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For complete fishing regulations, see page 19.

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VERMONT FISHING SEASONS

Harvest Seasons

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| Trout and Landlocked Salmon | Second Saturday in April to last day of October |
| Trout and Landlocked Salmon (Lake Champlain) | No Closed Season |
| Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass | Second Saturday in June to last day of November |
| Pickereel, Northern Pike, Yellow Perch, and Smelt | No Closed Season |
| Walleye (all waters except Chittenden Reservoir and the Connecticut River) | First Saturday in May to March 15, 2019 |
| Chittenden Reservoir | First Saturday in June to March 15, 2019 |
| Connecticut River..... | See Table 4 (page 88) |

Catch and Release (see pages 61–91 for exceptions, including closed waters)

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| Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass | Year-round, open-water fishing |
| Trout | Year-round, open-water fishing |

Free Fishing Days

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| Summer Free Fishing Day..... | Second Saturday in June |
| Winter Free Fishing Day..... | Last Saturday in January |

Note: The season dates listed above are for some of Vermont’s general fishing seasons. They apply to most Vermont waters, but not all. Prior to fishing, please reference pages 61–91 for special season and regulation information for specific waters, including seasonally closed waters.

VERMONT FISHING LICENSES

Resident

| | |
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| Fishing (ages 18–65) | \$26.00 |
| Youth Fishing (ages 15–17; under age 15, no license needed) | \$8.00 |
| Permanent Licenses (residents only, age 66 or older) | See page 17 |
| Five-Year Fishing License | \$124.00 |
| Three-Day Fishing ⁽¹⁾ | \$11.00 |
| Combination Fishing and Hunting | \$42.00 |
| Five-Year Combination License | \$204.00 |
| Youth Combination Fishing and Hunting (age 17 or under)..... | \$12.00 |

Nonresident

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|---|----------|
| Fishing | \$52.00 |
| Youth Fishing (ages 15–17; under age 15, no license needed)..... | \$15.00 |
| Five-Year Fishing License | \$249.00 |
| One-Day Fishing ⁽¹⁾ | \$21.00 |
| Three-Day Fishing ⁽¹⁾ | \$23.00 |
| Seven-Day Fishing ⁽¹⁾ | \$31.00 |
| Combination Fishing and Hunting | \$138.00 |
| Five-Year Combination License | \$684.00 |
| Youth Combination Fishing and Hunting (age 17 or under)..... | \$30.00 |

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ALL LICENSE FEES LISTED ARE FOR 2018.



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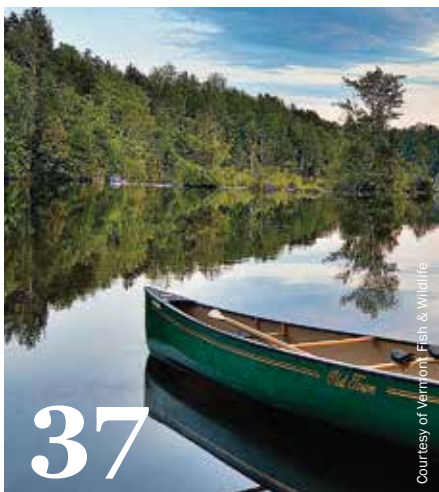
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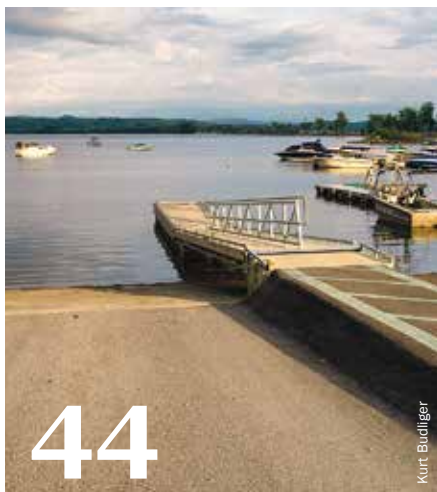
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Fish & Wildlife Laws

Vermont's fish and wildlife laws help protect, manage, control, and conserve the fish and wildlife of the state. Every individual who hunts, fishes, or traps is responsible for knowing the fish and wildlife laws. This lawbook provides the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department's interpretation of fishing 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 <http://legislature.vermont.gov/statutes/title/10>. Any questions you have regarding these laws should be directed to your local game warden.



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A Special Message From the Commissioner

Vermont is home to incredible angling opportunities that Vermont Fish & Wildlife works hard to conserve and manage. Our diverse landscape and abundance of waters provides a wide range of thriving fisheries for all Vermonters to enjoy.

It's clear that Vermonters love the outdoors. Vermont was the first state to protect the right to fish and hunt in our 1777 state constitution – a full 219 years before any other state provided the same constitutional rights.



In a recent USFWS national survey, Vermont ranked second in the country in fish and wildlife-related recreational participation, behind only Alaska. Sixty-two percent of Vermont residents spend time outdoors each year fishing, hunting, and taking part in other outdoor activities.

This year, I want to ask you, as active anglers, to help maintain this tradition. Please make an effort to introduce someone new to fishing. Show them how fishing is the perfect way to relax, unwind, and connect with friends and nature. Reach out to anglers who used to fish but haven't in a while, take them fishing again, and help remind them how much fun it is.

Thanks, and I hope to see you on the water!

Louis Porter, Commissioner, Vermont Fish & Wildlife

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Vermont's Online

Fishing Regulations Tool

Our Online Fishing Regulations Tool uses technology to make accessing regulation information quick and simple, whether you're at home planning your next Vermont fishing trip or out on the water!

Features of the Fishing Regulations Tool

Interactive Map

System: Allows users to select any waterbody in the state and have instantaneous access to fishing regulations specific to that body of water.



Current Location

Feature: The map works in coordination with the Global Positioning System (GPS) in many mobile devices, allowing users to view fisheries regulations for their current location.

Lookup Tables: Allows users to view regulations by selecting a waterbody, town, or county from a comprehensive lookup list.

Regardless of the pathway, the final result is a simple and clear list of fisheries regulations for all of Vermont's great fishing spots!

Visit www.vtfishandwildlife.com to use the tool!



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Kayak Fishing

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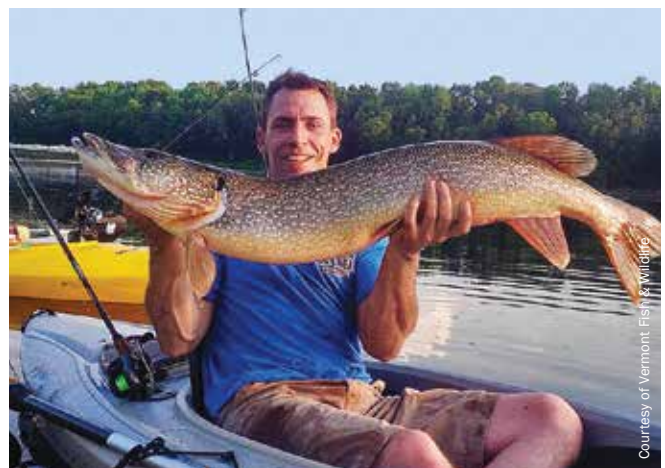
In the last few years, you've probably noticed the rapid increase in popularity of flatwater kayaking; seemingly overnight, brightly colored kayaks have sprung up on rooftop car racks and in the back of trucks across the state, with Vermonters heading to one of our hundreds of beautiful ponds, lakes, or large rivers to enjoy a day on the water.

This isn't just a trend new to Vermont. According to a recent study by the Outdoor Foundation, 21.7 million Americans now list kayaking as a preferred outdoor activity — an all-time high. Kayaking is now the seventh most popular outdoor activity in the country, behind only running, fishing, biking, camping, hiking, and hunting.

Wait, did I say *fishing*? And *kayaking*? In the same sentence? If you think these two activities naturally go together, you're not alone. *Kayak fishing* is the fastest growing segment in the fishing industry — increasing 32 percent just from 2015 to 2016. Anglers in the know can't seem to get enough — kayaking and fishing are a natural match, and together they can be a rewarding combination.

So why has kayak fishing become such a big deal? For anglers, there's a long list of benefits to being on the water, in a kayak, with a rod in your hand. Here are just a few:

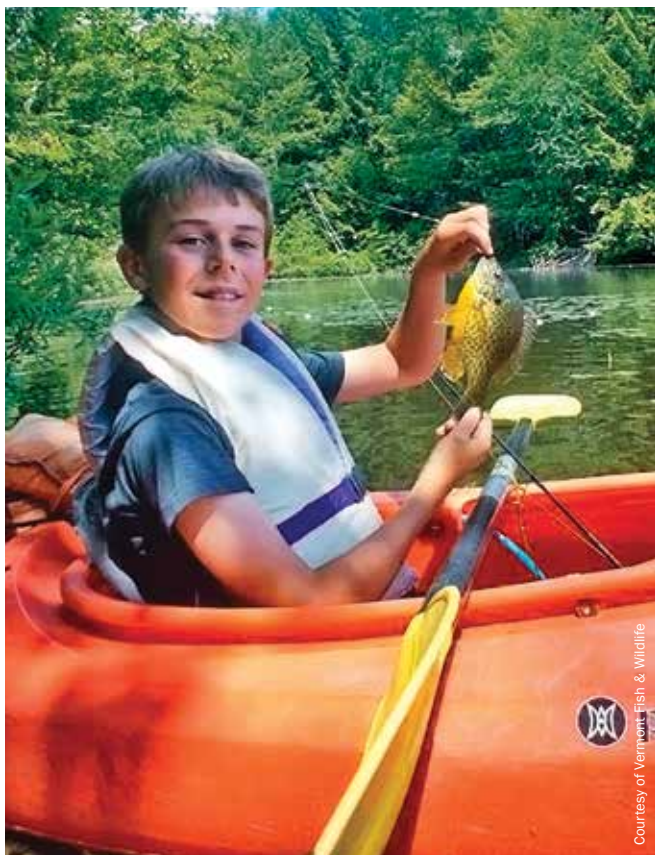
It's Inexpensive. With the swell in popularity, kayak prices have become very reasonable. Entry-level kayaks can be found for just a few hundred dollars, while higher-end fishing kayaks with accessories might run about a thousand dollars. Compared to buying a boat, motor, and trailer, kayaks are a very economical way to get on the water. They also require no mechanical maintenance, no insurance premiums, no fuel costs, and you don't need a large tow vehicle. You can easily transport a fishing kayak on the roof of a small car, and it takes little space to store at home.



