into the water where it quietly swims away.

Suckers get big, will pull hard, and give you a real tussle. The big ones remind me of footballs and I respect the heck out of



“A common river fish. This is a male goldeye.”

them for always being there, ready to bite.

Before we can get the line rebaited the other rod goes off. Fraser is on it, and immediately there is splashing. I’m thinking goldeye or mooneye, but the fish has some real heft and holds its own, keeping to the deeper water by the current. It races around fast and then there is a flash of scarlet red.

“Yes! Awesome!” I say aloud. The red tail is a dead giveaway and represents one of my favourite river fish. As the fish gets close, I can see its large creamy, golden scales and a stunning deep red tail.

“You’ve got a red horse, you’ve got a redhorse!” I say excitedly.

Some call them northern redhorse, others call them shorthead redhorse; regardless, they’re the same fish.

Fraser steers the redhorse shallow and I wade into the ankle deep water and pick up our trophy. It’s a beauty. I laugh to myself, thinking, “We haven’t even been fishing 10 minutes.”

The redhorse attracts the attention of onlookers and Cedar happily fills them in with cool details. She tells them about the fish, about other species we catch, and what we use to catch them. She loves public engagement and is a great ambassador for the sport. Fraser is right on the thick of it, and happily injects colour commentary to Cedar’s stories, adding that not only did he catch this redhorse, but he caught a rare, silver redhorse on another trip.

While my little ones are busy, I cast out our lines and within minutes the far rod starts bouncing and shaking. Before we even get to it, there is all kinds of splashing and a flash of silver.

“It’s a goldeye!” Cedar says excitedly, and starts reeling it in. Sure enough, she’s bang on and in comes a mint silver goldeye.

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parade and catch another five or six in a row. They are all about the same size, 14 to 16 inches and scrappy. Fraser and Cedar take turns reeling in fish and letting them go. They can even tell if the goldeye are boys or girls by looking at the anal fin. If the outside edge of the fin bulges out, it's a boy; if it curves in, it's a girl.

The next bite though initially looks like a goldeye, but it's not quite as big, and it doesn't have the "gold" eye. Instead, the eye is more silver and grey, rather than all gold. This fish looks different, and it is. We caught ourselves a mooneye. The mooneye though, seems to signal the end of the bite for a little while.

With Cedar chasing frogs, Fraser building rock towers, and Rose eating all of our snacks, life is pretty sweet. We get another bite and with the kids happy and playing, Mom reels it in. To our surprise, it's a small walleye. That's five fish species in an afternoon.

For the rest of the day time passes with ease and we enjoy the moment playing with our children and catching fish. Most catches are goldeye, but we do land another redbhorse.

On the drive home we have sleepy, happy, wet children. It's been a great day.

"I have another spot I'd like to try," I say to the kids. Do you want to head back to the river next weekend? There is a resounding "Yes," by all three of them, and shortly they are fast asleep.

Few things give me the sort of peace I get by casting out some bait, sticking a rod into a rod holder, and sitting on a riverbank letting time pass by. This is simple living with the sounds of chickadees in nearby branches, ducks or geese flying overhead and, as evening approaches, the slap and splash of a testy beaver. There are limitless beaches and gravelly shores to explore

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"With a mostly silver and grey eye with just a hint of gold, this river fish is a mooneye."

and if you are me, there will be happy children laughing and playing nearby.

I love river time. It's a complete mystery what will happen, or what we will catch. On hot summer days, there's lots of time for splashing about, critter chasing, and the all-important playing

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by Kevin Wilson

Thanks to our inimitable diversity in lakes, rivers and streams, Alberta anglers can fish for a remarkable roster of native species. If you want to catch the Alberta Slam of indigenous fish, you'll be wetting a line in many of our province's Fish Management Areas (FMAs). The Alberta Guide to Sportfishing Regulations lists a total of 19 sportfish, of which 15 are native, and four are introduced to enhance angling opportunities. Following is a speed-dating overview of each species and where you might begin your search.

