



2007 VERMONT DIGEST

HUNTING, FISHING & TRAPPING LAWS



VERMONT FISH & WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT

A CLOSER LOOK...



WHO WE ARE

We are a Vermont Agency of Natural Resources department of 131 people organized into four divisions: Fisheries, Wildlife, Law Enforcement and Outreach. We are biologists, game wardens, support staff, technicians and administrative staff, but we all share a common goal:

To protect and conserve fish, wildlife, plants and their habitats for the people of Vermont.

WHAT WE DO

Many people are not aware of the programs and services Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department employees provide to all Vermont citizens.

Resource Conservation

- Fish, Wildlife and Plant Species
- Natural Communities and habitats
- Land Conservation

Outdoor Recreation

- Wildlife Viewing
- Fishing
- Hunting
- Public Safety
- Access Areas for Fishing and Boating
- Wildlife Management Areas

HOW WE CONTRIBUTE... EVERY DAY

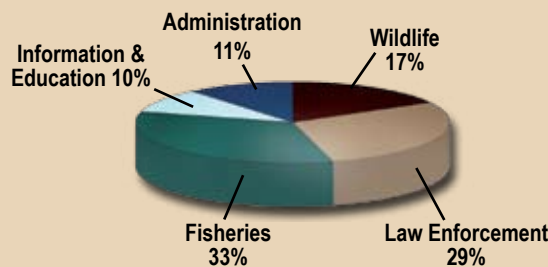
The daily contributions made by Vermont Fish & Wildlife staff help make Vermont a better place to live, work and play.

- Conservation of ALL Fish and Wildlife Species
- Conserving and Managing Land for Habitat and Recreation
- Public Safety and Law Enforcement
- Fish Culture and Stocking
- Public Outreach
- Natural Resource Education

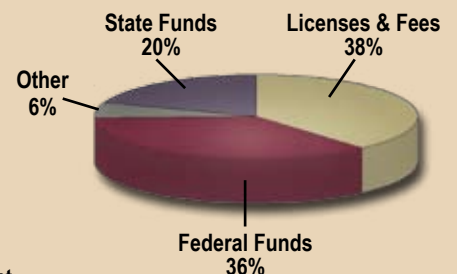


OUR FUNDING

WHERE THE MONEY GOES...



WHERE THE MONEY COMES FROM...





Message from the Commissioner

I want to take this opportunity to thank Vermont hunters, Legislators and members of the Vermont Fish and Wildlife Board for their support of the new antler restriction after a century of hunting deer with a three-inch antler rule. The new requirement that a legal buck must have at least one antler with two or more points one inch or longer went into effect in 2005.

I am writing this prior to the 2006 deer seasons, but feel confident you will see improvements in Vermont's deer, beginning with 2006 hunting results. The new antler restriction, coupled with more precise management of antlerless deer during the archery season, should result in more 2 ½ year old bucks in the herd and more deer in some Wildlife Management Units. An easy winter during 2005-2006 also helped. If the winter of 2006-2007 is at least average, we should see more older bucks appearing in the population and continued strengthening of deer numbers in selected WMUs.

We must continue to manage the deer herd to prevent deer numbers from exceeding the ability of their habitat to support them. This, of course, means removing antlerless deer with a controlled permit system and archery season.

At the same time, we are working to increase habitat improvement projects on state-owned wildlife management areas, and the Wildlife Habitat Improvement Program (WHIP) is providing help to private landowners who want to improve habitat on their property.

I want to thank anglers for their support of our sea lamprey control efforts on Lake Champlain. The Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department is committed to controlling the number of this nuisance species that is causing significant loss in fishing opportunity and negatively impacting the lake ecosystem.

I also want to thank anglers and Board members for their support enabling us to simplify some of Vermont's fishing regulations. We hope simpler regulations and the maps now included in this book will make it easier for anglers to understand the rules and to find new places to go fishing. We hope the end result will be more people enjoying Vermont's great fishing opportunities.

This brings me to a parting request. I'll bet you can remember that first time you went hunting or fishing. Most of us went with an older person who showed us the way. Research now shows that when an experienced hunter or angler takes a youngster out and provides guidance and encouragement, that youngster is far more likely to continue to enjoy hunting or fishing in the years ahead. Please help pass on Vermont's hunting and fishing traditions by taking a youngster hunting or fishing this year.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Wayne A. Laroche".

Wayne A. Laroche, Commissioner

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GENERAL INFORMATION

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The Green Mountain National Forest is a federal, public forest covering 375,000 acres in Vermont. Access to fishing and hunting is open to everyone. Vermont hunting and fishing regulations apply. For information, contact one of the following offices:

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OPERATION GAME THIEF

Call toll free 1-800-75ALERT (1-800-752-5378) to report any fish or wildlife violation.

If a violation is in progress, you are encouraged to call the nearest Vermont State Police Barracks for a State Game Warden to be dispatched to the area immediately.

A crackdown on poaching: Operation Game Thief is a nonprofit joint project of the Vermont Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs and the Fish & Wildlife Department, which pays rewards to citizens who turn in poachers. Callers do not have to reveal their names, testify in court or sign a deposition. Rewards are paid if an arrest is made or if a citation is issued; rewards are not contingent upon getting a conviction.

If you see a poaching incident, **report it**. The toll-free number is **1-800-75ALERT**.

SEASON LIST 2007-VT Hunting, Fishing and Trapping Dates

(All Dates Inclusive)*

FISHING

| | |
|--|--|
| Trout & Landlocked Salmon..... | April 14 – Oct. 31 |
| Trout & Landlocked Salmon (Lake Champlain)..... | No Closed Season |
| Largemouth & Smallmouth Bass..... | June 9 – Nov. 30 |
| Catch & Release – Lakes and Ponds..... | April 14 – June 8 |
| Pickeral, N. Pike, Yellow Perch..... | No Closed Season |
| Walleye (Lake Champlain, Lake Carmi, & certain areas of Lamoille & Missisquoi Rivers)..... | May 6, 2006 – March 15, 2007 & May 5, 2007 – March 15, 2008 |
| Walleye (all other waters except Connecticut River)..... | See Digest of Laws |
| Smelt..... | No Closed Season |
| Free Fishing Day..... | June 9, 2007 |

BIG GAME HUNTING

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| Deer (Bow & Arrow)..... | Oct. 6 – Oct. 28 |
| <i>Split Second Season</i> | Dec. 1 – Dec. 9 |
| Youth Deer Weekend..... | Nov. 3 – Nov. 4 |
| Deer (16 Day Regular Season)..... | Nov. 10 – Nov. 25 |
| Deer (Muzzleloader)..... | Dec. 1 – Dec. 9 |
| Black Bear..... | Sept. 1 – Nov. 14 |
| Youth Turkey Weekend..... | April 28 – April 29 |
| Turkey Spring..... | May 1 – May 31 |
| | <i>Fall seasons vary by Wildlife Management Units</i> |
| Moose..... | October hunting season set annually; permit lottery held each year |

SMALL GAME HUNTING

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| Hare, Rabbit..... | Sept. 30, 2006 – March 11, 2007 & Sept. 29, 2007 – March 9, 2008 |
| Gray Squirrel..... | Sept. 1 – Dec. 31 |
| Ruffed Grouse (Partridge)..... | Sept. 29 – Dec. 31 |
| Woodcock..... | Set Annually |
| Crow..... | March 14 – April 30 & August 16 – October 29 |

FURBEARER HUNTING

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| Bobcat..... | Jan. 10 – Feb. 7 |
| Red & Gray Fox..... | Oct. 28, 2006 – Feb. 11, 2007 & Oct. 27, 2007 – Feb. 10, 2008 |
| Raccoon..... | Oct. 13 – Dec. 31 |
| Muskrat..... | Check with F&W |
| Coyote..... | No Closed Season |

FURBEARER TRAPPING

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| Mink, Skunk, Red & Gray Fox, Raccoon, Coyote..... | Oct. 27 – Dec. 31 |
| Otter..... | October 28, 2006 – Check with F&W & October 27, 2007 – Check with F&W |
| Muskrat..... | Check with F&W |
| Fisher..... | Dec. 1-31 |
| Bobcat..... | Dec. 1 – 16 |
| Beaver..... | Check with F&W |
| Marten..... | No Open Season |

LICENSE INFORMATION

LICENSE FEES

Resident

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| Fishing (<i>under age 15 no license needed</i>)..... | \$ 20.00 |
| Youth Fishing (<i>ages 15-17</i>)..... | 8.00 |
| Three-Day Fishing*..... | 10.00 |
| Hunting..... | 16.00 |
| Youth Hunting (<i>under age 18</i>)..... | 8.00 |
| Combination..... | 29.00 |
| Youth Combination (<i>under age 18</i>)..... | 12.00 |
| Trapping (<i>sold at Waterbury office</i>)..... | 20.00 |
| Youth Trapping (<i>sold at Waterbury office/under age 18</i>)..... | 10.00 |
| Archery-Deer (<i>hunting license needed</i>)..... | 17.00 |
| Turkey (<i>hunting license needed</i>)..... | 17.00 |
| Muzzleloader-Deer (<i>hunting license needed</i>)..... | 17.00 |
| Permanent license (<i>Residents only, sold at Waterbury office/65 or older</i>)..... | 36.00 |

Nonresident

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| Fishing (<i>under age 15 no license needed</i>)..... | \$ 41.00 |
| Youth Fishing (<i>ages 15-17</i>)..... | 15.00 |
| One-Day Fishing*..... | 15.00 |
| Three-Day Fishing*..... | 20.00 |
| Seven-Day Fishing*..... | 30.00 |
| Hunting..... | 90.00 |
| Youth Hunting (<i>under age 18</i>)..... | 25.00 |
| Combination..... | 120.00 |
| Youth Combination (<i>under age 18</i>)..... | 30.00 |
| Trapping (<i>sold at Waterbury office</i>)..... | 300.00 |
| Small Game**..... | 40.00 |
| Archery-Deer (<i>hunting license needed</i>)..... | 25.00 |
| Archery Only-Deer (<i>hunting license NOT needed</i>)..... | 60.00 |
| Turkey (<i>hunting license needed</i>)..... | 25.00 |
| Muzzleloader-Deer (<i>hunting license needed</i>)..... | 25.00 |

* Term Licenses: All dates are inclusive and consecutive.

** Small Game Licenses: Entitles the holder to take small game, furbearers and other wild animals (except big game) by any lawful means other than a trap.

Resident or Nonresident

Vermont Waterfowl Stamp..... \$ 5.00
Both Federal and State Waterfowl Stamps are needed for waterfowl hunting by anyone 16 or older.

A person of any age engaged in fishing, hunting or taking any wild animals must be properly licensed, except as listed below under exceptions. Wild animals are defined by law as ALL animals, including birds, amphibians, and reptiles, other than domestic animals.

EXCEPTIONS

A resident owner of land in Vermont, his or her spouse, and minor children may hunt on and take fish from waters within the boundary of that land without a license. The hunting and fishing must be done according to regulations. A nonresident owner of land has equal privilege if his or her

land is NOT posted. Any person under 15 years of age may take fish according to regulations without a license.

FREE FISHING DAY. Saturday, June 9, is Free Fishing Day in Vermont this year. Anyone, resident or nonresident, may fish without a license. All legal fishing methods and limits still apply. Free Fishing Day is intended to introduce first-time anglers to a healthful and fun Vermont pastime.

MILITARY PERSONNEL

Any resident of Vermont serving in the armed forces of the United States or performing under orders for homeland defense or state-side contingency operation for a period of 120 consecutive days or more, as certified by the Adjutant General for the Vermont National Guard is eligible to obtain at no cost a hunting or fishing license or combination hunting and fishing license. A person who obtains a license under this section may keep the license until it expires, whether or not the person continues to serve in the armed forces until the expiration date. No cost licenses may be obtained in person or by mail from the Waterbury office by submitting a completed sporting license application, a copy of your Leave and Earnings Statement, a copy of your Active Duty ID Card and a copy of the orders placing you on 10 USC active duty. If requesting a hunting or combination license, you also need to submit a copy of your hunter education certification or previous hunting license.

A nonresident member of the armed forces of the United States who is on active duty and stationed at some military, air or naval post, station or base within Vermont may buy a license to hunt or fish upon payment of the resident fee, providing that he or she presents a certificate from the commander of said post, station or base, or his or her designated agent, stating that the person is so stationed.

Any questions on eligibility for military licenses should be directed to 802-241-3703 or fwinformation@state.vt.us. Requests for no-cost licenses should be mailed to:

Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department
Attn: Licensing
103 South Main Street
Waterbury, VT 05676-0501

RESIDENT STATUS

In order to obtain resident licenses, a person must have lived in Vermont for the six months immediately prior to applying for a license and NOT claimed residence elsewhere for any other reason. An applicant for a resident lifetime license must have been a resident for at least 12 months or must be a dependent of a resident.

A nonresident student who is enrolled in a high school, college or university within the state is entitled to a resident fishing, hunting or combination license. To qualify, the student must have successfully completed two successive semesters at his or her school or college, must present an admission card, and must pay the resident fee. If applying for a hunting license, a copy of a current or previous license from any state or province or a hunter education certificate is required.

PURCHASING LICENSES

Resident and nonresident licenses may be purchased from the Fish & Wildlife website (www.vtfishandwildlife.com), sporting goods stores, convenience stores, some town clerks, and at the Fish & Wildlife office in Waterbury, 802-241-3700. Licenses also may be purchased in person and by mail from the Waterbury office.

If you lose your license, the original issuing agent can replace it for a fee of \$5.00. If the agent is no longer selling licenses, you may apply at Fish & Wildlife in Waterbury, 802-241-3703.

Licenses expire on December 31. Exception: the fur buyer's license and the Vermont waterfowl stamp are valid July 1–June 30.

PERMANENT LICENSES

Any Vermont resident who is 65 or older may apply for a permanent license in person or through the mail to the Waterbury Fish & Wildlife office for a one-time fee of \$36. Apply on the same form as the current annual licenses.

If a permanent license holder wishes to hunt for a second archery or muzzleloader deer, he/she must purchase a regular annual archery or muzzleloader license. If applying for a permanent hunting, archery, or trapping license, a copy of a previous or current hunting, archery, or trapping license from any state or Canadian province or a hunter education certificate is required.

A permanent license holder may receive a new free permanent license when the tags have been used or when the license is worn. Permanent license holders should wait until all of the hunting seasons are over to replace a license when the tags have been used. If a permanent license has been lost or stolen, it can be replaced for a fee of \$5.00 at the Waterbury office.

PERMANENT DISABILITY LICENSES

A legally blind person who is a Vermont resident may apply for a free permanent fishing license. Documentation from the Division for the Blind and Visually Impaired is required.

A Vermont resident who is paraplegic may receive a free permanent fishing or combination license, if qualified, with the proper proof of disability as required. Forms are available at the Waterbury office.

A Vermont resident who is a veteran of the armed forces of the United States and who is, or ever has been, 100% disabled due to a service connected disability, may receive a free fishing or combination license, if qualified, upon presentation of a specific letter from the Veterans Administration. To see if you qualify for the license, call the Veterans Benefits Section at 1-800-827-1000.

LIFETIME LICENSES

A resident or nonresident lifetime fishing, hunting, or combination fishing and hunting license may be obtained from the Fish & Wildlife Department. Call or write the Waterbury office for more information and an application. Fees are as follows:

- for children under 1 year old = 5X current adult license price.
- for children 1-15 years old = 15X current adult license price.
- for adults 16-24 years old = 30X current adult license price.
- for adults 25-64 years old = 25X current adult license price.

HUNTING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

General Requirements

An applicant for a hunting or combination license must present either:

- A previous or current hunting or combination license from any state or Canadian province, or
- A certificate or a letter of proof showing satisfactory completion of an approved hunter safety course from Vermont or any other state or province, or
- Other satisfactory proof of prior license or hunter safety certification.
- A person may be able to obtain a copy of the license from the clerk or agent where the last license was purchased, or a notarized statement signed by the clerk or agent is sufficient proof.

A person under age 16 must have his or her parent or guardian sign in the presence of an issuing agent to obtain a hunting license.

NOTE— Federal firearms laws, found at 18 USCA Section 922, prohibit certain individuals, including those convicted of felonies or any domestic violence offense, those subject to a final relief from abuse order and unlawful users of controlled substances from possessing center fire and rim fire firearms. For a complete list of prohibitions, contact the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives at 802-951-6593.

Archery License Requirements

In order to purchase an archery license, a person must present a certificate of satisfactory completion of a bow hunter education course in Vermont or another state or a province of Canada, or an archery license from Vermont or another state or a province of Canada valid for any year, or other satisfactory proof that the applicant has held an archery license.

Trapping License Requirements

The law requires that an applicant for a trapping license must present:

- A previous or current trapping license from any state or Canadian province, or
- A certificate showing satisfactory completion of a trapper education course, or
- Other satisfactory proof that the applicant has previously held a trapping license.

Hunter Education Courses

A list of upcoming hunter education courses is available at (www.vtfishandwildlife.com).

LICENSE POSSESSION

Appropriate licenses must be carried while hunting, fishing, trapping or transporting fish, game or furbearers. The licenses must be exhibited on demand of a State Game Warden or other enforcement officer, or the owner of the land on which such person is hunting, fishing or trapping.

STATE BORDER REQUIREMENTS

A person with a resident Vermont fishing license may take fish anywhere in the Connecticut River, subject to the regulations of Vermont and New Hampshire. Hunting licenses for both residents and nonresidents are only valid to the New Hampshire state boundary, which is the low water mark on the Vermont side of the Connecticut River. For Lake Champlain fishing license information, see "Fishing Licenses" in Fishing Information section.

LICENSE REVOCATION

10 V.S.A. Sect. 4502—the "Uniform Point System"—provides that hunting, fishing and trapping licenses will be revoked based on the number of points received when a person is convicted of violating a fish or wildlife law.

Suspensions:

- For 10 to 14 points accumulated in 5 years:
1 year suspension
- For 15 to 19 points accumulated in 5 years:
2 year suspension
- For more than 20 points accumulated in 5 years:
3 year suspension
- Conviction of carelessly or negligently wounding a person by gunshot, or manslaughter by the careless and negligent use of firearms, will, by statute, revoke the hunting license privilege or the right to obtain such license for five years
- It is illegal to hunt, fish or trap while a license or right to obtain a license is under suspension. Fine—up to \$1,000 and additional suspension period.

Remedial Course:

A person whose license is revoked with 15 or more points accumulated in five years shall successfully complete a remedial course designed to teach hunters, trappers and anglers correct legal and ethical behavior while hunting, trapping and fishing in Vermont. The remedial course shall be approved by the commissioner, conducted by the department and cost \$100.

Suspension Per Family Court Orders

Hunting, fishing and trapping licenses and permits issued by the Fish & Wildlife Department may be suspended for failure to comply with child support orders of the Family Court.

Federal Firearms Law

It is illegal under Federal law for anyone convicted of a felony, or any domestic violence offense, to possess centerfire or rimfire firearms.

GENERAL INFORMATION

DEFINITIONS

"Take" and "Taking" mean pursuing, shooting, hunting, killing, capturing, trapping, disturbing, harriving, worrying, or wounding snaring and netting fish, birds and quadrupeds. It includes placing, setting, drawing or using any net or other device commonly used to take fish or wild animals, whether they result in taking or not. It includes every attempt to take and every act of assistance to another person in taking or attempting to take fish or wild animals.

When taking is allowed by law, the taking shall be by lawful means in a lawful manner.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

Camping and Trespass: It is illegal to park, drive or camp on another person's land without permission of the landowner. You must immediately leave the property when the landowner requests it, whether the property is posted or not. Roadside or public highway turnouts are not legal for overnight camping.

Failure to Appear or Respond: Arrest warrants will be issued and licenses will be revoked for failure to appear in court to answer a Fish & Wildlife ticket or failure to send the ticket to the court, if a personal appearance is not required.

Importation of Wildlife: It is illegal to bring live wild mammals, birds, amphibians, reptiles, or fish into Vermont without previously obtaining an importation permit from the Fish & Wildlife Department. Regulations are available from the department.

Interfering with Hunters, Fishermen and Trappers: It is illegal to intentionally interfere with someone who is lawfully taking fish or wild animals, or to disrupt the taking of any fish or wild animal by harassing or disturbing the fish or animal.

Interstate Highways: No one may legally travel on foot within the right-of-way or cross boundary fences along interstate highways. Rest areas and pullouts are NOT access areas for hunting, fishing or entering on adjacent lands unless posted as such.

Private Roads and Lands: Law prohibits obstructing private driveways, barways, or gateways with motor vehicles. People shall not drive over private lands or enter these lands for the purpose of camping without the permission of the landowner or rightful occupant, nor may they drive over roads marked as private.

Season Dates: All season dates in this book are inclusive.

State Campgrounds: It is illegal to display or discharge firecrackers or other explosive devices, firearms, air rifles or pistols, gas weapons, slingshots, crossbows, or bow and arrows (except by special permit) in any developed recreation area from May 1 to October 15. It is illegal to discharge a firearm within 500 feet of any occupied dwelling, residence or barn, leanto, picnic shelter, or other such building in any park or recreation area.

State Lands: Camping on state land is prohibited except in designated camping areas.

Violators: In addition to the person who actually violates the regulations for hunting, fishing, and trapping, anyone who offers advice or assistance in a violation, or who knowingly shares in the proceeds, shall be punished as a principal violator.

REIMBURSEMENT FOR ILLEGALLY TAKEN FISH OR WILDLIFE

In addition to any penalties imposed by the court, anyone who is convicted of illegally taking, destroying, or possessing wild animals must pay, as restitution, into the fish and wildlife fund no more than the following amounts:

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| Big Game..... | \$1,000.00 |
| Endangered Threatened Species (T10, 5401)..... | 1,000.00 |
| Small Game..... | 250.00 |
| Fish..... | 25.00 |

POSTED PROPERTY

Whenever possible, the hunter or fisherman should check with the landowner before going onto his or her land. The right to hunt or fish on privately owned land is not guaranteed by your hunting or fishing license. The privilege of using private land for your recreation is extended to you by the generosity of the landowner. It is illegal to damage or remove posters prohibiting hunting, fishing or trapping.

Safety Zone. The law provides that a property owner may establish a 500-foot Safety Zone around any occupied dwelling, residence, barn, stable or other building. This Safety Zone is established with signs provided by the Fish & Wildlife Department and maintained by the owner. All shooting is prohibited in the Safety Zone and no wild animal may be taken within it unless advance permission is obtained from the owner or rightful occupant.

Posted Property Under Fish & Wildlife Law. Hunting, fishing or trapping on properly posted land is illegal. Properly posted land will have records filed with the town clerk and the Fish & Wildlife Department.

The specific details on posting property are in Title 10, Vermont Statutes Annotated Sections 5201 to 5206, and are available at all town clerks' offices.

In order to hunt, fish or trap on properly posted land, a person must have the written consent of the owner or the person having exclusive right to take fish or wild animals from that land. This also means that a person may not carry or possess a firearm, bow and arrow or trap on land that is properly posted.

A person must leave the land immediately on demand of the owner, whether the land is posted or not.

Posting Signs. Signs prohibiting fishing, hunting or trapping on properly posted land shall be as follows:

- The owner or the person who has exclusive rights to fish, hunt and trap on the land will post the signs. The owner or person posting the land shall record the posting at the town clerk's office for a fee of \$5.00

- Signs must be not less than 11-1/2 inches wide by 8 inches high in size
- Lettering and background on the signs must be of contrasting colors
- The signs must contain the wording that hunting, fishing or trapping or any combination of the three are prohibited or forbidden
- Signs are valid even if additional information is on the sign, as long as a reasonable person would understand that hunting, fishing or trapping are prohibited or forbidden
- Legible signs must be maintained at all times and shall be dated each year

Location of Posting Signs. Posting signs must be erected on or near all the boundaries, at each corner and not over 400 feet apart.

FALCONRY

Falconry is legal by special permit. Contact Fish & Wildlife in Waterbury for information.

SALE OR PURCHASE OF FISH AND GAME

Small Game – It is illegal to buy or sell a wild bird, cottontail rabbit, snowshoe hare, or gray squirrel at any time.

Big Game – The only time it is legal to buy or sell big game or the meat of big game within the state is during the open season and for 20 days after the season ends. The meat of big game animals is not to be bought or sold for the purpose of being transported out of the state. It is illegal to buy or sell anadromous Atlantic salmon taken in the Connecticut River Basin and/or to buy or sell wild turkey at any time. Other than the meat mentioned above, a person may buy or sell at any time:

- The head, hide and hoofs of legally taken deer or moose; or
- The head, hide, paws and internal organs of a legally taken black bear

Deer Hides – Anyone wishing to engage in the business of buying furs or skins of furbearers or deer hides must have a valid Fur Buyer's License. Contact Fish & Wildlife in Waterbury at 802-241-3695.

Bear Parts – Anyone wishing to engage in the business of buying furs or skins of furbearers or deer hides must have a valid Fur Buyer's License. Contact Fish & Wildlife in Waterbury at 802-241-3695.

International trade in hides, claws, skulls, or teeth of black bear is regulated by federal law and international treaty. If you plan to sell your own bear hide or parts outside of the United States, you must obtain an export permit (for a fee) from the Federal Wildlife Permit Office, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA22203, 1-800-358-2104. These products must be shipped through one of eleven designated ports (Boston is the nearest), or through another port under special permit (for a fee) from the same office. You do not

need export permits and declarations to sell to domestic or foreign buyers within Vermont or the rest of the United States, or to sell through brokers who possess the necessary permits.

Sale and Purchase of Fish – Businesses may buy lawfully taken fish, with the approval of the Commissioner, pursuant to guidelines of the Board. Fish species to be bought or sold are restricted to species not protected by title 10 V.S.A. 4611 – “A person shall not buy or sell a salmon, trout, lake trout, walleye, northern pike, muskellunge or black bass taken in this state, or imported from another state or country where sale of such fish is prohibited, except such fish reared in licensed propagation farms within the state.”

Game Suppers – Unless there is a specific law to the contrary, game suppers may be held at any time by a church, volunteer fire department, fish and game club, or other nonprofit organization with a permit issued by a fish and wildlife warden.

Wild animals and fish legally taken in this state, or another state or country, may be transported and sold as part of a game supper authorized by permit. Big game provided by the Fish & Wildlife Department may also be sold at such suppers. Migratory waterfowl, cottontail rabbits, snowshoe hare, and anadromous salmon may not be sold.

Permits for game suppers must state the name of the organization holding the supper, as well as the date and location of the supper. A permit needs to be applied for at least 10 days before the date of the supper. Contact the Law Enforcement Division of the Fish & Wildlife Department at Waterbury for a permit application.

TRANSPORTATION OF FISH AND GAME

Transportation of fish or game is only permitted in the presence of the person who took that fish or game.

A person shall not transport fish or game:

- Taken by someone else unless the person who took the fish or game accompanies it
- During closed season for that fish or game
- If it exceeds the number or limit of fish or game that may legally be taken in a day

However, a person traveling on land between a temporary abode such as a hunting camp and his or her home may transport in one day the number or limit of fish and game that may legally be taken in two days.

While on the waters of the state, a person may not transport more than one day's limit of fish unless the fish is frozen, processed, and packaged for storage.

Drive Yourself Wild



Vermont's conservation plate lets everyone know you support Vermont's wildlife. Proceeds go toward the Nongame and Natural Heritage Program as well as lake and river protection efforts. Together, these programs provide:

- ☒ enhanced water quality and fish habitat
- ☒ protection of shorelines and wildlife viewing areas
- ☒ improving and protecting nesting sites for eagles, loons and other birds

So take a ride on the wild side and get your conservation plate today.

Applications for conservation license plates are available on-line at www.vtfishandwildlife.com (Click on the GOWILD plate), or www.dmv.state.us, or by calling 1-802-241-3700.

HUNTING & TRAPPING INFORMATION

GENERAL HUNTING INFORMATION

FLUORESCENT ORANGE

Wearing fluorescent “Hunter Orange” while hunting is your choice in Vermont. Most states and Canadian provinces require it for hunting upland and big game animals.

Records show that in mistaken-for-game hunting accidents, the victim is almost always not wearing hunter orange.

Evidence from other states and Canadian provinces that require the use of hunter orange clothing prove that it reduces accidents and saves lives.

Wearing fluorescent “Hunter Orange” while hunting this season is a choice you have to make. Your decision should be one you can live with.

MACHINE GUNS AND AUTOLOADING RIFLES

It is illegal while hunting in Vermont to use, carry, or have in your possession a machine gun of any kind or description or an autoloading rifle with a magazine capacity of over 6 cartridges, except a .22 caliber rifle using rim fire cartridges.

HANDGUNS

Wherever a rifle may be used in hunting, a handgun is permitted.

MUZZLELOADERS

Muzzleloading rifles, shotguns and pistols may be used for hunting whenever modern firearms may be used.

LIGHTS/LASER SIGHTS

It is illegal to intentionally throw or cast the rays of a spotlight, jack, or other artificial light on any highway, or any field, woodland, or forest, in order to spot, locate, take, or attempt to spot, locate or take any wild animal.

Skunks may be taken with the aid of a light of not more than 9 volts. A light of not more than 9 volts may be used while locating in and taking from a tree any raccoon treed by a dog.

Laser sights are illegal for hunting.

HUNTING HOURS

Waterfowl and other Migratory Birds: Set annually.

Turkey: Spring—One-half hour before sunrise to 12 noon.

Fall—One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

Raccoon and Skunk: Any hour within hunting season.

Coyote: Any hour, no lights allowed.

All Others: One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. (See **Sunrise/Sunset Tables** in back).



MOTOR VEHICLES, ATVS, SNOWMOBILES, ROAD HUNTING

State Lands. Motor vehicles, including ATVs (all terrain vehicles) motorcycles, or snowmobiles may only be operated on designated roads in State Wildlife Management Areas, State Parks or State Forests except that SNOWMOBILES may ONLY be driven on trails designated by the Agency of Natural Resources.

Private Lands. It is illegal to operate an ATV on any privately owned land or body of private water unless the operator has written permission of the owner or is a member of a club which has landowner permission. It is illegal to obstruct private driveways, barways, or gateways with a motor vehicle. It is illegal to park or drive a motor vehicle of any kind on private land without permission.

Hunting from. It is illegal to take any wild animal by shooting with firearm or bow and arrow from any motor vehicle. Motor vehicles include cars, trucks, snowmobiles, ATVs, motorboats, airplanes and any conveyance or trailer towed by these.

Paralegic Hunters. A paraplegic with a proper permit may hunt from a stationary motor vehicle when it is at least 10 feet from the traveled portion of the road and when he or she has the landowner's permission to park. Contact Fish & Wildlife in Waterbury.

Transporting Firearms in Motor Vehicles. No loaded rifle or shotgun may be carried in or on a motor driven vehicle within the right-of-way of any public road (no shell or cartridge shall be in the chamber, magazine, or mechanism of a rifle or shotgun).

Road Hunting. A person shall not take or attempt to take any wild animal by shooting a firearm, bow and arrow or crossbow while on or within 10 feet of the traveled portion of a public highway. Violators are subject to a fine of up to \$1,000.

DOGS

Deer and Moose. Dogs may not be used in taking deer or moose. Dog owners are responsible for keeping their dogs restricted so they cannot take or harass deer or moose at any time of year. Dogs may be shot by wardens and certain other law officers when the dogs are caught harassing deer or moose and the dog owner may be fined and have licenses revoked.

Training Hunting Dogs. A person must accompany a dog being trained to hunt and pursue the species listed below during the specified times, and a firearm may not be carried:

Bear – June 1 to September 15, sunrise to sunset;

Rabbits, hare and game birds – June 1 to the last Saturday in September, from sunrise to sunset;

Raccoon – June 1 to the last Saturday in September, any time of day or night;

Fox and bobcat – June 1 to March 15, except during regular deer season.

By Fish & Wildlife Board permit, a person without a gun may train and condition a hunting dog from the second Monday in March to June 1 from sunrise to sunset inside an area fenced sufficiently to contain the breed of dogs being trained or conditioned. An agent of the commissioner must inspect this fenced area before a permit may be issued. The owner, trainer or handler must accompany dogs being trained or conditioned inside the fence.

Leashed Tracking Dog to Recover Deer or Bear. A hunter who believes he or she has legally killed or wounded a deer or bear during hunting season may engage a person who has a “Leashed Tracking Dog Certificate” issued by the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department to track and recover the animal during the season or within 24 hours after the season ends. Except as otherwise permitted in bear hunting, no person may use a dog to track dead or wounded deer or bear.

Applications for the “Leashed Tracking Dog Certificate” cost \$25.00. First-time leashed tracking dog certificates, valid for five years, cost \$100.00 for residents and \$200.00 for nonresidents. Applicants must pass a test. Renewal certificates are \$125.00 for residents and \$225.00 for nonresidents.

MOOSE HUNT

A moose hunting season will likely be held in October consistent with Vermont’s Moose Management Plan. Hunting permits would be issued by lottery. Applications would be available on the Fish & Wildlife website—\$10.00 resident, \$25.00 nonresident. Permits are \$100.00 resident, \$350.00 nonresident.

TREE STANDS AND GROUND BLINDS

Private Land: A person must have the landowner’s permission to build, erect, maintain, use or occupy a permanent or portable tree stand or ground blind for any purpose on any private land in Vermont. Anyone who builds, erects, or maintains a tree stand or ground blind

shall permanently mark the stand or blind with the owner’s name and address. Marking must be legible and placed so that it can be read conveniently and easily. This does not apply to a landowner who builds, erects, or maintains a tree stand or ground blind on his or her own land. It is illegal to use someone else’s blind without landowner permission.

State Wildlife Management Areas: Permanent tree stands and ground blinds are prohibited on state wildlife management areas. Temporary tree stands and ground blinds are acceptable from the third Saturday in August through the third Saturday in December.

Temporary blinds on state wildlife management areas must be constructed according to the following requirements:

No damage may be done to any living tree in erecting, maintaining, using or accessing the stand or blind except that:

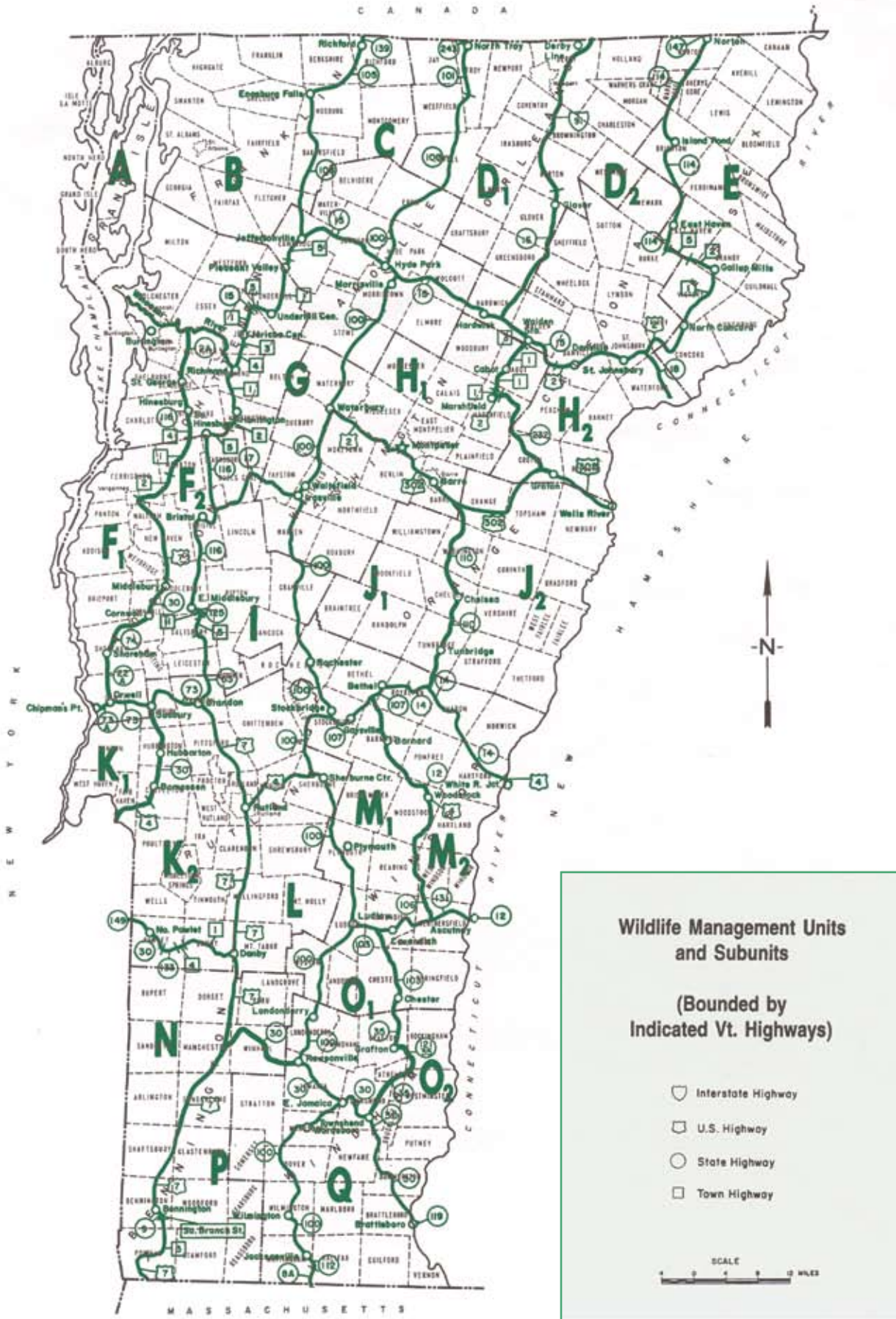
- Dead limbs, trees or shrubs may be removed as needed to erect and use the stand or blind
- No live limbs, trees or shrubs may be cut for any purpose except those one inch or less in diameter at either ground level or from the main stem or branch of the tree where the stand or blind is located as appropriate (for guidance, a United States quarter is .9 inch in diameter)
- No nails, bolts, screws (including access steps), wire, chain or other material that penetrates through a living tree’s bark into the wood below shall be used in erecting, attaching, maintaining or using any stand or blind
- All tree stands or ground blinds used on Wildlife Management Areas must be clearly, permanently and legibly marked with the owner’s name and address. Mark legibly and place it in a manner that enables it to be read conveniently and easily.