Kayak fishing is a fun, relaxing, low-cost form of fishing that offers anglers unique access to Vermont waters of all types.



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Fishing from a kayak is easy to learn, requires only the most basic gear, and is a great form of exercise. The versatility of a kayak also allows anglers to fish almost anywhere they desire, including remote waters that see minimal angling pressure.

It's Simple and Basic. Fishing from a kayak requires only the most basic gear. A paddle, a small anchor, a short length of rope, a couple of rods, and a small tackle box. No need for much of the high-tech equipment that has become so prevalent in fishing today. It's also quick and easy to learn. A complete novice paddler can become competent at fishing from a kayak in a short period of time.

You Can Fish Anywhere! One of the greatest advantages that kayak fishing has over bank or boat fishing is the access it provides to untapped waters. Kayaks allow you to fish where other boats or bank anglers can't reach. Kayaks can be slid off roadsides into small ponds that don't have boat ramps, or even carried short distances down trails to more remote waters that have no road access and rarely get fished. Kayaks are also stealthy and draft just inches of water. This allows you to quietly float in shallow areas and cast to fish that would otherwise be spooked or hard to reach by other methods.

It's Exciting. Kayaks get you closer to your prey than any other watercraft. There's something about sitting so close to the water that makes you feel more connected, and when you hook a fish, it's a completely different perspective as you fight and land it while sitting just inches off the water. Plus, fish simply feel bigger when you're catching them from a kayak, and the battle is more exciting. A big fish may even tow you around a bit, adding to the fun and excitement, increasing the "man vs. nature" feeling.

It's Relaxing. Quietness and serenity. Solitude and tranquility. Nature and inspiration. Even if the fishing is slow, you'll find a whole new connection to Vermont's outdoors. Sitting so low to the water and gliding silently makes you nearly invisible, giving you unrivaled access to wildlife-watching opportunities while you fish and paddle. Moose, deer, herons, otters, loons, eagles — you

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will see and experience Vermont's wildlife in a way you never have before!

It's Healthy. Kayak fishing is great exercise and will get you in shape. It's estimated that the average kayaker burns over 400 calories an hour while paddling. And casting and fishing burns nearly 300 calories an hour on its own! After a season of fishing from a kayak, you'll be stronger and healthier for all aspects of your life.

Safety. Like all outdoor activities, knowing how to participate in them safely is an important aspect of enjoying yourself. **Always wear your life jacket**

while in your kayak. There are models designed specifically for paddling and kayak fishing that provide safety as well as comfort. Make sure you have a whistle, a paddle leash, and some rope.

Always take the weather into account. Strong winds can make paddling difficult and push you away from your put-in point. If large waves kick up, paddle directly into the waves, and zigzag back to your destination. As with all boating activities, be sure to check the weather report before heading out on the water, and go to shore immediately at the first sign of thunderstorms.

Kayak technology has advanced immensely in recent years. Modern fishing kayaks are wider, more stable, lighter, and easier to carry, maneuver, and transport. Most have many user-friendly features built in, such as on-board dry storage, tie-down straps, and comfortable seats with backs. Kayaks are versatile, and there's practically no limit to the places you can fish in them. Kayaks not only give you a simple and inexpensive way to get on the water to fish, they also will change the way you experience Vermont's great outdoors. Give it a try this year! ■



Fishing from a kayak in Vermont is a rewarding outdoor experience that often exposes anglers to nature's incredible sights and sounds, as well as uninterrupted tranquility.

You Bet Your Bass

Small state with big-time bass fishing



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Well known among local anglers for decades, Vermont's bass fishing has been the subject of increasing national and international attention in recent years, and many say the fishing has never been better.

World Fishing Network, Bass Anglers Sportsman Society (B.A.S.S.), FLW Outdoors, In-Fishermen, On The Water, BassFan.com, and a range of other fishing media outlets have all praised Vermont's bass fishing opportunities of late. Even mainstream media outlet USA Today mentioned Vermont waters when it announced its list of "America's best bass fishing lakes and ponds" in 2017.

While renowned Lake Champlain — shared by Vermont and New York — often garners much of this attention, many of Vermont's smaller, lesser-known waters are beginning to build great popularity as well.

Unsung gems — including such lakes as Memphremagog, Dunmore, Bomoseen, St. Catherine, Seymour, and Iroquois; ponds such as Shelburne, Monkton, and Sadawga; the Connecticut River; and Waterbury and Chittenden reservoirs — offer some of the best small-water bass fishing opportunities in the Northeast and they are all easily fishable from shore or a small boat such as a canoe or kayak.



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Vermont waters are chock full of healthy largemouth and smallmouth bass, creating recreational fishing opportunities for anglers of all ages, abilities, and interests.

In totality, the number of hidden, untapped small ponds and lakes dotted across Vermont's diverse landscape, holding thriving populations of quality bass is truly remarkable. Whether you want to target largemouth or smallmouth bass, or both, Vermont has a bass fishing opportunity that aligns with the interests of almost any angler. Not to mention, you may just find a honey hole and have it all to yourself!

To add to the great bass fishing opportunities, Vermont offers a spring catch and release season that runs until the second Saturday in June when the state's traditional bass fishing season begins. Early season catch and release bass fishing in Vermont can offer some of the hottest fishing action of the year, with 50 to 60 fish days commonly reported, and some of the biggest bass annually being caught during the spring months.

If you haven't specifically targeted bass before, don't let it intimidate you. Just like other predatory fish species, bass can be found using noticeable structure for cover to hide around while ambushing prey.

Try targeting largemouth bass around visible, shallow cover such as boat docks, fallen trees, logs,

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and brush piles, rock piles or boulders extending out from shore, bridge pilings, rock ledges, and aquatic vegetation, among other types of habitat.

Smallmouth bass will often use similar shallow cover during the spring and fall, but many will migrate toward deeper structure as water temperatures rise in the summer. Try fishing for summer smallmouth around offshore rock piles or reefs, steep shoreline



Like many northern states and provinces, Vermont is home to dozens of prime smallmouth bass fisheries. "Smallies" are often regarded as one of the hardest fighting freshwater game fish species in North America.

ledges, long, tapering, hard-bottom points, and any area that is subject to current or wave activity. “Smallies” are aggressive feeders and, like many predatory fish, will be found wherever there is abundant forage.

A few great choices for catching both largemouth and smallmouth during the open-water season include artificial baits such as spinnerbaits, crankbaits, floating topwater lures, soft plastics, and jig-style baits. All of these baits are designed to imitate key bass forage, including panfish, small minnows, crayfish, frogs, and insects. Additionally, a worm, crayfish, or minnow rigged on a traditional hook,

sinker, and bobber rig is time-tested, extremely productive, and hard to beat!

Whether you're new to bass fishing or an avid bass enthusiast, whether you're looking for big-water or small-water opportunities, Vermont is undoubtedly a bass fishing paradise with something for everyone. Take it from a bass fishing fanatic, there's no place I'd rather chase bass than right here in the Green Mountain State! ■



Vermont's traditional bass season runs from the second Saturday in June through the last day of November.

JOIN THE Best of the Best

The Vermont Master Angler Program

Do you ever wonder where the “big ones” are? Well, you don't have to look any further than the Vermont Master Angler Program's website and annual report.

The Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department created the program in 2010 to recognize the achievements of anglers who catch trophy-size fish from Vermont waters and to encourage anglers to take advantage of the wide variety of fishing opportunities and fish species found throughout the state. So far, more than 5,000 trophy fish catches have been recognized by the department!



Anglers who catch a fish exceeding the minimum qualifying length for any of the 33 listed species receive a certificate commemorating their catch. Anglers demonstrating the skill necessary to catch five or more species in the same calendar year receive a collectible Vermont Master Angler Pin.



If you consider yourself a “specialist” when it comes to your angling, maybe it's time to fish “outside the box” by trying to catch some new-to-you fish. Take on the challenge: Learn about fish habitat, behavior, and food preferences, and develop new skills needed to target and catch these species.

To learn more about the Master Angler Program, visit www.vtfishandwildlife.com and click on Master Angler Program under the “FISH” page.

Aquatic Invasive Species Laws

NEW!

On June 8, 2017, the Vermont Legislature enacted new rules regarding aquatic invasive species. The changes include the following:

PROHIBITED SPECIES: In addition to zebra mussels, quagga mussels, and all aquatic plants, the possession of rusty crayfish, Asian clam, spiny water flea, and fishhook water flea is *now prohibited*.

VESSEL INSPECTIONS: All watercraft operators are now required to inspect their own vessels and trailers and remove and dispose of all aquatic plants and aquatic invasive species prior to launching and upon leaving a state water.

DRAINING OF VESSELS: Prior to leaving state waters, all watercraft operators are now required to drain their vessels, trailers, and all other equipment of water, including water in live wells, ballast tanks, and bilge areas. When transporting vessels on the road, all drain plugs, bailers, valves, and other devices that are used to control the draining of water must be removed or placed in the open position. Bait buckets, water hauling, and emergency-response vehicles are exempted from this requirement.

MANDATORY BOAT INSPECTIONS: Boat inspections are now mandatory whenever a Vermont Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) authorized inspection station is present, is open/staffed, and one's vessel is identified as requiring inspection. Refusing to comply with a mandatory inspection and decontamination is now considered a violation of state law.

NOTE: the term "vessel" means any type of watercraft that can be used as a means of transportation on water, including boats, canoes, kayaks, paddleboards, personal watercraft, and so on.