Pike, Walleye, Perch and Burbot

Northern pike, walleye, yellow perch and burbot are the most abundant and widespread native fish species in our province's boreal, parkland, prairie, and to some extent, foothills FMAs. Where you find one of these species, you'll often find the other three. With mouths full of teeth, pike and walleye are predatory. Both species offer exceptional angling opportunities during both open water and ice fishing seasons. By comparison, relatively few burbot are caught during summer months, mostly because they're more widely dispersed at this time of the year. With mid-winter spawning, many burbot are iced from January through March. Perch, of course, maintain a podium position as Alberta's notable panfish. Typically swimming in schools, when you catch one, there are usually others nearby. A great target species for anglers of all ages, year-round they offer great action and table fare. With many remote lakes to choose from, accessible fisheries include



"Lake whitefish are a favourite with Alberta anglers, especially during the winter season."

Lac La Biche, Pinehurst, Pigeon, Lac St. Anne, and Sylvan. Southern reservoirs like Travers and Newell Lake have great pike, walleye and perch fishing, but no recognized burbot populations.

Whitefish

Lake whitefish and mountain whitefish are plentiful and commonly targeted by

anglers. Lake whites are prolific in many of our lakes throughout the province and, often share the same water with pike, walleye, perch and burbot. While they offer a great sportfishing opportunity during the open-water seasons, lake whitefish really shine as a target species with ice anglers during the winter months. Snipe Lake, Gregg Lake, Wabamun,

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"Bull trout are listed as a Threatened Species, so they have a zero-possession limit across Alberta."

Pigeon, Sylvan, and again southern reservoirs like Crawling Valley are higher odds fisheries for whites.

By description, Rocky Mountain whitefish are typically smaller than their lake-dwelling cousins. An abundant native species, they can be targeted specifically, but they're often caught incidentally when fishing for trout or grayling, particularly in the upper- and mid-reaches of many mainstem rivers and tributary systems in eastern slope and northern boreal FMAs. Among many others, the Red Deer River, Clearwater, Bow, and Highwood River hold decent populations of Rocky Mountain whitefish.

Native Trout and Char

Alberta's native trout species include the Westslope cutthroat and Athabasca rainbow. All other cutthroat and rainbow subspecies are stocked. Alberta's Westslope cutts are native to the Bow and South Saskatchewan rivers, North Saskatchewan and Red Deer River drainages. Due to stocking programs and recognized hybridization with native Athabasca rainbow trout, it's generally recognized that true native populations of Westslope cutthroat trout are limited. Several native populations of Athabasca rainbow trout are thought to be healthy

in the Athabasca River drainage from the south slope of the Swan Hills to the headwaters of the Athabasca River in Jasper National Park.

Lake trout and bull trout are Alberta's only native char species. Lake trout thrive in a relatively short list of deep, cool lakes from north to south in Alberta. To try your hand at lakers, don't overlook Cold Lake, Peerless, Minnewanka, and Waterton Lake as a few of Alberta's premier lake trout fisheries. While some lake trout are caught in some of our river systems like the Oldman, this native species is best targeted in our lakes.

Especially vulnerable due to its reputation as a voracious feeder, bull trout are listed as a Threatened Species so they have a zero-possession limit across the province. If you catch a bull trout, you must release it. As far as species identification goes, remember, "no black, put it back", as bull trout are void of black markings. Bulls are found in many mainstem rivers and tributaries, and are most abundant in the western FMAs. Well-known mainstem rivers like the Kakwa, Peace, Athabasca, Clearwater and Oldman are solid choices for targeting bull trout.

Arctic Grayling

Arctic grayling is another of Alberta's gems. Best known for their oversized, broad dorsal fin, grayling are found in many northern lakes, streams and rivers but mostly in the boreal forest and eastern foothills FMAs. Often eager to strike at a flashy spinner or spoon, grayling are also an ideal species to fish with a nymph or floating fly. Often found in the same streams and rivers as several trout species, they can also be caught in select mountain, foothill, and boreal lakes as well.

Mainstem rivers and tributaries in FMAs 8 and 9 like the Peace, Athabasca River, Lesser Slave, Swan, and Freeman River, are all good bets for this unique species.