Tree stands and ground blinds that do not conform to this regulation are prohibited and may be confiscated and/or destroyed by the Department. Building, erecting, maintaining, using or occupying a non-conforming tree stand or ground blind is prohibited.

CAUTION: IT IS UNLAWFUL TO —

- Hunt or take deer, bear or turkeys with bait
- Pick up carcasses of protected wildlife
- Take game except with a gun, bow and arrow, or crossbow by permit
- Set or use a snare
- Set or use any device to discharge a firearm for the purpose of taking any wild animal
- Take waterfowl or wild turkeys with the aid of an electronic calling device
- Use dogs to hunt deer or moose
- Use laser sights for hunting
- Cast the rays of a light in order to spot, locate, take or attempt to take any wild animal. The only exception is for raccoon or skunk hunting.

WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT UNIT (WMU) MAP



Wildlife Management Units and Subunits

(Bounded by Indicated Vt. Highways)

- Interstate Highway
- U.S. Highway
- State Highway
- Town Highway

SCALE
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Wildlife Management District Boundaries

Area A – All of Grand Isle County including the islands.

Area B – Beginning at the junction of the United States/ Canadian Border and the Grand Isle/ Franklin Counties Border proceed east along the Canadian Border to its intersection with State Route 139. Then proceed southerly along that road to State Route 105. Continue southerly along Route 105 to State Route 108 and then along Route 108 to its intersection with the Upper Valley Road (Cambridge Town Highway 5) in Jeffersonville. Continue southerly along the Upper Valley Road to the Pleasant Valley Road and then along the Pleasant Valley Road (Cambridge Town Highway 1, Underhill Town Highway 1, Jericho Town Highway 5) to State Route 15. Then south along Route 15 to the Brown's Trace Road (Jericho Town Highways 1,3,4) and along that road to the Jericho Road (Richmond Town Highway 4). Continue along the Jericho Road to Bridge Street in Richmond and along Bridge Street to the Winooski River. Then westerly along the Winooski River to its mouth at Lake Champlain and then in a northwesterly direction to the Grand Isle/Chittenden County border. Then north along that border to the point of beginning.

Area C – Beginning at the junction of the United State/ Canadian Border and State Route 139 proceed east along the border to State Route 243. Then southerly along Route 105A to State Route 101 and along 101 to State Route 100. Continue south along Route 100 to State Route 15 then west along Route 15 to State Route 108. Then north along Route 108 to State Route 105 and along Route 105 to Route 139 and along it to the point of beginning.

Area D – Beginning at the United States/Canadian Border and State Route 243 proceed east along the border to State Route 147. Then south along that road to State Route 114. Continue south along Route 114 to Burke Town Highway 5 and then easterly along that road to Victory Town Highway 2 and along it to Gallup Mills. From Gallup Mills proceed south along Victory Town Highway 1 to Concord Town Highway 1 and along it to U.S. Route 2 at North Concord. Then west along U.S. Route 2 to State Route 15 and along Route 15 to State Route 100. Then north along Route 100 to state Route 101 and along it to State Route 105A and along it to the point of beginning. Wildlife Management Unit D is subdivided into subunits D1 and D2.

Subunit D1 – is that part of area "D" lying West of a line commencing at the junction of Vermont State Highways 15 and 16 in the Town of Hardwick and proceeding northerly along Vermont State Highway 16 to its junction with Interstate 91 in the Town of Barton and then northerly along Interstate 91 to the border between the United States and Canada in the Town of Derby.

Subunit D2 – is that part of area "D" lying East of a line commencing at the junction of Vermont State Highways 15 and 16 in the Town of Hardwick and proceeding northerly along Vermont State Highway 16 to its junction with Interstate 91 in the Town of Barton and then northerly along Interstate 91 to the border between the United States and Canada in the Town of Derby.

Area E – Beginning at the United States/Canadian Border

and State Route 147 proceed east along the border to the Vermont/New Hampshire Border at Canaan. Then south along the New Hampshire Border to State Route 18. Continue along Route 18 to U.S. Route 2. Then east along U.S. Route 2 to Concord Town Highway 1 at North Concord. Then along that road to Victory Town Highway 1 and along it to Gallup Mills. From Gallup Mills proceed west along Victory Town Highway 2 to Burke Town Highway 5 and along it to State Route 114. Then north along Route 114 to Route 147 and along it to the point of beginning.

Area F – Beginning at the mouth of the Winooski River at Lake Champlain proceed east along the river to Bridge Street in Richmond. Then south along Bridge Street to the Richmond/ Huntington Road (Richmond Town Highway 1, Huntington Town Highway 1) and along it to the Hinesburg Hollow Road (Huntington Town Highway 2, Starksboro Town Highway 2, Hinesburg Town Highway 5). Then west along the Hinesburg Hollow Road to State Route 116. Continue south along Route 116 to State Route 125 and then east on that road to the Upper Plains Road (Middlebury Town Highway 11, Salisbury Town Highway 5). Then south along that road to State Route 53 and along it to State Route 73. Proceed westerly on Route 73 to State Route 73A and along it to Chipman's Point. Then on a west line to the New York/ Vermont Border and then north along that border to the Grand Isle County Border. Then southeast to the Winooski River to the point beginning. Wildlife Management Unit F is subdivided into subunits F1 and F2.

Subunit F1 – is that part of area "F" lying West of a line commencing at the junction of State Highways 22A and 73 in the Town of Orwell, then proceeding northerly along Vermont State Highway 22A to its junction with Vermont State Highway 74 in the Town of Shoreham then northerly along Vermont State Highway 74 to its junction with Vermont State Highway 30 in the Town of Cornwall and then northerly along Vermont State Highway 30 to its junction with U.S. Route 7 in the Town of Middlebury then northerly along U.S. Route 7 to its junction with the Monkton Ridge Road (T.H. #2) in the Town of Ferrisburg. Then northerly along the Monkton Ridge Road. (T.H. #2 in Ferrisburg, T.H. #1 in Monkton, T.H. #4 in Hinesburg) to its junction with Vermont State Highway 116 in the Town of Hinesburg and northerly along Vermont State Highway 116 to its junction with Vermont State Highway 2A in the Town of St. George and then northerly along Vermont State Highway 2A to its junction with the Winooski River in the Town of Williston.

Subunit F2 – is that part of area "F" lying East of a line commencing at the junction of State Highways 22A and 73 in the Town of Orwell, then proceeding northerly along Vermont State Highway 22A to its junction with Vermont State Highway 74 in the Town of Shoreham then northerly along Vermont State Highway 30 in the Town of Cornwall and then northerly along Vermont State Highway 30 to its junction with U.S. Route 7 in the Town of Middlebury then northerly along U.S. Route 7 to its junction with the Monkton Ridge Road (T.H.#2) in the Town of Ferrisburg. Then northerly along the Monkton Ridge Road (T.H. #2 in Ferrisburg, T.H. #1 in Monkton, T.H. #4 in Hinesburg) to its junction with Vermont State Highway 116 in the Town of Hinesburg and northerly along Vermont State Highway

116 to its junction with Vermont State Highway 2A in the Town of St. George and then northerly along Vermont State Highway 2A to its junction with the Winooski River in the Town of Williston.

Area G – Beginning at the junction of State Route 108 and the upper Valley Road (Cambridge Town Highway 5) in Jeffersonville proceed north on Route 108 to State Route 15. Then east on Route 15 to State Route 100 and then south on that road to State Route 17. Continue westerly along Route 17 to State Route 116 then north along that road to the Hinesburg Hollow Road (Hinesburg Town Highway 5, Starkboro Town Highway 2, Huntington Town Highway 2). Proceed northeasterly along the Hinesburg Hollow Road to the Richmond/Huntington Road (Huntington Town Highway 1, Richmond Town Highway 1) and along that road to Bridge Street in Richmond. Continue along Bridge Street to the Jericho Road (Richmond Town Highway 4) and along it to the Brown's Trace Road (Jericho Town Highway 4,3,1). Then along that road to State Route 15 and along it to the Pleasant Valley Road (Jericho Town Highway 5, Underhill Town Highway 1, Cambridge Town Highway 1). Continue on that road to the Upper Valley Road and along it to the point of beginning.

Area H – Beginning at the intersection of State Route 15 and 100 in Morristown proceed east along Route 15 to U.S. Route 2 and then along U.S. Route 2 to State Route 18. Then south along Route 18 to the Vermont/New Hampshire Border and then along the border to its intersection with U.S. Route 302 at Wells River. Then west on U.S. Route 302 to State Route 2 in Montpelier and then along U.S. Route 2 to State Route 100. Then north along Route 100 to the point of beginning. Wildlife Management Unit "H" is subdivided into subunits H1 and H2.

Subunit H1 – is that part of area "H" lying West of a line commencing at the junction of U.S. Route 302 and the "Groton Marshfield" State Highway 232 in the Town of Groton and then northerly along the "Groton Marshfield" State Highway 232 to its junction with U.S. Route 2 in the Town of Marshfield and then west along U.S. Route 2 to its junction with the "Cabot Walden" road (T.H. #1 in Marshfield, T.H. # 1 in Cabot, T.H. #3 in Walden) to its junction with Vermont State Highway 15 in the Town of Walden.

Subunit H2 – is the part of area "H" lying East of a line commencing at the junction of U.S. Route 302 and the "Groton Marshfield" State Highway 232 in the Town of Groton and then northerly along the "Groton Marshfield" State Highway 232 to its junction with U.S. Route 2 in the Town of Marshfield and then west along U.S. Route 2 to its junction with the "Cabot Walden" road (T.H. #1 in Marshfield, T.H. #1 in Cabot, T.H. #3 in Walden) to its junction with Vermont State Highway 15 in the Town of Walden.

Area I – Beginning at the intersection of State Routes 116 and 17 proceed east along Route 17 to its junction with State Route 100. Then south along Route 100 to U.S. Route 4 and then west on U.S. Route 4 to U.S. Route 7. Then north along U.S. Route 7 to State Route 73. Then along Route 73 to State Route 53 and along it to the Upper Plains Road (Salisbury Town Highway 5, Middlebury Town Highway 11).

Proceed north along the Upper Plains Road to State Route 125 and West along it to Route 116 then north along that road to the point of beginning.

Area J – Beginning at the intersection of State Route 100 and U.S. Route 2 proceed east on U.S. Route 2 to U.S. Route 302 and along it to the Vermont/New Hampshire Border at Wells River. Then south along the border to U.S. Route 4 and then west on U.S. Route 4 to State Route 14 and west along it to State Route 107, to Route 100 and north along it to the point of beginning. Wildlife Management Unit "J" is subdivided into subunits J1 and J2.

Subunit J1 – is that part of area "J" lying West of a line commencing at the junction of Vermont State Highway 14 and 110 in the Town of Royalton and then northerly along Vermont State Highway 110 to its junction with U.S. Route 302 in the Town of Barre.

Subunit J2 – is that part of area "J" lying East of a line commencing at the junction of Vermont State Highway 14 and 110 in the Town of Royalton and then northerly along Vermont State Highway 110 to its junction with U.S. Route 302 in the Town of Barre.

Area K – Beginning at Chipman's Point proceed east along State Route 73A to State Route 73 and continue along it to U.S. Route 7. Then south along U.S. Route 7 to the Danby/Pawlet Road (Mt. Tabor T.H. #1, Danby T.H. #1, Pawlet T.H. #4). Then west along that road to State Route 133 and along it to State Route 30 then westerly along that road to State Route 149 and along it to the Vermont/New York Border. Then north along the border to the point of beginning. Wildlife Management Unit "K" is subdivided into subunits K1 and K2.

Subunit K1 – is that part of area "K" lying North and West of a line commencing at the junction of the New York/Vermont Border and U.S. Route 4 in the Town of Fair Haven and easterly along U.S. Route 4 to its junction with Vermont State Highway 30 in the Town of Castleton and then northerly along Vermont State Highway 20 to its junction with Vermont State Highway 73 in the Town of Sudbury.

Subunit K2 – is that part of area "K" lying South and East of a line commencing at the junction of the New York/Vermont Border and U.S. Route 4 in the Town of Fair Haven and easterly along U.S. Route 4 to its junction with Vermont State Highway 30 in the town of Castleton and then northerly along Vermont State Highway 30 to its junction with Vermont State Highway 73 in the Town of Sudbury.

Area L – Beginning at the intersection of U.S. Route 4 and 7 proceed east along U.S. Route 4 to State Route 100. Then south along that road to State Route 30 and then west along it to U.S. Route 7 and north along that road to the point of beginning.

Area M – Beginning at the intersection of State Route 100 and 107 proceed east on Route 107 to State Route 14 and along it to U.S. Route 4. Then along U.S. Route 4 to the Vermont/New Hampshire Border. Then south along the border to State Route 12 and then west on that road to State Route 131. Continue west on that road to State Route 103, and continue westerly to State Route 100 and then north on

that road to the point of beginning. Wildlife Management Unit "M" is subdivided into subunits M1 and M2.

Subunit M1 – is that part of area "M" lying West of a line commencing at the junction of Vermont State Highway 131 and 106 in the Town of Weathersfield and then northerly along Vermont State Highway 106 to its junction with U.S. Route 4 in the Town of Woodstock and then east along U.S. route 4 to its junction with Vermont State Highway 12 in the Town of Woodstock and the north along Vermont state Highway 12 to its junction with Vermont State Highway 107 in the Town of Bethel.

Subunit M2 – is that part of area "M" lying East of a line commencing at the junctions of Vermont State Highways 131 and 106 in the Town of Weathersfield and then northerly along Vermont State Highway 106 to its junction with U.S. Route 4 in the Town of Woodstock and then east along U.S. Route 4 to its junction with Vermont State Highway 12 in the Town of Woodstock and then north along Vermont State Highway 12 to its junction with Vermont State Highway 107 in the Town of Bethel.

Area N – Beginning at the junction of State Route 149 and the Vermont/New York Border proceed east on that road to State Route 30 then southeast on that road to State Route 133. Continue easterly on that road to the Danby/Pawlet Road (Pawlet T.H. #4, Danby T.H. #1, Mt. Tabor T.H. #1). Then along that road to U.S. Route 7 and then south on U.S. Route 7 to State Route 9. Then east on Route 9 to South Branch Street in Bennington and then south along it to Bennington Town Highway 3 to Pownal Town Highway 3 and along it to U.S. Route 7. Then along U.S. Route 7 to the Vermont/Massachusetts Border and then west along that border to the New York Border and north along it to the point of beginning.

Area O – Beginning at the intersection of State Routes 100 and 103 proceed east on Route 103 to State Route 131 and continue easterly to Route 12 State and then along that road to the Vermont/New Hampshire Border. Then south along that border to State Route 119. Then west along that route to Main Street in Brattleboro and then northerly along Main Street to State Route 30. Continue north along Route 30 to State Route 100 and then north on it to the point of beginning. Wildlife Management Unit "O" is subdivided into subunits O1 and O2.

Subunit O1 – is that part of area "O" lying West of a line commencing at the junction of Vermont State Highway 30 and 35 in the Town of Townshend and proceeding northerly along Highway 35 to the Town of Cambridgeport then continuing northerly along Highway 35/121 to the Town of Grafton and continuing north on Highway 35 to Vermont State Highway 103 in the Town of Chester and then northerly along Vermont State Highway 103 to its junction with Vermont State Highway 131 in the Town of Cavendish.

Subunit O2 – is that part of area "O" lying East of a line commencing at the junction of Vermont State Highways 30 and 35 in the Town of Townshend and proceeding northerly along Highway 35 to the Town of Cambridgeport then continuing northerly along Highway 35/121 to the Town of Grafton and continuing north on Highway 35 to

Vermont State Highway 103 in the Town of Chester and then northerly along Vermont State Highway 103 to its junction with Vermont State Highway 131 in the Town of Cavendish.

Area P – Beginning at the intersection of U.S. Route 7 and State Route 30 proceed east on Route 30 to State Route 100 and then south on that road to State Route 112. Then along that road to State Route 8A and along Vermont/Massachusetts border. Then west along the border to U.S. Route 7 and then north on it to Pownal Town Highway 3 and along it to Bennington Town Highway. Continue on that road to South Branch Street in Bennington and then on it to State Route 9. Then west on Route 9 to U.S. Route 7 and then north on it to the point of beginning.

Area Q – Beginning at the intersection of State Routes 100 and 30 in East Jamaica proceed southeast on Route 30 to Main Street in Brattleboro and then along Main Street to State Route 119 and along it to the Vermont/New Hampshire Border. Then South on that border to the Massachusetts Border and then west along that border to State Route 8A. Then northerly along that road to State Route 112 and then along it to State Route 100. Proceed north along Route 100 to the point of beginning.

BIG GAME

DEFINITION

Deer, bear, moose, wild turkey, caribou, elk, and anadromous Atlantic salmon taken in the Connecticut River Basin are considered "**big game**."

TAGGING

As soon as a **big game** animal is taken in an open season, it must immediately be tagged. The tag shall be placed on the carcass in a location that is open to view. The tag shall remain on the carcass during possession and transportation, until such time as the animal is cut up for consumption.

Transporting parts of **big game** is prohibited unless the parts or the package containing them are marked with the name and address of the person who killed the animal(s).

REPORTING

A person taking **big game**, as defined, pursuant to the seasons provided by law or regulation of the Fish & Wildlife Board shall within 48 hours report the taking and exhibit the carcass to the nearest game warden, official Fish & Wildlife Department Reporting Station, or to a person designated by the commissioner to receive the reports. No **big game** carcass shall be transported out of state without first being reported.

TRANSPORTING

It is illegal to transport **big game** taken by any illegal means, or taken in closed season.

Deer do not need to be visible when transported.

All other regulations regarding the transportation of fish or game apply to the transportation of **big game**.

IMPORTING

In order to legally transport into Vermont and possess **big game** that was legally taken in another state or country, a person must keep the tag that is required by the state or the country where the **big game** was taken. Each package of meat must be marked with the name of the person who took the animal, tag number, date, and state or country of origin.

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) is a disease of the brain and nervous system in deer and elk. It produces lesions that cause death in deer and elk. For the latest information on CWD, check the following websites: www.vtfishandwildlife.com / www.iafwa.org / www.cwd-info.org

Rules on Importing and Possession of Deer or Elk from Areas with Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) and Captive Hunt Areas or Farms:

It is illegal to import or possess legally taken deer or elk, or parts of deer or elk, from states and Canadian provinces that have had Chronic Wasting Disease, or from captive hunt or farm facilities with the following exceptions:

- Meat that is cut up, packaged and labeled with hunting license information and not mixed with other deer or elk during processing.
- Meat that is boneless.
- Hides or capes with no part of the head attached.
- Clean skull-cap with antlers attached.
- Antlers with no other meat or tissue attached.
- Finished taxidermy heads.
- Upper canine teeth with no tissue attached.

Vermont's CWD importation regulations apply to hunters bringing in deer or elk carcasses from the following states and provinces: New York, West Virginia, Colorado, Wyoming, Nebraska, South Dakota, Utah, New Mexico, Wisconsin, Illinois, Kansas, Oklahoma, Minnesota, Montana, Saskatchewan, and Alberta.

Other fish or game legally taken in another state or country may be possessed and transported into Vermont in the presence of the person who took that fish or game.

FINES AND PENALTIES

A person who violates state law regarding **big game** hunting or the rules of the Fish & Wildlife Board relating to taking, possessing, transporting, buying or selling of **big game** will face penalties that include fines, imprisonment, and license revocation. Violators shall be fined not more than \$500.00, nor less than \$200.00. Violators may also be imprisoned for not more than 60 days, or may face both fine and imprisonment. License revocation is based on the point system (*10 V.S.A. Sect. 4502*).

ILLEGAL MEANS OF TAKING

The following means of taking **big game** are not allowed: snares, traps, salt licks, jacks or other lights. None of these devices may be used to entrap or ensnare **big game**.

Hunters are prohibited from using a dog of any breed or sex at any time for the purpose of hunting any **big game**; for example, deer or moose. Hunters are also prohibited from harboring or possessing while hunting a dog used for this purpose. Exceptions for hunting black bear and wild turkey with dogs are provided in Fish & Wildlife rules.

POSSESSION

Big game may be legally possessed during the open season and for a reasonable time after the season has closed. The only **big game** that can be legally possessed is big game that has been legally taken.

It is illegal to possess **big game** taken by any illegal devices or, any big game taken in closed season.

Any part of the carcass of legally taken **big game** may be possessed at any time in cans or in a cold storage locker or home freezer.

DEER HUNTING



ANNUAL LIMIT

The annual limit is TWO deer per year per hunter. See each season for restrictions.

HUNTING HOURS

Hunting hours are one half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset. (*See Sunrise/Sunset Tables*)

TRANSPORTING DEER

A tagged deer may be transported only during the open season and for 20 days thereafter.

Deer may be legally transported only under two conditions:

- When accompanied by the person who shot the deer (including moving the deer from kill-site to camp or motorvehicle) or
- When transported by common carrier (for example, a shipping company) and tagged with the name of the consignor and consignee, name of station shipped from, and its destination.

The appropriate deer tag must be securely attached to the deer in both circumstances.

When transporting parts of a deer, the parts or package

must be marked with name and address of person who killed the deer.

Deer do not need to be visible when transported.

Also, see the "Transporting" and "Importing" sections under Big Game and the general transporting section.

BAITING DEER

It is illegal to hunt or take any wild animal by using bait during any deer hunting season, except that trappers may use bait in taking furbearers. "Bait" is defined as any animal, vegetable, fruit or mineral matter placed with the intention of attracting wildlife. Natural and artificial substances from deer or that mimic the natural odors of deer (scents or lures) are not considered bait. Cover scents on your clothes are considered legal.

It is illegal to take deer by using bait with the following exceptions:

1. Elevated bird/squirrel feeders providing seed, grain, fruit, worms, or suet for birds or squirrels located within 100 feet of a dwelling devoted to human occupancy;
2. Incidental feeding of wildlife within active livestock operations;
3. Standing crops planted and left standing as food plots for wildlife;
4. Grain or other feed scattered or distributed solely as a result of normal agricultural, gardening, or soil stabilization practices; and
5. Standing, flooded, or manipulated natural vegetation or food/seed deposited by natural vegetation.

FEEDING DEER

It is illegal to feed wild deer at any time except:

1. Under a license or permit issued by Fish & Wildlife for scientific research, mitigation of wildlife damage or nuisance problems, or wildlife population reduction programs;
2. By planting, cultivating or harvesting of crops directly associated with agricultural practices, including planted wildlife food plots;
3. By distribution of food for livestock directly associated with agricultural practices;
4. By the cutting of trees or brush.

SWIMMING DEER

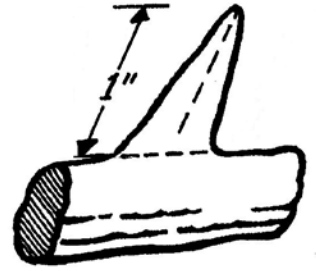
It is illegal to take a deer that is swimming in any lake, pond, river or other body of water.

DEFINITIONS OF TERMS FOR DEER SEASONS

Legal Buck: A deer with at least one antler having two or more points one inch or longer.

Point: An antler projection of at least one inch measured from base to tip. The main beam counts as a point, regardless of length.

Antlerless Deer: A deer without antlers or with antlers less than three inches long.



BOW AND ARROW DEER SEASON

License. Any person wishing to hunt deer with a bow and arrow during archery deer season must have a bow and arrow license. Exceptions: resident and nonresident landowners on their own land.

Season: Oct. 6-28 and Dec. 1-9, 2007

Limit: One legal buck with one antler having two or more points one inch or longer may be taken anywhere in the state. In addition, the Fish & Wildlife Board may authorize the taking of one antlerless deer in specific Wildlife Management Units. Check regulations before hunting.

Deer must be taken by bow (long bow, recurve bow or compound bow) and arrows. The arrowhead must be at least 7/8 of an inch in width with two or more cutting edges. For this season, a person must have a bow and arrow license in addition to the regular hunting license (except for nonresident hunters with an archery-only license).

It is illegal to carry a firearm while bow hunting deer in the bow and arrow season.

Crossbows are illegal for hunting. Exception: A crossbow may be used by special permit to take any game that may be taken by bow and arrow. This special permit, issued to a person so physically impaired that he or she cannot operate a standard bow, allows that person to hunt with a crossbow. A permit applicant must produce a licensed physician's certificate certifying that the disability requires the use of a crossbow. Obtain an application from Fish & Wildlife in Waterbury before visiting your doctor. Applicant must also appear before a state game warden. Be sure to make an appointment ahead of time.

Unless it is uncocked, it is illegal to possess or transport a crossbow in or on a motor vehicle, motor boat, airplane, snowmobile, or other motor-propelled craft or any vehicle drawn by a motor-propelled vehicle.

Recovery of Bow & Arrow Deer After Hours. Department policy allows a hunter who has wounded a deer with an arrow to look for the deer after the close of legal shooting time under the following conditions:

- The hunter must request permission from the State Game Warden. Call the nearest State Police office, giving exact location and circumstances.

- The hunter may not take a firearm, bow and arrow, or crossbow on the search, only a knife to dress the deer.
- The hunter must notify the landowner of his/her intentions before starting out to recover the deer.

YOUTH DEER HUNTING WEEKEND—NOV. 3-4, 2007

Vermont's youth deer hunting weekend is on the Saturday and Sunday prior to the opening of the regular November deer season. Young resident hunters who qualify can pick up youth deer hunting tags from hunting and fishing license agents.

Anyone under 16 years of age who has at least one parent or guardian who is a legal resident of Vermont and who has successfully completed a hunter education course may obtain a free youth deer hunting tag by presenting a hunter education course certificate and a filled out application to a license agent. A parent or guardian must also sign the application.

In addition to satisfactorily completing the hunter education course and obtaining the youth deer hunt tag, a participating young person must hold a valid Vermont hunting license and be accompanied by an unarmed adult over 18 years of age who holds a Vermont hunting license. Landowner permission is required in order to hunt on private land with a youth deer tag. The adult may not accompany more than two young hunters at a time.

Landowner permission is required in order to hunt on private land with a youth deer tag. Road hunting is illegal.

A Vermont youth deer hunting tag is valid for one deer of either sex on youth deer hunting weekend.

NOVEMBER RIFLE DEER SEASON

Season: Nov. 10-25, 2007

Limit: One legal buck with at least one antler having two or more points may be taken anywhere in the state.

Caution: Spike bucks may not be taken in this season so they may grow to at least 2 1/2 years of age.

MUZZLELOADER DEER SEASON

Season: Dec. 1-9, 2007

Limit: One legal buck with at least one antler having two or more points may be taken anywhere in the state. In addition, one antlerless deer may be authorized by the Fish & Wildlife Board to be taken by antlerless permit. Check current regulations before hunting.

Definition of Muzzleloading Firearm: A muzzleloading rifle is a single-shot, single-barrel rifle or smoothbore firearm with a minimum barrel length of twenty inches that is designed to be fired from the shoulder. A muzzleloading pistol is a single-shot pistol with a minimum barrel length of 10 inches. Both rifle and pistol must be incapable of being loaded from the breach without the use of tools. Both weapons must have a minimum bore diameter of

.43 inches and an ignition system of traditional or modern flintlock, caplock, matchlock, inline or wheellock style.

Definition of Ammunition for Muzzleloaders: Black powder or other suitable non-smokeless propellant, and a single ball or bullet.

Definition of Loaded Muzzleloader: The weapon shall be considered loaded when it has been charged with powder and projectile and is primed or capped.

Special Provisions. A person who purchases a muzzleloader deer license shall not carry, while deer hunting during the muzzleloader deer season, any firearms other than one single-barreled muzzleloading firearm.

BLACK BEAR HUNTING



John Hall

GENERAL BEAR HUNTING INFORMATION

Season: The season for black bear is Sept. 1- Nov. 14, 2007.

A hunter may take only one black bear in a calendar year.

Bears may be taken only by gun, bow and arrow or crossbow by special permit.

Bears may not be taken alive.

Bears may not be trapped.

Hunters may not use bait or a baited area to take a bear. A "baited area" is defined as an area where meat, carrion, honey, or any other substance capable of luring or attracting bear has been placed or deposited.

It is illegal to shoot a bear that is visiting a bird feeder.

TRANSPORTING

A tagged bear may be transported only during the open season and for 20 days thereafter. See also "Transporting" under *Big Game*.

USE OF DOGS TO HUNT BEAR

Permit Required. Hunters may use dogs to take bear only when the person in control of the dog or dogs has a bear-dog permit. This permit allows no more than six dogs in the pack, and packs must not be relayed.

Bear Dog Permits. A permit issued by the Commissioner of Fish & Wildlife is required to pursue black bear with the aid of dogs, either for training or taking purposes.

Nonresident Bear Dog Permits. The number of permits issued to nonresidents in any given year is not to exceed ten percent of the number of permits issued to residents in the preceding year. A lottery is used to randomly select nonresident permits. A nonresident may train dogs to hunt bear only while training season is in effect in the nonresident's home state and subject to the laws and regulations of this state. Contact Fish & Wildlife in Rutland at 802-786-0040.

No Hired Dogs. It is illegal to advertise, hire, barter, exchange, buy, expose or otherwise sell the use of a dog or dogs for the purpose of taking any black bear.

SALE OF BLACK BEAR PARTS

International trade in hides, claws, skulls, or teeth of black bear is regulated by federal law and international treaty. If you plan to sell your own bear hide or parts outside of the United States, you must obtain an export permit (for a fee) from the Federal Wildlife Permit Office, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Office of Management Authority, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Arlington, VA 22203, 1-800-358-2104.

These products must be shipped through one of eleven designated ports (Boston is the nearest), or through another port under special permit (for a fee) from the same office.

You do not need export permits and declarations to sell to domestic or foreign buyers within Vermont or the rest of the United States, or to sell through brokers who possess the necessary permits.

GAME BIRD HUNTING



Dan Swainbank

DEFINITIONS

The following are classified as game birds: Quail, ruffed grouse, chukar partridge, woodcock, pheasant, common snipe, coot, wild ducks, wild geese, and wild turkey (which is classified as big game). Other wild birds including Hungarian partridge have no open season.

SEASONS & BAG LIMITS

| | SEASON | BAG LIMIT |
|---------------------------|---|-------------------------|
| Ruffed Grouse (Partridge) | Last Sat. in Sept. through Dec. 31 | 4 daily 8 possession |
| Pheasant * | Last Sat. in Sept. through Dec. 31 | 2 daily 4 possession |
| Bobwhite Quail * | No Closed Season. | No limit |
| Chukar Partridge * | No Closed Season. | No limit |
| Crow | March 14 - April 30, Aug. 16 - Oct. 29 | No limit |

* Practically nonexistent except by private stocking.

MIGRATORY BIRD REGULATIONS

The Fish & Wildlife Department issues waterfowl and other migratory game bird regulations through license agents shortly before the opening of the seasons.

STATE AND FEDERAL WATERFOWL STAMPS

Both Vermont and federal waterfowl stamps are required to hunt migratory waterfowl for hunters 16 and older. Federal stamps are sold at post offices. Vermont State Waterfowl Stamps are available from town clerks and other license agents for \$5.00. The hunter must sign across the face of each stamp before hunting.

YOUTH WATERFOWL HUNTING WEEKEND

A youth waterfowl hunting weekend will likely be held in late September for hunters under 16. Check the migratory bird hunting rules, available in September, for details.

DUCK BLINDS

Waterfowl blinds may not be placed on or in the waters of the state earlier than the first Saturday of September of any year. Anyone who places a blind must have their name and address permanently and legibly affixed on the blind by waterproof paint or rustproof tag.

Waterfowl blinds located on or in any waters of the state except Lake Champlain must be removed, together with contents and any surrounding debris, on or before May 15 of the following year. A waterfowl blind located on or in Lake Champlain must be removed on or before February 15 of the following year. *Also see Tree Stands and Ground Blinds section.*

NONTOXIC SHOT

It is illegal to take waterfowl or coots in Vermont while possessing loose shot or shot shells loaded with shot other than nontoxic shot. Shot should be of a size no larger than size T.

It is illegal to take a group or combination of waterfowl/coots and other species in Vermont while possessing loose shot or shot shells loaded with any shot other than nontoxic shot.

WOODCOCK AND COMMON SNIPE

Season: Set annually.

Woodcock and common snipe are migratory game birds. Migratory game birds, including waterfowl, may be taken only by shotgun with one-piece plug or manufactured to restrict it to three-shot capacity. State and Federal duck stamps are not required for woodcock or snipe hunting.

HARVEST INFORMATION PROGRAM FOR MIGRATORY BIRDS (H.I.P.)

Compliance: If you are hunting migratory game birds, you need to comply with the H.I.P. Migratory game birds include ducks, geese, brant, coots, and woodcock. You must complete the H.I.P. questionnaire on the front of the hunting license. There is no charge, but federal law requires that migratory game bird hunters complete this short survey. Vermont and federal migratory waterfowl stamps are also needed to hunt ducks or geese.

How does the H.I.P. work? The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) will ask a sample of hunters to record daily hunt information on survey cards and return completed cards at the end of hunting season. The survey will enable the USFWS to more accurately determine the status of migratory game birds. Inadequate harvest information has been used to legally challenge hunting seasons in some states.

We thank you for your help! Cooperation and support from hunters is the key to sound wildlife management. The Harvest Information Program for Migratory Game Birds will help ensure the future of migratory bird hunting.

TURKEY HUNTING



LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

A current hunting or combination license and current turkey license are required to hunt turkey.

LEGAL METHODS OF TAKING

Only a shotgun or bow and arrow may be used. Only number 2 through number 8 shot shall be used or possessed, and an arrowhead must be at least 7/8 of an inch in width and have two or more cutting edges.

Rifles and handguns shall not be used or carried by any person while hunting turkeys. No person shall use electronic calling devices, bait, live decoys, or participate in cooperative drives. No person shall use dogs in the spring season.

TAGGING

A hunter who takes a turkey shall attach the proper tag to the carcass. The tag must remain on the carcass until the carcass is prepared for consumption.

YOUTH TURKEY HUNTING WEEKEND

Vermont's Youth Turkey Hunting Weekend (April 28-29, 2007) is on the Saturday and Sunday prior to opening day of the spring turkey hunting season.

Anyone under 16 years of age who has at least one parent or guardian who is a legal resident of Vermont, and who has successfully completed a hunter education course, may take one bearded turkey during youth turkey hunting weekend. A youth may also hunt during the spring season and take two bearded turkeys during that season. The young person must hold a valid hunting license and turkey hunting license and be accompanied by an unarmed adult who holds a valid hunting license and is over 18 years of age. The adult may accompany up to two youths at one time.