Aquatic Invasive Species Identification

It is illegal to possess or transport the following aquatic invasive species found in Vermont:

Rusty Crayfish

NEW THIS YEAR



Jeff Gunderson, Minnesota Sea Grant

A new invasive crayfish species that can displace native crayfish and destroy aquatic habitat has been found in Vermont. Rusty crayfish can reach 5 inches in length and can be identified by dark reddish spots on either side of their shell and large, strong, smooth claws that can be a brownish-olive color or a reddish-brown color with black or orange tips.

Alewife



North American Native Fishes Association

Asian Clam



GB Nonnative Species Secretariat

Eurasian Watermilfoil



Alison Fox, University of Florida, Bugwood.org

Spiny Water Flea



Jeff Gunderson, Minnesota Sea Grant

Water Chestnut



B. Smorgans

Variable-Leaf Watermilfoil



Dennis Roberge, Courtesy of Maine VLMP

Zebra Mussel



U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Note: Transporting any aquatic plant or aquatic plant part, zebra mussel, or quagga mussel on the outside of a vehicle, boat, personal watercraft, trailer, or other equipment is illegal. Violators are subject to a penalty of up to \$1,000.

Always Open, Always Free

Fishing access areas offer an easy way onto the water



Kurt Burdiger

Vermont Fish & Wildlife manages 188 fishing access areas that are free and open to anglers, hunters, trappers, and boaters — 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Included in the department's access program are

- 170 fishing access areas that provide boat launches for watercraft
- Fishing access areas on 130 unique bodies of water
- 34 fishing access areas on Lake Champlain alone
- 7 fishing access areas along the Connecticut River

Use our helpful interactive fishing access area map at www.vtfishandwildlife.com to plan your next trip on the water!

The state's 188 fishing access areas are identifiable by signs like this. They are always free and open to anglers, hunters, trappers, and boaters.



BEFORE YOU BACK DOWN THE RAMP:

1. "Load before you launch" — put all gear into your boat while in the parking lot, not on the ramp;
2. Loosen any tie-downs, insert plug;
3. Help **STOP** aquatic hitchhikers: **CHECK, DRAIN, DRY**. Make it a habit **BEFORE** launching and **BEFORE** leaving to carefully inspect and clean your vessel;
4. Back down ramp, launch and secure your boat to dock or on shore;
5. Immediately move and park your vehicle in the appropriate location.

Remember: SWIMMING OR SUNBATHING at access areas is prohibited.

License Information



Courtesy of Vermont Fish & Wildlife

Buying Your License

Anyone can apply for a fishing license. There is no requirement to have had a previous fishing license.

Important things to remember:

- Fill in your information as you wish it to appear on your license. Your printed license and a photo ID should be carried whenever you go fishing, hunting, or trapping.
- If you are purchasing a term fishing license (a fishing license for a shorter duration than the whole year), make sure you specify the day you plan to start fishing. Term fishing licenses are for consecutive days.
- If you are purchasing a hunting, combination, archery, or trapping license, you must have held a previous hunting, combination, archery, or trapping license in Vermont, any other state, or Canada, or have passed a state of Vermont-approved safety course. There will be a place on the application to enter a previous Vermont license number, or you may complete the license affidavit form certifying that you have held this type of license previously or passed a state of Vermont-approved safety course.

We offer three easy ways to purchase all fishing or combination licenses:

1. Go online to www.vtfishandwildlife.com.

You will need the following:

- **A printer to print your license.** Printing requires Adobe Acrobat Reader on your computer. You can download the free Acrobat Reader software from our website.
- **A credit card.** We accept Visa, Discover, or MasterCard for payment.

Nice to have ready if you have one:

- **Your Conservation Identification Number or CID #.** You can look

up your Conservation ID on the website or find it on your previous license.

- **Your Vermont license number** from your previous license purchased online.
2. Visit one of our district offices or authorized license agents. A list of license agents is available at www.vtfishandwildlife.com, or you can call us at (802) 828-1190 for an agent closest to you.
 3. Print a license application from www.vtfishandwildlife.com, fill out, and send in with your payment.

Licenses Are Required

Any person 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.

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. See *Title 10 V.S.A. Section 4266*. An electronic or digital copy of the license is acceptable, except for minor children who must still carry a paper license signed by their parent.

FREE Fishing Days

The second Saturday in June and the last Saturday in January are Free Fishing Days in Vermont. Residents and nonresidents may fish without a license. All legal fishing methods and limits apply.

My License Covers What?

Fishing and Combination licenses cover fishing throughout the year.

Basic Combination licenses include a late-season bear tag and a November-season legal buck tag. They also cover small-game hunting. Add-on licenses are required for early season bear, archery deer season, muzzleloader deer season, and turkey seasons (each with their own tags).

Resident Status

In order to obtain resident annual 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 Vermont school or college, must present an admission card, and must pay the resident fee.

Exceptions to License Requirements

A resident owner of land in Vermont, his or her spouse, and minor children may hunt within the boundary of that land and take fish from a private pond within the boundary of that land without a license within season (except if their right to obtain a license is under suspension). A nonresident owner of land has equal privilege if his or her land is NOT posted (except if their right to obtain a license is under suspension). "Posted" means any signage that would lead a reasonable person to believe that hunting is prohibited on the land, except for "Safety Zone" signs.

Children under 15 never need a license to fish.

Military Personnel

Any resident of Vermont who certifies that he or she is serving on active duty in the armed forces of the United States or is performing, or is under orders to perform, a homeland defense or stateside contingency operation for a period of 120 or more consecutive days may obtain at no cost a hunting or fishing license or combination hunting and fishing license.

A person who obtains a license under this provision may keep the license until it expires, whether or not the person continues to serve in the armed forces.

A nonresident member of the armed forces of the United States who certifies that he or she is on active duty and stationed at a military, air or naval post, station or base within Vermont may buy a license to hunt or fish at the resident fee.

Any questions on eligibility for military licenses?

Call (802) 828-1190 or email fwinformation@vermont.gov.

Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department
Attn: Licensing
1 National Life Drive, Dewey Building
Montpelier, VT 05620-3208

Permanent Licenses

NEW! Any Vermont resident who is 66 or older may apply for and purchase a permanent license on our website, at an authorized license agent, at our district offices, or by mail.

If a permanent license holder wishes to hunt for a second archery deer, he/she must purchase the additional archery license. If waterfowl hunting, he/she must also purchase state and federal duck stamps and register with H.I.P. each year.

Permanent licenses do not include duck stamps or entries into the moose and antlerless lotteries or permits.

Permanent Disability Licenses

A legally blind person who is a Vermont resident may apply for a free permanent fishing license. Information is available from the Fish & Wildlife office or www.vtfishandwildlife.com.

A Vermont resident who is paraplegic or who is certified by a physician to have permanent severe physical mobility disability may receive a free permanent fishing, hunting, or combination license, if qualified, with the proper proof of disability.

“Paraplegic” is a person with permanent paralysis of the lower half of the body with involvement or loss of both legs. A

Statement of Disability form is available from the office or our website.

A Vermont resident who is a veteran of the armed forces of the United States and who is 60 percent disabled due to a service-connected disability may receive a free fishing or combination license, if qualified, upon presentation of a letter from the Department of Veterans Affairs specifically indicating entitlement to a free license.

To see if you qualify for the license, call the Veterans Benefits Section at (800) 827-1000. If you qualify for a combination license, you will also receive turkey and muzzleloader deer licenses. If you qualify for an archery license, you will receive one.

Permanent licenses do not include duck stamps or entries into the moose and antlerless lotteries or permits.

Lifetime Licenses

A resident or nonresident lifetime fishing, hunting, or combination fishing and hunting license may be obtained from the Fish & Wildlife Department. Applications are available on our website or from the office. Fees are as follows:

- for children < 1 year old = 6x current adult license price;
- for children 1–15 years old = 16x current adult license price;
- for adults 16–24 years old = 31x current adult license price;
- for adults 25–64 years old = 26x current adult license price.



The Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact (IWVC) ensures that, in participating states, nonresident violators will receive the same treatment as resident violators. IWVC member states reciprocate in the suspension or revocation of licenses and permits resulting from violation of hunting, fishing, or trapping laws.

If an individual's license or permit privileges are revoked in one compact member state, they are subject to suspension or revocation in all other member states. For example, if a Vermont resident has their hunting privileges suspended in Minnesota, their privileges may also be suspended in Vermont and in all other compact states. This helps prevent habitual violators from relocating their illegal activities to other member states.

The IWVC also has established procedures that cause a nonresident violator who fails to comply with the terms of a citation issued in a participating state to face the possibility of the suspension of their wildlife license privileges in their home state until the terms of the citation are met. The goal of the IWVC is to facilitate improved enforcement of hunting, fishing, and trapping laws through the cooperation of law enforcement units in member states.

Lifetime and Permanent License Renewal

If you intend to hunt, fish, or trap this year, you must update your lifetime, permanent disability or permanent license regardless of whether or not you used your tags. This statutory requirement has been put in place to allow the department to collect accurate harvest and licensing information for lifetime licenses. There is no penalty for the failure to renew.

This updated license will include current year tags. You may update your license at no cost online at www.vtfishandwildlife.com. If you are unable to go online, you can call (802) 828-1190 or go to any authorized license agent or Fish & Wildlife office. A license agent may charge you up to \$1.50 for a reprint.

Requirements for Hunting, Combination Hunting and Fishing, Archery, and Trapping Licenses

An applicant for a hunting, combination hunting and fishing, archery, or trapping license must present either

- A previous or current hunting, combination, archery, or trapping license from Vermont or any state or Canadian province; or
- A certificate or a letter of proof showing satisfactory completion of an approved hunter safety, archery, or trapping education course from Vermont or any other state or province; or

- A signed affidavit attesting to having a prior hunting, combination, archery, or trapping license from Vermont or any other state or province.

A person under age 16 must have his or her parent or guardian sign to obtain a hunting license.