Lake Sturgeon

Contrary to its name, Alberta's lake sturgeon don't inhabit any of our lakes. While sturgeon have been caught on the lower portions of the Clearwater River, if you want to catch a sturgeon, you're better off on the lower portions of the North and South Saskatchewan rivers, or the lower Red Deer, Oldman, or Bow. Listed as a

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Threatened Species, all sturgeon catches in this province fall under catch-and-release regulations only—in other words, there is a zero-possession limit.

Sauger

Looking somewhat similar in appearance to walleye, sauger are noticeably smaller. Once you see them, it's easy to differentiate between the two. A river-dwelling species, sauger are typically a bit darker in colour (usually a pale brown), with a somewhat blotchy appearance. River anglers on lower reaches of the North Saskatchewan, South Saskatchewan, Red Deer, Oldman, St. Mary, and Milk rivers will catch a sauger now and then, as they target other species like walleye and pike.

Other Native Species

Unique to prairie Fish Management Areas (FMAs) and found mostly in the North Saskatchewan and some species in the South Saskatchewan River systems, a host of other native fish are targeted by



"Lake Sturgeon are listed as a Threatened Species. All sturgeon catches in this province fall under catch-and-release regulations only. Anglers are encouraged to handle these fish with care."

anglers as well. These are namely the shorthead redhorse, goldeye, mooneye, longnose sucker, white sucker, quillback and silver redhorse. Goldeye do inhabit a number of our northern fisheries like Christina Lake and Lake Athabasca in FMA 10, but they are not generally a species targeted by lake anglers.

To learn more about Alberta's fish species, I recommend picking up a book called *The Fishes of Alberta* by Joseph F. Nelson and Martin J. Paetz. It's a great resource, and provides comprehensive biological information. Similarly, consider getting *Fish of the Rockies*, by Michael Sullivan, David Propst, and Bill Gould. ●

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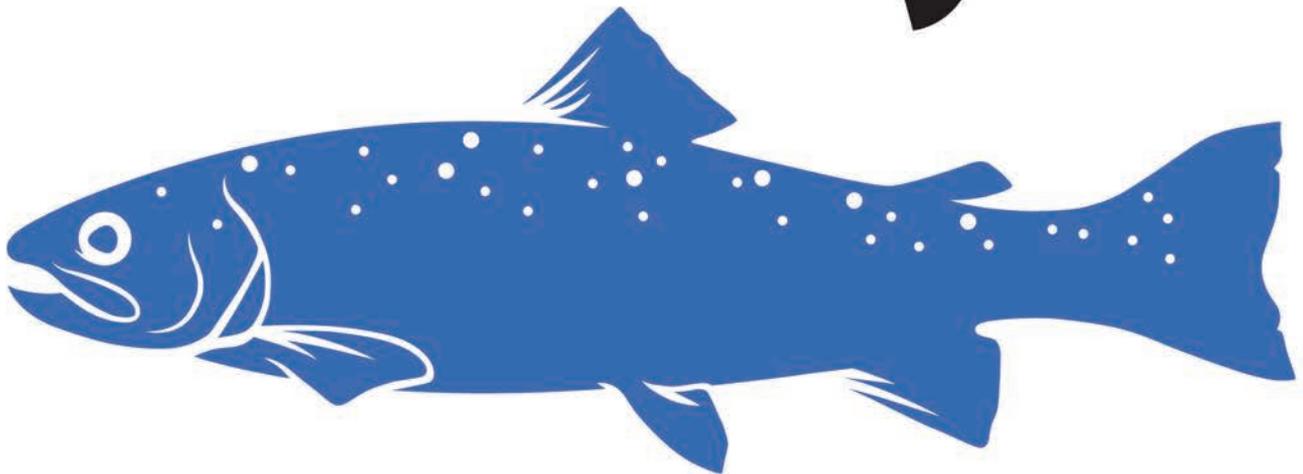


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Healthy native trout populations signify several things we should all care about: clean water, wilderness, healthy ecosystems, and good recreational opportunities.