No person shall hunt on private land during Youth Turkey Hunting Weekend without first obtaining permission of the landowner.

TURKEY SEASONS

Spring Season: May 1-31, 2007

Shooting Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to 12:00 noon.

Limit: Two bearded turkeys for the spring season.

All Wildlife Management Units (WMU) are open to hunting during the spring season.

Fall Season: (See dates below)

Shooting Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset. (See **Sunrise/Sunset Tables.**)

Limit: One turkey of either sex for the fall season.

Dates and Wildlife Management Units (WMU) Open to Hunting:

- Bow and arrow only: October 6-19, 2007 in WMUs F1, F2, G, H1, H2, I, J1, J2, K1, K2, L, M1, M2, N, O1, O2, P, and Q
- Bow and arrow only: October 20-26, 2007 in WMU H1
- Seven day shotgun season: October 20-26, 2007 in WMUs G, H2, I, J1, J2, L, M1, M2, O1, O2, P, and Q
- Sixteen day shotgun season: October 20-November 4, 2007 in WMUs F1, F2, K1, K2, and N

OTHER GAME HUNTING

SEASONS & BAG LIMITS

| | SEASON | BAG LIMIT |
|-----------------|---|-------------------------|
| Gray Squirrel | September 1- December 31 | 4 daily 8 possession |
| Rabbit, Hare | Last Sat. in Sept.- Second Sun. in March | 3 daily 6 possession |
| Elk or Caribou | No open season | |

SALE OF SMALL GAME

It is illegal to buy or sell a wild bird, rabbit, hare or gray squirrel at any time.

TRAPPING INFORMATION



FURBEARING ANIMALS

The following are classified as furbearing animals: beaver, otter, marten, mink, raccoon, fisher, fox, skunk, muskrat, bobcat, and coyote.

SEASONS & BAG LIMITS

| | SEASON | BAG LIMIT |
|--|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| Beaver | (contact F&W for season dates) | |
| Otter | (contact F&W for season dates) | |
| Marten | No open season | |
| Mink | 4th Sat. in Oct.- Dec. 31 | No limit |
| Raccoon | | |
| <i>By shooting, with or without dogs</i> | 2nd Sat. in Oct.-Dec. 31 | No limit |
| <i>By trapping</i> | 4th Sat. in Oct.-Dec. 31 | No limit |
| Fisher | | |
| <i>By trapping</i> | Dec. 1-31 | No limit |
| Fox | | |
| <i>By trapping</i> | 4th Sat. in Oct.-Dec. 31 | No limit |
| <i>By shooting, with or without dogs</i> | 4th Sat. in Oct- 2nd Sun in Feb. | No limit |
| Skunk | 4th Sat. in Oct.-Dec. 31 | No limit |
| Muskrat | | |
| <i>By trapping</i> | (Contact F&W for season dates) | |
| <i>By shooting</i> | (Contact F&W for season dates) | |

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| Bobcat | | |
| <i>By trapping</i> | Dec. 1-16 | No limit |
| <i>By shooting</i> | Jan. 10-Feb. | 7 No limit |
| Coyote | | |
| <i>By trapping</i> | 4th Sat. in Oct.-Dec. 31 | No limit |
| <i>By shooting</i> | No closed season | No limit |

TRAPPING LICENSE REQUIREMENTS

Trapping licenses are only available from the Fish & Wildlife office in Waterbury. An applicant for a trapping license must present either:

- A previous or current trapping license from any state or Canadian province, or
- A certificate showing satisfactory completion of a trapper education course, or
- Other satisfactory proof that the applicant has previously held a valid trapping license

TAGGING AND REPORTING

Fisher and Otter pelts and carcasses shall be presented to a Vermont Game Warden within 10 days of the close of the season. The Warden will tag the pelts and keep the carcasses. No fisher pelts or carcasses may be transported out of Vermont prior to being tagged by a Vermont Game Warden.

Bobcat pelts and carcasses taken during the SHOOTING season shall be presented to a Vermont State Game Warden for tagging within ten days of the close of the season. The warden will tag the pelts and keep the carcasses.

Bobcat pelts and carcasses taken during the TRAPPING season shall be presented to a Vermont State Game Warden for tagging within 48 hours of the close of the season. The warden will tag the pelts and keep the carcasses.

No bobcat pelts or carcasses taken during these seasons shall be transported out of Vermont prior to being tagged by a Vermont State Game Warden.

CHECKING AND MARKING TRAPS

Traps must be checked at least once every 24 hours and any animals caught must be removed. Exception: Traps set under the water or ice during beaver season must be checked at least once in every 72 hours and any animals caught must be removed.

Each trap set on land other than the trapper's own must be marked with the trapper's name and address. The name and address must be either stamped or engraved on the trap or on a tag of rustproof material that is securely attached to the trap. Trappers must notify the landowner before setting traps, and the property owner may revoke trapping permission at any time.

FUR BUYER'S LICENSE

Anyone dealing in pelts must have a valid Fur Buyer's License. The Fur Buyer's License is available from Fish & Wildlife in Waterbury (phone 802-241-3695).

BEAVER

The only legal method of taking beaver is by means of a trap during the open season. Traps used to take beaver must be marked with a tag visible above the ice in addition to the identification on the trap.

No person shall set a trap within 10 feet of the nearest point, above the water, of a beaver house or dam. No person may interfere with dams or dens of beaver except in protection of property.

CAUTION: It is Unlawful to—

- Take a raccoon by shooting except with a .22 caliber rimfire or number 2 shot or smaller
- Set any trap with toothed jaws
- Set a body-gripping trap with a jaw-spread over 8 inches, unless the trap is set 5 feet or more above the ground or in the water. From Dec. 17-31, a person shall not set a body-gripping trap with a jaw-spread over 6 inches unless the trap is set 5 feet or more above the ground or in the water
- Set a trap between Dec. 31 and the following 4th Sat. in Oct. unless the trap is in the water, under the ice or on a float in the water
- Take furbearing animals with poisonous mixtures of any kind
- Take raccoons, skunks or foxes from holes or dens by cutting, digging, smoking, or by use of chemicals
- Take black bear or other game animals by trapping
- Disturb a muskrat house or place a trap therein, thereon, or at the entrance thereof, or in the entrance of or inside a muskrat burrow
- Disturb a trap lawfully set by another person
- Take furbearing animals by means of snares

WILDLIFE DISEASES

Most of the wildlife diseases now found in North America have been here for a long time, but we now know more about them than ever before. Our increased ability to discover and study diseases makes it possible to better understand and prevent exposure to these potential health threats. The best way to learn about them, including the latest developments, is to log onto the Internet. We briefly mention rabies, chronic wasting disease and bird flu below, because of their importance. You can learn more about these, and other wildlife diseases, on several websites with a little help from one of the Internet search sites.

Rabies: A viral disease found in mammals, including dogs, cats, horses and wildlife. Foxes, skunks, raccoons, and bats are the wild animals most likely to come down with rabies in Vermont. It is illegal to livetrapped and transfer any of these animals to a new location because of the threat of transferring the disease. An animal that has rabies can spread the virus through its saliva by biting another animal or person. Seek medical help immediately if you think you may have been exposed to rabies. Call the Rabies Hotline

at 1-800-RABIES (1-800-472-2437) to report a rabid animal or learn about rabies in Vermont.

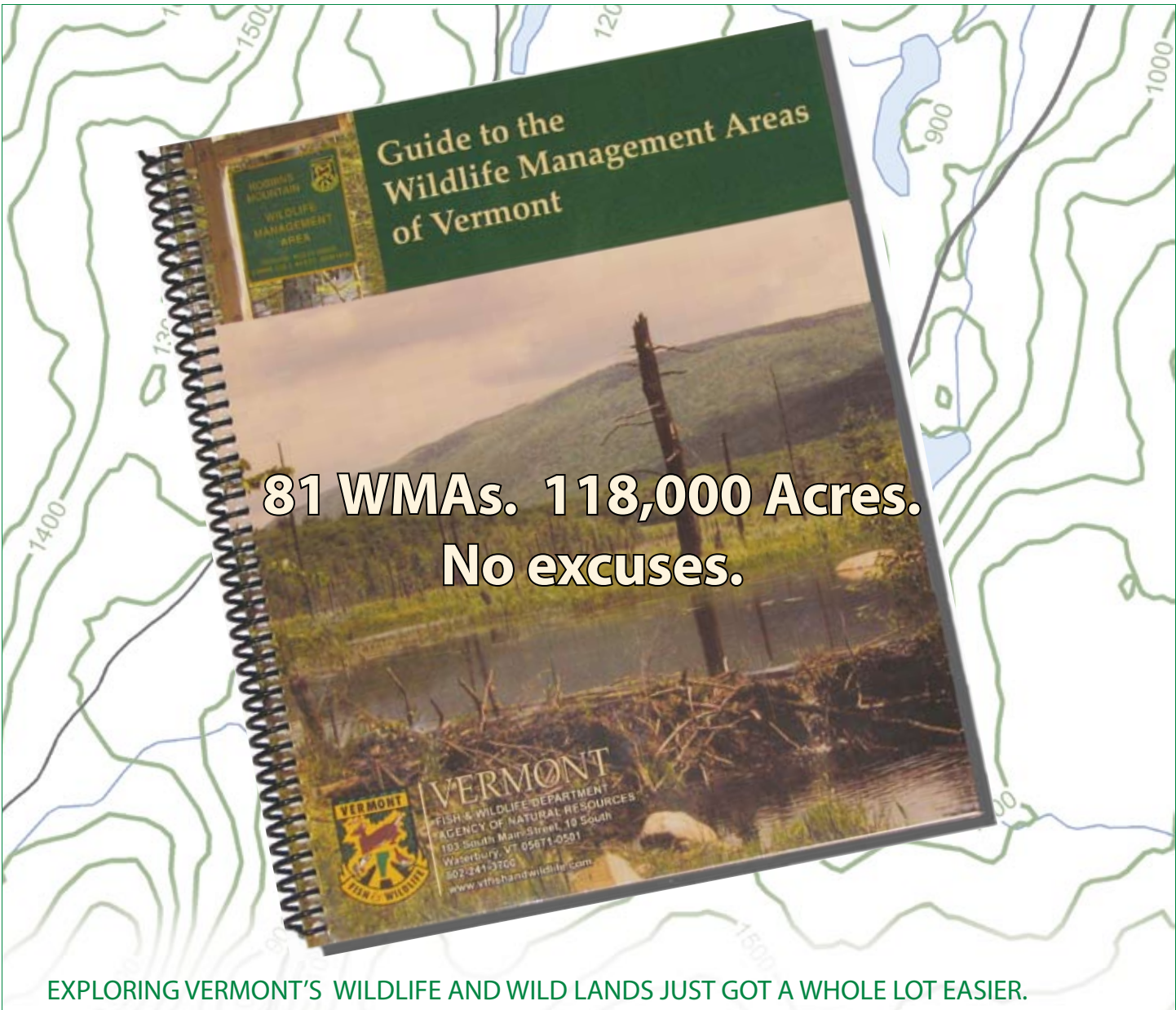
Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD): This is a disease of the brain and nervous system in deer and elk. It produces lesions that cause death in deer and elk. As of September, 2006, CWD had not been found in Vermont. It is illegal to import or possess legally taken deer or elk, or parts of deer or elk, from states and Canadian provinces that have had CWD, or from captive hunt or farm facilities with exceptions listed under Big Game Importing. Check the following websites: www.vtfishandwildlife.com / www.iafwa.org / www.cwd-info.org.

Bird Flu or Avian Influenza (AI): There are many types of avian influenza caused by viruses commonly found in wild bird populations. Usually, small numbers of birds are affected, and generally AI does not cause obvious signs of infection in birds. The virus is spread through nasal and oral discharges and fecal droppings. Few bird viruses are able to infect humans, but influenza viruses are able to adapt and change over time. Since 2003, a virulent strain of Asian H5N1 emerged and spread across Southeast Asia. Known as Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI), this strain is contagious and deadly to domestic poultry. This virus had spread to Asia, Siberia, Kazakhstan, Europe and Africa by September, 2006, but it had not been found in North America. Check these websites: Vermont Department of Health at www.healthvermont.gov, and www.pandemicflu.gov.

Other Diseases to Learn About: There are many wildlife diseases, including parasites, that can be harmful to humans, but the best way to protect yourself is to learn about them and to use precautions. Here are some of the other diseases to be aware of: West Nile virus, Lyme disease, trichinosis (especially in bears), tularemia, giardiasis, raccoon roundworm (*Baylisascaris procyonis*), and hantavirus. Check these websites to learn more: www.cdc.gov/healthypets/animals/wildlife.htm and www.wildlifedisease.org.

How Can I Protect Myself from Most Wildlife Diseases While Hunting or Trapping?

1. Do not handle wildlife that are obviously sick or found dead.
2. Deep your game cool, clean and dry.
3. Avoid contact between hands and mouth or eyes. Do not eat, drink or smoke while cleaning your game.
4. Use plastic or rubber gloves when cleaning game.
5. Wash your hands with soap and water or alcohol wipes after dressing game.
6. Dispose of remains by burying at least three feet deep or double-bagging in plastic and taking it to a landfill.
7. Clean all tools and surfaces immediately afterward. Use hot soapy water. Then disinfect with a 10% chlorine bleach solution.
8. Cook game meat thoroughly (170 degrees F) to kill disease organisms and parasites.



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2 STATUS OF LEGAL RESIDENCE

Please Initial: _____ (R)esident I am a Vermont resident as defined below:
 Resident: a person who has resided in Vermont for the six months immediately prior to the date of making this license application, and who has not during that period claimed a residence in any other state for any purpose.

Please Initial: _____ (N)on-resident I certify that I am **not** a resident of the state of Vermont.

LICENSE ELIGIBILITY: Valid previous license, a hunter training certificate, or an affidavit of eligibility must be presented for any hunting, archery or trapping license.

3 HARVEST INFORMATION PROGRAM
COMPLETION OF THIS SECTION IS REQUIRED TO LEGALLY HUNT MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS (WATERFOWL, WOODCOCK AND SNIPE) IN VERMONT

A CHECK THE NUMBER OF EACH SPECIES BAGGED LAST SEASON:

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| | 0 | 1-10 | 11-30 | 30+ | DID NOT HUNT |
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| * GEESE | <input type="checkbox"/> F | <input type="checkbox"/> G | <input type="checkbox"/> H | <input type="checkbox"/> I | <input type="checkbox"/> J |
| * WOODCOCK | <input type="checkbox"/> K | <input type="checkbox"/> L | <input type="checkbox"/> M | <input type="checkbox"/> N | <input type="checkbox"/> O |
| * SNIPE/COOTS | <input type="checkbox"/> P | <input type="checkbox"/> Q | <input type="checkbox"/> R | <input type="checkbox"/> S | <input type="checkbox"/> T |

B. Will you hunt *migratory game birds THIS season? ___ Yes ___ No

4 CIRCLE LICENSE TYPES REQUESTED
Term Licenses: You must fill in the dates in Section 4A.
 Lost License - \$5 fee for agent issuing replacement.

| TYPE | RESIDENT | | NON-RESIDENT | |
|---------------------------|----------|-------|--------------|--------|
| | 01 | 20.00 | 13 | 41.00 |
| FISHING | 01 | 20.00 | 13 | 41.00 |
| YOUTH FISHING | 02 | 8.00 | 14 | 15.00 |
| * 1 DAY FISHING | | | 15 | 15.00 |
| * 3 DAY FISHING | 07 | 10.00 | 16 | 20.00 |
| * 7 DAY FISHING | | | 17 | 30.00 |
| COMBINATION | 03 | 29.00 | 20 | 120.00 |
| YOUTH COMBINATION | 10 | 12.00 | 26 | 30.00 |
| HUNTING | 04 | 16.00 | 18 | 90.00 |
| YOUNG HUNTING | 05 | 8.00 | 19 | 25.00 |
| SMALL GAME | | | 21 | 40.00 |
| TRAPPING | 27 | 20.00 | | |
| YOUTH TRAPPING | 28 | 10.00 | | |
| ARCHERY ONLY | | | 23 | 60.00 |
| ARCHERY | 06 | 17.00 | 22 | 25.00 |
| TURKEY | 08 | 17.00 | 24 | 25.00 |
| MUZZLELOADER | 09 | 17.00 | 25 | 25.00 |
| LOST LICENSE | 41 | 5.00 | 42 | 5.00 |
| NON-GAME CONTRIBUTION | 43 | \$ | 44 | \$ |
| NON-REFUNDABLE TOTAL FEES | | .00 | | .00 |

5 PERMANENT LICENSES FOR VERMONT RESIDENTS 65 OR OLDER
CHECK THE TYPES OF LICENSES YOU ARE APPLYING FOR:

_____ Fishing Only _____ Fishing & Hunting (Muzzleloader & Turkey)
 _____ Trapping _____ Fishing & Hunting (Muzzleloader, Archery, Turkey)

Complete sections 1, 2, 3, & 5, then in section 6 sign your application.
 Send this application, the \$36.00 fee, and any required hunting, archery, or trapping proofs to the address shown above.

6 CERTIFICATION BY SIGNATURE

I hereby affirm, under penalty of perjury, that the information on this form is true to the best of my knowledge, and that no Vermont hunting, fishing, or trapping license of mine is currently under revocation, nor am I delinquent in any obligation to pay child support, or I am in good standing with respect to any and all child support payments.

 SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

 SIGNATURE OF PARENT/GUARDIAN FOR APPLICANT UNDER AGE 16

7 AGENT'S USE ONLY

DATE (MMDD YY) _____ TIME _____ TOWN _____

AM/PM **Waterbury**

4A TERM LICENSES DATES INCLUSIVE AND CONSECUTIVE

* VALID FROM _____ TO _____

AGENCY BUSINESS NAME:
Waterbury Office

AGENT'S NUMBER: _____ AGENT'S SIGNATURE: _____
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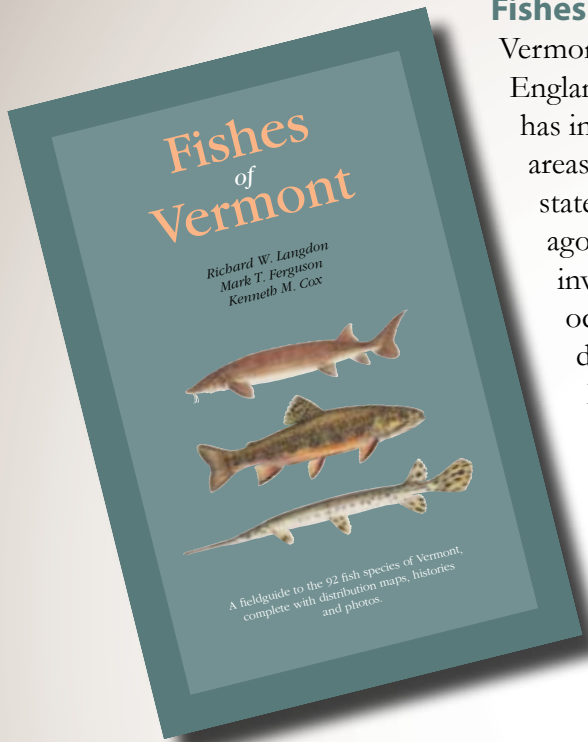
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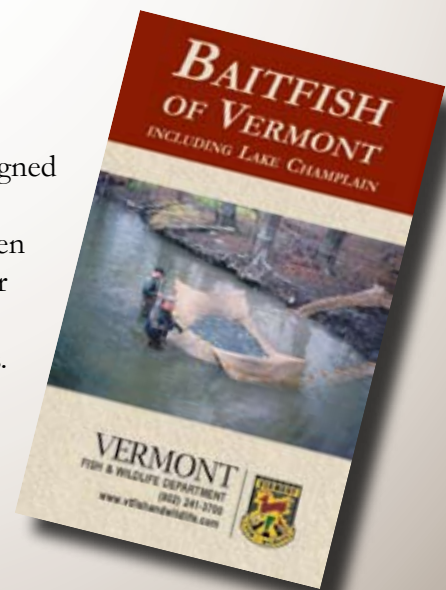
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FISHING INFORMATION

GENERAL FISHING INFORMATION

DEFINITIONS

For precise legal definitions consult Vermont Statutes Annotated Title 10, Part 4 and Appendix.

Anadromous Atlantic Salmon: Any fish of the species *Salmo salar* found in the Connecticut River, downstream of Lake Francis in Pittsburg, NH, or any of its tributaries, is considered an anadromous Atlantic salmon, regardless of its size or whether it has ever traveled to and/or from the waters or estuaries of the Atlantic Ocean. Under Vermont law, anadromous Atlantic salmon as defined above are classified as Big Game.

Angling: Fishing by means of hook and line in hand or attached to a rod, or by casting or trolling artificial flies, lures or baited hooks, provided that the person angling does not take fish through the ice, from the ice or from any object supported by the ice. A person may take fish only by using not more than two lines of which he or she has immediate control. Each line may not have more than two baited hooks, or three artificial flies or two lures with or without bait.

Baited Hook: A single shank hook with 1, 2, or 3 points that may be baited with natural or artificial bait or both.

Catch-and-Release: Angling as explained elsewhere, except that fish must be released immediately where caught.

Connecticut River: All waters of the river including bays, setbacks, and tributaries only to the first highway bridge crossing those tributaries on the Vermont and New Hampshire sides.

Downrigger: A device used to deliver fishing lines to a desired depth, and when so used, not considered a fishing line.

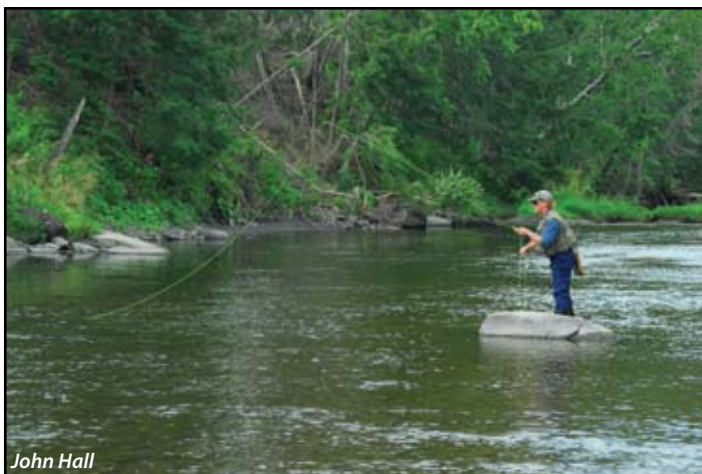
Fish Length: For the purpose of determining compliance with fish length restrictions, the length of a fish is considered the longest straight-line and flat distance from the tip of the fish's snout to the tip of the longer lobe of its tail when the two lobes are forced together.

Fishing House: A fishing house means a fishing shanty, bobhouse, smelt shanty, tent, or other structure designed to be placed on the ice of the waters of Vermont for use for fishing or to be occupied for other purposes.

Fishing Tournament: A contest, open to the general public, in which anglers or ice fishermen pay a fee to enter and in which the entrants compete for a prize based on the quality, size or number of fish they catch.

Fly: A single pointed hook, dressed with feathers, hair, thread, tinsel, or any similar material wound on or about the hook to which no hooks, spinners, spoons or similar devices have been added.

Foul Hooking: Hooking a fish in any other part of the body



than the mouth with a hook or hooks, or manipulating hooks in such a manner as to pierce and hook the fish on a body part other than in the mouth.

Free Fishing Day: Saturday, June 9, is Free Fishing Day in Vermont this year. Anyone, resident or nonresident, may fish without a license. All legal fishing methods and limits still apply. Free Fishing Day is intended to introduce first-time anglers to a healthful and fun Vermont pastime and will occur each year on the Saturday during National Fishing Week.

Ice Fishing: Ice fishing is fishing by means of hook and line in hand or attached to a rod, tip-up, jack or bob, where the angler is fishing through a hole in the ice, from the ice or on an object supported by the ice. Fishing by casting or trolling baited hooks, artificial flies or lures shall not be considered ice fishing. A person may take fish only by using not more than eight lines, except on Lake Champlain where no more than fifteen lines. He or she must have immediate control over all lines. Each line may not have more than two baited hooks, or three artificial flies or two lures with or without bait.

Immediate Control: Such constant control as would enable a angler to respond promptly and without delay to a fish taking his or her bait, lure or fly.

Lake Champlain: Lake Champlain proper shall be considered to include the setback at the same level and the major tributaries to the lake to the following boundaries:

Dead Creek to Panton Road bridge in Panton;

East Creek to the falls in Orwell (downstream of Mount Independence Road);

Lamoille River to the top of first dam (Peterson Dam) in Milton;

LaPlatte River to the falls in Shelburne (under Falls Road bridge);

Lewis Creek to falls in North Ferrisburgh (just upstream of Old Hollow Road);

Little Otter Creek to falls in Ferrisburgh Center (downstream of Little Chicago Road);

Malletts Creek to the first falls upstream of Roosevelt Highway (US 2 and US 7) in Colchester;

Mill River in Georgia to the falls in Georgia (just upstream of Georgia Shore Road bridge);

Missisquoi River to the top of Swanton Dam in the Village of Swanton;

Mud Creek to the dam in Alburg (just upstream of Route 78 bridge);

Otter Creek to the top of the dam in the city of Vergennes;

Poultney River to Central Vermont Power Dam at Carver Falls in West Haven;

Rock River to first Canadian border crossing;

Winooski River to the Winooski One hydropower dam west of Main Street (US 7) in Winooski and Burlington.

Legal Fishing Day: The 24-hour period beginning at 12:00 midnight and continuing until the next 12:00 midnight.

Legal Fishing Hours: During the open season fish may be taken at any hour of the legal fishing day, except where a shorter legal fishing day is specified in the General Fishing Regulations and Exceptions, or where posted otherwise.

Limits:

Daily limit: The number of fish it is legal to keep during the legal fishing day.

Possession limit: The number of fish caught on more than one legal fishing day that an angler or ice fisherman may have in his/her possession; equal to double the daily limit.

Lure: A man-made device designed to catch only one fish at a time, to include a spoon, plug, spinner, bait harness, tandem hook streamer, or lead head jig.

Minnow Net: A dip net, cast net, umbrella net, or seine used to take fish as bait.

Minnow Trap: A trap used for taking minnows for bait that does not exceed 18" long, with an aperture for the entrance of fish that does not exceed 1 inch in diameter. All minnow traps shall be clearly and legibly labeled with owner's name and address.

Planer Board: A device used to deliver fishing lines to a desired location, and when so used, not considered a fishing line.

Seasons:

Closed Season: That period of time during which fishing is prohibited.

Open Season: That period of time during which fishing is permitted.

Shooting or Spearing: Shooting or spearing fish requires a hunting or combination license to take fish.

Taking: Pursuing, shooting, hunting, killing, capturing, trapping, snaring and netting fish, and all lesser acts, such as disturbing, harrying, worrying or wounding or placing, setting, drawing or using any net or other device commonly used to take fish, whether they result in taking or not. This includes every attempt to take and every act of assistance to another person in taking or attempting to take fish.

USING THE FISHING INFORMATION SECTION

Familiarize yourself with *Definitions* of terms, and the *General Requirements* and *Prohibitions*. They apply to ALL fishing in Vermont.

If the water body you want to fish is a river, stream, brook, or creek, go to the *Index of Rivers & Streams*. If it is a lake, pond, reservoir, or impoundment, go to the *Index of Lakes & Ponds*.

- If the water body IS LISTED in the INDEX, the number to its right directs you to TABLE 1,2,3,4, or 5.
- If the water body is NOT LISTED in the INDEX, then the general regulations contained in TABLES 1-4 apply.

EXAMPLE: Trout River in Montgomery is NOT LISTED in the Index of Rivers & Streams. Table 1 contains the general regulations for rivers, streams, brooks and creeks not listed in the INDEX of Rivers & Streams.

Two additional columns have been added to the *Index of Rivers & Streams*. The first new column contains the map page where the stream is located. The second new column contains the stream section number, which is also located on the map page.

The *Index of Lakes & Ponds*, now contains addition information which many anglers will find useful. The column "Map" directs you to the map page which contains the lake or pond. The column "Lake Area" contains the surface area of the lake in acres. The next column "Access" lists the type of access area on the lake. For example a "St" in the column represents a State trailer access area. Some important codes are: S=State; M=Municipal; G=Federal; U=Utility; P=Private; f=foot or carry in; ud=undeveloped; t=boats on trailer; c=cartop; r=regulated. The last two columns contain boating restrictions: Internal combustion engines allowed (Y/N) and then other boating restrictions.

MAPS

The maps are only intended as a "Guide" to areas with special regulations. If you plan to fish one of these areas you should reference the *Index of River & Stream* or *Index of Lakes and Ponds* for the exact definition.

How do I use the maps?

First, use the *Map Guide*, which contains the whole state and directs you to the specific map page for the area of the state you wish to fish. Find the map page for the area you wish to fish and go to that page. The maps are clearly labeled with their map page (1-15). As you look at the map page you will notice small numbers (stream section number) inside colored boxes. These numbers indicate sections of rivers with a regulation that is different than the general regulations. In addition to the numbers, the stream sections are also highlighted in either a yellow or blue-green color. Once you have this number go to the *Index of Rivers & Streams*, and in the last column you will find the stream section number. Below that row you will find the special regulations for that section. An alternative is to locate the name of the river or stream on the map. Once you have the name, you can go to the *Index of Rivers & Streams* and find the special regulation for that section.

For example, on Map 6 you will see number 53. Using the

Index of Rivers & Streams, you will find that this section is on Ridley Brook (also labeled on the map) from the Winooski River upstream to the first falls. This section has a special trout regulation with a 10" to 16" protected slot and a 2 trout daily limit of which only 1 can be greater than 16 inches.

Lakes and Ponds

Lakes that are colored light green contain some special fisheries regulations. On these lakes be sure to check the Index of Lakes & Ponds for the specific regulation on these water bodies.

| General Regulations by Category | Table |
|---|-------|
| Rivers, streams, brooks, creeks and their unnamed impoundments & beaver ponds | 1 |
| Lakes, ponds, reservoirs, impoundments with names | 2 |
| Lake Champlain | 3 |
| Connecticut River | 4 |
| Certain lakes & ponds | 5 |

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS AND PROHIBITIONS

(For a definition of terms used in this section, see **Definitions**)

FISHING LICENSES

Anyone fishing, in possession of, or transporting fish taken in Vermont waters or the Vermont/New Hampshire waters of the Connecticut River must be properly licensed and must carry the license on his/her person. The license must be shown on demand of a State Game Warden or other enforcement officer, or at the request of the owner of the land on which he/she is fishing.

See Table 4 for specific Connecticut River fishing license requirements.

LAKE CHAMPLAIN RECIPROCAL FISHING

A person holding a **New York fishing license** may take fish from the Vermont portion of Lake Champlain only as far east as a line starting on the north shore of the Poultney River where it empties into East Bay, proceeding generally northerly along the shore to the old Rutland Railroad fill on Colchester Point, then following the western side of the old Rutland Railroad fill to Allen Point on Grand Isle, continuing northerly following the western shore of Grand Isle to Tromp Point, then across The Gut to Bow and Arrow Point, then continuing generally northerly along the western shore of North Hero to Pelots Point, then across the Alburg passage to the Point of the Tongue, and then along the western shore of the Alburg peninsula to the United States Border with Canada. When this line crosses a tributary to Lake Champlain, the line shall proceed from the downstream most point of land on one side of the tributary to the downstream most point of land on the other side of the tributary.

Holders of **Vermont fishing licenses** may fish Lake Champlain west of the Vermont/New York border to the New York shore. They may not fish in South Bay or New York tributaries to Lake Champlain.

Caution: Some fishing season dates, length limits, daily creel limits and other regulations are different in New York and Vermont. When fishing in Vermont, anglers must observe Vermont regulations. When fishing in New York, anglers must follow the regulations that apply in New York. Be sure to obtain copies of each state's fishing regulations.

OPEN AND CLOSED SEASONS

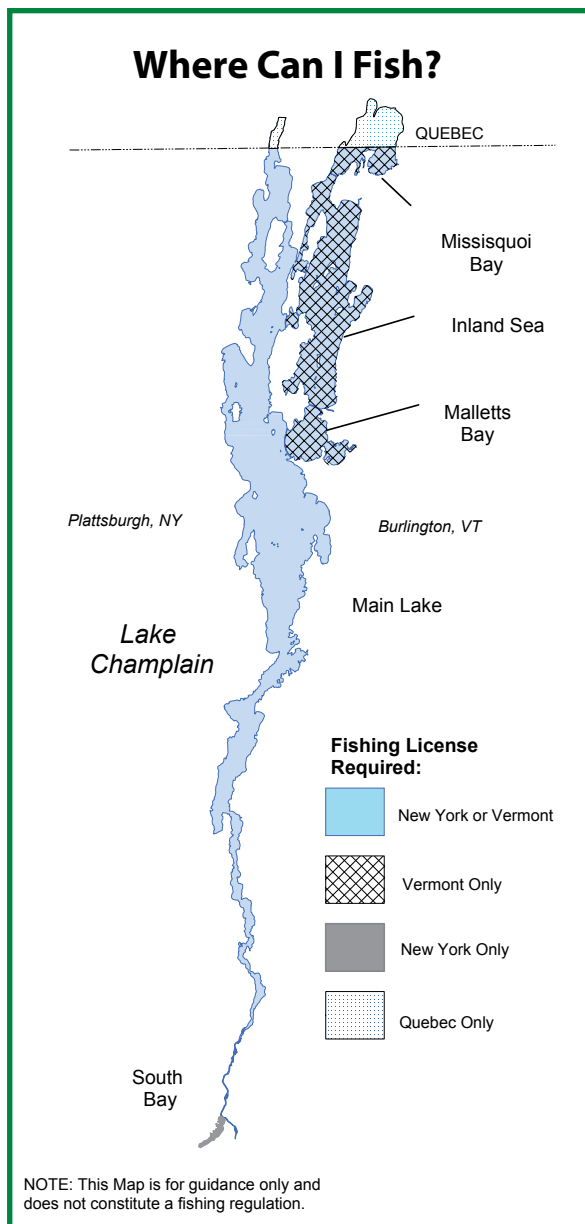
It is illegal to take fish of a species unless the season for that species is open on those waters.

It is illegal to fish in waters when no season is open in those waters, or if those waters are posted as closed by regulations of the Fish & Wildlife Commissioner or Board.

TRANSPORTING FISH

A person shall not transport fish taken by another except in the presence of the person who took that fish.

A person shall not transport fish during closed season for that fish. Generally, a person shall not transport more than the daily limit for a fish.



A person traveling on land between a temporary abode such as a camp and that person's residence may transport the possession limit for that fish.

A person on the waters of Vermont may transport more than the daily limit of fish only if it is frozen, processed and packaged for storage.

No person shall have **live fish** in their possession that are transported in a manner which attempts to keep them alive when leaving waters of the state (*10 V.S.A. § 1251(13)*), except as follows: those species allowed to be possessed and used as live fish for bait, the person has been issued a scientific collection permit by the Commissioner which specifically approves of the activity, the person has been issued a fish transportation permit by the Commissioner which specifically approves of the activity, the person has been issued a fish breeders permit or fish importation permit by the Commissioner which specifically approves of the activity.

IMMEDIATE CONTROL

A person fishing by angling or ice fishing must have immediate control over his or her lines.

FISH LENGTH RESTRICTIONS AND FILLETING FISH

If there is a fish length restriction on a species of fish, it may not be filleted or altered while on any body of water to restrict the determination of fish length. Fish with a length restriction may be filleted or consumed on the water so long as the head, vertebrae and tail are retained and remain intact to enable determination of fish length.

ANGLING AND FOUL HOOKING

A person fishing by angling shall not take any fish unless it is hooked in the mouth. Any fish not hooked in the mouth shall be immediately released without unnecessary injury.

BAITFISH USE AND RESTRICTIONS

The following fish species are the only approved species of fish for use as bait in Vermont.