NOTE: Federal firearms laws, found at 18 U.S.C. Sect. 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 centerfire and rimfire firearms. For a complete list of prohibitions, contact the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives at (802) 865-4020.

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 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 the Fishing Information section, page 30.

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 five years: one-year suspension.
- For 15 to 19 points accumulated in five years: two-year suspension.
- For 20 points or more accumulated in five years: three-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 in Vermont or any other state that is a member of the Interstate Wildlife Violator Compact.
- Landowners may not hunt, fish, or trap on their land if their license is suspended.
- Fine: up to \$2,000 and additional suspension period.
- Remedial Course: A person whose license is revoked with 15 or more points accumulated in five years must successfully complete a remedial course designed to teach hunters, trappers, and anglers correct legal and ethical behavior while hunting, trapping, and fishing.
- Suspension Per Family Court Orders: Vermont hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses and permits may be suspended for failure to comply with child support orders of the Family Court. 15 V.S.A. Sect. 798(b).

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General Regulations and Definitions

GENERAL REGULATIONS AND DEFINITIONS

“Take” and “Taking”: This means pursuing, shooting, hunting, killing, capturing, trapping, disturbing, harrising, worrying, wounding, snaring, or netting fish, birds, or other animals. 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.

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.

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.

Interfering With Hunters, Anglers, 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.

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

Violators: A person who drives, transports, scouts, counsels, or otherwise aids another person in a violation, or who knowingly possesses, consumes, or otherwise shares in the proceeds of such a violation by receiving or possessing fish or wild animals, or any parts thereof, shall be punished as a principal.

Damage to Fish & Wildlife Property: A person who damages or destroys a wildlife facsimile (decoy) owned by the Fish & Wildlife Department shall pay restitution for its replacement or repair. Whoever intentionally or recklessly damages, injures, interferes with, or destroys any property, real or personal, belonging to or controlled by the state for fish, game, or wildlife purposes shall be fined not more than \$2,500 and pay restitution to repair or replace the damaged property.

Reimbursement for Illegally Taken Fish or Wildlife

In addition to any court penalties, anyone 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..... | \$2,000.00 |
| Endangered Threatened Species (T10, 5401)..... | \$2,000.00 |
| Small Game | \$500.00 |
| Fish..... | \$25.00 |

Threatened and Endangered Species

Anyone who takes or injures a Vermont Threatened or Endangered Species is subject to either civil enforcement or criminal prosecution for a big game violation. Criminal penalties include up to 60 days incarceration, a \$500 to \$2,000 fine, a \$2,000 payment to the fish and wildlife fund, and restitution costs. Agency civil enforcement

penalties are capped at \$42,500 for a single violation. The complete list of threatened and endangered species is available on the Fish & Wildlife website (www.vtfishandwildlife.com). The list includes lake sturgeon, channel darter, eastern sand darter, stonecat, timber rattlesnake, bald eagle, spruce grouse, beach heather, great laurel, Canada lynx, marten, little brown bat, and Indiana bat. Federal penalties also may apply.

Posted Property Under Fish & Wildlife Law

Hunting, fishing, or trapping on properly posted land is illegal without **written permission**. This includes land posted for hunting, fishing, or trapping **by permission only**. Properly posted land will have records filed with the town clerk and the Fish & Wildlife Department. See *Title 10, V.S.A., Sections 5201 to 5206*.

Whether the property is posted or not, a hunter or angler shall show their license if requested by the landowner.

It is illegal to damage or remove posters prohibiting hunting, fishing, or trapping.

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

Posting and By Permission Only Signs

A landowner, or a person having the exclusive right to take fish or wild animals on land or the waters thereon may maintain signs stating that hunting, fishing, or trapping, or any combination of the three is **prohibited** or **by permission only**.

See *10 V.S.A. Appendix Sect. 14* for fish stocking requirements to post against fishing.

Permission Only signs shall state the owner’s name and a method by which to contact the owner or a person authorized to provide permission to hunt, fish, or trap on the property.

Posting and Permission Only Signs

- The owner or person posting the land shall annually record the posting at the town clerk's office for a fee of \$5.00.
- Signs must be not less than 8½ inches by 11 inches.
- Lettering and background on the signs must be of contrasting colors.
- Signs must be maintained at all times and dated each year.
- Signs must be erected on or near all boundaries, at each corner, and not over 400 feet apart.
- Signs shall not be considered void if other language is added, as long as a reasonable person would understand that hunting, fishing, or trapping are prohibited.

Safety Zone: A property owner may establish a 500-foot Safety Zone around an occupied dwelling, residence, barn, stable, or other building with signs provided by the Fish & Wildlife Department. These signs shall be placed at each corner of the Safety Zone and no more than 200 feet apart. Shooting is prohibited in the Safety Zone, and no wild animal may be taken within it without permission from the owner.

Sale or Purchase of Fish and Game

Sale and Purchase of Fish: A person shall not buy or sell a salmon, trout, lake trout, walleye, northern pike, muskellunge, black bass, or other fish specified by regulation, 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. No person shall buy fish for resale without a Fish Buyer Permit issued by the commissioner.

Game Suppers: 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 state game 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 for a permit application.

Transportation of Fish or 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 of fish or 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.

Public Use of Fish & Wildlife Lands

Vermont Fish & Wildlife owns 92 Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs), two conservation camps, five fish culture stations, and other conservation lands totaling more than 135,000 acres throughout Vermont. A rule enacted in 2013 allows the department to better protect the public's use of and interests in these lands. WMAs were created for the conservation of fish, wildlife, and their habitats, and to provide people with opportunities to enjoy these resources through fish- and wildlife-based outdoor activities such as fishing, hunting, trapping, and wildlife viewing and photography. Wildlife Management Area maps are available at www.vtfishandwildlife.com or at Vermont Fish & Wildlife District Offices.

Definitions

Commercial activity means any activity or service that produces income for any person, group, business, or entity, including any activity or service by any nonprofit entity where a fee is required or requested.

Emergency situation means an unintended or unforeseen situation that poses a risk to health or life of a person or animal.

Authorized Activities

- A. Hunting, fishing, trapping, target shooting at *designated shooting ranges*, and associated activities in accordance with all applicable Vermont Fish & Wildlife laws and regulations;
- B. Fish and wildlife viewing and photography;
- C. Boating, including launching and landing, for fish- and wildlife-based activities where not otherwise prohibited by any other relevant regulations or statutes;
- D. Dispersed, wildlife-based pedestrian activities, including walking, snowshoeing, swimming, cross-country skiing, and collection of shed antlers;
- E. Noncommercial picking of berries, nuts, fungi, and other wild edibles except ginseng;
- F. Guiding for purposes of fishing, hunting, and trapping;
- G. Camping for purposes of hunting, fishing, or trapping:
 - Nonprimitive camping with a portable shelter equipped with a self-contained, portable, sanitary toilet on sites designated by the department for this purpose, for no more than 16 days during the periods of May 1–31 and Sept. 1–Dec. 15; see WMA maps for designated campsite locations.
 - Primitive camping (occupying a site in a natural environment with no developed facilities, leaving the site in its original condition so there is no or minimal evidence of human visitation) on the following WMAs for no more than three consecutive nights; campsites must be at least 200 feet from any waterbody, property line, or road within the following WMAs: Arthur Davis, Bald Hill, Bill Sladyk, Les Newell, Pine Mountain, Plymbsbury, Roy Mountain, Steam Mill Brook, Victory Basin, West Mountain.

Prohibited Activities

- The operation of any ATV, UTV, or any wheeled or tracked motorized vehicle not registered for public highway use, except as provided under special permit from the commissioner to accommodate a person with a qualified disability pursuant to the Americans With Disabilities Act;
- Use of motorized vehicles, except on roads specifically designated for such use (see WMA maps);

- Snowmobiling, except as approved by the department and on designated corridors (see WMA maps);
- Horseback riding, dog sledding, nonmotorized cycle riding, or use of motorized vehicles, except on designated corridors (see WMA maps);
- Draft and pack animals, except for retrieval of legally harvested moose, deer, and black bear during the respective hunting season(s);
- Commercial activities, except for guiding for purposes of fishing, hunting, and trapping, or wildlife viewing;
- Artifact or fossil collection;
- Fires, except in emergency situations, or for nonprimitive and primitive camping as specified in this rule;
- Abandoning or disposing of any animal carcass, or their parts, except that portions of fish or game legally harvested on the property may be deposited on site during routine field processing for preservation and transport, or parts used in conjunction with legal trapping;
- Construction or placement of temporary or permanent structures, except for tree stands and ground blinds as specified for use on state Wildlife Management Areas under **General Hunting Information**, and duck blinds as specified under the **Game Bird Hunting** section of the Hunting/Trapping Guide;
- Collection of plants, trees, evergreen brush, or limbs, except wild edibles when allowed under of this rule;
- Use of any fireworks or pyrotechnic devices, except signal flares in an emergency situation;
- Feeding or baiting of wildlife, except if otherwise authorized by law;
- Taking of fish from a fish culture station, except during special events established by the department, including, but not limited to, fishing derbies, clinics, and educational events;
- Entering within 500 feet of any building or other associated infrastructure that is associated with a department fish culture station or conservation camp during times of the day other than those times posted for public use;
- Parking of vehicles, except while engaged in an authorized activity;
- All other activities not specifically authorized by this rule, or authorized in writing by the commissioner, including, but not limited to, parasailing, hang gliding, recreational rock climbing, and geocaching.

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Icebreaker

Tips for warming up to ice fishing



Courtesy of Vermont Fish & Wildlife

By Jud Kratzer

Fisheries Biologist
Vermont Fish & Wildlife

Vermont is well known for its long, cold winters, which are dreaded by some but beloved by others, including many anglers. Undeniably, ice fishing in Vermont is a favorite winter activity among many and is an excellent way to beat cabin fever while spending time with friends and family. Even better, this pastime is one of the cheapest winter activities to take part in. If you're interested in giving ice fishing a try but don't know how to get started, this article is for you!