Unfortunately, Alberta’s native trout are in trouble, and have been for a while. That’s where the Native Trout Recovery Program comes in. It focuses on Alberta’s eastern slopes and is working to protect

our province’s native fish populations. The main threats aren’t small issues: habitat fragmentation and loss, poaching, improper fish handling during catch-and-release, and hybridization and competition with non-native trout. To address these complex challenges, Alberta Environment and Protected Areas has teamed up with partner organizations that have expertise in fish habitat protection and restoration, as

well as watershed planning. These partner organizations include:

- Alberta Conservation Association
- Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society
- Cows and Fish
- Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO)
- Foothills Research Institute
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“Remember – No Black, Put it Back! Bull trout have no black spots or markings on their dorsal fin.”

The organizations all work together to maintain and improve natural watershed functions to support native trout species. For more information, search “native trout” on www.alberta.ca.

Bull Trout (*Salvelinus confluentus*) – Threatened

- Bull trout have no black spots or markings on their dorsal fin. Repeat after us: “No black? Put it back!” They also

have large head and jaw (“bull-like”).

- They’ve been documented with porcupine quills stuck in their snout! As a top predator, the species has been called the grizzly bear of the water—just as ferocious, only torpedo-shaped with fins and gills.
- Bull trout used to be common, but now abundance and distribution within their range has been reduced. They are extremely sensitive to human disturbance.

Westslope Cutthroat Trout (*Oncorhynchus clarkii lewisi*) – Threatened

- The only subspecies of cutthroat trout native to Alberta, these fish historically inhabited most streams in southwestern Alberta from the alpine to the prairies. Today, they occupy only a small fraction of their historic range in the Rocky Mountains and foothills.
- Non-native rainbow trout were introduced to many westslope cutthroat trout streams in Alberta in the early 1900s. The two species interbreed, creating whole populations of hybrid fish and decimating genetically pure populations of westslope cutthroat trout in the process.
- Bright orange-red slashes beneath their lower jaw is the surest way to identify them.

Athabasca Rainbow Trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*) – Endangered

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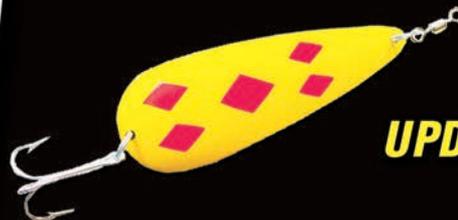
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"Westslope cutthroat trout have bright orange-red slashes beneath their lower jaw."

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rainbow trout species, adapted specifically to rivers and streams of the upper Athabasca watershed in west-central Alberta.

- Juvenile and often adult Athabasca rainbow trout have oval blueish grey "parr" marks along their sides. Known as "cryptic colouration" in the biology world, this likely helps the fish blend in better with the gravel, boulder, and cobble streambeds in the small, cold headwater streams they prefer.
- Athabasca rainbow trout have shown severe declines from historical abundances.
- As of 2017, all Athabasca rainbow trout watersheds were assessed as either low or very low abundance of adult fish. Healthy

populations remain in isolated creeks, but no longer exist within an entire watershed.

Arctic Grayling (*Thymallus arcticus*) – Special Concern

- Arctic grayling (part of the trout family) occur the waters of the boreal forest and northern foothills.
- Their colourful dorsal fin is much larger than that of any other coldwater fish, making identification a breeze. The top of the dorsal fin is rounded, and grayling sport large scales with brown or black spots on the body behind the head.
- Grayling are highly migratory, so connected streams and rivers are

essential. Poorly installed crossings like culverts and bridges block upstream fish passage.

Can I Help? YES!