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------|
| Eastern silvery minnow | Fathead minnow |
| Bluntnose minnow | Emerald shiner |
| Golden shiner | Spottail shiner |
| Common shiner | Mimic shiner |
| Creek chub | Fallfish |
| Blacknose dace | Longnose dace |
| Northern redbelly dace | White sucker |
| Longnose sucker | Rainbow Smelt |

General Baitfish Use—Permitted Activities and Restrictions

- A minnow trap may be used for taking fish for bait, provided the trap does not exceed 18 inches in length and the opening for the entrance does not exceed 1 inch in diameter. All minnow traps shall be clearly and legibly labeled with owner's name and address.
- Dip nets, cast nets and umbrella nets not exceeding a total of 51 square feet of mesh, or a seine not

exceeding 25 feet in length, may be used for taking fish for bait from waters not listed as "Seasonally Closed Waters" (available as *Title 10 Appendix V.S.A. Section 122* at town clerks' offices).

- Hook and line may be used to take fish for bait.
- Baitfish may be taken for personal use only, with the exception of rainbow smelt, which may be sold. Smelt may be taken only by angling or by fishing through the ice.
- A person may take, possess, transport, buy, and use as bait, only those species of fish listed above.
- Yellow Perch may be used for bait in those waters where taken, and shall not be transported alive from those waters.
- Vermont fishing license required.

Commercial Bait Dealers—Permitted Activities and Restrictions

- Any person who buys bait for resale or sells bait is required to obtain a Commercial Bait Dealers Permit (application available from the Fish & Wildlife Department).
- Persons shall not operate dip nets, cast nets, and umbrella nets exceeding 51 square feet of mesh, or a seine net exceeding 100 feet in length for the purpose of taking fish for bait without first obtaining a permit from the Commissioner.
- Bait netting is prohibited in all Seasonally Closed Waters unless otherwise provided for on the permit.
- A person may take, transport, buy, sell, and use as bait, only those species of fish listed above.
- A person intending to import or transport bait from another state or country must also have a Vermont Commercial Bait Dealer's Permit prior to doing so.

Disposal of Unused Bait

Anglers shall not discard unused bait, dead or alive, into Vermont waters. Emptying bait buckets can lead to the introduction of undesirable species.

SALE AND PURCHASE OF FISH

Businesses may buy lawfully taken fish, with the approval of the Commissioner, pursuant to guidelines of the Board. Fish species to be bought or sold are restricted to species not protected by title *10 V.S.A. 4611* – "A person shall not buy or sell a salmon, trout, lake trout, walleye, northern pike, muskellunge or black bass taken in this state, or imported from another state or country where sale of such fish is prohibited, except such fish reared in licensed propagation farms within the state."

ANADROMOUS ATLANTIC SALMON

A person shall not take or attempt to take any anadromous Atlantic Salmon from the Vermont tributaries of the Connecticut River. *Also, see Table 4, Connecticut River.*

ILLEGAL MEANS OF TAKING FISH

A person shall not use a spear gun to take any kind of fish in any waters.

A person shall not take or kill fish by shutting or drawing off water.

A person shall not take fish by means of explosives, or use explosives in any waters. A person may not have explosives in possession on any waters, shores, or on islands except for mining or mechanical purposes.

A person shall not place in any waters lime, creosote, *coculus indicus* or other drug or poison destructive to fish.

FISHING TOURNAMENTS

In order for a person or organization to hold a fishing tournament on the waters of Vermont, a permit must first be obtained from the Fish & Wildlife Department in Essex Junction (call 802-878-1564). Where appropriate, a fishing tournament permit will contain a provision for live transport of fish by participants during the tournament. An angler may not enter a fish which was caught and confined to an enclosed area prior to the beginning of the tournament.

FISHING HOUSES

Fishing houses must have the name and address of the owner permanently and legibly affixed in waterproof paint or rustproof tag in a clearly visible place near the entrance outside of the shanty.

Tents or portable shelters are considered to be fishing houses if used for ice fishing and must be labeled with the name and address of the owner.

A fishing house shall not be placed on the ice before November 20 and it shall be removed with its contents and any surrounding debris before the ice becomes unsafe or loses its ability to support the fishing house out of the water, or before the last Sunday in March, whichever comes first.

FISH IMPORTATION AND STOCKING

A person shall not introduce or attempt to introduce:

1. pickerel or northern pike into any waters; or
2. any fish, except trout or salmon, into any waters except private ponds lacking access to other waters of the state.

A person shall not import into Vermont, for the purpose of stocking, any fish or live spawn thereof, unless he or she has obtained a permit from the Fish & Wildlife Department to do so. Contact Fish & Wildlife for more information.

POSSESSION OF LIVE FISH

No person shall have live fish in their possession that are transported in a manner which attempts to keep them alive when leaving waters of the state [10 V.S.A. Sect. 1251 (13)] except as follows:

- those species allowed to be possessed and used as live fish for bait,

- the person has been issued a scientific collection permit by the Commissioner,
- the person has been issued a fish transportation permit by the Commissioner,
- the person has been issued a breeder/s permit or fish importation permit by the Commissioner.

AQUATIC NUISANCE SPECIES

It is illegal to transport or introduce Eurasian watermilfoil or water chestnuts (exotic nuisance aquatic plants) or zebra mussels (an exotic clam-like animal).

OBSTRUCTION TO FISH PASSAGE

People are prohibited from preventing the passing of fish in any stream or outlet or inlet of a natural or artificial pond on any public stream, by means of a rack, screen, weir or other obstruction, unless authorized by the district fisheries biologist.

STATE-CONTROLLED FISHING ACCESS AREAS

Definitions

Commercial Activity is any activity or service that produces income to any entity or individual.

Picnicking includes but is not limited to any activity that involves, cooking, grilling, food preparation and, set-up associated with eating (including setting blankets or table clothes laid on the ground).

Camping includes any activity using a tent, camper, or motor home, any activity involving preparation of an area for sleeping or, any overnight sleeping.

Group use is use actually or potentially involving 10 or more people or 2 or more vehicles at a time.

Parking is the leaving of motor vehicles or trailers unattended in an access area.

Motor vehicles are all vehicles propelled or drawn by power other than muscle power.

Vessel means motor boats, boats, kayaks, canoes and sail boats.

Authorized Activities

The following are authorized activities in order of priority:

1. Angling, ice fishing and the launching of any vessel to be used for fishing and parking of vehicles and trailers necessary for and contemporaneous with these purposes.
2. The launching of inboard and outboard motorboats engaging in any activity and parking of vehicles and trailers necessary for and contemporaneous with that purpose.
3. Trapping, hunting and parking of vehicles and boat



trailers necessary for and contemporaneous with that purpose.

4. Launching of all non-motorized vessels not used for commercial purposes and parking of vehicles and boat trailers necessary for and contemporaneous with that purpose. Users shall launch from the designated non-motorized launch site, when such a site is identified.
5. ATV's and snowmobiles when being used solely for the purposes of ice fishing.
6. Permitted special uses.

Prohibited Activities

- Discarding of bottles, glass, cans, paper, junk, litter, food, or any other garbage or trash.
- Discarding of dead fish, wildlife or portions thereof.
- Washing or cleaning of vehicles and equipment other than for the purpose of removing aquatic plants and organisms.
- Washing or cleaning of fish or wildlife.
- Camping.
- Picnicking.
- Making or maintaining fire of any kind.
- Water skiing.
- Swimming.
- Use of snowmobiles and ATV's, except for those being utilized solely for the purpose of ice fishing.
- Parking of vehicles and or trailers while the vehicle owner or user is not present at the access area or on the adjacent public waters except as otherwise permitted by the commissioner.
- Storage of vehicles and or trailers or placing of vehicles or trailers for sale.
- Withdrawal of water except as authorized under **Authorized Users** listed below.
- Parking in excess of 72 consecutive hours except that the commissioner may issue permits for longer parking when the commissioner determines that there will be no adverse impact on authorized uses found in **Authorized Activities** listed above.
- Commercial activity except as authorized by **Limited Commercial Activity** described below.
- Activity that interferes with a priority use, such as, but not limited to the mooring or beaching of boats, using the ramp to rig a boat or boats thus obstructing use of the ramp, and the storing of boats or trailers at an access area.
- Group use not specifically authorized by the Commissioner.
- Launching and recovery of sailboards, rafts, snow kites, and the parking of vehicles and trailers supporting these activities.
- All other activity that is not specifically permitted

by this rule unless specifically authorized by the commissioner.

Authorized Users

- Any person who is engaged in any authorized activity.
- Any group that has received approval for group use in accordance with this rule.
- Fire departments that have executed a Memorandum Of Agreement (MOA) with the commissioner for the installation and use of a dry hydrant. And then, only in accordance with their MOA. Fire departments may also use Access Areas without dry hydrants as emergency water sources to fight fires and will notify the local warden as soon as practicably possible.
- Individuals participating in a fishing tournament permitted under *10 V.S.A. §4613*.

Limited Commercial Activity

Commercial activity at fishing access areas is limited to entities and persons taking part in activities authorized by **Authorized Activities 1, 2, and 3** listed above.

Special Permits

The commissioner may authorize special permits for entities or persons to use an access area for group use when the commissioner determines that there will be no adverse impact on authorized priority uses.

Special permits shall not be issued and may be revoked immediately for activities that substantially interfere with authorized uses.

Permit fees shall be in accordance with the schedule of fees established under *10 VSA §4132(e)*.

Speed Limit

The maximum speed on access areas shall be 15 miles per hour.

LITTERING

A person shall not leave trash on the ice, in the water or on the shore or streambank.

CAUTION: IT IS UNLAWFUL TO—

- Take fish except by angling unless otherwise stated
- Take trout and salmon through the ice during the regular season when fishing for these species is limited to angling
- Take fish in waters closed by regulations of the Fish & Wildlife Commissioner or Board. Such waters are posted.
- Buy or sell salmon; brook, brown, lake, or rainbow trout; largemouth or smallmouth bass; walleye; northern pike; or muskellunge taken in Vermont or imported from another state or country where such sale of fish is prohibited. The exceptions to this rule are for the purpose of a game supper authorized by a permit, or when the fish are reared in a licensed propagation farm in this state.
- Prevent the passing of fish in any stream or outlet or inlet of a natural or artificial pond on any public stream

by means of rack, screen, weir or other obstruction. The exception to this rule is if obstruction is authorized by the Commissioner of Fish & Wildlife.

- Use a spear gun to take any kind of fish from any waters
- Take or kill fish by shutting off or drawing off water
- Use explosives to take fish, use explosives in any waters, or possess explosives in any waters or on their shores or islands, except for mining or mechanical purposes
- Place in any waters lime, cresosote, coculus indicus, or any other drug or poison destructive to fish
- Use, possess, or furnish to another person for use in taking fish any of the following devices: a pound net, trap net, seine, snare, gill net, set net, fyke net, set line, fishing otter, trawl, grapple or similar devices, except as provided otherwise
- Take sturgeon or spiny softshell turtles
- Leave trash on the ice, in the water, or on the shore/ streambank

RECORD FISH

The Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department maintains fish records for fish caught in Vermont in two categories—annual and state records. The most recent lists for both categories are on the department's website. Entry forms are available from the department. Fish must be weighed on state inspected scales—any market scales are suggested. Length and girth measurements and a photo of the fish are required. The form must be witnessed. The body of water where the fish was caught must be listed.

No fish which was confined to an enclosed area by a person prior to that person or any other person catching the fish may be accepted as a valid entry.

LEAD SINKERS

It is illegal to sell or offer for sale a lead sinker in Vermont. "Sinker" means any device which weighs one-half ounce or less and is attached to a fishing line for the purpose of sinking the line, and does not include other lead fishing-related items such as weighted fly line, lead-core fishing line, downrigger cannonballs, weighted flies, lures, spoons, or jig heads.

Effective January 1, 2007 it will be illegal to use a lead sinker, as defined above, for the taking of fish in Vermont.

ICE FISHING FOR TROUT, SALMON AND BASS

Ice fishing for trout, salmon and bass is allowed on the following lakes from the **third Saturday in January to March 15**. Length limits and daily limits are found in the Indexes and Tables.

Big Averill Lake, *Norton and Averill*

Big Salem Lake, *Derby*

Caspian Lake, *Greensboro*

Chittenden Reservoir, *Chittenden*

Crystal Lake, *Barton*

Echo Lake, *Charleston*

Echo Lake, *Plymouth*

Eden Lake, *Eden*

Elligo Lake, *Craftsbury, Greensboro, Fairlee and West Fairlee*

Glen Lake, *Castleton, Fair Haven and Benson*

Harriman Reservoir, *Whitingham and Wilmington*

Harveys Lake, *Barnet*

Island Pond, *Brighton*

Joes Pond, *Cabot and Danville*

Lake Bomoseen, *Castleton and Hubbardton*

Lake Dunmore, *Leicester and Salisbury*

Lake Fairlee, *Thetford*

Lake Hortonia, *Sudbury and Hubbardton*

Lake Memphremagog (including South Bay and the connecting waters), *Coventry, Derby, Newport City and Newport*

Lake Morey, *Fairlee*

Lake Rescue, *Ludlow*

Lake St. Catherine, *Wells and Poultney*

Little Averill Lake, *Averill*

Little Salem Lake, *Derby*

Maidstone Lake, *Maidstone*

Marshfield Reservoir (Mollys Falls Reservoir), *Cabot*

Miles Pond, *Concord*

Nelson Pond (Forest Lake), *Calais and Woodbury*

Norton Pond, *Norton*

Parker Pond, *Glover*

Peacham Pond, *Peachman*

Pensioner Pond, *Charleston*

Seymour Lake, *Morgan*

Shadow Lake, *Glover*

Somerset Reservoir, *Somerset*

Sunset Lake, *Benson*

Wallace Pond, *Canaan*

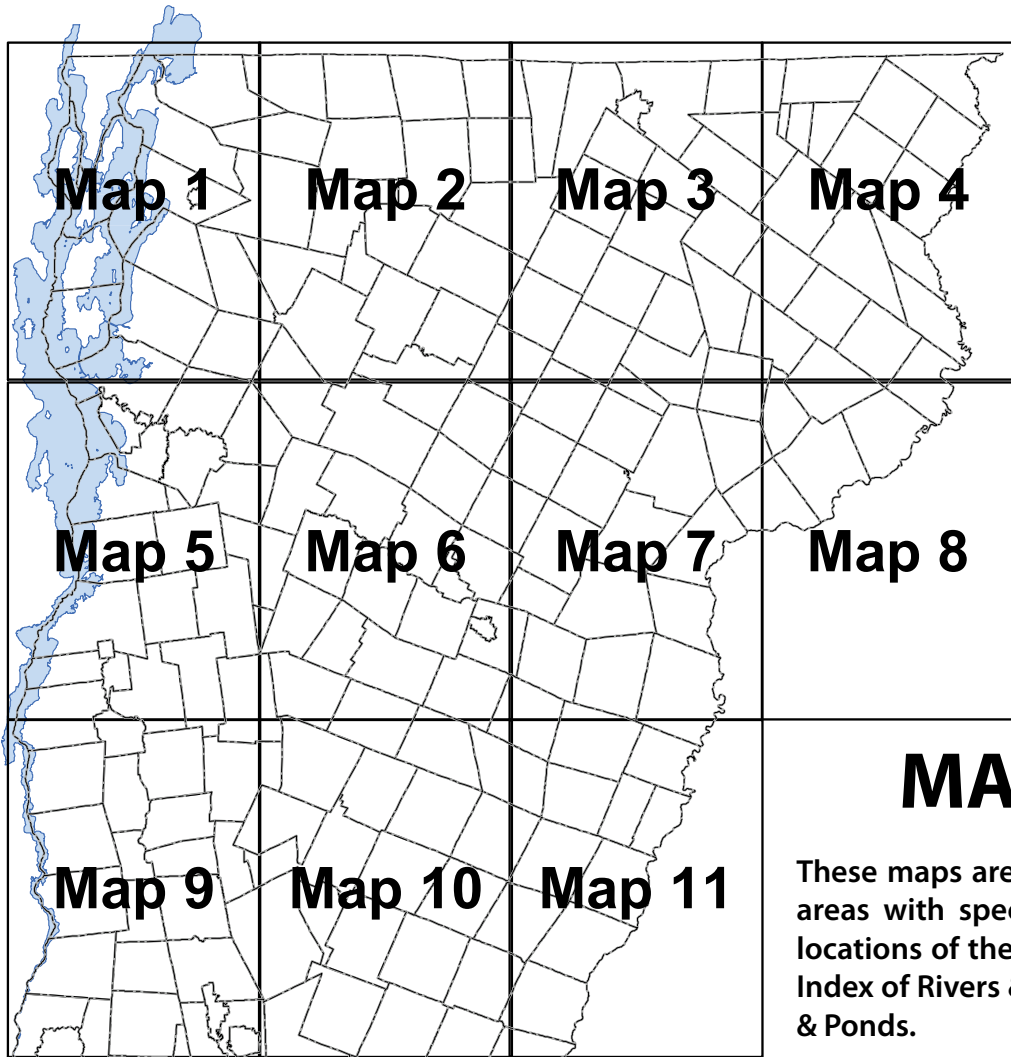
Waterbury Reservoir, *Waterbury*

Willoughby Lake, *Westmore*

Woodbury Lake (Sabin Pond), *Calais and Woodbury*

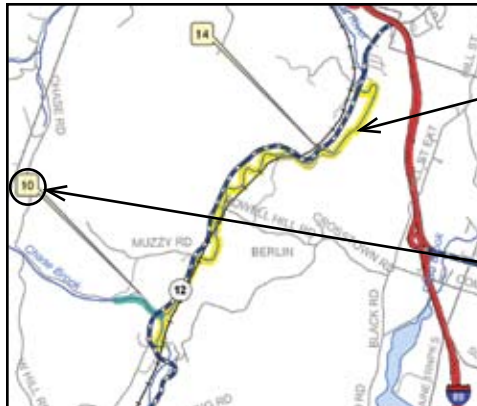
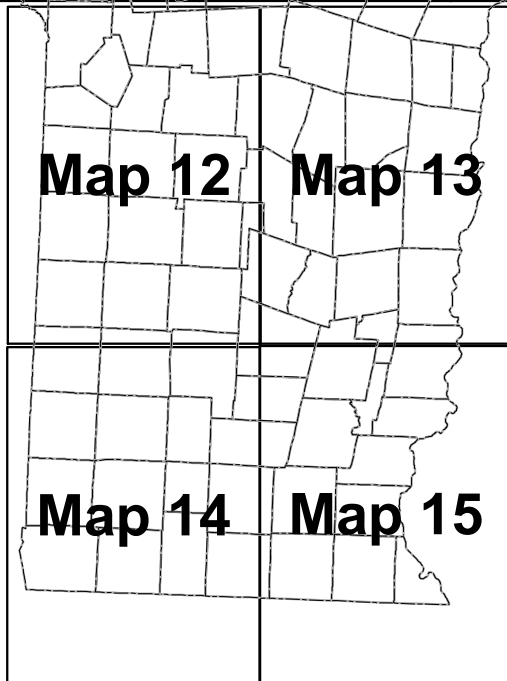


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MAP GUIDE

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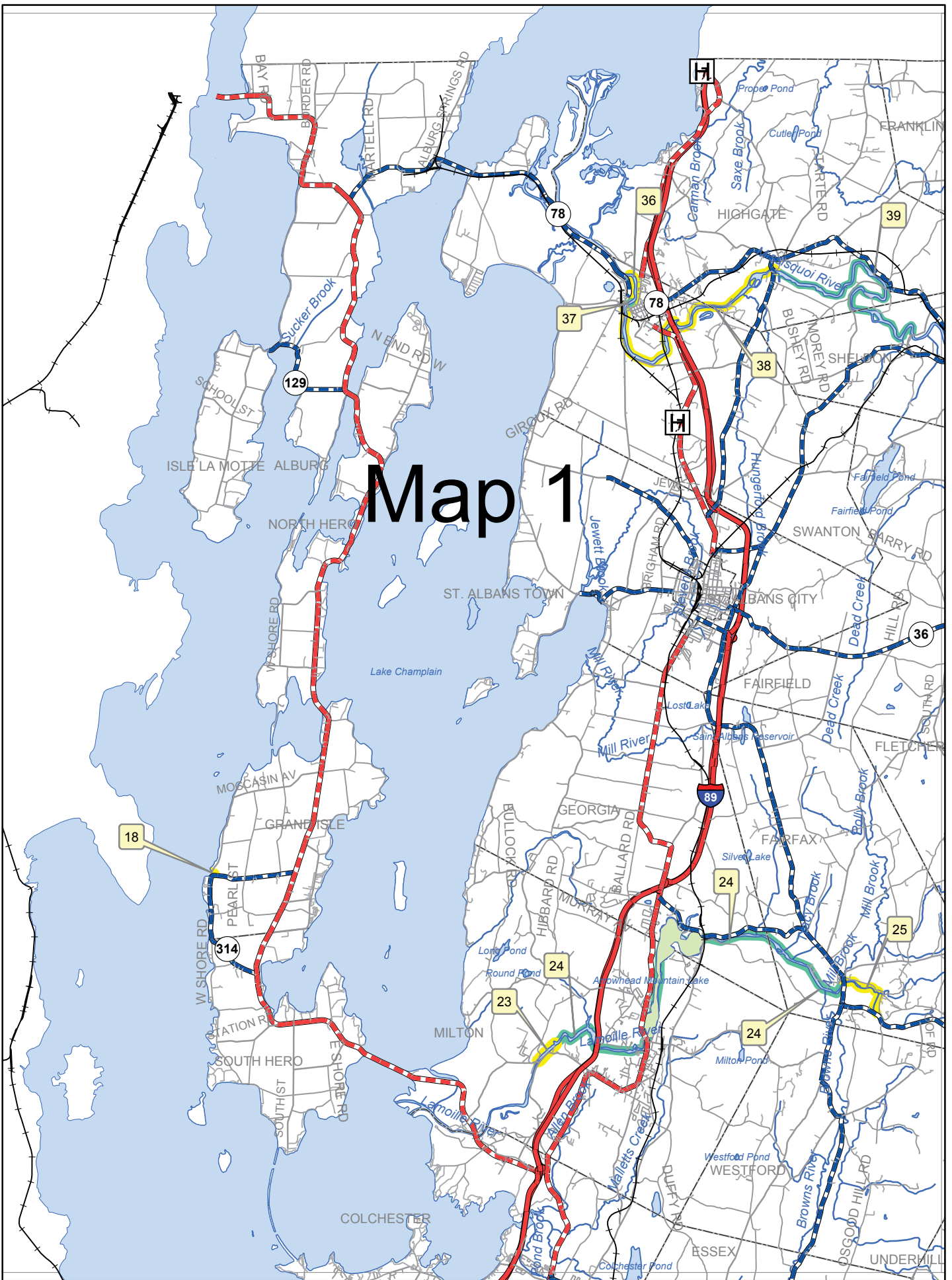


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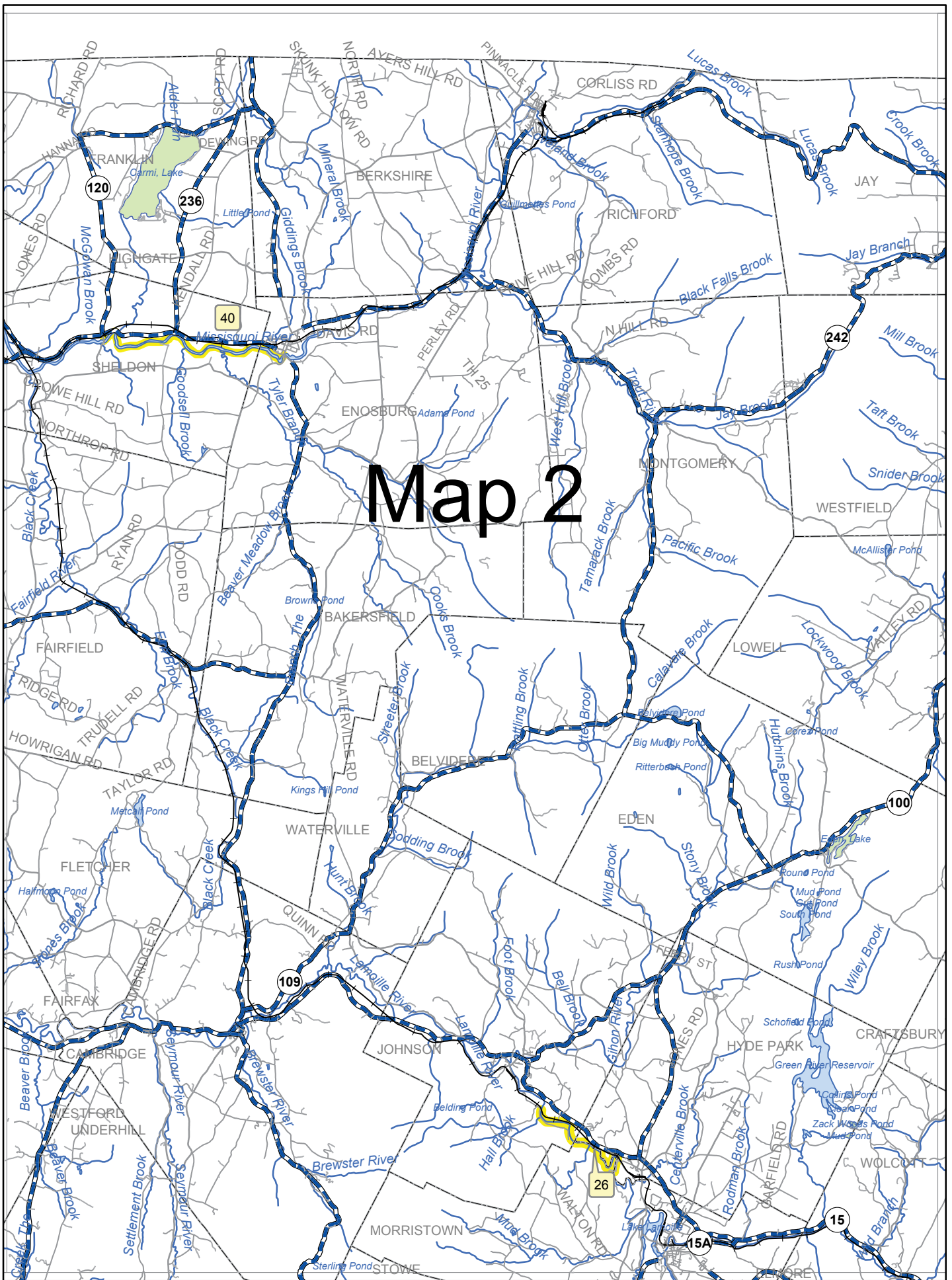
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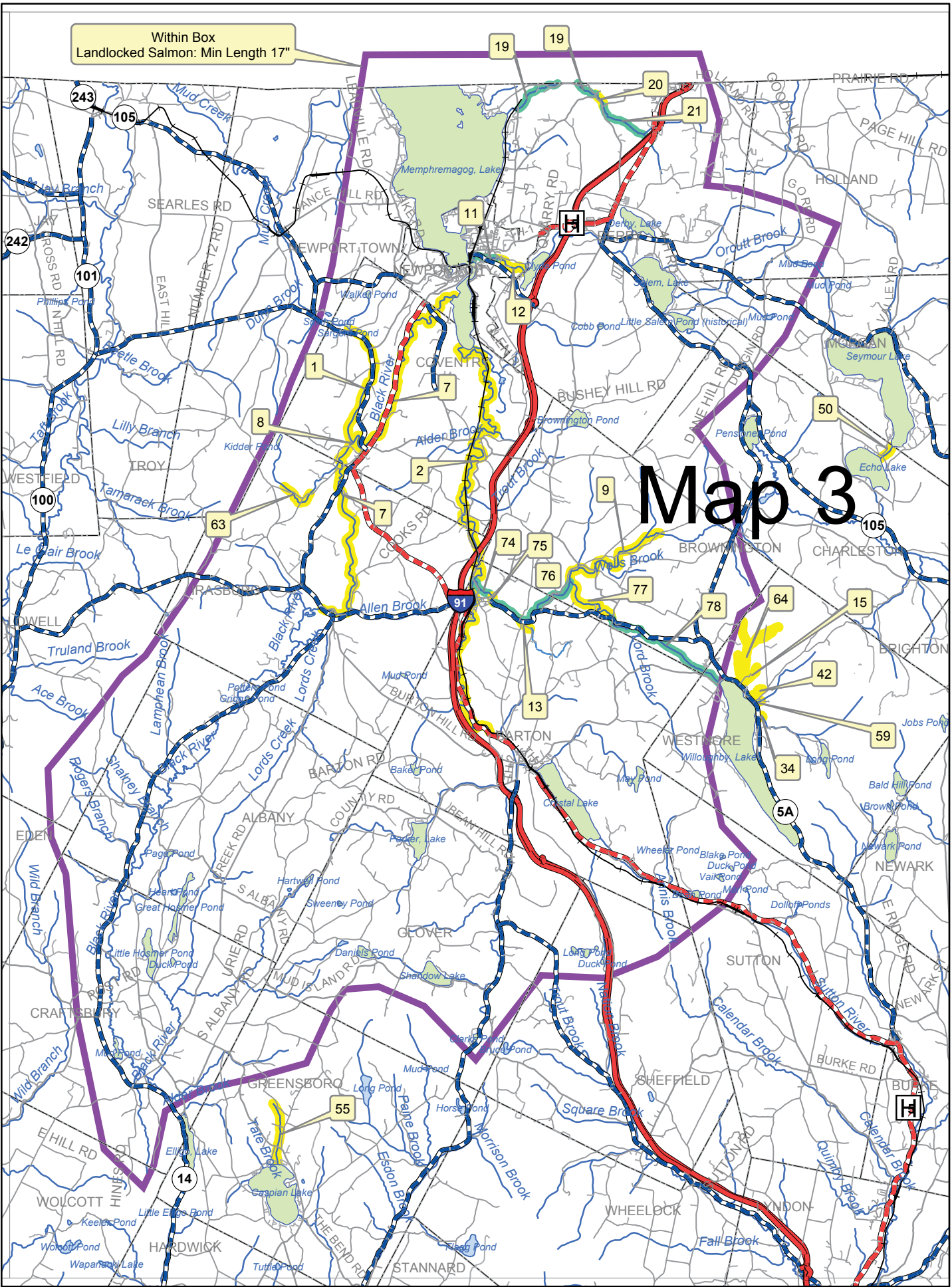
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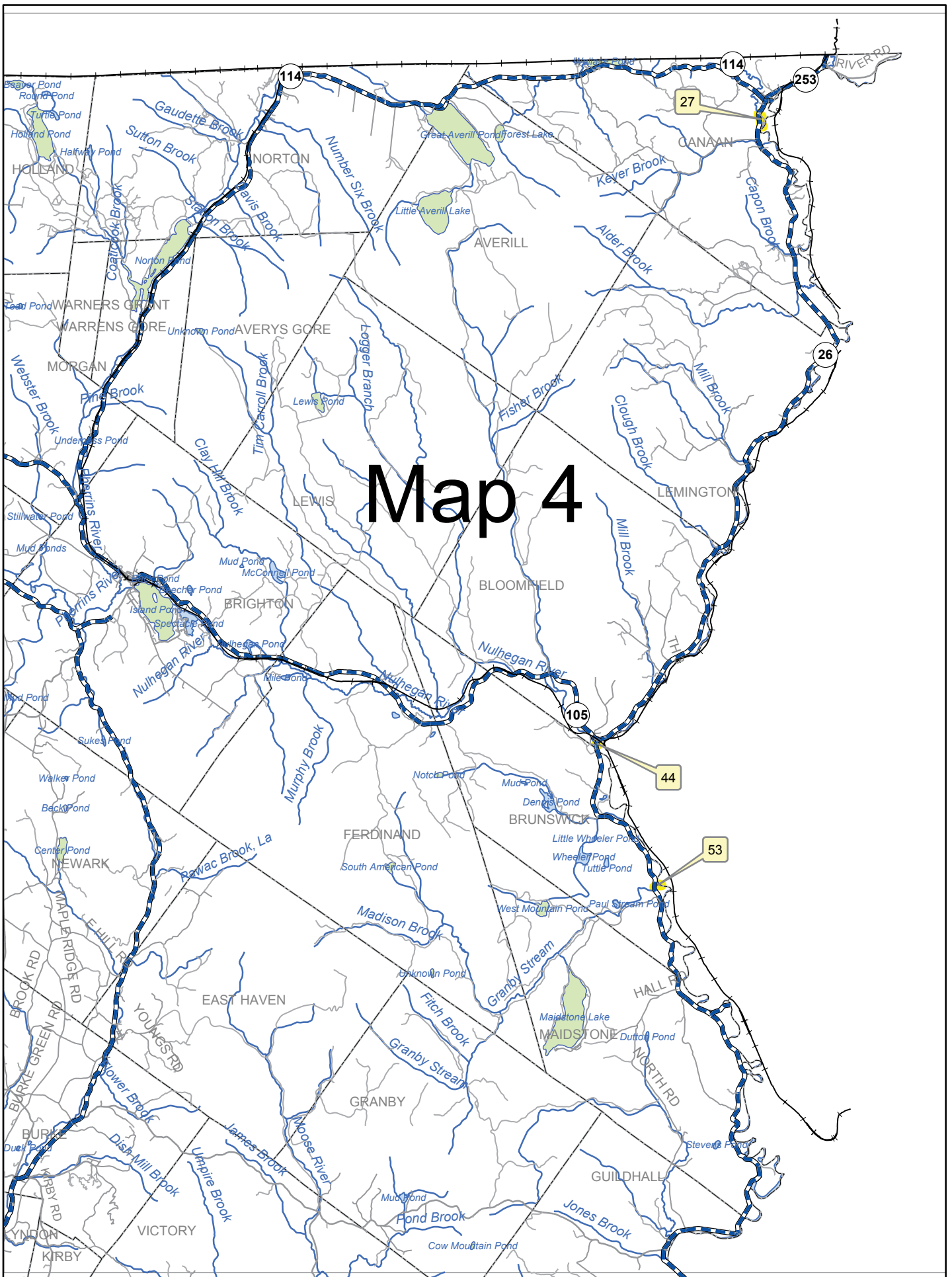