Ice fishing can be as simple or as complicated as you like. In fact, one of the benefits of ice fishing is that it doesn't require a lot of gear. During the ice fishing season, people without boats can access parts of the lake that they can't reach in the summer while fishing from shore.

The most basic gear would include an auger or spud bar, for punching a hole in the ice; a skimmer, for scooping ice chunks out of the hole; and a rod or tip-up, for catching fish. Of course, you will also need tackle and bait. A bucket makes a nice seat, and it can also help you carry your catch off the ice if you decide to keep any.

Perch are the most popular species sought during Vermont's ice fishing season, and they are one of the best species to target if you are just learning to ice fish. Try small jigging lures tipped with a live maggot or a perch eye. Maggots — also known as “spikes” — are available at most bait shops in the winter. While using maggots or perch eyes may sound



Ice fishing is a winter tradition for many Vermonters and a great activity to share with family and friends. Aside from being fun and low-cost, it's also an easy activity for newcomers to learn!

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Vermont’s many lakes, ponds, and rivers offer tremendous ice fishing opportunities for a wide range of species. Reference the “Where the Fish Are” tables on pages 37–39 to find out what species are found in various waters.

gross, they are among the best types of live bait you can use for perch. Fortunately, there are artificial alternatives that work almost as well. Try using small plastic “micro jigs” that you can buy at most tackle shops catering to ice fishing. These can be found in the shape of maggots, minnow heads, small fish, or even insects such as mayflies, many of which are also scented with an attractant. Small, live minnows under tip-ups are also a good option for catching perch.


Northern pike and chain pickerel are good quarries for the beginning ice angler as well. There are two main methods for catching pike and pickerel during the ice fishing season. Like perch, pickerel can be caught on jigging lures that are tipped with maggots, perch eyes, or small pieces of perch meat. However, the most effective method for both pike and pickerel is often to fish a minnow or small perch under a tip-up. If perch are abundant in the pond where you want to fish, you can often catch your own bait with little effort.

Yellow perch and chain pickerel are widespread throughout the state, northern pike less so. See the “Where the Fish Are” table on page 37 to find a lake or pond near you where you can target these species. When you find a lake or pond that interests you, check the “Index of Lakes and Ponds” — starting on page 73 — to confirm ice fishing is permitted on that waterbody and to check for any special regulations that might apply.

As with most activities, ice fishing does have a learning curve. While the best way to shorten the learning curve is to start out by fishing with an experienced ice angler, here are a few tips to help get you started:

- A good depth range to start looking for perch, pickerel, and pike would be 10 to 30 feet of water.
- The best fishing is usually within the first and last hours of daylight.
- Fishing is usually better early and late in the ice fishing season with the bite often slowing a bit from late January through February.
- If you are jigging and not catching fish, move and drill another hole. These fish usually do not move much in the winter, so don't wait for them to come to you.
- Some people are nervous about venturing onto frozen lakes, but ice fishing is a safe activity for those that use common sense. Before getting out over deep water, punch a test hole to determine ice thickness. Four inches of clear, black ice is generally considered safe for foot traffic. Avoid areas of current, where the ice may be thinner. Go with a friend or fish within shouting distance of other anglers. For more safety tips, visit <https://www.takemefishing.org/ice-fishing/>.

We at Vermont Fish & Wildlife hope that you will give ice fishing a try and find it as thrilling as we do. Warning, it can become addicting! ■



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Get a Grip on Your Fish

Catch and release tips



While some anglers prefer to harvest and eat their catch, others opt to practice catch and release. Vermont Fish & Wildlife offers several catch and release-only seasons along with regular fishing

seasons to provide a diversity of angling opportunities, and the department has developed a series of tips that provide guidance on landing and safely releasing fish to ensure they will survive to be caught another day.

HELPFUL TIPS

Are you holding your fish correctly?



Kurt Baulliger

Vermont Fish & Wildlife views thousands of fish photographs each year showing some of the best fish catches annually from across the state. According to department fisheries biologists, one commonly seen mistake is how fish are held for a photograph before being released.

“Holding a fish horizontally, not vertically, is the best if you must hold a fish up for a photo,” said Shawn Good, fisheries biologist with Vermont Fish & Wildlife. “There’s a lot of pressure on a fish’s internal organs when held out of the water, especially when held vertically. Fish live in a neutrally buoyant environment — the water helps support their internal organs. Holding a big fish vertically could cause internal damage.”

Good pointed out a couple of other key tips for holding fish.

“Using two hands to support the fish horizontally is the best way to lift a fish for a photo,” said Good. “A good way is to place one hand just under or behind the head and the other under the belly or around the narrow part just ahead of the tail.”

Additionally, Good cautions not to squeeze a fish’s side too hard, or bend its jaw down at an extreme angle as often seen when anglers hold bass.

“Also, keep your fingers out of the fish’s gills as they’re very sensitive and can cause the fish to bleed if damaged,” concluded Good.

Catch and Release Tips

ALWAYS BE GENTLE

Remove hooks carefully. Never rip out a hook!

Use the **“hook shake”** technique. Reach into the fish’s mouth and grasp the hook shank with fingers or pliers. Lift the fish and rotate the hook shank down and shake gently, allowing the fish to slide off the hook.

Hooked in the gills, throat, or stomach? Cut the hook off and leave it in. It will rust out of the fish in a short time period.



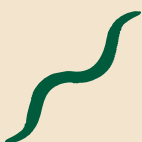
Consider using barbless hooks and replacing treble hooks.

Single hooks reduce injury and make live release quicker and easier on the fish.



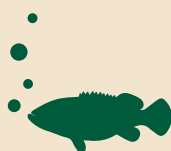
Before releasing a tired fish, cradle it in a swimming position.

Move it gently in an “s” pattern to force fresh water through its gills until the fish is able to maintain an upright position on its own.



Using live bait?

Watch your line and set the hook as soon as possible to avoid having the fish swallow the bait.



Keep the fish in the water, if possible.

Limit the fish’s contact with other objects to protect its slime coating, which is critical to fish health.



Don’t wear out the fish!

Exhausted fish are at higher risk of dying after release. Landing and releasing a fish quickly will improve its recovery.



Ice fishing?

Avoid exposing the fish to the freezing air. Unhook in the water.



Use the right size net!

Big fish shouldn’t be folded into small nets.

Vermont Fish & Wildlife offers many catch and release fishing opportunities to anglers, including special seasons and waters that are designated as catch and release only. To learn more, visit www.vtfishandwildlife.com/fish.

Hey! Let Me Go!

The Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department works to protect and restore rare and endangered fish species. To help us in this effort, we're asking anglers to learn to identify these species and release them immediately if caught while fishing.

Muskellunge (or "muskie")



More than 50,000 muskies have been stocked in the Missisquoi region in an effort to bring this majestic fish species back to Lake Champlain. If these muskies survive and begin reproducing naturally, they will provide an exciting fishing opportunity in Vermont. They are sometimes difficult to distinguish from northern pike or chain pickerel, or the increasingly common pike-pickerel hybrid.

While anglers may legally target muskie statewide with artificial flies and lures, all muskie caught anywhere in Vermont must be released immediately.

Sturgeon



The lake sturgeon is listed as an endangered species in Vermont. Biologists have documented spawning activity in Vermont rivers that were historical sturgeon spawning sites, and they are working to restore sturgeon by improving habitat, restoring stream flow, removing obstructions in rivers, and lessening the impact of sea lamprey predation. Anglers may not target sturgeon and must release them if caught incidentally. Please report the sighting to the department.

Sauger



Sauger populations are declining across their range and Vermont is no exception. To help protect this fish, a new regulation prohibits anglers from harvesting sauger. Since walleye and sauger are similar in appearance, anglers should learn how to distinguish between the two. If a sauger is caught incidentally, anglers must release it and should report the sighting to the department.

SAUGER OR WALLEYE?

Please Learn the Difference

Black spots on dorsal fin

Dark, mottled coloration often present on sides



Black membrane between last two or three spines on dorsal fin

White tip on bottom of tail

White margin along full length of tail

General Requirements, Definitions, and Prohibitions



Courtesy of Recreational Boating & Fishing Foundation

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 (page 88) for specific Connecticut River fishing license requirements.

Shooting by Bow and Arrow or Spear Gun (NEW!) or Spearing

A person is required to hold a hunting or combination license to take fish by hand-held spear, spear gun, or shooting. A person is required to hold a fishing or combination license to take fish by bow or crossbow.

A person who takes a fish by hand-held spear, spear gun, bow or crossbow with line attached to arrow, in accordance with *10 V.S.A. App § 122*, shall keep the fish in his or her possession until the fish is permanently removed from waters of the state and used or disposed of properly.

Hand-Held Spear: A manually powered spear used from above the water's surface.

Spear Gun: A pneumatic or rubber band-powered device, with a line not to exceed 20 feet attached to a spear, used from below the water's surface. Spear guns shall be loaded and discharged only beneath the surface of the water and shall be used while snorkeling/free diving only. Spearing while scuba diving is not permitted.

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 Alburgh passage to the Point of the Tongue, and then along the western shore of the Alburgh 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. See map, next page.

NOTE: 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.

Fishing Methods

Angler

Any person engaged in the take or attempted take of fish, by any method.

NEW! Open-Water Fishing

Fishing by means of hook and line in hand or attached to a rod or other device in open water. Fishing by casting or trolling baited hooks, artificial flies, or lures is considered open-water fishing. 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.

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 may be used. 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. Six lines are allowed on the Connecticut River.

Catch and Release

Open-water fishing as explained elsewhere, except that fish must be released immediately where caught.

Fishing Tools

Baited Hook

A single shank hook with one, two, or three points that may be baited with natural or artificial bait or both.

Downrigger

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

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.

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.

Planer Board

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

Seasons and Hours

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 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.

The legal fishing day is the 24-hour period beginning at 12:00 midnight and continuing until the next 12:00 midnight. 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.