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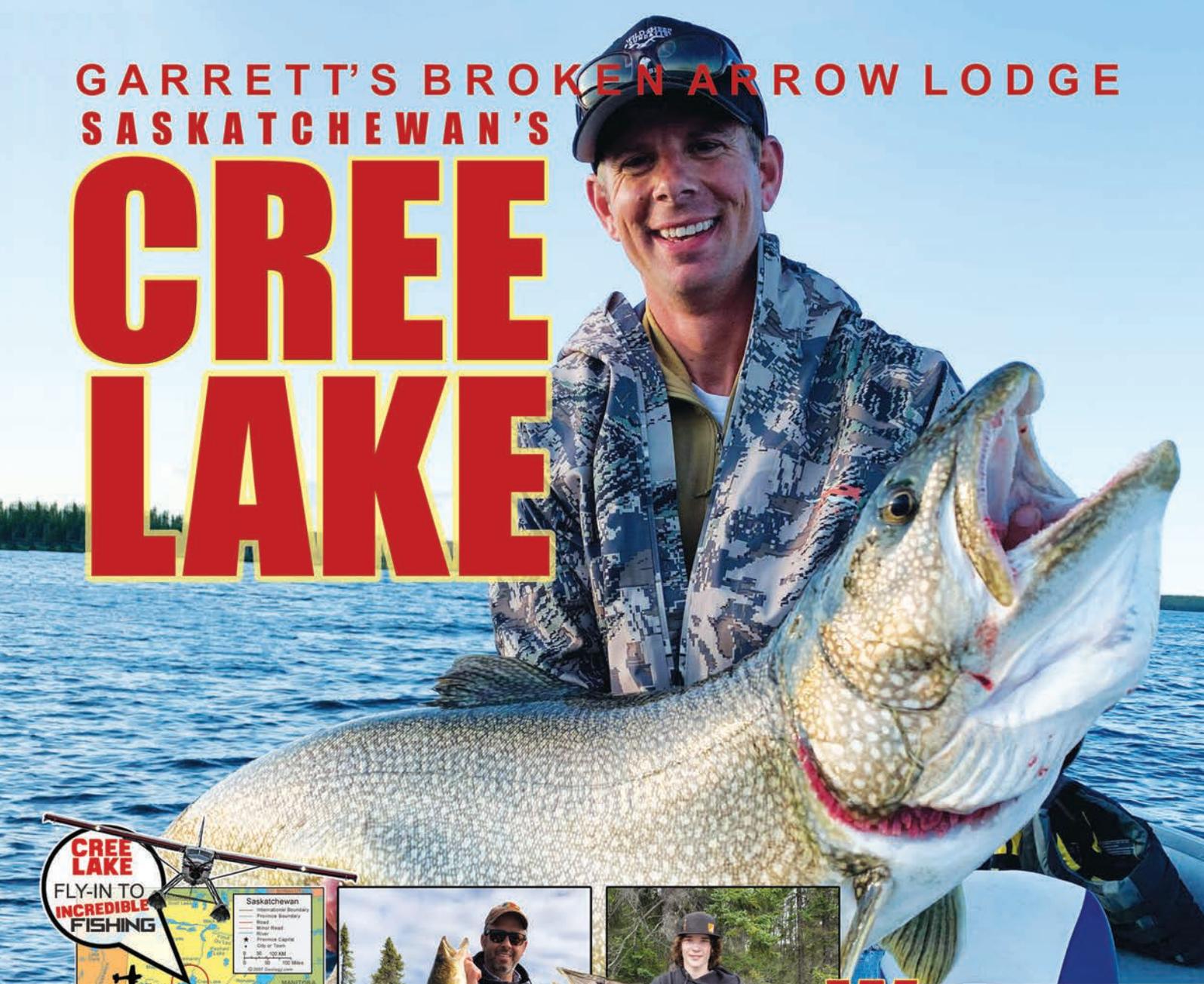
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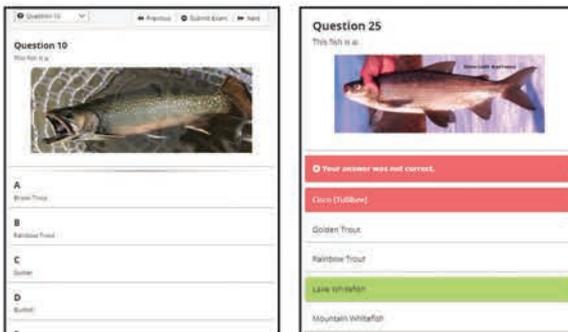


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