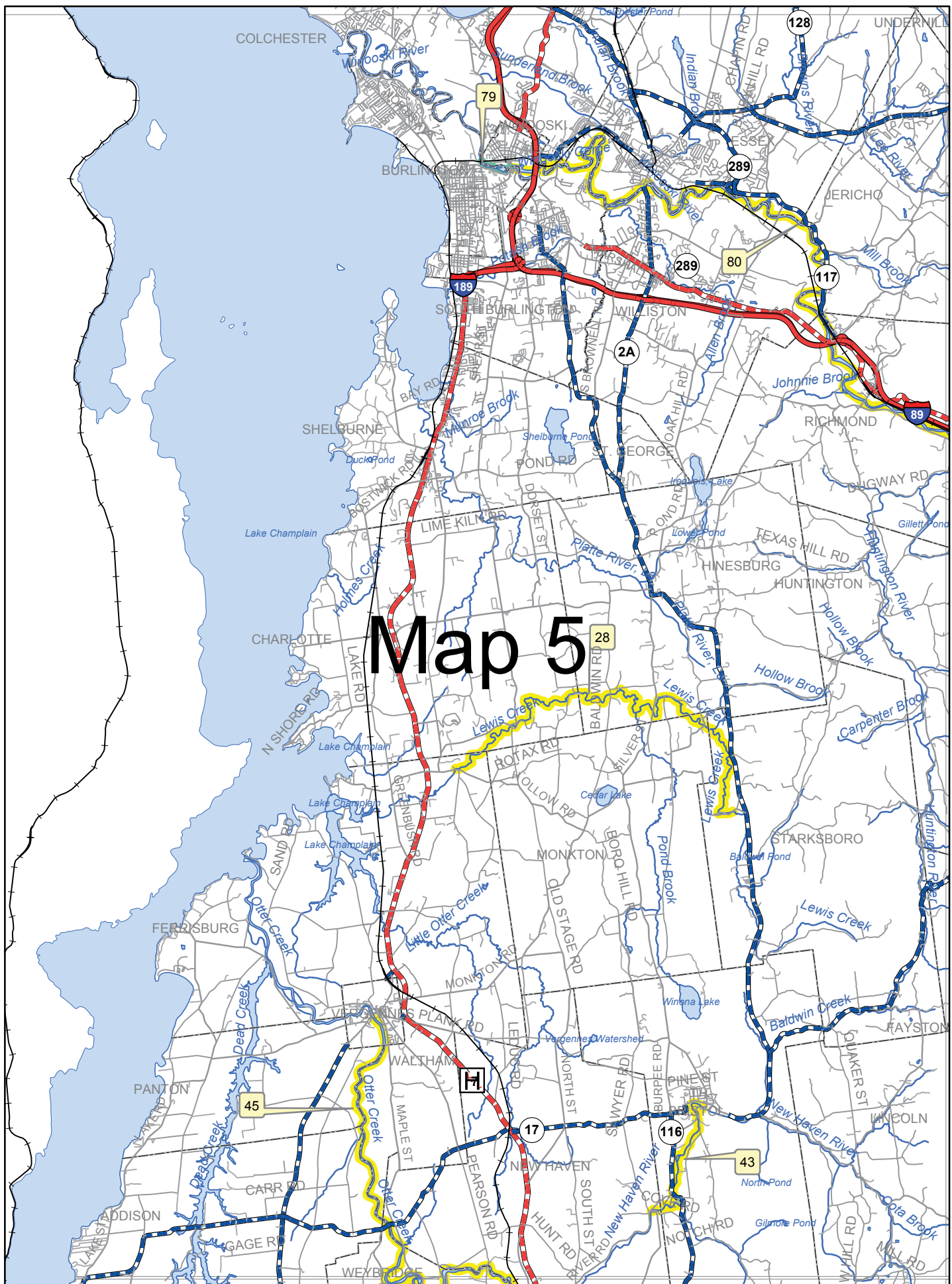
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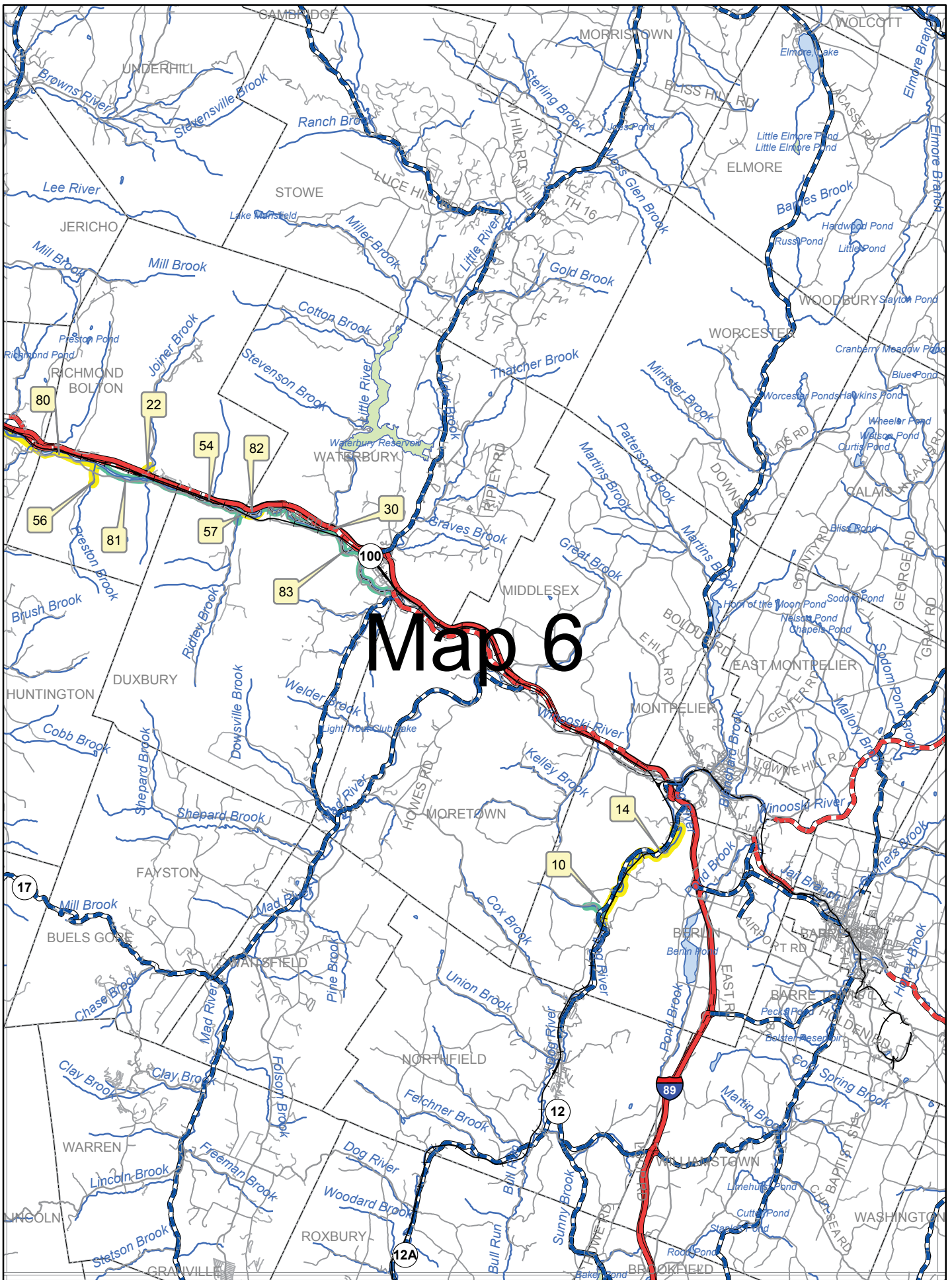
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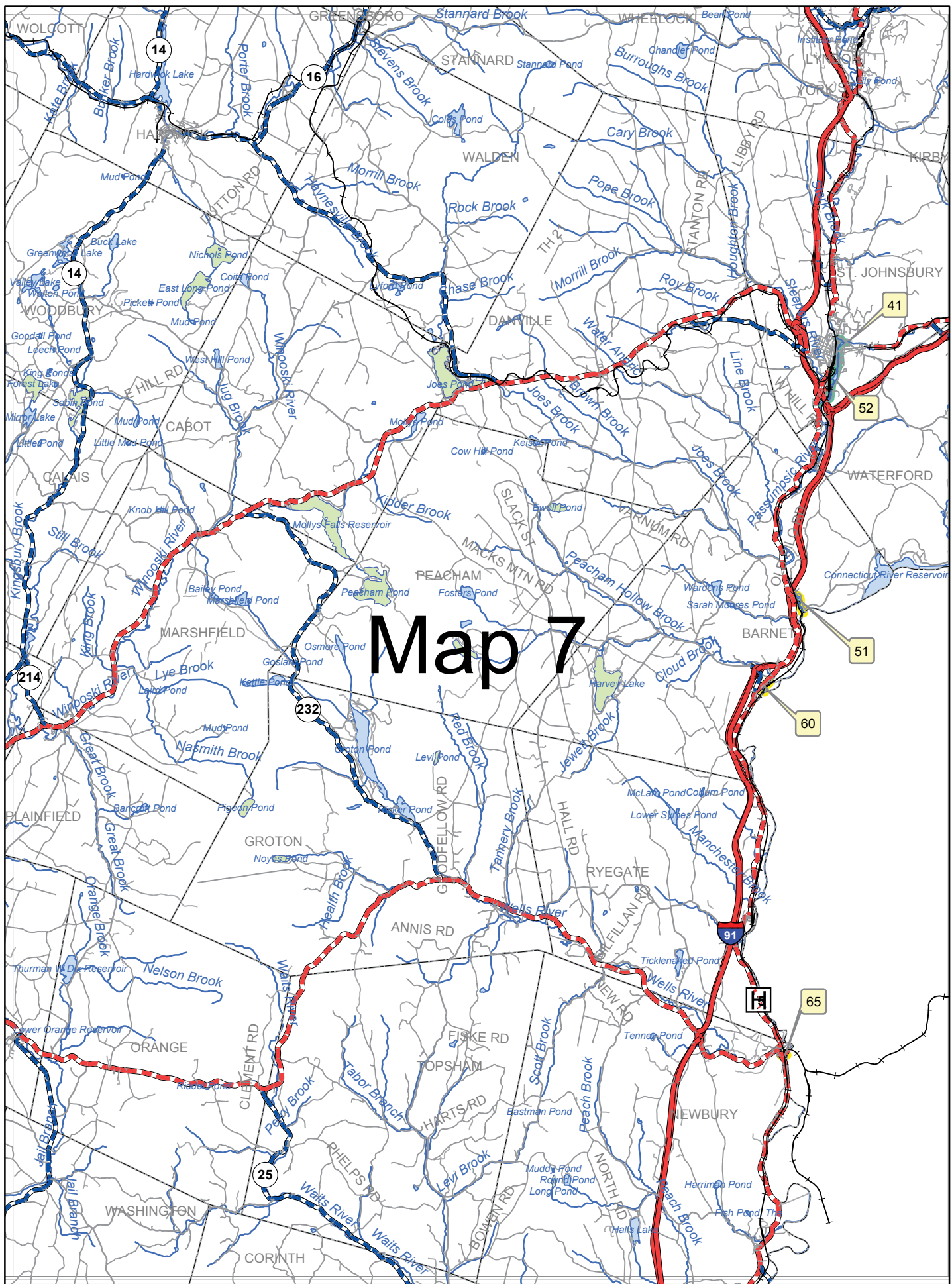
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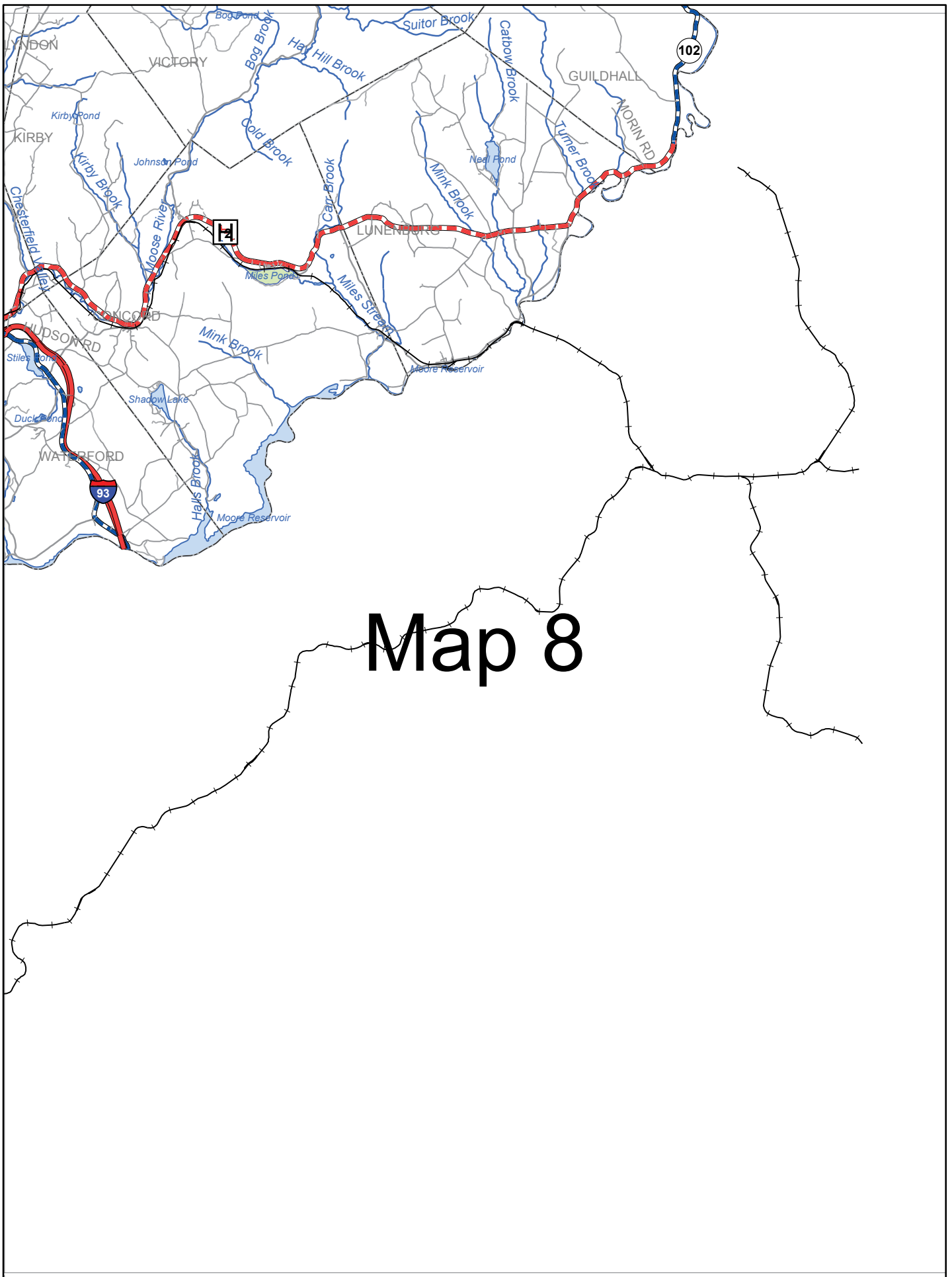




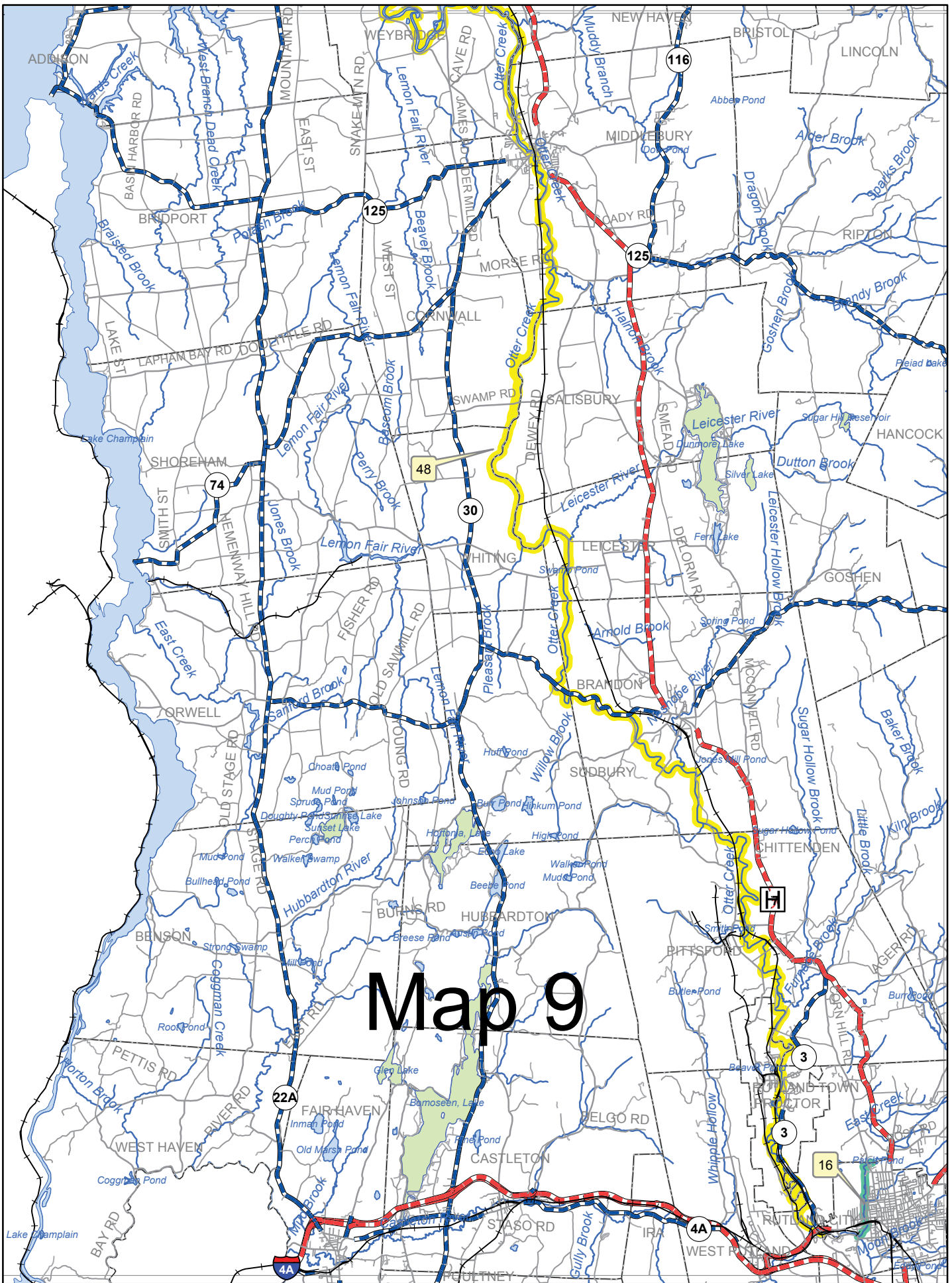




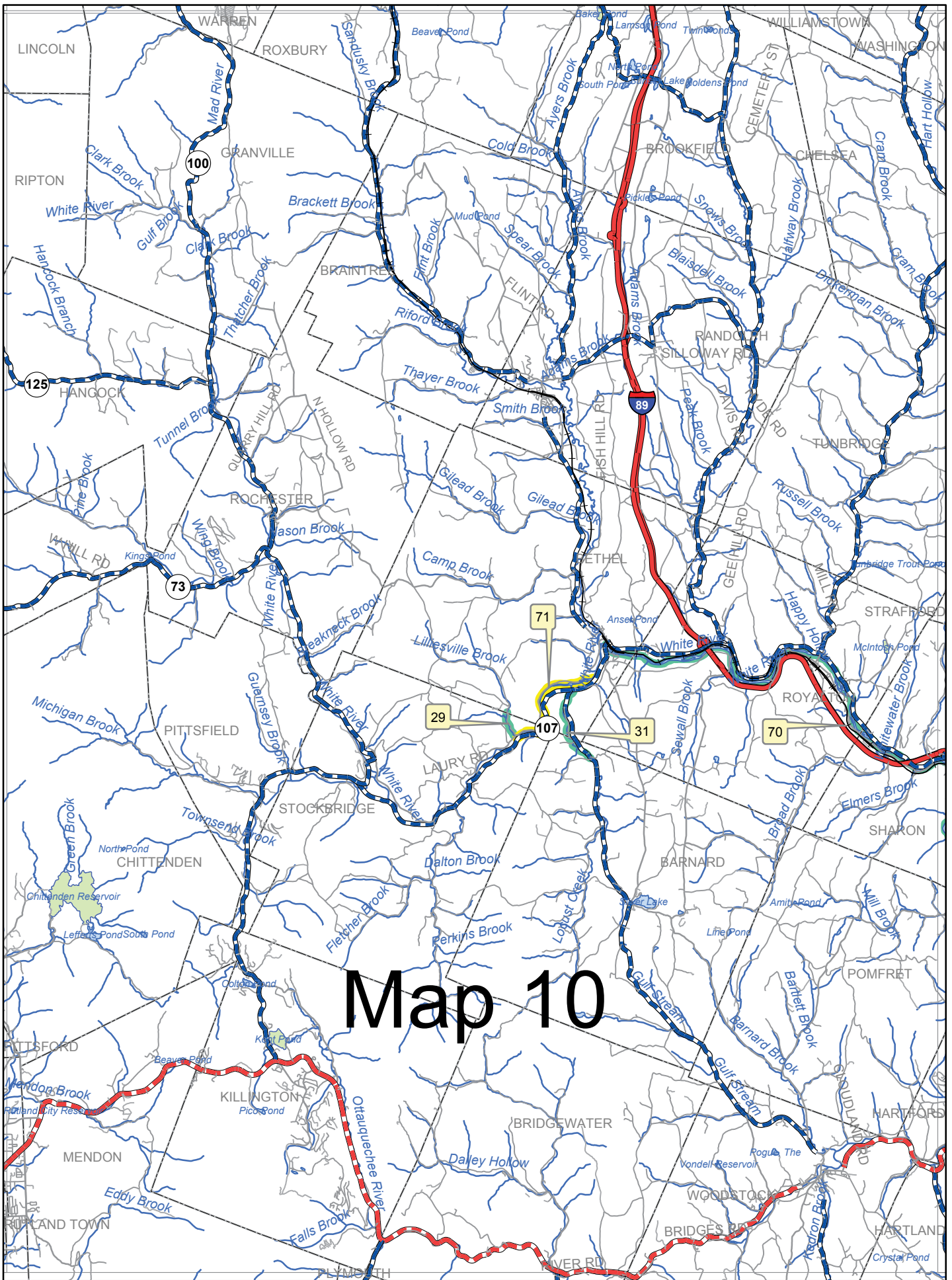
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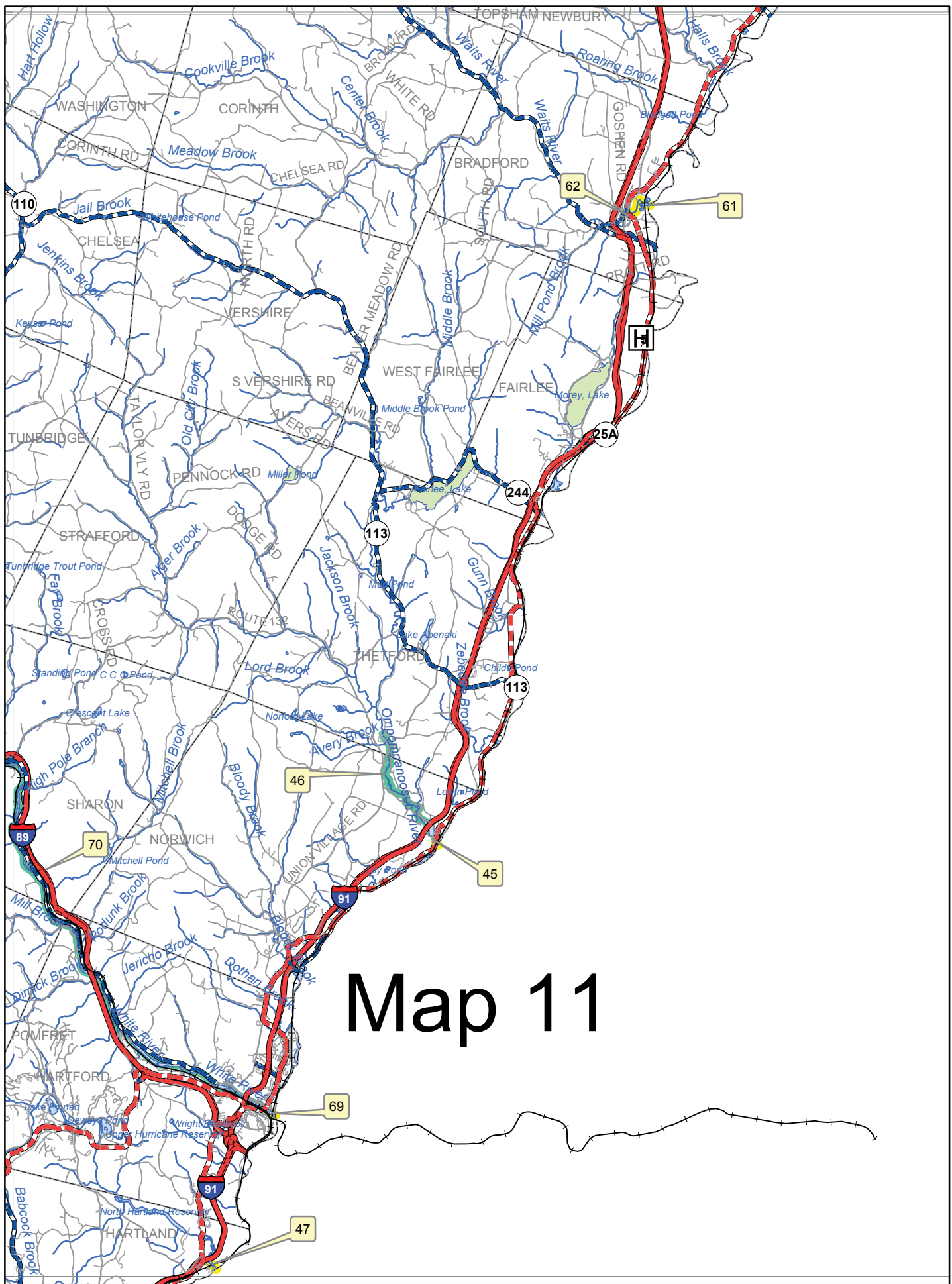
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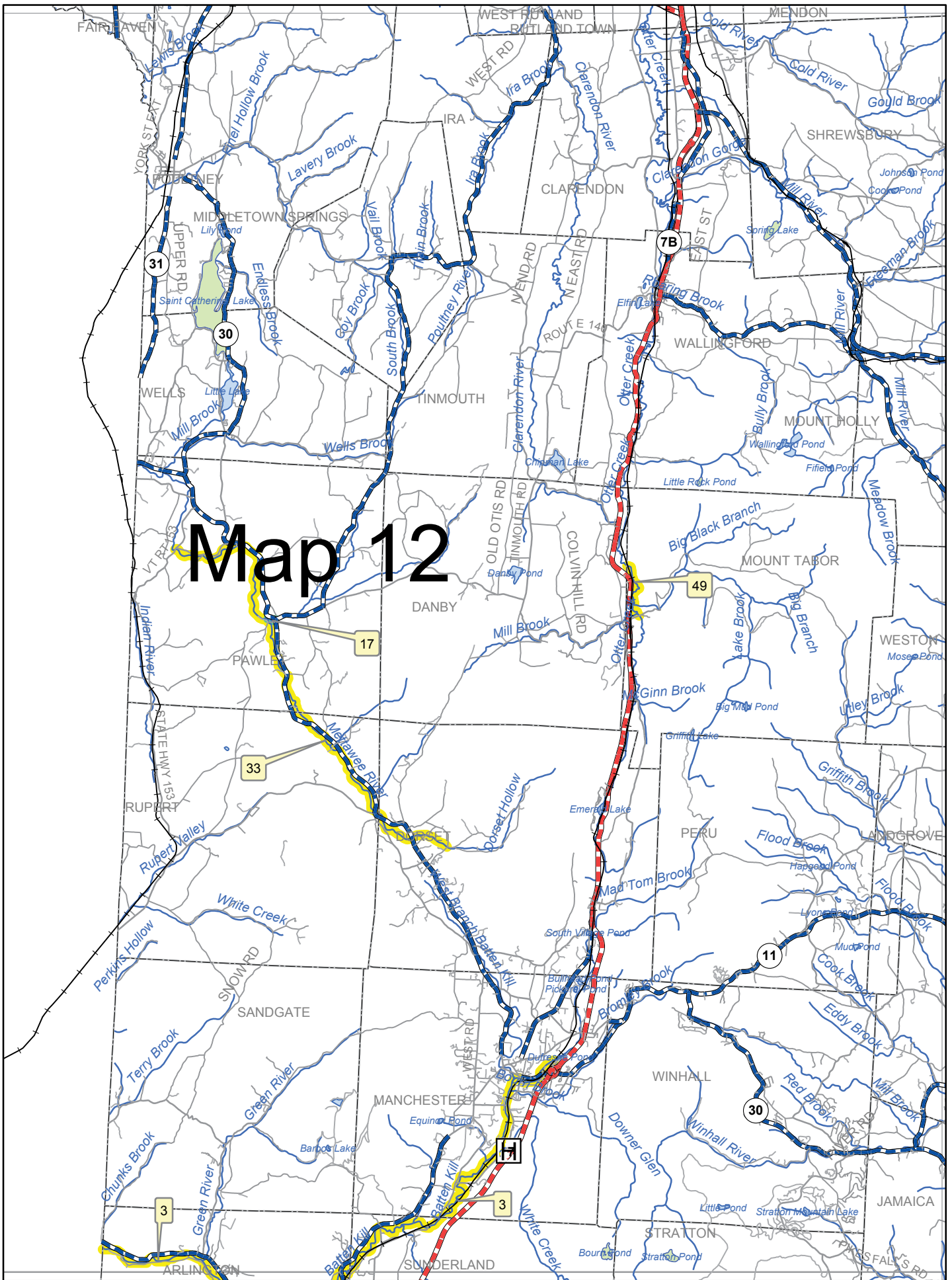
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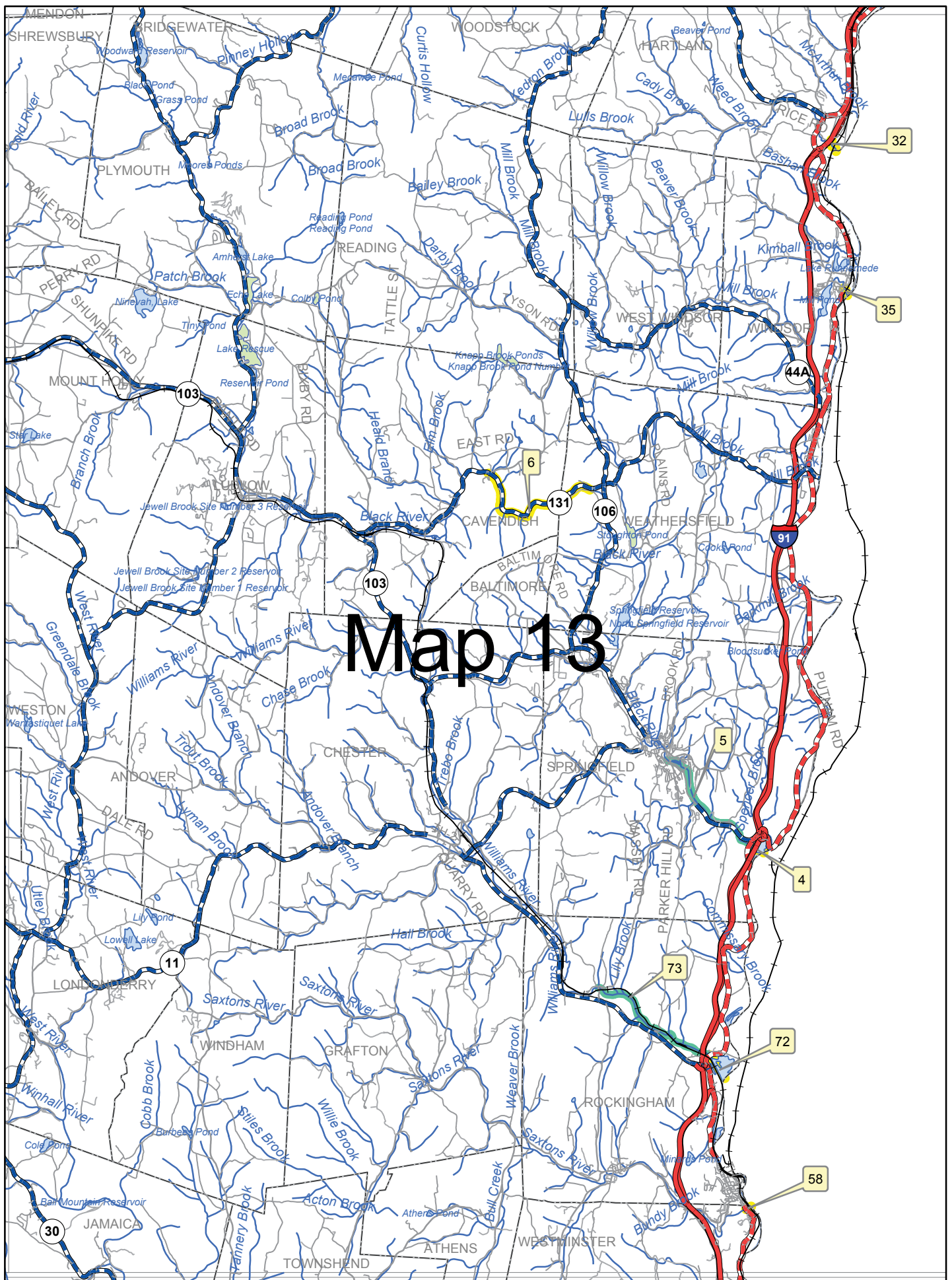
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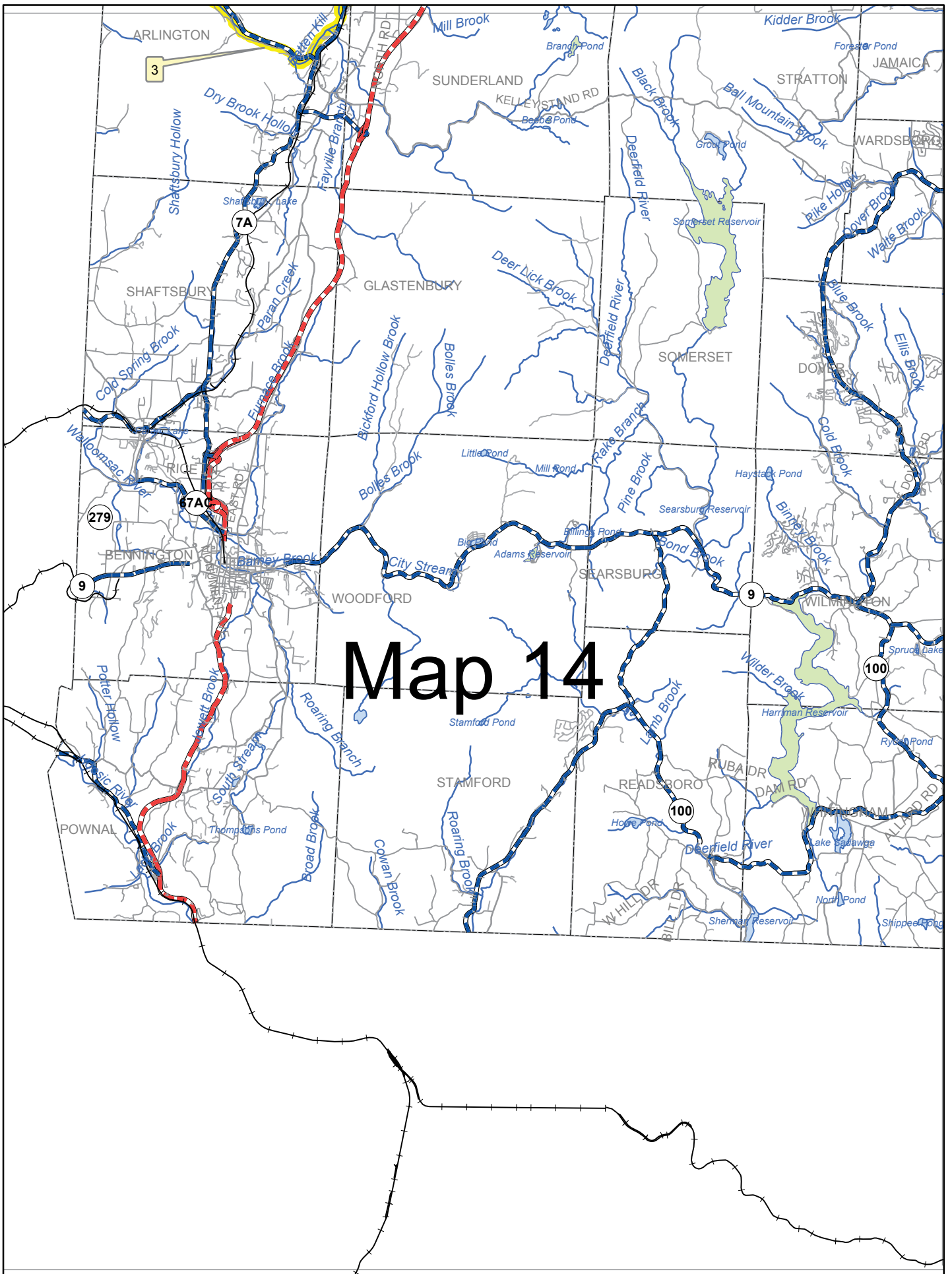
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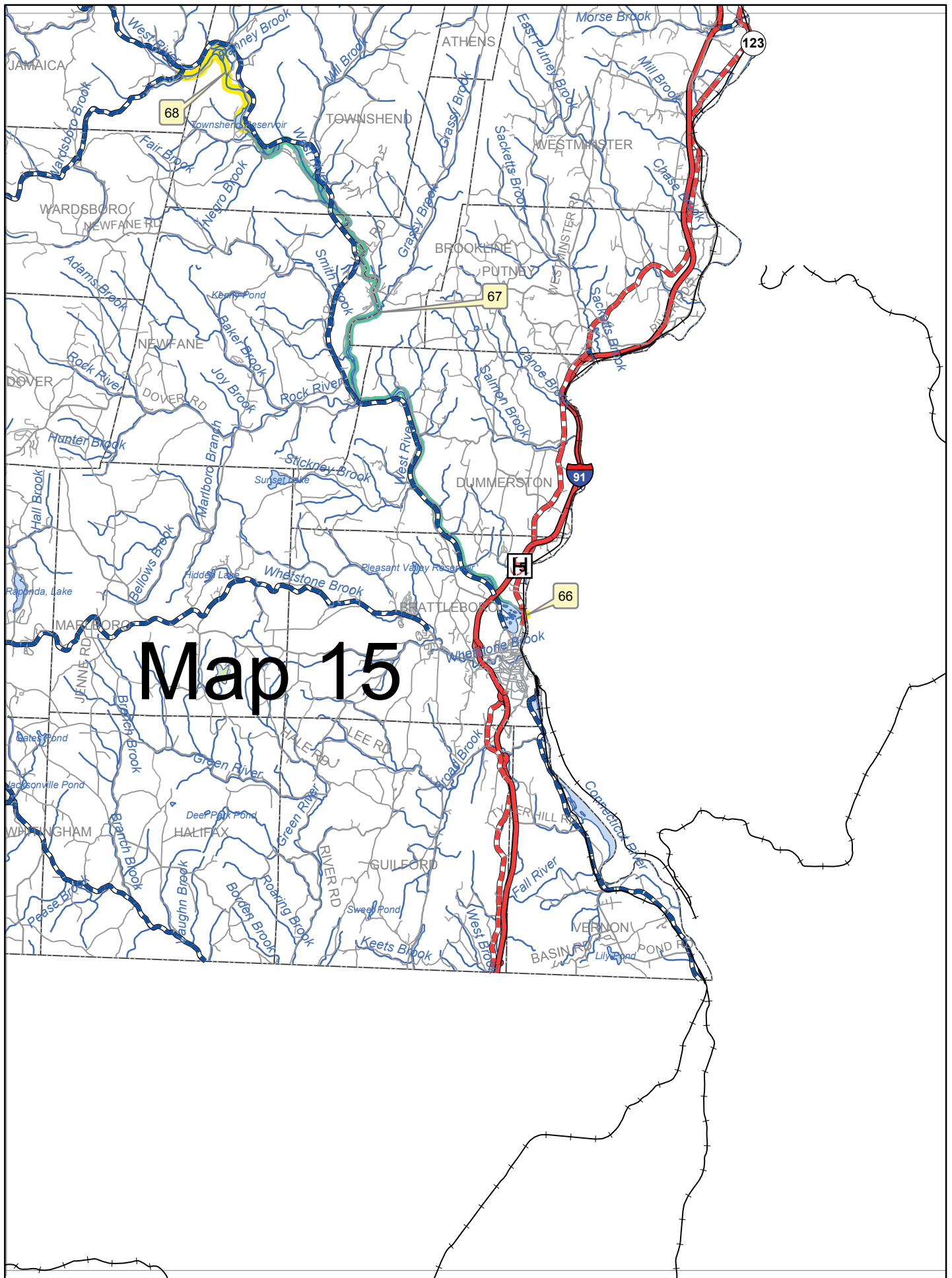