Free Fishing Days

Vermont has two Free Fishing Days during which anyone, resident or nonresident, may fish without a license. Vermont's summer free fishing day occurs each year on the second Saturday in June. Vermont's winter free fishing day occurs each year on the last Saturday in January. All legal fishing methods and limits still apply.

Limits

The daily limit refers to the number of fish legal to keep during the legal fishing day.

The possession limit is 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.

NEW! Cull Fish

Carp, tench, rudd, shad (alewife and gizzard shad), and goldfish. Additional invasive/exotic fish species may be designated by the commissioner as "cull fish."

Immediate Control

Open-Water Fishing

A person fishing by open-water fishing must have immediate control over his or her lines. Immediate control refers to such constant control as would enable an angler to respond without delay to a fish taking his or her bait, lure, or fly.

NEW! Ice Fishing

A person ice fishing shall, at all times, have immediate control over all lines they operate. A person ice fishing shall be able to visually observe lines they operate. Any line that indicates a fish shall be tended within 30 minutes.

Fish Length Restrictions and Filleting Fish

Fish with a length restriction may be filleted or consumed on the water so long as the head, vertebrae, and tail are retained intact to enable determination of fish length. 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.

Foul Hooking

Foul hooking (PROHIBITED) is hooking a fish in any other part of the body than the mouth with a hook or hooks, or manipulating hooks to hook a fish in a body part other than the mouth. A person fishing by open-water fishing or ice fishing 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.

NEW! Snagging

Taking or attempting to take fish by snagging is PROHIBITED in all Vermont waters. Snagging shall mean the intentional hooking of a fish in a place other than the inside of the fish's mouth. No person shall pull, jerk, or otherwise purposefully and/or repeatedly manipulate a hook, or hooks and line, to snag or hook a fish in any method other than to entice a fish into taking, by mouth, a hook, lure, or fly. Repeated and/or exaggerated jerking or pulling of the fishing line and/or hooks in any attempt to snag fish, whether it results in physically snagging a fish or not, shall be prima-facie evidence that snagging has taken place. This shall not apply to the use of a gaff to land a fish that has been legally hooked.

Baitfish Use and Restrictions

Personal Baitfish Harvest

Personally harvested baitfish may be used only on the same waterbody from which they were collected.

A "waterbody" is defined to include all tributaries of lakes and ponds up to the first barrier impassable by fish. For rivers and streams, it includes all tributaries to that river or stream up to the first barrier impassable by fish. Anglers can freely move up and down connecting streams and rivers to fish with live bait, provided they don't pass a barrier (dam or waterfall for example).

A person may only harvest the following fish species for use as bait:

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- 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
- Banded killifish
- Bluegill, pumpkinseed, rock bass, and yellow perch (may only be taken by open-water fishing or ice fishing, may not be transported alive from waters where caught)
- Rainbow smelt (may only be taken by open-water fishing or ice fishing, may not be transported alive from waters where caught, may be sold as bait for use on waterbody where caught)

On Lake Champlain, bluegill, pumpkinseed, rock bass, yellow perch, alewife, and white perch may only be taken by open-water fishing or ice fishing, may not be

transported alive, may only be used for bait on Lake Champlain, and (except for rainbow smelt) may not be commercially harvested or sold as bait. Alewife may only be used or possessed if dead.

Except in Seasonally Closed Waters, baitfish may be taken for personal use by the following methods: a) minnow traps no longer than 18 inches with an entrance not exceeding 1 inch in diameter; b) dip nets, cast nets, and umbrella nets not exceeding a total of 51 square feet of mesh, or a seine net not exceeding 25 feet in length; c) open-water fishing/ice fishing by hook and line.

The personal harvest of baitfish is only allowed in Seasonally Closed Waters, between the second Saturday in April through Oct. 31, during open season for trout, and then only by open-water fishing or the use of minnow traps no longer than 18 inches with an entrance not exceeding 1 inch in diameter. Most lakes, ponds, and streams that follow Table 1 and Table 5 (pages 86 and 89) rules are Seasonally Closed Waters.

All traps, nets, baitboxes, or other holding receptacles capable of taking, holding, or keeping live baitfish in public waters must be marked with the name and address of the owner and user, unless the owner is present.

Personally harvested baitfish shall not be transported by motorized vehicle

away from the waterbody from which they were collected.

Anglers may hold baitfish indefinitely on the water in a pen or baitbox not exceeding 25 cubic feet in volume.

Anglers must discard unwanted baitfish dead in the water or on the ice.

Anglers may harvest baitfish from a waterbody's tributaries upstream to the first impassable barrier for use on the same waterbody. Anglers may not transport baitfish upstream beyond the first impassable barrier.

The personal harvest of baitfish is prohibited on any waterbody of the state that is defined as closed to baitfish harvest. The department will maintain and make available a list of closed waters.

Fish eggs may be collected from legally harvested fish from Vermont waters, and used immediately as bait on the same water where taken unless that waterbody has been closed to baitfish collection. It is illegal to move personally harvested fish eggs to any other waterbody. It is illegal to transport fish eggs away from and return them to the same waterbody for use as bait unless they have been processed in a manner approved by the department.

For more information, go to www.vtfishandwildlife.com.

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Commercially Purchased Baitfish

Anglers may not import baitfish into the state of Vermont without a Fish Importation Permit, except as described below for baitfish purchased in New York and New Hampshire.

A person purchasing baitfish shall retain and show upon request a transportation receipt issued by a state-approved commercial bait dealer, authorizing transportation of baitfish overland by motorized vehicle. The receipt shall contain the following information: 1) a unique receipt identification number, 2) the name and telephone number of the bait dealer, 3) time and date of sale, 4) species purchased, 5) quantity purchased, 6) waterbody (limited to one) on which the baitfish will be used, 7) signature of purchaser.

A transportation receipt shall be valid for 96 hours from time and date of sale.

Anglers may purchase baitfish from a New York bait shop for use on Lake Champlain only, provided the bait shop is Vermont-licensed and the baitfish are accompanied by a Vermont-issued baitfish transportation receipt.

Anglers may purchase baitfish from a New Hampshire bait shop for use on the Connecticut River and its setbacks only, provided the bait shop is Vermont-licensed and the baitfish are accompanied by a Vermont-issued baitfish transportation receipt. For the purposes of this paragraph, the Connecticut River is defined as all waters of the river, including the bays, setbacks, and tributaries, only to the first highway bridge crossing said tributaries on the Vermont side.

A person may transport unused commercially purchased baitfish away from waters of the state by motorized vehicle and retain for later use on the same waterbody as indicated on the baitfish transportation receipt, within 96 hours from time and date of sale. A person transporting unused commercially purchased baitfish away from the waterbody indicated on the baitfish transportation receipt for later use on said waterbody shall not hold them in any other water of the state. These baitfish must be kept in a closed container isolated from any inflow of lake, pond, or stream water, or outflow to such waters of the state.

Baitfish may be held beyond the 96-hour period on the water in a pen or baitbox 25 cubic feet or less in volume.

Commercially prepared and preserved baitfish and fish eggs available from retail stores may be purchased and used as bait, and may be taken home and

kept for later use, provided they are retained in the original packaging at all times.

Commercial Bait Dealers

Any person who buys baitfish for resale or sells baitfish is required to obtain a Commercial Bait Dealers permit from the commissioner. Only persons operating a place of business and offering baitfish for sale to the public may apply for and hold a Commercial Bait Dealers permit.

Commercial bait dealers may sell the following as bait: 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, and banded killifish. Commercial bait dealers may also sell rainbow smelt as bait, provided they are obtained from a fish hatchery approved by the commissioner or harvested and sold for use on the same waterbody on which the bait dealer is located as per below.

Commercial bait dealers must declare in their permit application if they will be a statewide baitfish dealer or a waterbody-specific baitfish dealer.

Statewide baitfish dealers are prohibited from possessing, buying, or selling wild-caught baitfish.

- Baitfish sold by statewide baitfish dealers must originate from a fish hatchery approved by the commissioner.
- Statewide baitfish dealers must hold or keep baitfish in waters drawn from a secure well, municipal water source, or other water source approved by the Fish & Wildlife Department.
- Baitfish sold by statewide baitfish dealers may be used in waters throughout the state, except those waters listed as closed to baitfish use.

Waterbody-specific baitfish dealers must declare on their permit application the waterbody on which they are located.

- Waterbody-specific baitfish dealers may harvest wild baitfish only from the declared waterbody and offer them for sale and use only on the declared waterbody.
- Waterbody-specific baitfish dealers must have baitfish holding facilities that discharge directly to their declared waterbody. Holding facilities must not discharge to other waters of the state.

- Waterbody-specific baitfish dealers shall not operate dip nets, cast nets, or umbrella nets exceeding 51 square feet of mesh, or a seine net exceeding 125 feet in length, for the purposes of taking fish for bait, unless otherwise provided for on a Commercial Bait Dealers permit. Baitfish netting is prohibited in all seasonally closed waters, unless otherwise provided for on a Commercial Bait Dealers permit.

All traps, nets, baitboxes, or other holding receptacles capable of taking, holding, or keeping live baitfish in public waters must be marked with the name and address of the owner and user.

The commercial harvest of baitfish is prohibited on any waterbody of the state that is defined as closed to baitfish harvest. The department will maintain and make available a list of closed waters.

A commercial bait dealer shall provide to each customer at the point of sale a copy of a transportation receipt containing the following information: 1) a unique receipt identification number, 2) the name and telephone number of the bait dealer, 3) time and date of sale, 4) species purchased, 5) quantity purchased, 6) waterbody (limited to one) on which the baitfish will be used, 7) signature of purchaser.

A transportation receipt shall be valid for 96 hours from time and date of sale.

A commercial bait dealer must keep receipts or records for each lot of wholesaled hatchery-raised or wild-caught baitfish introduced into their shop. Records must include name, address, and telephone number of seller (for wholesaled baitfish), and date received, species identification, and quantity purchased or harvested for wholesaled and wild-caught baitfish. The permit holder shall retain the receipts and records for at least one year after the date of sale or harvest. Receipts or records must be provided to the department immediately upon request.

Fish Stocking

A person shall not introduce fish into any public waters without a permit from the Fish & Wildlife Department. Private ponds may be stocked without a permit with trout only.

Note: New requirements for persons stocking fish into private ponds and public waters will take effect in early 2018. Permit requirements will also change. Please consult the Fish & Wildlife Department website www.vtfishandwildlife.com for the most current information.

Fish Importation and Use of Imported Commercially Prepared Baitfish and Fish Eggs

It is unlawful for any person to bring into the state any fish that will be introduced into any waters of the state without an importation permit from the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department.

These importation permits also require that the fish come from a fish hatchery approved by the Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department.

Before being imported into Vermont, dead baitfish or fish eggs must be commercially processed in a manner that allows the product to be stored without refrigeration or freezing to maintain the unopened product. Imported dead baitfish or fish eggs must be retained in the original package at all times during importation and transportation.

The importation and possession of dead fish for personal consumption or taxidermy purposes is exempt from this regulation provided any associated waste products are disposed of to guard against the introduction of fish diseases to state waters. Acceptable disposal methods include

- Placement of all fish waste products in an approved state landfill;
- Incineration of all fish waste products;
- Burial of fish on private land only, no less than one hundred feet from any public water.

For more information, go to www.vtfishandwildlife.com.

Fishing Tournaments

Fishing tournaments are contests 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. 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 that was caught and confined to an enclosed area prior to the beginning of the tournament.

Fishing Houses

A fishing house is a fishing shanty, bob house, smelt shanty, tent, or other structure designed to be placed on the ice of the waters of Vermont for fishing or to be occupied for other purposes. These 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.

Possession of Live Fish

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

- 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 possess or transport an aquatic plant or aquatic plant part, zebra mussels, quagga mussels, rusty crayfish, Asian clam, spiny water flea, fishhook water flea, or other aquatic nuisance species to or from any Vermont waters on a vehicle, boat, personal watercraft, trailer, or other equipment.

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 commissioner of Fish & Wildlife.

State-Controlled Fishing Access Areas

Definitions

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

Nonprofit Charitable Organization means an entity organized and operated exclusively for exempt purposes set forth in section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

Picnicking includes, but is not limited to, any activity that involves cooking, grilling,

food preparation, and setup associated with eating (including setting blankets or tablecloths laid on the ground).

Camping includes any activity using a tent, camper, or motor home, or 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 two 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 motorboats, boats, kayaks, canoes, and sailboats.

Authorized Activities

In order of priority:

1. Open-water fishing, 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 nonmotorized 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 nonmotorized launch site when such a site is identified.
5. ATVs 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 ATVs, 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 (page 34).
- 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 on page 34.

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.

The commissioner may authorize the use of access areas by an educational institution or a nonprofit charitable organization conducting a fundraising event of limited duration, provided that the event will not conflict with a priority use of the access area.

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 V.S.A. §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 stream bank.

Lead Sinkers

It is illegal to sell, offer for sale, or use a lead sinker in Vermont. "Sinker" means any device that 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.

Streams Open to Year-Round Trout Fishing

The sections of streams listed on page 36 are open to trout fishing year-round, according to the following rules:

Only artificial flies or lures may be used, except during the open season for trout (second Saturday in April through Oct. 31).

STEP BY STEP



Reminder: In 2016, Vermont repealed the law prohibiting use of felt-sole waders and boots; **they are once again legal to use.**

The original ban began in 2011 in response to nuisance blooms of the algae *Didymosphenia geminata*, also known as Didymo or rock snot. At the time, Didymo was thought to be an invasive species, and it was believed that the felt soles of waders would trap the microscopic algal spores and spread them to new waters when the waders were used elsewhere.

Recent scientific studies have since documented that Didymo is actually native in Vermont and across much of the northern region of North America, and as a result, the ban was lifted.

While the felt-sole wader ban was repealed, it does not mean that aquatic invasive species spread prevention is not a priority in Vermont.

The state of Vermont upholds its focus on maintaining healthy lakes, ponds, rivers, and streams, and asks outdoor recreationists to also do their part to prevent the spread of aquatic species. **CLEAN. DRAIN. DRY.**

Catch and release only (trout must be immediately released where caught), except during the open season for trout.

During open season for trout, follow normal size restrictions, daily limits, and possession limits.

- **Black River** From the Connecticut River boundary upstream to the Howard Hill Road bridge in Cavendish.
- **Deerfield River** From the Woods Road (Medburyville) bridge in Wilmington upstream approximately 2 miles to the VT Route 9W bridge in Searsburg.
- **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.
- **Hoosic River** From the Vermont/New York border upstream to the Vermont/Massachusetts border.
- **Lamoille River** From the Lake Champlain boundary (top of Peterson Dam in Milton) upstream to the top of the Cadys Falls Dam in Morristown.
- **Lewis Creek** From the Lake Champlain boundary upstream to the State Prison Hollow Road (TH#3) bridge in Starksboro.
- **Missisquoi River** From the top of the Swanton Dam in Swanton to the top of the Enosburg Falls Dam in Enosburg Falls.
- **Moose River** From the confluence with Passumpsic River upstream to the downstream edge of the Concord Avenue bridge in St. Johnsbury.
- **Ompompanoosuc River** From the Connecticut River boundary upstream to the Union Village Dam in Thetford.
- **Otter Creek** From the Lake Champlain boundary upstream to the Danby-Mt. Tabor Forest Road bridge (Forest Road #10) in Mt. Tabor.
- **Passumpsic River** From the Connecticut River boundary upstream to the top of Arnolds Falls Dam in St. Johnsbury.
- **Waits River** From the Connecticut River boundary upstream to the top of the Central Vermont Power Dam (Green Mountain Power Dam) in Bradford.
- **Walloomsac River** From the Vermont/New York border in Bennington upstream to the top of the former Vermont Tissue Plant Dam (downstream of Murphy Road) in Bennington.
- **West River** From the Connecticut River boundary upstream to the Townshend Dam in Townshend.
- **White River** From the Connecticut River boundary upstream to the bridge on Route 107 in Bethel.
- **Williams River** From the Connecticut River boundary upstream to the top

of the dam at Brockway Mills Falls in Rockingham.

- **Winooski River** From the Lake Champlain boundary upstream to the VT Route 2/100 in Duxbury and Waterbury.

NOTE: Check specific stream sections in “Index of Rivers and Streams” (pages 61–72) for other regulations.

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 (pages 73–91).

- **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, West Fairlee, Fairlee
- **Lake Hortonia**, Sudbury and Hubbardton
- **Lake Memphremagog** (including South Bay), 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
- **Newark Pond**, Newark

- **Norton Pond**, Norton
- **Parker Pond**, Glover
- **Peacham Pond**, Peacham
- **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

Lake Champlain Waters

Lake Champlain includes setbacks at the same level and 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 the falls in North Ferrisburgh (just upstream of Old Hollow Road)
- Little Otter Creek to the falls in Ferrisburgh Center (downstream of Little Chicago Road)
- Malletts Creek to the first falls upstream of Roosevelt Highway (U.S. Route 2 and U.S. Route 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 Alburgh (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 (Green Mountain 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 (U.S. Route 7) in Winooski and Burlington



Where the Fish Are

Courtesy of Vermont Fish & Wildlife

Champlain Valley



| LAKES AND PONDS | MAP NUMBER | ACREAGE | ACCESS | FISH SPECIES | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| | | | | RAINBOW BROOK TROUT | BROWN TROUT | RAINBOW SALMON | YELLOW PERCH | LARGE MOUTH BASS | SMALL MOUTH BASS | CHAIN PICKEREL | NORTHERN PIKE | WALLEYE | BULLHEAD | PANFISH | BURBOT | | | |
| Arrowhead Mountain Lake | 1 | 760 | Ut | | | | | | C | C | C | P | P | C | C | C | C | C |
| Lake Carmi | 2 | 1,402 | St | | | | | | C | C | C | | P | C | C | C | C | P |
| Cedar Lake (Monkton Pond) | 5 | 123 | St | | | | | | C | C | | C | | P | C | P | | |
| Lake Champlain | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | 5 | 279,067 | Xt | P | P | C | C | P | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C | C |
| Colchester Pond | 1 | 186 | Mc | | | | | | C | C | | | C | C | C | P | | |
| Dead Creek | 5 | 753 | Scr | | | | | | P | C | C | P | P | C | C | P | | |
| Dunmore, Lake | 9 | 985 | St | P | | P | C | C | C | | C | C | C | C | C | C | | |
| Fairfield Pond | 1 | 446 | Sud | | | | | | C | P | C | | C | C | C | P | | |
| Fern Lake | 9 | 69 | Mc | | | | | | C | P | | C | | C | C | C | | |
| Indian Brook Reservoir | 5 | 50 | Mc | P | | | | | C | | | P | C | P | P | P | | |
| Lake Iroquois | 5 | 243 | St | | | | | | C | P | C | C | C | C | C | | | |
| Long Pond | 2 | 97 | Pc | P | | | | | C | C | C | C | C | C | P | | | |
| Long Pond | 1 | 47 | Pf | | | | | | C | C | C | C | C | | | | | |
| Metcalf Pond | 2 | 81 | Mc | | | | | | C | | C | C | C | C | | | | |
| Richville Reservoir | 9 | 129 | St | | | | | | C | C | | C | | C | C | C | | |
| Shelburne Pond | 5 | 452 | St | | | | | | C | C | | C | | C | C | C | | |
| Silver Lake | 9 | 101 | Sc | C | C | C | | | C | C | | | | C | C | | | |
| Sugar Hill Reservoir | 9 | 63 | Uf | C | | | | | | | | | | C | C | | | |
| Sunrise Lake | 9 | 57 | Pc | | | | | | C | P | C | | | | | | | |
| Sunset Lake | 9 | 202 | | C | | P | | | C | | | C | P | C | C | | | |
| Winona Lake (Bristol Pond) | 5 | 248 | St | | | | | | C | C | P | C | | C | C | C | | |

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| Browns River | | P | P | C | | | | | | | | P |
| Huntington River | | P | C | P | | | | | | | | |
| Lamoille River | | P | P | C | P | P | P | P | P | C | C | P |
| Lamoille River North Branch | | C | C | C | | | | | | | | |
| Lemon Fair River | | | | | C | P | P | P | C | C | | |
| Lewis Creek | | P | P | C | | P | P | P | P | P | | |
| Middlebury River | | C | C | C | | | | | | | | |
| Missisquoi River | | P | P | C | | P | P | C | P | C | C | P |
| New Haven River | | C | C | C | | | | | | | | |
| Otter Creek | | C | C | C | | C | C | C | C | C | C | C |
| Rock River | | | | | C | C | C | C | P | C | C | |
| Trout River | | C | P | P | | | | | | | | |
| Tyler Branch | | C | C | P | | | | | | | | |
| Winooski River | | P | C | C | P | P | P | P | P | C | C | P |

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

FISH SPECIES KEY: C = Common; P = Present.