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Map 13





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For rivers, stream, brooks and creeks NOT LISTED in this index, see Table 1, Table 3, and Table 4

| | Town | County | Table | Map | Stream Section # |
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| Alder Brook | | | | | |
| <i>Black River to Sargent Pond Outlet</i> • Closed to Fishing – Second Saturday in April through May 31 • Landlocked Salmon Minimum Length 17" | Coventry | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| <i>Sargent Pond to Headwater</i> • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | Coventry | Orleans | 1 | 3 | |
| Barton River | | | | | |
| <i>From the downstream side of the US Rt 5 bridge southernmost and closest to the Village of Barton in Barton downstream to Lake Memphremagog</i> • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" • Rainbow Trout and Brown Trout: o Length Limits: Minimum length 10" o Daily Limits: 2 trout | Coventry/ Irasburg | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 2 |
| <i>US Rt 5 bridge southernmost and closest to the village of Barton in Barton to headwaters</i> • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | All Applicable Towns | Orleans | 1 | 3 | |
| Battenkill River | | | | | |
| <i>NY Border to base of Dufresne Dam in Manchester</i> • All Trout must be Released Immediately | Arlington/ Sunderland/ Manchester | Bennington | 1 | 12, 14 | 3 |
| <i>Dufresne Dam in Manchester to headwaters, and all tributaries</i> | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 12 | |
| Black River (Trib Conn) | | | | | |
| <i>CT R main channel to I-91 Bridge, Springfield</i> | Springfield | Windsor | 4 | 13 | 4 |
| <i>From the Connecticut River boundary upstream to the top of the Lovejoy Dam in Springfield</i> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: o Season: Open Year Round o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: 5 • Open to Year Round Trout Fishing (Catch and Release outside of trout season using artificial flies or lures) | Springfield | Windsor | 2 | 13 | 5 |
| <i>Black River along Route 131 in Weathersfield and Cavendish, from Downers covered bridge upstream (approximately 4 miles) to the next bridge across the river, The Howard Hill Bridge</i> • Brook, Brown and Rainbow Trout: o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: 2 trout aggregate | Weathersfield/Cavendish | Windsor | 1 | 13 | 6 |
| <i>Howard Hill Bridge to headwaters</i> | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 13 | |
| Black River (Trib Memph) | | | | | |
| <i>Lake Memphremagog upstream to 600 feet below the falls at Old Harman Mill in Coventry</i> • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" • Rainbow Trout and Brown Trout: o Length Limits: Minimum length 10" o Daily Limits: 2 trout | Newport City, Coventry | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 7 |
| <i>From 600 feet below the falls at Old Harman Mill in Coventry upstream to the top of the falls at Old Harman Mill in Coventry</i> • Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | Coventry | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 8 |
| <i>Old Harmam Mill in Coventry upstream to the downstream side of the VT Rts 14/58 bridge in Irasburg</i> • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" • Rainbow Trout and Brown Trout: o Length Limits: Minimum length 10" o Daily Limits: 2 trout | Newport City, Coventry | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 7 |
| <i>VT Rts 14/58 bridge to headwaters</i> • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | All Applicable Towns | Orleans | 1 | 3 | |

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| Brownington Branch of Willoughby River | | | | | |
| From its confluence at the Willoughby River extending upstream to the second road crossing on Brownington Chilafoux Road (TH #15). Crossing is located approximately 2.4 miles from Brownington Center on Chilafoux Road (TH #15). <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17"• Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 | Brownington | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 9 |
| From Second road crossing on Brownington Chilafoux Road (TH #15) Crossing is located approximately 2.4 miles from Brownington Center on Chilafoux Road (TH #15) to headwaters <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | Brownington | Orleans | 1 | 3 | |
| Chase Brook | | | | | |
| From its confluence with the Dog River upstream approximately 1/2 mile to the top of the natural falls in Berlin. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 | Berlin | Washington County | 1 | 6 | 10 |
| Clyde River | | | | | |
| Lake Memphremagog to the downstream edge of the arch bridge at Gardner park entrance <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | Newport City | Orleans | 1 | 3 | |
| Downstream edge of the arch bridge at Gardner park entrance to the downstream edge of the bridge on Lower Clyde Street in Newport City <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Catch and Release for salmon between Oct 1 and Oct 31 using artificial flies and lures only• Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | Newport City | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 11 |
| From the downstream edge of the bridge on Lower Clyde Street in Newport City upstream to the top of the abandoned Mill Dam immediately upstream of the Number 1, 2, 3 hydroelectric powerhouse, in Newport City. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 10• Catch and Release for salmon between Oct 1 and Oct 31 using artificial flies and lures only• Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | Newport City | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 12 |
| Top of the abandoned Mill Dam immediately upstream of the Number 1, 2, 3 hydroelectric powerhouse, in Newport City, to Citizens West Charleston, (Lubber Lake) Dam, W. Charleston <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | All Applicable Towns | Orleans | 1 | 3 | |
| Citizens West Charleston Dam to Island Pond outlet | Charleston/Brighton | Orleans/Essex | 1 | 3, 4 | |
| Connecticut River (Including tributaries, bays and setback to 1 st highway bridge) | | | | | |
| | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 4 | 4,7,8,11,13,15 | |
| Country Club Brook | | | | | |
| From its confluence with the Willoughby River extending upstream to Hollow Road (TH #14) in Barton. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31• Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | Barton | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 13 |
| Hollow Road (TH #14) Bridge in Barton to headwaters <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | Barton | Orleans | 1 | 3 | |
| Dead Creek | | | | | |
| Dead Creek to Panton Road bridge in Panton. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lake Champlain Boundaries | Panton | Addison | 3 | 5 | |
| Dog River | | | | | |
| Winooski River, Berlin/Montpelier, to first VT Rt 12 Bridge upstream of Winooski River, Berlin | Montpelier/Berlin | Washington | 1 | 6 | |
| From the first bridge on Rt 12 above the confluence with the Winooski River upstream (approximately 4.3 miles) to the railroad bridge in West Berlin. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Trout:<ul style="list-style-type: none">o Length Limits: 10" to 16" protected slot (all fish 10" to 16" must be released)o Daily Limits: 2 trout only 1 greater than 16 inches | Berlin | Washington | 1 | 6 | 14 |
| Railroad bridge in West Berlin village, Berlin to headwaters | All Applicable Towns | Washington | 1 | 6 | |

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| Dorin Brook | | | | | |
| Lake Willoughby upstream 3/4 mile • Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 | Westmore | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 15 |
| From 3/4 mile upstream of Lake Willoughby to headwaters | Westmore | Orleans | 1 | 3 | |
| East Creek (Orwell) | | | | | |
| East Creek to the falls in Orwell (downstream of Mount Independence Road) • Lake Champlain Boundaries | Orwell | Addison | 3 | 9 | |
| East Creek (Rutland City) | | | | | |
| From the confluence with Otter Creek upstream (approximately 2.7 miles) to the top of the Patch Dam in Rutland City • Brook, Brown and Rainbow Trout: o Season: 2nd Sat in April to October 31 o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: Total number of brook trout, brown trout and rainbow trout no more than 2 | Rutland City | Rutland | 1 | 9 | 16 |
| Flower Brook | | | | | |
| From its confluence with the Mettawee River extending upstream (approximately 1000ft) to the downstream edge of the Rt 30 bridge in Pawlet • Trout: o Length Limits: 10" to 14" protected slot (all fish 10" to 14" must be released) o Daily Limits: 2 trout only 1 greater than 14 inches | Dorset | Bennington | 1 | 12 | 17 |
| VT Rt 30 Bridge, Dorset, to headwaters | Dorset | Bennington | 1 | 4, 12 | |
| Hall's Brook | | | | | |
| Lake Memphremagog to the headwaters • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | Derby | Orleans | 1 | 3 | |
| Hatchery Brook | | | | | |
| Lake Champlain to main drive for State Fish Hatchery • CLOSED TO FISHING | Grand Isle | Grand Isle | | 1 | 18 |
| Johns River | | | | | |
| Lake Memphremagog to the downstream edge of the first bridge (culvert) upstream of Lake Memphremagog on North Derby Rd (TH #6) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | Derby | Orleans | 1 | 3 | |
| From the downstream edge of the first bridge (culvert) upstream of Lake Memphremagog on North Derby Rd (TH #6) to downstream edge of the bridge on Beebe Rd (TH #3) • Closed to Fishing: October 1 to October 31 • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" • Rainbow Trout and Brown Trout: o Length Limits: Minimum length 10" o Daily Limits: 2 trout | Derby | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 19 |
| From the downstream edge of the bridge on Beebe Rd (TH #3) upstream approximately two tenths of a mile to the downstream edge of the bridge on Elm Street (TH #2) in Derby. • Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 and October 1 to October 31 • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" • Rainbow Trout and Brown Trout: o Length Limits: Minimum length 10" o Daily Limits: 2 trout | Derby | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 20 |
| Downstream edge of the bridge on Elm Street (TH #2) in Derby to US 5 in Derby • Closed to Fishing: October 1 to October 31 • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" • Rainbow Trout and Brown Trout: o Length Limits: Minimum length 10" o Daily Limits: 2 trout | Derby | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 21 |
| US 5 in Derby to headwaters • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | Derby | Orleans | 1 | 3 | |
| Joiner Brook | | | | | |
| Winooski River upstream approx. 1900 feet to first falls • Trout: o Length Limits: 10" to 16" protected slot: (all fish 10" to 16" must be released) o Daily Limits: 2 trout only 1 greater than 16 inches | Bolton | Chittenden | 1 | 6 | 22 |
| First falls to headwater | Bolton | Chittenden | 1 | 6 | |

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| Lamoille River | | | | | |
| Lamoille River to the downstream edge of the bridge on Bear Trap Rd in Milton (referred to as the West Milton Bridge) • Lake Champlain Boundaries | Milton | Chittenden | 3 | 1 | |
| From the downstream edge of the bridge on Bear Trap Rd in Milton (referred to as the West Milton Bridge) upstream to the top of the first dam (Peterson Dam) in Milton. • Closed to Fishing: March 16 through May 31 | Milton | Chittenden | 3 | 1 | 23 |
| From the Lake Champlain boundary (top of Peterson Dam in Milton) upstream to downstream edge of the bridge on Rt 104 in the Village of Fairfax (Arrowhead Mountain Lake – See Lakes Table) • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Open to Year Round Trout Fishing (Catch and Release outside of trout season using artificial flies or lures) • Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: o Season: Open Year Round o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: 5 • Walleye: o Season: 1st Sat in May through March 15 o Length Limits: Minimum length 15 o Daily Limits: 5 | All Applicable Towns | Chittenden/Franklin | 2 | 1 | 24 |
| Lamoille River from the downstream edge of the bridge on Rt 104 in the Village of Fairfax upstream (approximately 1.6 miles) to the top of the Fairfax Falls Dam in Fairfax. • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Open to Year Round Trout Fishing (Catch and Release outside of trout season using artificial flies or lures) • Brook, Brown and Rainbow Trout: o Season: 2nd Sat in April to October 31 o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: Total number of brook trout, brown trout and rainbow trout no more than 2 • Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: o Season: Open Year Round o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: 5 • Walleye: o Season: 1st Sat in May through March 15 o Length Limits: Minimum length 15 o Daily Limits: 5 | Fairfax | Franklin | 2 | 1 | 25 |
| Hydroelectric dam at Fairfax Falls in Fairfax upstream to the downstream side of the railroad bridge in Johnson | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 1 | |
| From the downstream side of the railroad bridge in Johnson upstream (approx 3.7 miles) to the downstream edge of the Ten Bends Drive bridge in Hyde Park • Brook, Brown and Rainbow Trout: o Length Limits: Minimum length 16 inches o Daily Limits: 2 trout total o Gear Restrictions: Artificial lures and flies only | Johnson and Hyde Park | Lamoille | 1 | 2 | 26 |
| From the downstream edge of the Ten Bends Drive bridge in Hyde Park to headwaters | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 2 | |
| LaPlatte River | | | | | |
| LaPlatte River to the falls in Shelburne (under Falls Road bridge). • Lake Champlain Boundaries | Shelburne | Chittenden | 3 | 5 | |
| Leach Creek | | | | | |
| CT R main channel to VT Rt 102 Bridge, Canaan | Canaan | Essex | 4 | 4 | 27 |
| VT Rt 102 Bridge, Canaan to headwaters | Canaan | Essex | 1 | 4 | |
| Lewis Creek | | | | | |
| Lewis Creek to the falls in North Ferrisburgh (just upstream of Old Hollow Road). • Lake Champlain Boundaries | North Ferrisburgh | Addison | 3 | 5 | |
| From the Lake Champlain boundary (falls in North Ferrisburgh) upstream to the State Prison Hollow Rd (TH #3) bridge in Starksboro • Open to Year Round Trout Fishing (Catch and Release outside of trout season using artificial flies or lures) | All Applicable Towns | Addison | 1 | 5 | 28 |
| State Prison Rd (TH #3) to headwaters | Starksboro/Bristol | Addison | 1 | 5 | |

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| Lilliesville Brook | | | | | |
| <i>From the confluence with the White River upstream to the 2nd bridge on the Lilliesville Brook Rd.</i> • Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 | Stockbridge/Bethel | Windsor | 1 | 10 | 29 |
| Little Otter Creek | | | | | |
| <i>Lake Champlain to the falls in Ferrisburgh Center (downstream of Little Chicago Rd).</i> • Lake Champlain Boundaries | Ferrisburgh Center | Chittenden | 3 | 5 | |
| Little River | | | | | |
| <i>US Rt 2 Bridge to its beginning at base of Waterbury Dam</i> | Waterbury | Washington | 1 | 6 | |
| <i>From the confluence with Winooski River upstream to the Rt 2 bridge in Waterbury</i> • Brook, Brown and Rainbow Trout: o Season: 2nd Sat in April to October 31 o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: Total number of brook trout, brown trout and rainbow trout no more than 2 | Waterbury | Washington | 1 | 6 | 30 |
| Locust Creek | | | | | |
| <i>From its confluence with the White River upstream to the 2nd bridge on Rt 12.</i> • Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 | Bethel/Barnard | Windsor | 1 | 10 | 31 |
| Lulls Brook | | | | | |
| <i>CT R main channel to I-91 Bridge, Hartland</i> | Hartland | Windsor | 4 | 13 | 32 |
| <i>I-91 Bridge, Hartland to Headwaters</i> | Hartland | Windsor | 1 | 13 | |
| Malletts Creek | | | | | |
| <i>Malletts Creek to the first falls upstream of Roosevelt Highway (US 2 and US 7) in Colchester.</i> • Lake Champlain Boundaries | Colchester | Chittenden | 3 | 1 | |
| Mettawee River | | | | | |
| <i>NY Border to the downstream edge of the Rt 153 bridge in Pawlet</i> | Pawlet | Rutland | 1 | 12 | |
| <i>From the downstream edge of the Rt 153 bridge in Pawlet upstream (approximately 16 miles) to the downstream edge of the first bridge on Dorset Hollow Rd and including tributary: Flower Brook upstream (approximately 1000 ft.) to the downstream edge of the Rt 30 bridge in Pawlet.</i> • Trout: o Length Limits: 10" to 14" protected slot: (all fish 10" to 14" must be released) o Daily Limits: 2 trout only 1 greater than 14 inches | Pawlet | Rutland | 1 | 12 | 33 |
| <i>First bridge on Dorset Hollow Rd, in Dorset, to headwaters</i> | Dorset | Bennington | 1 | 12 | |
| Mill Brook | | | | | |
| <i>Lake Willoughby upstream 1/4 mile</i> • Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 | Westmore | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 34 |
| <i>From 1/4 mile upstream of Lake Willoughby to headwaters</i> | Westmore | Orleans | 1 | 3 | |
| Mill Brook (Windsor) | | | | | |
| <i>CT R main channel to US Rt 5 Bridge, Windsor</i> | Windsor | Windsor | 4 | 13 | 35 |
| <i>US Rt 5 Bridge, Windsor to headwaters</i> | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 13 | |
| Mill River | | | | | |
| <i>Lake Champlain to the falls in Georgia (just upstream of Georgia Shore Rd bridge).</i> • Lake Champlain Boundaries | Georgia | Franklin | 3 | 1 | |
| Missisquoi River | | | | | |
| <i>Lake Champlain to Riverside Cemetery(5120' below Swanton Dam)</i> | Highgate/Swanton | Franklin | 3 | 1 | |
| <i>Riverside Cemetery (5120' below Swanton Dam) to 850' below the Swanton Dam</i> • Closed to Fishing: March 16 to the Friday before the 1st Saturday in May, both dates inclusive | Highgate/Swanton | Franklin | 3 | 1 | 36 |
| <i>From the top of the Swanton Dam in the Village of Swanton downstream approximately 850 ft. to the water treatment plant on the west side of the river, and downstream approximately 850 ft. to the upstream end of the cement breakwater on the east side of the river.</i> • Closed to Fishing: March 16 through May 31 | Highgate/Swanton | Franklin | 3 | 1 | 37 |

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| Missisquoi River (continued) | | | | | |
| Missisquoi River from Swanton Dam in the Village of Swanton upstream to the Highgate Falls Dam <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: Open Year Round o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: 5 • Walleye: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: First Saturday in May through March 15 o Length limit: Minimum length 15" o Daily limit: 5 • Muskellunge: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Daily Limits: Zero, All muskellunge unintentionally taken must be immediately released | Swanton/Highgate | Franklin | 2 | 1 | 38 |
| Highgate Falls Dam to top of the Sheldon Springs Dam in Sheldon Springs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: Open Year Round o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: 5 | Highgate/Swanton | Franklin | 2 | 1 | 39 |
| Sheldon Springs Dam in Sheldon Springs to downstream edge of Kane Rd (TH-3) bridge in Sheldon | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 1, 2 | |
| From the downstream edge of Kane Road (TH-3) bridge upstream (approximately 5.7 miles) to the top of the Enosburg Falls Dam in Enosburg Falls <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brook, Brown and Rainbow Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: 2nd Sat in April to October 31 o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: Total number of brook trout, brown trout and rainbow trout no more than 2 | Sheldon and Enosburg | Franklin | 1 | 2 | 40 |
| From the top of the Enosburg Falls Dam in Enosburg Falls to Headwaters | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 2,3 | |
| Moose River | | | | | |
| From confluence with Passumpsic River upstream (approx. 350 ft) to the downstream edge of the Concord Avenue bridge in the Village of St. Johnsbury <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brook, Brown and Rainbow Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: 2nd Sat in April to October 31 o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: Total number of brook trout, brown trout and rainbow trout no more than 2 | Village of St. Johnsbury | Caledonia | 1 | 7 | 41 |
| From downstream edge of the Concord Avenue bridge in the Village of St. Johnsbury to headwaters | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 7 | |
| Mud Creek | | | | | |
| Lake Champlain to the dam in Alburg (just upstream of Route 78 bridge). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lake Champlain Boundaries | Alburg | Grand Isle | 3 | 1 | |
| Myers Brook | | | | | |
| Lake Willoughby upstream 1/2 mile <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 | Westmore | Orleans County | 1 | 3 | 42 |
| From 1/2 mile upstream of Lake Willoughby to headwater | Westmore | Orleans County | 1 | 3 | |
| New Haven River | | | | | |
| From the confluence with Otter Creek in New Haven, to Munger Street Bridge, New Haven | New Haven | Addison | 1 | 5 | |
| From Munger Street Bridge in New Haven upstream (approximately 4.1 miles) to the South Street bridge in Bristol. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Length Limits: 10" to 16" protected slot: (all fish 10" to 16" must be released) o Daily Limits: 2 trout only 1 greater than 16 inches | New Haven/Bristol | Addison | 1 | 5 | 43 |
| South Street Bridge, Bristol to headwaters | Bristol | Addison | 1 | 5, 9 | |
| Nulhegan River | | | | | |
| CT R main channel to VT Rt 102 Bridge, Bloomfield | Bloomfield | Essex | 4 | 4 | 44 |
| VT Rt 102 Bridge, Bloomfield to headwaters | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 4 | |

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| Ompompanoosuc River | | | | | |
| CT R main channel to US Rt 5, Norwich | Norwich | Windsor | 4 | 11 | 45 |
| From the Connecticut River boundary (US Rt 5 in Norwich) upstream to the top of the flood control dam in Union Village in the town of Thetford. | Norwich/Thetford | Windsor/Orange | 2 | 11 | 46 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Open to Year Round Trout Fishing (Catch and Release outside of trout season using artificial flies or lures) • Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: Open Year Round o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: 5 | | | | | |
| Top of the flood control dam in Union Village in the town of Thetford to headwaters | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 11 | |
| Ottawaquechee River | | | | | |
| CT R main channel to 1st highway bridge crossing, Hartland | Hartland | Windsor | 4 | 11 | 47 |
| 1 st highway bridge crossing, Hartland to Headwaters | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 11 | |
| Otter Creek | | | | | |
| Lake Champlain to the top of the dam in the city of Vergennes | Vergennes | Addison | 3 | 5 | |
| From the Lake Champlain boundary (Falls at Vergennes) upstream to the top of the Center Rutland Falls in Rutland. | Vergennes/Rutland | Addison/Rutland | 2 | 5, 9 | 48 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Open to Year Round Trout Fishing (Catch and Release outside of trout season using artificial flies or lures) • Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: Open Year Round o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: 5 | | | | | |
| Top of the Center Rutland Falls in Rutland to VT Railway Bridge, Danby | All Applicable Towns | Rutland | 1 | 9 | |
| From the Vermont Railway Bridge north of the fishing access upstream (approximately 2 miles) to the Danby-Mt. Tabor Forest Road Bridge (Forest Road #10). | Danby | Rutland | 1 | 12 | 49 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brook, Brown and Rainbow Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: 2nd Sat in April to October 31 o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: Total number of brook trout, brown trout and rainbow trout no more than 2 | | | | | |
| Danby-Mt. Tabor Forest Road bridge (Forest Road #10) to headwaters | All Applicable Towns | Bennington/Rutland | 1 | 12 | |
| Outlet Brook | | | | | |
| From the highway bridge near Echo Lake in Charleston upstream to the top of the dam at the outlet of Seymour Lake. | Charleston/Brighton | Orleans County | 1 | 3 | 50 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 | | | | | |
| Passumpsic River | | | | | |
| CT R main channel to 1st Highway Bridge crossing, Barnet | Barnet | Caledonia | 4 | 7 | 51 |
| 1st Highway Bridge crossing, Barnet to top of Gage Dam in St. Johnsbury. | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 7 | |
| From top of Gage Dam in St. Johnsbury upstream (appr 2.4 miles) to the top of Arnold Falls Dams. Moose River - From confluence with Passumpsic River upstream (approx. 350 ft) to the downstream edge of the Concord Avenue bridge in the Village of St. Johnsbury | St. Johnsbury | Caledonia | 1 | 7 | 52 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brook, Brown and Rainbow Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: 2nd Sat in April to October 31 o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: Total number of brook trout, brown trout and rainbow trout no more than 2 | | | | | |
| From the top of Arnold Falls in Village of St. Johnsbury to headwaters | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 7 | |
| Paul Stream | | | | | |
| CT R main channel to VT Rt 102 Bridge, Maidstone | Maidstone | Essex | 4 | 4 | 53 |
| VT Rt 102 Bridge, Maidstone to headwaters | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 4 | |
| Pinneo Brook | | | | | |
| Winooski River upstream approx. 100 ft to railroad crossing | Bolton | Chittenden | 1 | 6 | 54 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Length Limits: 10" to 16" protected slot: (all fish 10" to 16" must be released) o Daily Limits: 2 trout only 1 greater than 16 inches | | | | | |
| Railroad crossing to headwaters | Bolton | Chittenden | 1 | 6 | |

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| Porter Brook | | | | | |
| <i>Greensboro, Porter Brook, tributary to Caspian Lake, is to be closed in its entirety.</i> • Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 | Greensboro | Orleans County | 1 | 3 | 55 |
| Poultney River | | | | | |
| <i>Lake Champlain upstream to Poultney River to Central Vermont Power Dam at Carver Falls in West Haven.</i> | West Haven | Rutland | 3 | 9 | |
| <i>Central Vermont Power Dam at Carver Falls in West Haven to headwaters</i> | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 9 | |
| Preston Brook | | | | | |
| <i>Winooski River upstream approx. 2600 feet to first falls</i> • Trout: o Length Limits: 10" to 16" protected slot: (all fish 10" to 16" must be released) o Daily Limits: 2 trout only 1 greater than 16 inches | Bolton | Chittenden | 1 | 6 | 56 |
| <i>First Falls to headwater</i> | Bolton/Huntington | Chittenden | 1 | 6 | |
| Ridley Brook | | | | | |
| <i>Winooski River upstream approx. 1700 ft to first falls</i> • Trout: o Length Limits: 10" to 16" protected slot: (all fish 10" to 16" must be released) o Daily Limits: 2 trout only 1 greater than 16 inches | Duxbury | Washington | 1 | 6 | 57 |
| <i>First falls to headwaters</i> | Duxbury | Washington | 1 | 6 | |
| Rock River | | | | | |
| <i>Lake Champlain to the first Canadian border crossing</i> | Highgate | Franklin | 3 | 1 | |
| Saxtons River | | | | | |
| <i>CT R main channel to US Rt 5 Bridge, Westminster</i> | Westminster | Windham | 4 | 13 | 58 |
| <i>US Rt 5 Bridge, Westminster to headwaters</i> | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 13 | |
| Schoolhouse Brook | | | | | |
| <i>Lake Willoughby upstream 1/4 mile</i> • Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 | Westmore | Orleans County | 1 | 3 | 59 |
| <i>From 1/4 mile upstream of Lake Willoughby to headwaters</i> | Westmore | Orleans County | 1 | 3 | |
| Stevens River | | | | | |
| <i>CT R main channel to 1st Highway Bridge crossing Barnet</i> | Barnet | Caledonia | 4 | 7 | 60 |
| <i>1st Highway Bridge crossing Barnet to headwaters</i> | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 7 | |
| Stony Brook (Alder Brook) | | | | | |
| <i>From its confluence with the Black River upstream 3.5 miles to the outlet of Sargent Pond in Coventry.</i> • Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | Coventry | Orleans County | 1 | 3 | 1 |
| <i>Sargent Pond to headwaters</i> • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | Coventry | Orleans County | 1 | 3 | |
| Waits River | | | | | |
| <i>CT R main channel to US Rt 5 Bridge, Bradford</i> | Bradford | Orange | 4 | 11 | 61 |
| <i>From the Connecticut River boundary (US Rt 5 Bridge, Bradford) upstream to the top of the Central Vermont Power Dam in Bradford.</i> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: o Season: Open Year Round o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: 5 | Bradford | Orange | 2 | 11 | 62 |
| <i>Top of the Central Vermont Power Dam in Bradford to headwaters</i> | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 7, 11 | |
| Ware Brook | | | | | |
| <i>From the downstream edge of the furthest downstream bridge/culvert on Back Coventry Rd (TH #8 in Irasburg) upstream approximately one mile to the top of the first major natural falls on Ware brook.</i> • Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | Irasburg | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 63 |
| Wells Brook | | | | | |
| <i>Lake Willoughby to headwater</i> • Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 | Westmore | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 64 |
| Wells River | | | | | |
| <i>CT R main channel to US Rt 302 Bridge, Newbury</i> | Newbury | Orange | 4 | 7 | 65 |
| <i>US Rt 302 Bridge, Newbury to headwaters</i> | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 7 | |

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| | Town | County | Table | Map | Stream Section # |
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| West River | | | | | |
| CT R main channel to US Rt 5 Bridge, Brattleboro | Brattleboro | Windham | 4 | 15 | 66 |
| From the Connecticut River boundary (US Rt 5 Bridge) upstream to the Townshend Dam (Townshend). | Townshend/Jamaica | Windham | 2 | 15 | 67 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Open to Year Round Trout Fishing (Catch and Release outside of trout season using artificial flies or lures) • Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: Open Year Round o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: 5 | | | | | |
| Top of Townshend Lake Dam in Townshend to VT Rt 100 Bridge, Jamaica | Townshend/Jamaica | Windham | 2 | 15 | 68 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: Open Year Round o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: 5 | | | | | |
| VT Rt 100 Bridge, Jamaica, to headwaters | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 12, 13, 15 | |
| White River | | | | | |
| CT R main channel to Bridge St. Bridge (US Rt 5), Hartford | Hartford | Windsor | 4 | 11 | 69 |
| From the Connecticut River boundary (US Rt 5 Bridge) upstream to the downstream edge of Route 107 bridge in Bethel. | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 2 | 10, 11 | 70 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Open to Year Round Trout Fishing (Catch and Release outside of trout season using artificial flies or lures) • Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: Open Year Round o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: 5 | | | | | |
| From the confluence with Lilliesville Brook in Stockbridge downstream 3.3 miles to 220 ft. downstream of the confluence with Cleveland Brook in Bethel. | Stockbridge/Bethel | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 10 | 71 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brook, Brown and Rainbow Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Length Limits: 18" Minimum Length o Daily Limits: 1 trout o Gear Restriction: Artificial lures and flies only | | | | | |
| Lilliesville Brook, Stockbridge, to headwaters | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 10 | |
| Williams River | | | | | |
| CT R main channel to US Rt 5 Bridge, Rockingham | Rockingham | Windham | 4 | 13 | 72 |
| From the Connecticut River boundary (Ys Rt 5 Bridge) upstream to the top of the dam at Brockway Mills Falls in Rockingham. | Rockingham | Windham | 2 | 13 | 73 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Open to Year Round Trout Fishing (Catch and Release outside of trout season using artificial flies or lures) • Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: Open Year Round o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: 5 | | | | | |
| Top of the dam at Brockway Mills Falls in Rockingham to headwaters | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 13 | |
| Willoughby River | | | | | |
| Barton River to Orleans/Brownington Rd Bridge | Barton | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 74 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" • Rainbow Trout and Brown Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Length Limits: Minimum length 10" o Daily Limits: 2 trout | | | | | |
| Orleans/Brownington Rd Bridge to natural falls top | Barton | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 75 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" • Rainbow Trout and Brown Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Length Limits: Minimum length 10" o Daily Limits: 2 trout | | | | | |
| Natural falls top to Brownington Branch confluence | Barton/Brownington | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 76 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" • Rainbow Trout and Brown Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Length Limits: Minimum length 10" o Daily Limits: 2 trout | | | | | |

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| Willoughby River (continued) | | | | | |
| <i>Brownington Branch confluence to downstream edge of the bridge on VT Rt 58 in the village of Evansville (Brownington)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closed to Fishing: Second Saturday in April through May 31 • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" • Rainbow Trout and Brown Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Length Limits: Minimum length 10" o Daily Limits: 2 trout | Brownington | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 77 |
| <i>Downstream edge of the bridge on VT Route 58 in the village of Evansville (Brownington) to Willoughby Lake outlet</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" • Rainbow Trout and Brown Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Length Limits: Minimum length 10" o Daily Limits: 2 trout | Brownington/Barton/ Westmore | Orleans | 1 | 3 | 78 |
| Winooski River | | | | | |
| <i>Lake Champlain upstream to the first railroad bridge (approximately 9 mile) in Winooski and Burlington.</i> | Winooski/Burlington | Chittenden | 3 | 5 | |
| <i>From the Winooski One Hydro Dam west of Main Street (US 7) in Winooski and Burlington and extending downstream to the downstream side of the first railroad bridge.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closed to Fishing: March 16 through May 31 | Winooski/Burlington | Chittenden | 3 | 5 | 79 |
| <i>From the Winooski One Hydro Dam west of Main Street (US 7) in Winooski and Burlington upstream to Preston Brook, Bolton</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Open to Year Round Trout Fishing (Catch and Release outside of trout season using artificial flies or lures) • Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: Open Year Round o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: 5 | All Applicable Towns | Chittenden | 1 | 5, 6 | 80 |
| <i>From Preston Brook mouth upstream (approximately 4.4 miles) to the Ridley Brook mouth; including tributaries: Ridley Brook upstream to the first falls (1700 ft.), Pinneo Brook upstream to the railroad crossing (100 ft.), Joiner Brook upstream to the first falls (1900 ft.), and Preston Brook upstream to the first falls (2600 ft.)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Open to Year Round Trout Fishing (Catch and Release outside of trout season using artificial flies or lures) • Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Length Limits: 10" to 16" inches protected slot: (all fish 10" to 16" must be released) o Daily Limits: 2 trout only 1 greater than 16 inches • Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: Open Year Round o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: 5 | Bolton/Duxbury/ Waterbury | Chittenden/Washington | 1 | 6 | 81 |
| <i>Ridley Brook mouth upstream to the top of the Bolton Dam in Duxbury and Waterbury.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to Year Round Trout Fishing (Catch and Release outside of trout season using artificial flies or lures) • Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: Open Year Round o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: 5 | Bolton/Duxbury/ Waterbury | Chittenden/Washington | 1 | 6 | 82 |
| <i>Winooski River in Duxbury and Waterbury, from the top of the Bolton Dam in Duxbury and Waterbury upstream to the Route 2 Bridge (east side of Waterbury Village) Little River. From the confluences with Winooski River upstream to the Route 2 bridge in Waterbury.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Brook, Brown and Rainbow Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Season: 2nd Sat in April to October 31 o Length Limits: None o Daily Limits: Total number of brook trout, brown trout and rainbow trout no more than 2 | Duxbury/Waterbury | Washington | 1 | 6 | 83 |
| <i>Route 2 Bridge (East side of Waterbury Village) in Waterbury to headwaters</i> | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | 6, 7 | |

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| | Town | County | Table | Map | Lake Area (acres) | Access* | Internal Combustion Motors allowed | Other Boating Restrictions |
|--------------------------------|---|------------|-------|-----|-------------------|---------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| ADAMS RESERVOIR | Woodford | Bennington | 2 | 14 | 21 | | N | 5mph |
| AMHERST LAKE | Plymouth | Windsor | 2 | 13 | 81 | St | Y | |
| ANSEL POND | Bethel | Windsor | 5 | 10 | 2 | Sc | | |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| ARROWHEAD MOUNTAIN LAKE | Milton | Chittenden | 2 | 1 | 760 | St | Y | Other |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Walleye: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Open Season: 1st Sat in May through March 15 ○ Length Limits: Minimum length 15" ○ Daily Limits: 5 | | | | | | | |
| ATHENS POND | Athens | Windham | 2 | 13 | 21 | | N | 5mph |
| AUSTIN POND | Hubbardton | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 28 | | N | 5mph |
| BACK POND | Brighton | Essex | 2 | 3 | 10 | | | |
| BAKER POND | Barton | Orleans | 5 | 3 | 51 | Sud | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| BAKER POND | Brookfield | Orange | 2 | 10 | 31 | St | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Largemouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Length Limits: 10" to 12" protected slot (all bass 10" to 12" must be released) ○ Daily Limits: 10 bass, only 1 greater than 12 inches | | | | | | | |
| BALD HILL POND | Westmore | Orleans | 5 | 3 | 108 | St | Y | |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| BALL MOUNTAIN RESERVOIR | Jamaica | Windham | 2 | 13 | 85 | | Y | 5mph |
| BANCROFT POND | Plainfield | Washington | 5 | 7 | 14 | | | |
| BEAN POND | Lyndon | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 24 | | Y | 5mph |
| BEAN POND | Sutton | Caledonia | 5 | 3 | 30 | Sc | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| BEAVER POND | Holland | Orleans | 5 | 4 | 40 | Sf | N | 5mph |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| BECK POND | Newark | Caledonia | 5 | 4 | 6 | Sud | | |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| BEEBE POND | Sunderland | Bennington | 5 | 14 | — | | | |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |

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| | Town | County | Table | Map | Lake Area (acres) | Access* | Internal Combustion Motors allowed | Other Boating Restrictions |
|---|----------------------|-------------------|-------|-----|-------------------|---------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| BERLIN POND | Berlin | Washington | 2 | 6 | 293 | | N | Other |
| BIG AVERILL LAKE (GREAT AVERILL LAKE) | Norton/Averill | Essex | 5 | 4 | 828 | St | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 and 3rd Sat. in Jan to March 15 • All Species: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length limits) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 | | | | | | | | |
| BIG FISH POND (VAIL POND) | Sutton | Caledonia | 5 | 3 | 16 | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | | |
| BIG POND (WOODFORD LAKE) | Woodford | Bennington | 2 | 14 | 31 | | Y | 5mph |
| BIG SALEM LAKE (SALEM LAKE) | Derby | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 764 | St | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in January to March 15 • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | | |
| BILLINGS MARSH POND | West Haven | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 56 | | N | 5mph |
| BLACK POND | Hubbardton | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 20 | Sud | N | 5mph |
| BLACK POND | Plymouth | Windsor | 2 | 13 | 20 | | N | 5mph |
| BLAKE POND | Sutton | Caledonia | 2 | 3 | 8 | Sf | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | | |
| BLISS POND | Calais | Washington | 2 | 6 | 46 | | Y | 5mph |
| BLUEBERRY LAKE (WARREN LAKE) | Warren | Washington | 2 | 6 | 48 | | N | 5mph |
| BOMOSEEN, LAKE | Castleton/Hubbardton | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 2360 | St | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in January to March 15 | | | | | | | | |
| BOURN POND | Sunderland | Bennington | 5 | 12 | 48 | | N | 5mph |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | |
| BRANCH POND | Sunderland | Bennington | 5 | 14 | 34 | | N | 5mph |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | |
| BROOKFIELD POND (BAKER POND) | Brookfield | Orange | 2 | 10 | 31 | | Y | 5mph |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Largemouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Length Limits: 10" to 12" protected slot (all bass 10" to 12" must be released) ◦ Daily limits: 10 bass, only 1 greater than 12 inches | | | | | | | | |
| BROWN POND | Westmore | Caledonia/Orleans | 5 | 3 | 15 | Sud | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | |

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|---|-------------------|-------------------|-------|---------|-------------------|---------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| BROWNINGTON POND | Brownington/Derby | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 139 | St | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | | |
| BROWNS POND | Westmore | Caledonia/Orleans | 5 | 3 | 15 | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | |
| BRUCE POND | Sheffield | Caledonia | 2 | 3 | 27 | | Y | 5mph |
| BUCK LAKE | Woodbury | Washington | 2 | 7 | 39 | Sc | N | 5mph |
| BURBEE POND | Windham | Windham | 2 | 13 | 50 | Sf | N | 5mph |
| BURR POND | Pittsford | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 20 | | N | 5mph |
| BURR POND | Sudbury | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 85 | St | Y | Others |
| CARMI, LAKE (FRANKLIN POND) | Franklin | Franklin | 2 | 2 | 1402 | St | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walleye: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Open Season: 1st Sat in May to March 15th ○ Length Limits: Minimum length 15", 17" to 19" protected slot (all walleye between 17-19 inches must be released) ○ Daily Limits: 5 fish limit provided only 1 is over 19" | | | | | | | | |
| CASPIAN LAKE | Greensboro | Orleans | 5 | 3 | 789 | Mt | Y | Others |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 and 3rd Sat. in Jan to March 15 • All Species: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length limits) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 • Rainbow Trout and Brown Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Length Limits: Minimum length 10" ○ Daily Limits: 2 trout | | | | | | | | |
| CEDAR LAKE (MONKTON POND) | Monkton | Addison | 2 | 5 | 123 | St | Y | |
| CENTER POND | Newark | Caledonia | 5 | 4 | 79 | St | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 | | | | | | | | |
| CHAMPLAIN, LAKE | | | 3 | 1, 5, 9 | | Xt | Y | |
| CHANDLER POND | Wheelock | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 68 | | N | 5mph |
| CHARLESTON POND (LUBBER LAKE) | Charleston | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 40 | Uf | N | 5mph |
| CHIPMAN LAKE (TINMOUTH POND) | Tinmouth | Rutland | 2 | 12 | 79 | Pc | Y | |
| CHITTENDEN RESERVOIR | Chittenden | Rutland | 2 | 10 | 702 | St | Y | Others |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in January to March 15 • Walleye: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Open Season: June 1 through March 15 ○ Length Limits: Minimum Length 22" ○ Daily Limits: 2 | | | | | | | | |

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|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------|-------|-----|-------------------|---------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| CLARK POND (TILDY'S POND) | Glover | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 33 | Sud | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| CLYDE POND | Derby | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 186 | Uc | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| COBB POND | Derby | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 27 | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| COGGMAN POND | West Haven | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 20 | | N | 5mph |
| COITS POND | Cabot | Washington | 2 | 7 | 40 | Sud | N | 5mph |
| COLBY POND | Plymouth | Windsor | 5 | 13 | 20 | St | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is Prohibited | | | | | | | |
| COLCHESTER POND | Colchester | Chittenden | 2 | 1,5 | 186 | Mc | N | Others |
| COLE POND | Jamaica | Windham | 2 | 13 | 41 | | N | 5mph |
| COLES POND | Walden | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 125 | Mc | Y | |
| COLTON POND | Killington | Rutland | 2 | 10 | 27 | St | Y | 5mph |
| COMERFORD RESERVOIR (CT RIVER) | Waterford/Concord | Caledonia/Essex | 4 | 7 | 777 | Ut | | |
| COW MOUNTAIN POND | Granby | Essex | 5 | 4 | 10 | Mf | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| CRANBERRY MEADOW POND | Woodbury | Washington | 2 | 6 | 28 | | N | 5mph |
| CRESCENT LAKE | Sharon | Windsor | 2 | 11 | 20 | | N | 5mph |
| CRYSTAL LAKE | Barton | Orleans | 5 | 3 | 763 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 and 3rd Sat. in Jan to March 15 • All Species: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length limits) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| CURTIS POND | Calais | Washington | 2 | 6 | 72 | St | Y | Others |
| CUTLER POND | Highgate | Franklin | 2 | 1 | 25 | | N | 5mph |
| DANBY POND | Danby | Rutland | 2 | 12 | 56 | | Y | 5mph |
| DANIELS POND | Glover | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 66 | St | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| DANYOW POND | Ferrisburgh | Addison | 2 | 5 | 192 | | Y | 5mph |

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|--|---|------------|-------|-----|-------------------|---------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| DEER PARK POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Halifax | Windham | 2 | 15 | 22 | | N | 5mph |
| DENNIS POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Brunswick | Essex | 2 | 4 | 49 | Pf | N | 5mph |
| DERBY POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Derby | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 207 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| DEWEYS MILL POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Hartford | Windsor | 2 | 11 | 56 | | N | 5mph |
| DUCK POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Craftsbury | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 9 | Sc | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| DUCK POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Sheffield | Caledonia | 2 | 3 | 7 | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| DUCK POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Sutton | Caledonia | 2 | 3 | 8 | Sc | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| DUNMORE, LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| <i>North of a line from Sucker Brook to the island</i> | Salisbury/Leicester | Addison | 5 | 9 | 985 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 and 3rd Sat. in Jan to March 15 • All Species: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length limits) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 | | | | | | | |
| <i>South of a line from Sucker Brook to the island</i> | Salisbury/Leicester | Addison | 2 | 9 | 985 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 | | | | | | | |
| EAST LONG POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Woodbury | Washington | 5 | 7 | 188 | Pf | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 | | | | | | | |
| ECHO LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Charleston | Orleans | 5 | 3 | 550 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 and 3rd Sat. in Jan to March 15 • All Species: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length limits) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 • Rainbow Trout and Brown Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Length Limit: Minimum length 10" | | | | | | | |
| ECHO LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Plymouth | Windsor | 2 | 13 | 104 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | |

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| | Town | County | Table | Map | Lake Area (acres) | Access* | Internal Combustion Motors allowed | Other Boating Restrictions |
|--|--------------------------------|------------|-------|-----|-------------------|---------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| ECHO LAKE (KEELER POND) | | | | | | | | |
| | Hubbardton | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 54 | | Y | |
| EDEN LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Eden | Lamoille | 2 | 2 | 194 | St | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | | |
| ELLIGO, LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Craftsbury/ Greensboro | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 174 | St | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | | |
| ELMORE LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Elmore | Lamoille | 2 | 6 | 219 | St | Y | Others |
| EMERALD LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Dorset | Bennington | 2 | 12 | 28 | Sf | N | 5mph |
| EWELL POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Peacham | Caledonia | 5 | 7 | 51 | St | Y | 5mph |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Use of Fish (alive or dead) as Bait is Prohibited | | | | | | | | |
| FAIRFIELD POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Fairfield | Franklin | 2 | 1 | 446 | Sud | Y | |
| FAIRFIELD SWAMP POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Swanton | Franklin | 2 | 1 | 152 | Sc | Y | 5mph |
| FAIRLEE, LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Theftord/Fairlee/ W.Fairlee | Orange | 2 | 11 | 457 | St | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | | |
| FERN LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Leicester | Franklin | 2 | 9 | 69 | Mc | Y | 5mph |
| FLAGG POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Wheelock | Caledonia | 2 | 3 | 111 | Sud | N | 5mph |
| FOREST LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Averill | Essex | 5 | 4 | 62 | | Y | 5mph |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | |
| FOREST LAKE (NELSON POND) | | | | | | | | |
| | Calais/Woodbury | Washington | 5 | 7 | 133 | St | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 and 3rd Sat. in Jan to March 15 • All Species: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length limits) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 | | | | | | | | |
| FOSTERS POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Peacham | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 61 | St | Y | 5mph |
| FRANKLIN POND (LAKE CARM) | | | | | | | | |
| | Franklin | Franklin | 2 | 2 | 1402 | | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walleye: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Open Season: 1st Sat in May to March 15th; ◦ Length Limit: Minimum length 15", 17" to 19" protected slot (all walleye between 17" to 19" must be released) ◦ Daily Limits: 5 fish with only 1 over 19" | | | | | | | | |
| GALE MEADOWS POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Londonderry | Windham | 2 | 13 | 195 | St | Y | 5mph |

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|--|---|------------|-------|-----|-------------------|---------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| GATES POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Whitingham | Windham | 2 | 14 | 30 | | N | 5mph |
| GILLETT POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Richmond | Chittenden | 2 | 5 | 30 | | N | 5mph |
| GLEN LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Castleton/Fair Haven/ Benson | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 206 | Sf | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | |
| GOSHEN DAM (SUGAR HILL RESERVOIR) | | | | | | | | |
| | Goshen | Addison | 5 | 9 | 63 | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| GREAT AVERILL LAKE (BIG AVERILL LAKE) | | | | | | | | |
| | Norton/Averill | Essex | 5 | 4 | 828 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 and 3rd Sat. in Jan to March 15 • All Species: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length limits) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 | | | | | | | |
| GREAT HOSMER POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Craftsbury/Albany | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 140 | Mt | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| GREEN RIVER RESERVOIR | | | | | | | | |
| | Hyde Park | Lamoille | 2 | 2 | 554 | Sc | N | 5mph |
| GREENWOOD LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Woodbury | Washington | 2 | 7 | | St | Y | Others |
| GRIGGS POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Albany | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 6 | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| GROTON LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Groton | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | | Sr | Y | |
| GROUT POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Stratton | Windham | 2 | 14 | 84 | Gc | N | 5mph |
| HALF MOON POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Hubbardton | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 23 | Sc | N | 5mph |
| HALFMOON POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Fletcher | Franklin | 2 | 2 | 21 | | Y | 5mph |
| HALFWAY POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Norton | Essex | 2 | 4 | 22 | Sf | N | 5mph |
| HALLS LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Newbury | Orange | 2 | 7 | 85 | Mt | Y | Others |
| HANCOCK LAKE (SUCKER POND) | | | | | | | | |
| | Stamford | Bennington | 2 | 14 | | Mf | N | 5mph |
| HARDWICK LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Hardwick | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 145 | Sc | N | 5mph |
| HARDWOOD POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Elmore | Lamoille | 2 | 6 | 44 | | N | 5mph |
| HARRIMAN POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Newbury | Orange | 2 | 7 | 20 | | N | 5mph |
| HARRIMAN RESERVOIR | | | | | | | | |
| | Whitingham/ Wilmington | Windham | 2 | 14 | 2040 | Ut | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | |
| HARTWELL POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Albany | Orleans | 5 | 3 | 16 | Pf | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |

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|---|--------------------|--------------------------|-------|-----|-------------------|---------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| HARVEYS LAKE | Barnet | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 351 | St | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 | | | | | | | | |
| HAYSTACK POND | Wilmington | Windham | 2 | 14 | 27 | | N | 5mph |
| HIGH POND | Sudbury | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 20 | | N | 5mph |
| HINKUM POND | Sudbury | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 60 | | N | 5mph |
| HOLLAND POND | Holland | Orleans | 5 | 4 | 325 | St | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | |
| HORSE POND | Greensboro | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 32 | Sc | Y | 5mph |
| HORTONIA, LAKE (HORTON POND) | Hubbardton/Sudbury | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 479 | St | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | | |
| HOWE POND | Readsboro | Bennington | 2 | 14 | 52 | Pf | N | 5mph |
| INDIAN BROOK RESERVOIR | Essex | Chittenden | 2 | 5 | 50 | Mc | N | 5mph |
| INMAN POND | Fair Haven | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 85 | | N | 5mph |
| ISLAND POND | Brighton | Essex | 2 | 4 | 626 | St | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | | |
| JACKSONVILLE POND | Whitingham | Windham | 2 | 15 | 20 | | N | 5mph |
| JOBS POND | Westmore | Orleans | 5 | 3 | 39 | St | Y | 5mph |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Use of Fish (alive or dead) as Bait is Prohibited | | | | | | | | |
| JOES POND | Cabot/Danville | Washington/ Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 396 | St | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | | |
| JOHNSON POND | Orwell | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 20 | | N | 5mph |
| KEISER POND | Danville | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 33 | St | Y | 5mph |
| KENNY POND | Newfane | Windham | 2 | 15 | 26 | | N | 5mph |
| KENT POND | Sherburne | Rutland | 2 | 10 | 99 | St | Y | 5mph |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Largemouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Length Limit: 10" to 12" protected slot (all bass 10" to 12" must be released) ◦ Daily Limits: 10 bass, only 1 greater than 12 inches | | | | | | | | |
| KETTLE POND | Groton | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 109 | Sf | Y | 5mph |
| KIDDER POND | Irasburg | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 16 | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | | |

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|-------------------------------|---|------------|-------|-----|-------------------|---------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| KNAPP BROOK POND NO. 1 | | | | | | | | |
| | Cavendish/Reading | Windsor | 5 | 13 | 25 | St | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Use of Fish (alive or dead) as Bait is Prohibited | | | | | | | |
| KNAPP BROOK POND NO. 2 | | | | | | | | |
| | Cavendish/Reading | Windsor | 5 | 13 | 35 | St | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) • Use of Fish (alive or dead) as Bait is Prohibited | | | | | | | |
| LAKE ABENAKI | | | | | | | | |
| | Thetford | Orange | 2 | 11 | 44 | | N | 5mph |
| LAKE IROQUOIS | | | | | | | | |
| | Hinesburg | Chittenden | 2 | 5 | 243 | St | Y | |
| LAKOTA LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Barnard | Windsor | 2 | 10 | 20 | | N | 5mph |
| LAMOILLE LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Morristown | Lamoille | 2 | 2 | | | Y | |
| LAMSON POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Brookfield | | 2 | 10 | 24 | | N | 5mph |
| LEFFERTS POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Chittenden | Rutland | 2 | 10 | 55 | | N | 5mph |
| LEVI POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Groton | | 5 | 7 | 22 | Sf | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Use of Fish (alive or dead) as Bait is Prohibited | | | | | | | |
| LEWIS POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Lewis | Essex | 5 | 4 | 68 | Pc | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Use of Fish (alive or dead) as Bait is Prohibited | | | | | | | |
| LILY POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Londonderry | Windham | 2 | 13 | 21 | | N | 5mph |
| LILY POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Vernon | Windham | 2 | 15 | 41 | | N | 5mph |
| LITTLE AVERILL LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Averill | Essex | 5 | 4 | 467 | Pt | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 and 3rd Sat. in Jan to March 15 • Lake Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Length Limits: Minimum Length 20" ◦ Daily Limit: 1 • Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Length Limits: Minimum Length 15" ◦ Daily Limit: 2 salmon or 1 salmon and 1 lake trout • Legal Method: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Angling with not more than 1 line ◦ Ice Fishing with not more than 4 lines • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ice Fishing with not more than 4 lines | | | | | | | |
| LITTLE ELMORE POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Elmore | Lamoille | 5 | 6 | 24 | Pc | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| LITTLE HOSMER POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Craftsbury | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 180 | St | Y | Others |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| LITTLE MUD POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Winhall | Bennington | 2 | 12 | 21 | | | |
| LITTLE POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Franklin | Franklin | 2 | 2 | 95 | | N | 5mph |
| LITTLE POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Wells | Rutland | 2 | 12 | 162 | St | Y | Others |

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| LITTLE ROCKY POND | Wallingford | Rutland | 5 | 12 | 18 | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| LITTLE SALEM LAKE | Derby | Orleans | 2 | 3 | -- | Sc | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| LONG POND (BELVIDERE POND) | Eden | Lamoille | 2 | 12 | 97 | Pc | N | 5mph |
| LONG POND | Greensboro | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 100 | Sc | N | 5mph |
| LONG POND | Milton | Chittenden | 2 | 1 | 47 | Pf | N | 5mph |
| LONG POND | Newbury | Orange | 5 | 7 | 15 | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| LONG POND | Sheffield | Caledonia | 2 | 3 | 38 | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| LONG POND | Westmore | Orleans | 5 | 3 | 90 | St | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 | | | | | | | |
| LOVES MARSH | Castleton | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 62 | | N | 5mph |
| LOWELL LAKE | Londonderry | Windham | 2 | 13 | 109 | Sc | N | 5mph |
| LOWER POND (LAKE SUNSET) | Hinesburg | Chittenden | 2 | 5 | 58 | | Y | 5mph |
| LOWER SYMES POND | Ryegate | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 57 | Sud | Y | 5mph |
| LYFORD POND | Walden | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 33 | Sc | Y | 5mph |
| MADELEINE LAKE | Sandgate | Bennington | 2 | 14 | 20 | | Y | 5mph |
| MAIDSTONE LAKE | Maidstone | Essex | 5 | 4 | 745 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 and 3rd Sat. in Jan to March 15 • All Species: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length limits) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 | | | | | | | |
| MANSFIELD LAKE | Stowe | Lamoille | 2 | 6 | 38 | | N | 5mph |
| MARL POND | Sutton | Caledonia | 5 | 3 | 10 | Sc | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| MARSHFIELD DAM (MOLLYS FALLS RESERVOIR) | Cabot | Washington | 2 | 7 | 397 | | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | |
| MARTINS POND | Peacham | Caledonia | 5 | 7 | 82 | St | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Use of Fish (alive or dead) as Bait is Prohibited | | | | | | | |

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| | Town | County | Table | Map | Lake Area (acres) | Access* | Internal Combustion Motors allowed | Other Boating Restrictions |
|---|---|------------|-------|-----|-------------------|---------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| MAY POND | Barton | Orleans | 5 | 3 | 116 | St | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| MCALLISTER POND | Lowell | Orleans | 2 | 2 | 25 | | N | 5mph |
| MCCONNELL POND | Brighton | Essex | 2 | 4 | 87 | Pf | N | 5mph |
| MCINTOSH POND | Royalton | Windsor | 5 | 10 | 23 | St | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Use of Fish (alive or dead) as Bait is Prohibited | | | | | | | |
| MEMPHREMAGOG LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| <i>Lake Memphremagog (including South Bay and the connecting waters), Coventry, Derby, Newport City and Newport, excluding all waters of the Clyde River Watershed upstream of the hydroelectric dam that creates West Charleston Pond (Lubber Lake) in West Charleston and excluding Willoughby Lake and all waters that flow into it.</i> | Newport/Derby/Coventry | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 5966 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" • Rainbow Trout and Brown Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Length Limits: Minimum length 10" | | | | | | | |
| MENDON BEAVER POND | Mendon | Rutland | 2 | 10 | 6 | Sc | | |
| METCALF POND | Fletcher | Franklin | 2 | 2 | 81 | Mc | Y | |
| MILE POND | Ferdinand | Essex | 2 | 4 | 26 | | N | 5mph |
| MILES POND | Concord | Essex | 2 | 8 | 215 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | |
| MILL POND (KENNEDYS POND) | Windsor | Windsor | 2 | 13 | 77 | Mt | N | 5mph |
| MILL POND (PARSONS MILL POND) | Benson | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 39 | | N | 5mph |
| MILLER POND | Strafford | Orange | 2 | 11 | 64 | St | Y | 5mph |
| MILTON POND | Milton | Chittenden | 2 | 1 | 24 | | N | Others |
| MINARDS POND | Rockingham | Windham | 2 | 13 | 46 | | N | 5mph |
| MIRROR LAKE (NO. 10 POND) | Calais | Washington | 2 | 7 | 85 | St | Y | Others |
| MITCHELL LAKE | Sharon | Windsor | 2 | 11 | 28 | | N | 5mph |
| MOLLYS FALLS RESERVOIR (MARSHFIELD DAM) | Cabot | Washington | 2 | 7 | 397 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | |
| MOLLYS POND | Cabot | Washington | 2 | 7 | 38 | Pf | N | 5mph |

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| MOORE DAM RESERVOIR (CT RIVER) | | | | | | | | |
| | Waterford | Caledonia | 4 | 8 | 1235 | Ut | | |
| MOREY, LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Fairlee | Orange | 2 | 11 | 547 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 • Largemouth Bass: Minimum Length 14", Bag limit 5 bass | | | | | | | |
| MUD CREEK POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Alburg | Grand Isle | 2 | 1 | 333 | | N | 5mph |
| MUD POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Craftsbury | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 35 | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| MUD POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Granby | Essex | 2 | 4 | 55 | | N | 5mph |
| MUD POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Hyde Park | Lamoille | 5 | 2 | 14 | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| MUD POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Irasburg | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 5 | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| MUD POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Leicester | Addison | 2 | 9 | 23 | | N | 5mph |
| MUD POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Morgan | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 35 | Pf | N | 5mph |
| MUD POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Peacham | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 34 | | N | 5mph |
| MUD POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Sheffield | Caledonia | 2 | 3 | 5 | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| MUD POND (FORSCYTHIE POND) | | | | | | | | |
| | Thetford | Orange | 2 | 11 | 20 | | N | 5mph |
| MUDD POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Hubbardton | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 20 | | N | 5mph |
| NEAL POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Lunenburg | Essex | 2 | 8 | 185 | St | Y | |
| NELSON POND (FOREST LAKE) | | | | | | | | |
| | Calais/Woodbury | Washington | 5 | 7 | 133 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 and 3rd Sat. in Jan to March 15 • All Species: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length limits) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 | | | | | | | |
| NEWARK POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Newark | Caledonia | 5 | 3 | 153 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Use of Fish (alive or dead) as Bait is Prohibited | | | | | | | |
| NICHOLS POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Woodbury | Washington | 5 | 7 | 171 | Pc | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 | | | | | | | |
| NINEVAH LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Mount Holly | Rutland | 2 | 13 | 171 | St | Y | 5mph |
| NORFORD LAKE | | | | | | | | |
| | Thetford | Orange | 2 | 11 | 21 | | N | 5mph |
| NORTHEAST DEVELOPERS POND | | | | | | | | |
| | Wells | Rutland | 2 | 12 | | | Y | 5mph |
| NORTH HARTLAND RESERVOIR | | | | | | | | |
| | Hartland | Windsor | 2 | 11 | 215 | Gt | Y | |

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| NORTH MONTPELIER POND | East Montpelier | Washington | 2 | 7 | 72 | Sc | Y | 5mph |
| NORTH SPRINGFIELD RESERVOIR | Springfield | Windsor | 2 | 13 | 290 | Gt | Y | 5mph |
| NORTH POND | Brookfield | Orange | 2 | 10 | 24 | | N | 5mph |
| NORTH POND | Whitingham | Windham | 2 | 14 | 20 | | N | 5mph |
| NORTON BROOK RESERVOIR | Bristol | Addison | 2 | 5 | -- | | | |
| NORTON POND | Norton/Warrens Gore | Essex | 5 | 4 | 583 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 and 3rd Sat. in Jan to March 15 • All Species: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 (see table for daily and length limits) | | | | | | | |
| NOTCH POND | Ferdinand | Essex | 5 | 4 | 22 | Pf | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| NOYES POND (SEYON POND) | Groton | Caledonia | 5 | 7 | 39 | Sr | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Species: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Open Season: 2nd Saturday in April to last Sunday in October, between 6:00 AM and one hour after sunset. Access to waters controlled by Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation ◦ Legal Method: Angling, by fly casting or trolling with a fly rod and reel, using artificial flies with a single hook without a barb or with the barb crimped down or filed off, only from boats rented from the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation (Shore and tributary fishing are prohibited). | | | | | | | |
| NULHEGAN POND | Brighton | Essex | 2 | 4 | 37 | Pf | N | 5mph |
| OLD MARSH POND | Fair Haven | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 131 | | N | 5mph |
| OSMORE POND | Peacham | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 48 | Sf | N | 5mph |
| PAGE POND | Albany | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 16 | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| PARAN LAKE | Bennington | Bennington | 2 | 14 | 40 | St | N | Other |
| PARKER, LAKE | Glover | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 250 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| PATCH POND | Rutland City | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 20 | | N | 5mph |
| PAUL STREAM POND | Brunswick | Essex | 2 | 4 | 20 | Pf | N | 5mph |
| PEACHAM POND | Peacham | Caledonia | 5 | 7 | 340 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 and 3rd Sat. in Jan to March 15 • All Species: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 (see table for daily and length limits) | | | | | | | |
| PENSIONER POND | Charleston | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 173 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | |
| PERCH POND | Benson | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 24 | Sc | N | 5mph |
| PERCH POND | Hyde Park | | 5 | 2 | 7 | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |

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| PERCH POND | Wolcott | Lamoille | 2 | 2 | 7 | Pc | | |
| PIGEON POND | Groton | Caledonia | 5 | 7 | 69 | | Y | 5mph |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| PINE POND | Castleton | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 40 | | N | 5mph |
| PINNEO LAKE | Hartford | Windsor | 2 | 11 | 50 | | N | 5mph |
| PLEASANT VALLEY RESERVOIR | Brattleboro | Windham | 2 | 15 | 25 | | N | Others |
| POTTERS POND | Albany | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 5 | | | |
| | • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| RAPONDA LAKE | Wilmington | Windham | 2 | 15 | 121 | St | Y | |
| READING POND | Reading | Windsor | 2 | 13 | 22 | | N | 5mph |
| RED MILL POND | Woodford | Bennington | 2 | 14 | 7 | S? | | |
| | • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Use of Fish (alive or dead) as Bait is Prohibited | | | | | | | |
| RESCUE LAKE | Ludlow | Windsor | 2 | 13 | 180 | St | Y | |
| | • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | |
| RESERVOIR POND (LAKE PAULINE) | Ludlow | Windsor | 2 | 13 | 32 | | Y | 5mph |
| RICHMOND POND | Richmond | Chittenden | 2 | 6 | 24 | | N | 5mph |
| RICHVILLE POND | Shoreham | Addison | 2 | 9 | 129 | Sc | Y | 5mph |
| RICKER POND | Groton | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 92 | Sc | Y | |
| ROACH POND | Hubbardton | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 20 | | N | 5mph |
| ROOD POND | Williamstown/ Brookfield | Orange | 2 | 6 | 23 | St | Y | 5mph |
| ROUND POND | Holland | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 14 | | N | 5mph |
| ROUND POND | Milton | Chittenden | 2 | 1 | 22 | | N | 5mph |
| ROUND POND | Newbury | Orange | 2 | 7 | 30 | Sf | N | 5mph |
| ROUND POND | Sheffield | Caledonia | 2 | 3 | 13 | | | |
| | • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| RUNNEMEDE LAKE (EVARTS POND) | Windsor | Windsor | 2 | 13 | 62 | | N | 5mph |
| SABIN POND (WOODBURY LAKE) | Calais/Woodbury | Washington | 2 | 7 | 142 | St | Y | |
| | • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | |
| SADAWGA POND | Whitingham | Windham | 2 | 14 | 194 | St | Y | |

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| SALEM LAKE (BIG SALEM LAKE) | Derby | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 764 | St | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | | |
| SARGENT POND | Coventry | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 6 | Pf | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | | |
| SCHOFIELD POND | Hyde Park | Lamoille | 2 | 2 | 29 | | N | 5mph |
| SEARSBURG RESERVOIR | Searsburg | Bennington | 2 | 14 | 25 | | N | 5mph |
| SEYMOUR LAKE | Morgan/Charleston | Orleans | 5 | 3 | 1769 | St | Y | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 and 3rd Sat. in Jan to March 15 • Lake Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Length Limits: Minimum Length 20" ◦ Daily Limit: 1 • Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Length Limits: Minimum Length 15" ◦ Daily Limit: 2 salmon or 1 salmon and 1 lake trout • Legal Method: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Angling with not more than 1 line ◦ Ice Fishing with not more than 4 lines • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Ice Fishing with not more than 4 lines | | | | | | | | |
| SEYON POND (NOYES POND) | Groton | Caledonia | 5 | 7 | 39 | | N | 5mph |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All Species: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Open Season: 2nd Saturday in April to last Sunday in October, between 6:00 AM and one hour after sunset. Access to waters controlled by Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation ◦ Legal Method: Angling, by fly casting or trolling with a fly rod and reel, using artificial flies with a single hook without a barb or with the barb crimped down or filed off, only from boats rented from the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation (Shore and tributary fishing are prohibited). | | | | | | | | |
| SHADOW LAKE | Concord | Essex | 2 | 8 | 128 | St | Y | |
| SHADOW LAKE | Glover | Orleans | 5 | 3 | 210 | St | Y | |
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| SHAFTSBURY LAKE | Shaftsbury | Bennington | 2 | 14 | 27 | | N | 5mph |
| SHELBURNE POND | Shelburne | Chittenden | 2 | 5 | 452 | St | Y | |
| SHERMAN RESERVOIR | Whitingham | Windham | 2 | 14 | 160 | Ut | Y | |
| SHIPPEE POND | Whitingham | Windham | 2 | 14 | 24 | | N | 5mph |
| SHREWSBURY POND (SPRING LAKE) | Shrewsbury | Rutland | 5 | 12 | 66 | | N | 5mph |
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| SILVER LAKE | Barnard | Windsor | 2 | 10 | 84 | Scr | Y | Others |
| SILVER LAKE | Georgia | Franklin | 2 | 1 | 27 | Scr | N | Others |
| SILVER LAKE | Leicester | Addison | 5 | 9 | 101 | Sc | N | 5mph |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| SMITH POND | Newport | Orleans | 2 | 9 | -- | | | |
| | • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| | • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| SMITH POND | Pittsford | Rutland | 2 | 3 | -- | | | |
| SODOM POND | East Montpelier | Washington | 2 | 6 | 21 | | N | 5mph |
| SOMERSET RESERVOIR | Somerset/Stratton | Windham | 2 | 14 | 1568 | Ut | Y | Others |
| | • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| | • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: | | | | | | | |
| | ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | |
| SOUTH AMERICA POND | Ferdinand | Essex | 5 | 4 | 29 | Pf | N | 5mph |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 | | | | | | | |
| SOUTH POND | Eden | Lamoille | 2 | 2 | 103 | | Y | |
| SOUTH POND | Marlboro | Windham | 5 | 15 | 68 | St | N | Others |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 | | | | | | | |
| SOUTH STREAM POND | Pownal | Bennington | 2 | 14 | 24 | St | Y | 5mph |
| SPECTACLE POND | Brighton | Essex | 2 | 4 | 103 | St | Y | |
| SPRING LAKE (SHREWSBURY POND) | Shrewsbury | Rutland | 5 | 12 | 66 | | N | 5mph |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
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| SPRUCE POND | Orwell | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 25 | | N | 5mph |
| ST. ALBANS RESERVOIR, NORTH | Fairfax | Franklin | 2 | 1 | 35 | | N | Others |
| ST. ALBANS RESERVOIR, SOUTH | Fairfax | Franklin | 2 | 1 | 27 | | N | Others |
| STANNARD POND | Stannard | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 25 | Sf | N | 5mph |
| STAR LAKE | Mount Holly | Rutland | 2 | 13 | 63 | Mt | Y | 5mph |
| ST. CATHERINE LAKE | Wells/Poultney | Rutland | 2 | 12 | 904 | St | Y | Others |
| | • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| | • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: | | | | | | | |
| | ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | |
| STERLING POND | Cambridge | Lamoille | 2 | 2 | 8 | | | |
| | • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| | • Use of Fish (alive or dead) as Bait is Prohibited | | | | | | | |
| STEVENS POND | Maidstone | Essex | 2 | 4 | 26 | | N | 5mph |
| STILES POND | Waterford | Caledonia | 2 | 1 | 135 | | N | Others |
| STOUGHTON POND | Weathersfield | Windsor | 5 | 13 | 56 | Gt | Y | 5mph |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |

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* S=State; M=Municipal; G=Federal; U=Utility; P=Private; f=foot or carry in; ud=undeveloped; t=boats on trailer; c=cartop; r=regulated.

| | Town | County | Table | Map | Lake Area (acres) | Access* | Internal Combustion Motors allowed | Other Boating Restrictions |
|--|---|------------|-------|-----|-------------------|---------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| STRATTON POND | Stratton | Windham | 5 | 12 | 46 | | N | Others |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| SUGAR HILL RESERVOIR (GOSHEN DAM) | Goshen | Addison | 5 | 9 | 63 | Uf | Y | 5mph |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| SUGAR HOLLOW POND | Pittsford | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 21 | Uf | N | 5mph |
| SUNRISE LAKE | Benson | Rutland | 2 | 9 | 57 | Pc | Y | 5mph |
| SUNSET LAKE | Benson/Orwell | Rutland | 5 | 9 | 202 | Sud | Y | |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 and 3rd Sat. in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | |
| | • All Species: | | | | | | | |
| | ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length limits) | | | | | | | |
| | • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: | | | | | | | |
| | ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 | | | | | | | |
| SUNSET LAKE | Brookfield | Orange | 2 | 10 | 25 | Pc | N | 5mph |
| SUNSET LAKE | Marlboro | Windham | 2 | 15 | 96 | Mc | N | Others |
| SWEENEY POND | Glover | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 9 | | | |
| | • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| | • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| SWEET POND | Guilford | Windham | 2 | 15 | 20 | | N | 5mph |
| TILDYS POND (CLARK POND) | Glover | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 33 | | Y | 5mph |
| | • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| | • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| THOMPSONS POND | Pownal | Bennington | 2 | 14 | 28 | | N | 5mph |
| THURMAN W. DIX RESERVOIR | Orange | Orange | 2 | 7 | 123 | | N | Others |
| TICKLENAKED POND | Ryegate | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 54 | St | Y | 5mph |
| TINY POND | Ludlow | Windsor | 2 | 13 | 29 | | Y | 5mph |
| TOAD POND | Charleston | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 22 | | N | 5mph |
| TOWNSHEND RESERVOIR | Townshend | Windham | 2 | 15 | 108 | Gt | Y | 5mph |
| TURTLE POND | Holland | Essex | 2 | 4 | 27 | Sf | N | 5mph |
| TURTLEHEAD POND | Marshfield | Washington | 2 | 7 | 69 | | | |
| TUTTLE POND | Hardwick | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 21 | | N | 5mph |
| UNKNOWN POND | Avery's Gore | Essex | 5 | 4 | 19 | Pf | | |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| UNKNOWN POND | Ferdinand | Essex | 5 | 4 | 12 | Pf | | |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| UPPER SYMES POND | Ryegate | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 20 | Sf | N | 5mph |
| VAIL POND (BIG FISH POND) | Sutton | Caledonia | 5 | 3 | 16 | Sud | | |
| | • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| | • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| VALLEY LAKE (DOG POND) | Woodbury | Washington | 2 | 7 | 88 | Sc | Y | Others |

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| | Town | County | Table | Map | Lake Area (acres) | Access* | Internal Combustion Motors allowed | Other Boating Restrictions |
|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------|-------|-----|-------------------|---------|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| WALKER POND | Coventry | Orleans | 2 | 3 | 18 | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| WALLACE POND | Canaan | Essex | 2 | 4 | 532 | St | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | |
| WALLINGFORD POND | Wallingford | Rutland | 2 | 12 | 87 | Gf | N | 5mph |
| WANTASTIQUET POND | Weston | Windsor | 2 | 13 | 44 | | N | 5mph |
| WAPANACKI LAKE | Wolcott | Lamoille | 2 | 3 | 21 | | N | 5mph |
| WARDEN POND | Barnet | Caledonia | 2 | 7 | 46 | | Y | 5mph |
| WATERBURY RESERVOIR | Waterbury/Stowe | Washington Lamoille | 2 | 6 | 839 | St | Y | Others |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | |
| WEATHERHEAD HOLLOW | Guilford | Windham | 2 | 15 | 33 | St | Y | 5mph |
| WEST HILL POND | Cabot | Washington | 2 | 7 | 46 | Sud | N | 5mph |
| WEST MT. POND | Maidstone | Essex | 5 | 4 | 60 | Pc | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| WHEELER POND | Barton/Caledonia | Orleans | 5 | 3 | 15 | Sc | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Landlocked Salmon: Minimum Length 17" | | | | | | | |
| WILLOUGHBY, LAKE | Westmore | Orleans | 5 | 3 | 1653 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 and 3rd Sat. in Jan to March 15 • All Species: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length limits) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout and Landlocked Salmon: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Combined Daily Limits: Total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 • Rainbow Trout and Brown Trout: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Length Limits: Minimum length 10" | | | | | | | |
| WINONA LAKE (BRISTOL POND) | Bristol | Addison | 2 | 5 | 248 | St | Y | |
| WOLCOTT POND | Wolcott | Lamoille | 2 | 3 | 74 | St | Y | 5mph |
| WOODBURY LAKE (SABIN POND) | Calais/Woodbury | Washington | 2 | 7 | 142 | St | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open to fishing year round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) • Brook, Brown, Rainbow and Lake Trout, Landlocked Salmon, and Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ Ice Fishing Open Season: 3rd Sat in Jan to March 15 | | | | | | | |
| WOODWARD RESERVOIR | Plymouth | Windsor | 2 | 13 | 106 | St | Y | 5mph |
| WORCESTER POND, LOWER | Worcester | Washington | 2 | 6 | 35 | | N | 5mph |
| WRIGHTSVILLE RESERVOIR | East Montpelier | Washington | 2 | 6 | 190 | | Y | Others |
| ZACK WOODS POND | Hyde Park/Wolcott | Lamoille | 5 | 2 | 23 | Pc | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only open to fishing from 2nd Sat. April to Oct 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |

TABLE 1: General Fishing Regulations for Rivers, Streams, Associated Beaver Ponds, and Unnamed Impoundments

| Species | Length Rules | Daily Limit | Legal Methods | Open Seasons |
|---|--------------|---|---------------------|------------------------------|
| ANADROMOUS ATLANTIC SALMON | | 0 | | No open season |
| LAKE STURGEON | | 0 | | No open season |
| BROOK TROUT and BROWN TROUT and RAINBOW TROUT | None | Total of brook + brown+ rainbow = no more than 12 Total of brown + rainbows = no more than 6 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LAKE TROUT | 18" | Total of lake trout + landlocked salmon = no more than 2 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LANDLOCKED SALMON | 15" | | | |
| AMERICAN SHAD | None | 2 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LARGEMOUTH BASS and SMALLMOUTH BASS | None | Total of largemouth and + smallmouth = no more than 5 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| WALLEYE | 15" | 5 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| NORTHERN PIKE | 20" | 5 | | |
| MUSKELLUNGE | 30" | 1 | | |
| RAINBOW SMELT | None | None | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| MINNOWS (See BAITFISH USE) | None | None | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| | | | Minnow traps & nets | All year |
| YELLOW PERCH | None | 50 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| CRAPPIE | 8" | 25 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| ALL OTHER SPECIES | None | None | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |

TABLE 2: General Fishing Regulations for Lakes, Ponds, Impoundments, Reservoirs, and Particular Rivers and Streams

| Species | Length Rules | Daily Limit | Legal Methods | Open Seasons |
|--|--------------|--|--|---|
| ANADROMOUS ATLANTIC SALMON | | 0 | | No open season |
| LAKE STURGEON | | 0 | | No open season |
| BROOK TROUT and BROWN TROUT and RAINBOW TROUT | None | Total of brown + rainbows = no more than 6 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LAKE TROUT | 18" | Total of lake trout + landlocked salmon = no more than 2 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LANDLOCKED SALMON | 15" | | | |
| AMERICAN SHAD | None | 2 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS (Catch and Release Seson) | None | | Catch & release angling w/ artificial lures & flies only | 2nd Sat. in April to Fri. before 2nd Sat. in June |
| LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS (Regular Seson) | 10" | Total of largemouth and + smallmouth = no more than 5 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in June To Nov. 30 |
| WALLEYE | 15" | 5 | Angling, Ice fishing | All year |
| NORTHERN PIKE | 20" | 5 | | |
| MUSKELLUNGE | 30" | 1 | | |
| RAINBOW SMELT | None | None | Angling, Ice fishing | All year |
| CARP, SUCKERS, BOWFIN, MULLET, GAR | None | None | Angling, Bow w/arrow attached to line, Ice fishing | All year |
| MINNOWS (See BAITFISH USE) | None | None | Angling, Ice fishing Minnow traps & nets | All year |
| YELLOW PERCH | None | 50 | Angling, Ice fishing | All year |
| CRAPPIE | 8" | 25 | Angling, Ice fishing | All year |
| ALL OTHER SPECIES | None | None | Angling, Ice fishing | All year |

TABLE 3: General Fishing Regulations for Lake Champlain

Includes the setbacks at the same water level and the lower portion of its tributaries, except spawning waters.

| Species | Length Rules | Daily Limit | Legal Methods | Open Seasons |
|---|--------------|---|--|---|
| LAKE STURGEON | 0 | | | No open season |
| BROOK TROUT and BROWN TROUT and RAINBOW TROUT | 12" | Total of brook + brown + rainbows = no more than 3 | Angling, Ice fishing | All year |
| LAKE TROUT | 15" | 3 | Angling, Ice fishing | All year |
| LANDLOCKED SALMON | 15" | 2 | | |
| LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS (Catch and Release Season) | | 0 | Catch & release angling w/ artificial lures & flies only | 2nd Sat. in April to Fri. before 2nd Sat. in June |
| LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS (Regular Season) | 10" | Total of largemouth and + smallmouth = no more than 5 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in June To Nov. 30 |
| WALLEYE | 18" | 5 | Angling, Ice fishing | 1st Sat. in May to March 15 |
| SAUGER | None | None | Angling, Ice fishing | 1st Sat. in May to March 15 |
| MINNOWS (See BAITFISH USE) | None | None | Angling, Ice fishing Minnow traps & nets | All year |
| CHAIN PICKEREL | None | 10 | Shooting, spearing | March 25 to May 25 |
| | | | Angling, Ice fishing | All year |
| NORTHERN PIKE | 20" | 5 | Shooting, spearing | March 25 to May 25 |
| | | | Angling, Ice fishing | All year |
| MUSKELLUNGE | 30" | 1 | Angling, Ice fishing | All year |
| RAINBOW SMELT | None | None | Angling, Ice fishing | All year |
| CARP, SUCKERS, BOWFIN, MULLET, GAR | None | None | Angling, Bow w/arrow attached to line, Ice fishing | All year |
| | | | Shooting, spearing | March 25 to May 25 |
| YELLOW PERCH | None | None | Angling, Ice fishing | All year |
| BULLHEAD, SHAD OTHER CULL FISH | None | None | Angling, Bow w/ arrow attached to line, Ice fishing | All year |
| CRAPPIE | 8" | 25 | Angling, Ice fishing | All year |



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TABLE 4: General Fishing Regulations for the Connecticut river

For that portion of the river between New Hampshire and Vermont, "Connecticut River" means all waters of the river including the bays, set backs and tributaries, only to the first highway bridge crossing said tributaries on the Vermont and New Hampshire sides.

LICENSES

All New Hampshire resident and Vermont resident fishing licenses are valid for the taking of fish from the Connecticut River as defined above.

All other nonresidents with a N.H. nonresident fishing license shall only take fish east of the Vermont low water mark while on the Connecticut River.

SEASON

Open to fishing all year, except no fishing Oct. 16-Dec. 31 from the confluence of the Upper Ammonoosuc River and the Connecticut River in Northumberland, N.H., to the northern boundary of the town of Canaan, VT.

DEVICES

No more than 6 ice fishing devices are allowed, 2 of which may be handlines. Anglers must have personal control over the devices at all times, whether operated or not, and must visit the devices at least once each hour.

When fishing in open water, no more than 2 lines may be used.

SPECIES RULES

The rules below apply during the open season for fishing.

AMERICAN SHAD: 2 fish daily limit; no size restrictions.

ATLANTIC SALMON: No open season for Atlantic salmon until declared by the Connecticut River Atlantic Salmon Commission.

BROOK, BROWN AND RAINBOW TROUT: The season for taking brook, brown or rainbow trout by all legal methods shall open on January 1 and close October 15.

Through open water the daily limit is 5 fish or 5 pounds (whichever limit is first reached), except the daily limit is 1 fish from the Samuel Moore Dam downstream to the Rte. 18 bridge.

Through the ice the daily limit is 2 fish, except the daily limit is 1 fish from the Samuel Moore Dam downstream to the Rte. 18 bridge.

BLACK BASS: The daily bag limit for black bass is 2 fish from January 1 through May 14 and June 16 through June 30.

Between May 15 and June 15 all black bass shall be immediately released unharmed, at the site of catch, to the waters from which taken.

The daily limit for black bass from July 1 through December 31 is 5 fish.

During the period beginning May 15 and ending June 15, black bass shall be taken only by artificial lures and flies.

CARP: May be taken by any legal method and by bow and arrow with cord attached, in that part of the river beginning at the point on the northern boundary of Grafton County in New Hampshire which is directly opposite the town of Concord, Vermont, south to the Massachusetts border.

NEW RULE: Horned Pout: The daily limit is 25 fish.

NORTHERN PIKE: The daily limit is 1 fish; minimum total length 28 inches.

PICKEREL: The daily limit is 10 fish.

WALLEYE (PIKE PERCH): No person shall take walleye 16 to 18 inches; the daily limit is 4 fish, of which only 1 can be larger than 18 inches.

NEW RULE: Other species of fish: The daily limit for black crappie, white perch, yellow perch and sunfish is 25 fish for each species. The daily aggregate possession limit is 50 fish for all listed species, including horned pout.

SPECIAL EXCEPTIONS

From a point 1,600 feet upstream from the bridge in North Stratford upstream to a point 250 feet below the Lyman Falls Dam in North Stratford, and marked by a sign, the following restrictions shall apply:

Fishing shall be permitted by artificial lures and flies only. All lures and flies shall have barbless hooks or shall have all barbs pinched so they will not interfere with removal of the hook from the fish. All fish are to be immediately released unharmed.

FISHWAYS CLOSED

Vernon Dam in Vernon, Vermont, and Hinsdale, New Hampshire, shall be closed to all fishing to a point 150 feet below the dam.

Wilder Dam in Wilder, Vermont, and Lebanon, New Hampshire, shall be closed to all fishing to a point 150 feet below the dam.



TABLE 5: General Fishing Regulations for Certain Lakes and Ponds listed in Index of Lakes & Ponds

| Species | Length Rules | Daily Limit | Legal Methods | Open Seasons |
|---|--------------|--|--|---|
| ANADROMOUS ATLANTIC SALMON | 0 | | | No open season |
| LAKE STURGEON | 0 | | | No open season |
| BROOK TROUT and BROWN TROUT and RAINBOW TROUT | None | Total of brook + brown + rainbows = no more than 6 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LAKE TROUT | 18" | Total of lake trout + landlocked salmon = no more than 2 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LANDLOCKED SALMON | 15" | | | |
| AMERICAN SHAD | None | 2 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS (Catch and Release Season) | | 0 | Catch & release angling w/ artificial lures & flies only | 2nd Sat. in April to Fri. before 2nd Sat. in June |
| LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS (Regular Season) | 10" | Total of largemouth and + smallmouth = no more than 5 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in June To Oct. 31 |
| WALLEYE | 15" | 5 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| NORTHERN PIKE | 20" | 5 | | |
| MUSKELLUNGE | 30" | 1 | | |
| RAINBOW SMELT | None | None | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| MINNOWS (See BAITFISH USE) | None | None | Minnow traps & nets | All year |
| YELLOW PERCH | None | 50 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| CRAPPIE | 8" | 25 | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| ALL OTHER SPECIES | None | None | Angling | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |

VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORY

To minimize exposure to potentially harmful contaminants and to protect your health, follow the guidelines below when eating fish caught in Vermont. Eating the total monthly limit within a single week is not recommended. One meal equals 8 ounces of raw fish fillet.

| | Women of childbearing age, pregnant women, women planning to get pregnant, breastfeeding mothers, and children under 6 years of age: | All other individuals: |
|---|--|----------------------------|
| GENERAL ADVISORY: | | |
| Walleye | 0 meals | No more than 1 meal/month |
| Lake Trout, Smallmouth Bass, Chain Pickerel, American Eel | No more than 1 meal/month | No more than 3 meals/month |
| Brown Bullhead, Pumpkinseed | No advisory | No advisory |
| Largemouth Bass Northern Pike | No more than 2 meals/month | No more than 6 meals/month |
| Brook Trout Brown Trout Rainbow Trout Yellow Perch | No more than 3-4 meals/month | No advisory |
| All other fish | No more than 2-3 meals/month | No more than 9 meals/month |
| SPECIAL ADVISORIES: | | |
| Lake Carmi-Walleye | No more than 4 meals/month | No advisory |
| Lake Champlain-Lake Trout larger than 25" | 0 meals (includes children under age 15) | No more than 1 meal/month |
| Hoosic River-All fish | 0 meals | 0 meals |
| 15 Mile Falls Chain (Comerford Reservoir and Moore Reservoir)-All fish | 0 meals | No more than 2 meals/month |
| 15 Mile Falls Chain (McIndoes Reservoir)-Yellow Perch | No more than 2 meals/month | No more than 6 meals/month |
| 15 Mile Falls Chain (McIndoes Reservoir)-All other fish | No more than 1 meal/month | No more than 3 meals/month |
| SPECIAL ADVISORY: | | |
| Deerfield Chain (Grout Pond, Somerset Reservoir, Harriman Reservoir, Sherman Reservoir, Searsburg Reservoir) | | |
| Brown Bullhead Brook Trout | No advisory | No advisory |
| Rainbow Trout Brown Trout (smaller than 14") Rock Bass Rainbow Smelt Yellow Perch | No more than 1 meal/month | No more than 3 meals/month |
| Brown Trout (larger than 14") All other fish | 0 meals | No more than 1 meal/month |

For more information, call toll-free within Vermont 800-439-8550, or outside Vermont call 802-863-7220. Also, more information is posted on the Web at www.healthyvermonters.info/hp/fish/fishalert.shtml.

HOW DOES MERCURY GET INTO FISH?

MERCURY IN THE ENVIRONMENT

Mercury is an atmospherically deposited toxic metal, which has contaminated waterbodies throughout Vermont and other states. Mercury is emitted to the atmosphere during the combustion of fossil fuels and municipal and medical waste. It is subsequently deposited to watersheds. On the landscape, mercury undergoes a transformation known as methylation. Highly toxic methylmercury is easily assimilated by microscopic organisms at the bottom of the food web. Once in the food web, methylmercury bio-accumulates, reaching higher concentrations in the tissues of predatory fishes. Mercury is also directly assimilated by fish across the gill membrane.

MERCURY AND HEALTH

Mercury has been found at unsafe levels in fresh water fish in many lakes and ponds in the northeast. Scientific studies have linked mercury with developmental problems, and with kidney and nervous system damage. Women who are pregnant should not eat fish with high levels of mercury. Mercury affects fetal development, preventing the brain and nervous system from developing normally. Affected children show lowered intelligence, impaired hearing, and poor coordination. Nationwide, more than thirty states currently have freshwater fish consumption advisories. Due to the level of mercury contamination in Vermont, the Department of Health has issued health advisories concerning the levels of mercury found in certain species of fish in reference to particular bodies of water. It has been determined that walleye, smallmouth bass, and chain pickerel show the highest concentrations of mercury. Please see the Health Department's website (www.healthyvermonters.info/) for the most current advisory.

COMMON MISPERCEPTIONS ABOUT MERCURY AND FISH

Misperception: "Larger fish have less mercury."

Fact: This is Not True. Mercury accumulates as it moves up the food chain. Therefore, the large, predatory fish accumulate more mercury in their tissues. The older and larger the fish, the greater the potential for high mercury levels in their bodies.

Misperception: "Thoroughly cooking the fish will get rid of the mercury."

Fact: This is Not True. There is no method of cooking or cleaning a fish that will eliminate the amount of mercury in a meal. Mercury is tightly bound to the proteins in all fish tissue, including muscle. Mercury does not accumulate in any one area and cannot be cut from the fish.

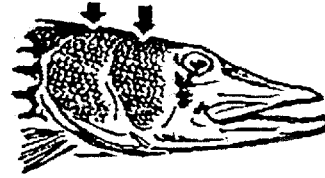
MORE INFORMATION ON MERCURY IN FISH

Go to the Health Department's Web page at www.healthyvermonters.info/. Or, call 802-241-3455. There is also a mercury website at www.mercvt.org.

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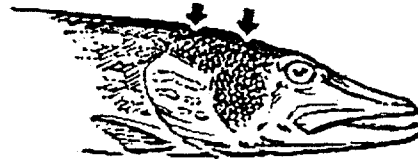
PICKEREL FAMILY

Look for the color pattern but particularly notice the scalation of the cheek and gill cover.



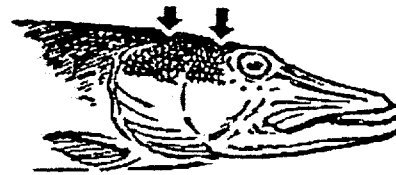
Pickerel

Have both cheek and gill fully scaled



Northern Pike

Have upper half of gill cover scaled and fully scaled cheek.

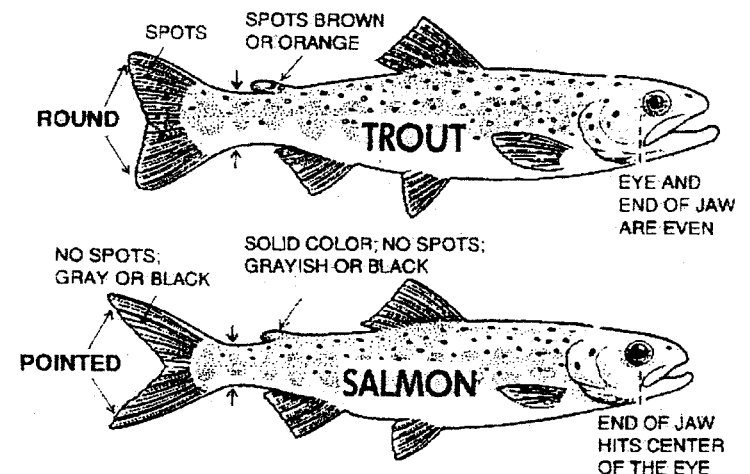


Muskies

Have only the upper half of gill and cheek scaled.

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THESE TWO FISH IS \$500

Atlantic salmon live in the Connecticut River and its tributaries. Your cooperation is essential for their survival. Know the difference between trout and salmon. Young salmon (parr) resemble brown trout. Familiarize yourself with the difference. Most parr rarely exceed 6 inches in length. Violations of the law governing Atlantic salmon may result in a \$500 fine.



AQUATIC NUISANCE SPECIES

TYPES OF AQUATIC NUISANCE SPECIES

EURASIAN WATERMILFOIL. Prolific aquatic plant found in Lake Champlain and many inland lakes in Vermont. Interferes with boating, fishing and swimming, and displaces native plants. Easily spread when plant fragments are caught and moved on boat trailers, propellers, anchors and other equipment, or in live wells.

ZEBRA MUSSEL. Tiny D-shaped mollusk, well established in Lake Champlain and Lake Bomoseen. Clog water intake pipes, damage boat engines, obscure historic shipwrecks, and alter native species populations. Adult zebra mussels can attach and be moved on boat hulls, engines and other equipment. Microscopic larva can get trapped and moved in water of boat engines, bilges, bait buckets, and live wells.

WATER CHESTNUT. Prolific annual plant found in southern Lake Champlain, Lake Bomoseen, and a few inland lakes. Interferes with boating, hunting and fishing, and displaces native plants. Spreads by seeds or parts of plants caught on boats and equipment.

ALEWIFE. Small baitfish recently established in Lake St. Catherine and Lake Champlain. May displace smelt and other native forage fish. Alewives may not be used as bait in Vermont.

MUTE SWAN. Very large white bird with orange bill, observed annually in Vermont since 1993. Highly aggressive during the nesting season and may drive away or kill native waterfowl. May also attack humans and negatively impact aquatic habitats.

SEA LAMPREY. Parasitic fish found in Lake Champlain and a number of its tributaries. Preys on salmon, trout, and other fish, causing substantial economic impact to the lake fisheries.

STOP THE SPREAD OF AQUATIC NUISANCE SPECIES

When moving between waterbodies:

INSPECT your boat, trailer, and equipment (anchors, centerboards, rollers, axles) and remove any plants and animals.

DISCARD unused bait in the trash or leave with someone fishing in the same waterbody.

DRAIN water from the motor, live well, bilge, and transom wells before leaving any waterbody.

RINSE boat and equipment with tap water (preferably hot) or at a car wash.

DRY boat and equipment in the sun for at least 5 days.

LEARN how to identify aquatic nuisance species.

REPORT sightings of suspected aquatic nuisance species to the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department, 802-241-3700, or the Department of Environmental Conservation, 802-241-3777.

NOTICE: TRANSPORTING EURASIAN WATERMILFOIL, ZEBRA MUSSELS, OR WATER CHESTNUT IS ILLEGAL

Pursuant to 10 VSA 1266, violators are subject to an immediate penalty of up to \$150.00 plus a surcharge.

RELEASING FISH

Harvesting and eating a freshly caught fish, be it a trout, bass, perch, or walleye, is part of the angling experience. However, catch-and-release fishing has taken off in popularity, and there is nothing wrong with fishing for sport and putting your catch back to be caught another day. If you choose to do so, it is important to follow certain steps to ensure the fish you release truly will survive to fight another day. The following guidelines will help released fish live.

- **Land fish as rapidly as possible**, using tackle that is adequate but sporting. A fish played gently for too long may be too exhausted to recover and has an increased chance of dying after release.

- **Keep the fish in the water as much as possible and handle them with care.** Gently restrain the fish to minimize its movement while unhooking it.

- **Remove hooks gently and carefully from fish hooked in the lip, jaw or mouth. Never rip the hook out, use the "hook shake" method.** Reach into the fish's mouth and grasp the hook shank with fingers or pliers. Lift the fish slightly out of the water, rotate hook shank so eyelet is down and shake gently. The weight of the fish will cause it to pop off the hook.

- **Use barbless hooks, or pinch barb flat with pliers, to quicken the unhooking process.** Barbless hooks, when used with bait, can increase the survival of released fish.

- **Do not attempt to remove the hook if the fish is hooked in the gills, throat or stomach.** Leave the hook in the fish by cutting the line as close to the knot as possible. Taking care not to injure the fish. The hook will often rust out of the fish or be passed within a few days. However, if legal, an injured fish is always a good candidate for harvesting!

- **When fishing with live bait, watch the line continuously and set the hook as soon as possible.** This reduces the chances of the fish swallowing the bait and the need for cutting the leader and leaving the hook in the fish.

- **Try not to expose the fish to the freezing air when ice fishing.** Keep the fish in the hole while unhooking it if possible. If not, unhook it as quickly as possible and return it to the water immediately to prevent the fish's eyes and gills from freezing.

- **Before releasing an exhausted fish, cradle it in a swimming position in calm water and move it gently back and forth to force fresh water through its gills.**

When the fish is able to maintain an upright position on its

own and is beginning to struggle, let it go. This process can sometimes take up to 10 minutes for large, exhausted fish.

Practice these methods and teach them to young anglers, our next generation of conservationists!



Tom Jones

LET'S GET THE LEAD OUT!

Effective Jan. 1, 2007 it will be illegal to use lead sinkers.

Loons and some other water birds can die from lead poisoning after swallowing lead fishing sinkers and jigs lost by anglers. You can help by switching to non-lead fishing tackle and by helping to spread the word for others to do the same.

A loon with lead poisoning may have physical and behavioral changes, including loss of balance, gasping, tremors, and impaired ability to fly. A weakened bird is more vulnerable to predators and it may have trouble feeding, mating, nesting, or caring for its young. After ingesting lead some loons lose weight and die within two to three weeks.

Research in the northeastern United States and Canada has documented that poisoning from lead sinkers and jigs can account for 10 to 50 percent of dead adult loons found. It is the leading cause of observed loon deaths here in the Northeast.

What can you do to help?

- Use non-lead fishing weights
- Spread the word. Tell other anglers about the problem and encourage them to switch to non-lead alternatives
- Remove lead sinkers and jigs from your tacklebox

Some other ways to help loons:

- Remove spent fishing line and other materials from Vermont waters and shorelines to reduce entanglement, another cause of loon deaths
- Maintain a respectful distance from wild animals. Use binoculars to get a great view
- Observe and report loon sightings and nest activities, but do not approach a nest
- Participate in the annual Vermont Loon Watch on the third Saturday in July. For information call 802-241-3700.
- Support continuing loon and other nongame wildlife management efforts by donating to the Vermont Nongame Wildlife Fund on your Vermont income tax form or on hunting and fishing license applications
- Buy Vermont Conservation License Plates for your vehicle

Preventing Human Lead Exposure from Fishing Sinkers

Some fishing sinkers contain lead. Lead can be dangerous to your body if breathed in or eaten. Prolonged and high levels of exposure to lead can cause brain and nerve damage, slowed growth in children, and reproductive problems and high blood pressure in adults.

In order to prevent exposure to lead, please handle lead sinkers with care and use the following guidelines:

- Wash hands with soap after holding or using lead sinkers
- Never put lead sinkers in your mouth. This includes biting down on or chewing lead sinkers.
- Never handle or eat food immediately after handling lead sinkers unless hands have been washed with soap first
- Take proper precautions when melting lead and pouring sinkers at home

SUNRISE AND SUNSET TABLES

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- Switch to sinkers that do not contain lead or zinc. Alternatives to lead sinkers are made of steel, bismuth, tungsten, resin and glass.

If you suspect lead poisoning in your child or yourself, or you would like further information, call:

**Vermont Department of Health
Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program
800-439-8550 or 802-865-7786**

This office provides screening, public information and technical assistance:

The National Lead Clearing House, 800-424-LEAD

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Help Protect Vermont's Waters

Non-native, invasive aquatic plants and animals are a problem, but you can be part of the SOLUTION!

When you purchase an Aquatic Nuisance Species Sticker for \$10:

\$9 of your purchase goes directly toward funding efforts to control infestations and prevent the spread of invasive plants and animals in Vermont's waters.

You can help spread awareness of the issue of invasive species in Vermont's waterbodies by displaying this lovely painting created by Vermont artist, Holly Thompson.

And you will be able to treat yourself and guest to a one-time free entry to any Vermont Park Day Use Area!

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Fish & Wildlife Laws

The purpose of Vermont Fish & Wildlife laws is to help protect, manage, control and conserve the fish and wildlife of the state. It is the responsibility of each individual who hunts, fishes or traps to know the fish and wildlife laws. This Digest provides the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department's interpretation of these laws. It is formatted to make the laws easier to read and understand. For a complete wording of Vermont's fish and wildlife statutes and regulations, consult Vermont Statutes Annotated, Part 4, Title 10, available at Town Clerks' offices and on the Internet at www.leg.state.vt.us/statutes/statutes2.htm. Any questions you have regarding these laws should be directed to your local game warden.

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Fish & Wildlife Ramps Up Habitat Improvement Projects On Wildlife Management Areas



The Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department is increasing its wildlife habitat improvement work on state Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs) in order to help resident wildlife populations.

The department manages 86 WMAs ranging in size from a few hundred acres to over 22,000 acres. In almost all cases, these areas were purchased with revenue from the sale of hunting licenses and a federal tax on hunting equipment.

In many cases, acquisition of Vermont's WMAs helped conserve important habitats, but they also were purchased to provide public hunting areas for present and future generations of Vermonters and visitors. Fortunately, all of us are able to enjoy these areas.

Vermont's Department of Forest, Parks and Recreation staff assist with WMA projects and are essential to Vermont Fish & Wildlife's expanded management efforts. In collaboration with FPR, a total of 21 timber harvests designed to improve habitat on 14 WMAs are scheduled for 2006. Eight of these are already in process. Eight others have been sold and will be active soon. Five additional projects are marked and ready to sell.

A total of 347 acres will be clearcut, and 1,552 acres will be selectively cut – for an overall total of 1,899 acres being treated through timber harvests.

In 2005, forty-five acres of openings and old fields on six WMAs were reclaimed by mechanical and hand clearing. Eighty-nine additional acres of old fields on nine WMAs were mowed. An additional seven acres on one WMA was treated with a controlled burn to kill woody growth.

Scattered on WMAs throughout the state, these field and shrub habitats are particularly valuable to many wildlife species, and significantly enhance the diversity, productivity, and recreational benefits of the properties. They are typically small, scattered openings dominated by shrubs in a primarily forested landscape. Maintained by periodic mowing or burning, they provide a great diversity of foods (seeds, berries, nuts, grasses, forbs, and insects) as well as cover for wildlife.

Seven and one half acres of apple trees, plus an additional 214 trees were released from competing vegetation on four WMAs.

A total of 747 acres of hay or cropland on 10 WMAs was maintained through agricultural leases to nearby farmers.

Three acres of a deer wintering area on one WMA was treated to accelerate the growth of winter deer shelter this year, and more will be scheduled for the future.

Paul Hamlin



Dave Adams

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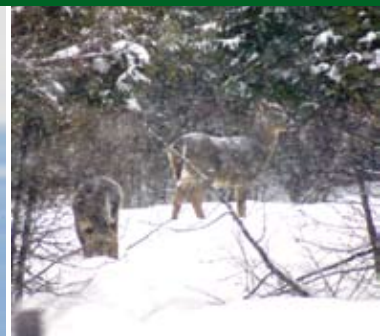
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State Wildlife Grants

Working To Keep Wildlife From Becoming Endangered

From the depths of Lake Champlain to the high-elevation montane forest the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department has used the State Wildlife Grants (SWG) program to support more than 39 new wildlife conservation and research projects in Vermont. Here are a few SWG project “snapshots.” Learn more about SWG by visiting our website: www.vtfishandwildlife.com/SWG_home.cfm



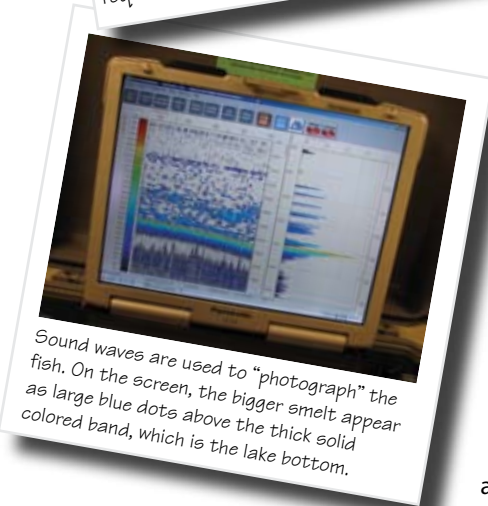
Understanding Bobcat Habitat Needs

For many years bobcat trappers and hunters have talked about the importance of rocky outcrops, wetlands, and habitat corridors to bobcat movement and survival. Through a cooperative research effort, the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department and the Vermont Cooperative Fish & Wildlife Research Unit hopes to collect the scientific evidence to support these claims.

Fifteen bobcats have been captured, outfitted with high-tech radio collars and released unharmed. Approximately half of the collared cats were trapped by cooperating Vermont trappers.

The collars collect GPS location points from satellites several times during the day and night. The data are stored in the collar until, after approximately four months, the collar falls off the cat and is retrieved from the field.

The data are then downloaded onto a computer and analyzed. Trapping and monitoring of collared cats will continue through the spring and early summer of 2007. Results should be available in the winter of 2008.



Listening For Smelt

The Hydro-Acoustic Project isn’t the name of a band. However it will keep Vermont Fish & Wildlife fisheries biologist Bernie Pientka out late at night listening attentively. In this case he’ll listen for fish—not Phish.

Bernie and others are conducting a lakewide hydro-acoustic survey to track the abundance and distribution of smelt and other forage fish in Lake Champlain. The hydro-acoustic survey uses sonar (sound waves) to “photograph” the fish. Some fish are then netted to determine the species and their age.

Forage fish play a key role supporting much of the lake’s food web. Rainbow smelt is the single dominant species of the deep-water fish community in Lake Champlain and an important forage fish. If the smelt population were to decline it could

seriously impact the lake’s larger fish species. Data collected will help biologists in evaluating and responding to changes to the lake’s ecosystem, such as the impacts of new invasive species, helping to maintain a balance in a lake so important to wildlife and people.

Stream Temps

Temperature is a significant factor in determining a stream’s fish community. Some of Vermont’s coldwater streams are marginally too warm in the summer to support healthy populations of coldwater fish species. Through State Wildlife Grants funding, we are using temperature modeling to explore the effects of land use on stream temperature. This project will help tell us if our efforts to restore and conserve vegetated buffer zones along streams are making a difference in improving aquatic habitats and the associated aquatic life. It also let us track trends in the condition of Vermont’s stream habitats on a long-term basis.



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