Central Region



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| Berlin Pond | 6 | 256 | Mc | | | | | | | | | | C | | C | C | P | C | C | | | | | | | |
| Buck Lake | 7 | 39 | Sc | | | | | | | | | | C | | | | | C | C | C | | | | | | |
| Curtis Pond | 6 | 72 | St | | | | | | | | | | C | | C | C | | | | P | | | | | | |
| East Long Pond | 7 | 188 | Pf | | | | | | | | | | P | | C | | | | C | P | C | | | | | |
| Eden, Lake | 2 | 194 | St | | | | | | | | | | C | | | C | | | C | C | C | | | | | |
| Elmore, Lake | 6 | 219 | St | | | | | | | | | | | | C | C | | | C | C | C | | | | | |
| Ewell Pond | 7 | 51 | St | | | | | | | | | | C | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Forest Lake (Nelson Pond) | 7 | 133 | St | | | | | | | | | | C | C | C | | P | C | | C | C | C | | | | |
| Fosters Pond | 7 | 61 | St | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | C | | | C | | | | |
| Green River Reservoir | 2 | 554 | Sc | | | | | | | | | | | | C | | P | C | | C | C | C | | | | |
| Lake Greenwood | 7 | 91 | St | | | | | | | | | | C | C | | | | | C | | C | C | C | | | |
| Lake Groton | 7 | 414 | Sr | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | C | C | C | C | C | | | |
| Halls Lake | 7 | 85 | Mt | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | C | C | C | C | C | | | |
| Harveys Lake | 7 | 351 | St | | | | | | | | | | C | C | P | | P | C | | C | | P | P | | | |
| Joels Pond | 7 | 396 | St | | | | | | | | | | C | C | | | P | C | | P | C | C | P | | | |
| Keiser Pond | 7 | 33 | St | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | C | C | | | | P | | | |
| Kettle Pond | 7 | 109 | Sf | | | | | | | | | | C | | | | | | | | C | C | C | | | |
| Levi Pond | 7 | 22 | Sf | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | C | | | | | | |
| Marshfield Pond | 7 | 68 | Pc | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | P | P | P | | | | |
| Martins Pond | 7 | 82 | St | | | | | | | | | | C | | | | | | | | C | | | | | |
| Mirror Lake (No. 10 Pond) | 7 | 85 | St | | | | | | | | | | C | | P | | P | C | | C | | C | C | C | | |
| Mollys Falls Reservoir | 7 | 397 | St | | | | | | | | | | C | C | | | | | C | P | C | | C | C | C | |
| Mollys Pond | 7 | 38 | Pf | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | C | | C | | | | | |
| Nichols Pond | 7 | 171 | Pc | | | | | | | | | | P | | P | | | | C | | | C | P | C | | |
| North Montpelier Pond | 7 | 72 | St | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | C | | C | | C | C | | |
| Noyes Pond (Seyon Pond) | 7 | 39 | Sr | | | | | | | | | | C | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Osmore Pond | 7 | 48 | Sf | | | | | | | | | | C | | | | | | | | | | P | | | |
| Peacham Pond | 7 | 340 | St | | | | | | | | | | | | C | | | | C | C | | | C | C | | |
| Ricker Pond | 7 | 92 | Sc | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | C | | C | C | C | C | C | |
| Sabin Pond (Woodbury Lake) | 7 | 142 | St | | | | | | | | | | C | C | | | | | P | C | | C | C | C | C | C |
| Ticklenaked Pond | 7 | 54 | St | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | C | | C | C | C | C | C |
| Valley Lake (Dog Pond) | 7 | 88 | Sc | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | C | | C | | C | C | C |
| Waterbury Reservoir | 6 | 859 | St | | | | | | | | | | C | C | | | | | | C | | | C | C | C | C |
| Wolcott Pond | 3 | 74 | St | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | C | | | P | C | C | |
| Wrightsville Reservoir | 6 | 190 | St | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | C | | C | C | C | C | C |

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| Dog River | | | | | | | | | C | C | C | |
| Gihon River | | | | | | | | | C | P | C | |
| Mad River | | | | | | | | | C | C | C | |
| Waits River | | | | | | | | | C | C | P | |
| Waterbury (Little) River | | | | | | | | | C | C | C | |
| Wells River | | | | | | | | | P | P | | |
| Winooski River | | | | | | | | | C | C | C | |

WHERE THE FISH ARE



Northeast Kingdom

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| Bald Hill Pond | 3 | 108 | St | P | C | | | | P | | | | | | | | P |
| Bean Pond | 3 | 30 | Sc | P | | | | | | | | | P | P | P | | |
| Beaver Pond | 4 | 40 | Sf | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Beck Pond | 4 | 6 | Sud | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Blake Pond | 3 | 8 | Sf | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Brownington Pond | 3 | 139 | St | | | | | | C | | C | C | C | P | | | |
| Caspian Lake | 3 | 789 | Mt | | C | P | C | | C | C | | | | | P | P | |
| Center Pond | 4 | 79 | St | P | | | P | | | | | | | | | | |
| Charleston Pond | 3 | 40 | Uf | | | | | | C | | P | P | P | P | P | | |
| Clyde Pond | 3 | 186 | Uc | | | | | | C | P | C | C | C | C | C | | |
| Coles Pond | 7 | 125 | Mc | | | | | | C | | P | P | P | | | | |
| Comerford Reservoir | 7 | 777 | Ut | | P | P | | | C | | P | P | C | P | P | P | P |
| Cow Mountain Pond | 4 | 10 | Mf | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Crystal Lake | 3 | 763 | St | | P | | C | | C | | P | C | P | P | | | |
| Daniels Pond | 3 | 66 | St | | | | | | C | | C | | P | P | | | |
| Derby Pond | 3 | 207 | St | | | | | | C | | C | C | C | P | P | | |
| Duck Pond | 3 | 8 | Sc | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Duck Pond | 8 | 16 | Mud | | | | | | C | | C | | | | | | |
| Echo Lake | 3 | 550 | St | | C | | C | | C | | | | C | P | | C | |
| Flagg Pond | 3 | 111 | Sud | | | | | | C | | C | | P | | | | |
| Forest Lake | 7 | 132 | St | | | P | | | | | | | P | | | | |
| Great Averill Lake | 4 | 828 | St | P | | | C | P | | | | | | | | | |
| Great Hosmer Pond | 3 | 140 | St | | | | | | C | | C | C | P | P | | | |
| Halfway Pond | 4 | 22 | Sf | | | | | | | | P | | | | | | |
| Hardwick Lake | 7 | 145 | Sc | | | | | | P | | P | | P | P | | | |
| Holland Pond | 4 | 325 | St | | P | P | | | P | | C | | P | | | | |
| Horse Pond | 3 | 32 | Sc | | | | | | C | | P | | P | | | | |
| Island Pond | 4 | 626 | St | P | C | C | | | P | C | P | C | P | C | C | C | P |
| Jobs Pond | 3 | 39 | St | C | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Lake Elligo | 3 | 174 | St | C | | C | | C | P | C | | C | P | C | C | C | P |
| Lake Memphremagog | 3 | 5,966 | St | P | P | P | P | P | C | C | P | C | C | C | C | C | P |
| Lake Parker | 3 | 250 | St | | | | | | C | | C | C | C | C | C | | |
| Lake Willoughby | 3 | 1,653 | St | | C | | C | P | C | P | | | | | | | C |
| Lewis Pond | 4 | 68 | Gc | P | | | | | | | | | C | | | | |
| Little Averill Pond | 4 | 467 | Pt | P | | | C | P | | | | | | | | | |
| Little Hosmer Pond | 3 | 180 | St | | | | | | C | | P | P | P | P | | | |
| Long Pond | 3 | 38 | Sf | | | | | | C | | | | | | | | |
| Long Pond | 3 | 90 | St | | | | | | C | | P | | P | P | | | |
| Long Pond | 3 | 100 | Sc | P | | | P | | | | | | | P | | | |
| Lower Symes Pond | 7 | 57 | Sud | | | | | | C | | C | | C | | | | |
| Lyford Pond | 7 | 33 | Sc | | | | | | C | | P | P | P | P | | | |
| Mackville Pond | 7 | 11 | | | P | | | | | | P | | | | | | |
| Maidstone Lake | 4 | 745 | St | C | | C | | | C | | | | P | C | P | C | |
| May Pond | 3 | 116 | St | P | | | | | | | | | | | P | | |
| Miles Pond | 8 | 215 | St | | | | | | C | | C | C | C | P | P | | |
| Moore Reservoir | 4 | 1,235 | Ut | | P | P | | | C | | P | P | C | P | P | P | P |
| Neal Pond | 8 | 185 | St | | | | | | C | | P | C | P | C | P | P | |
| Newark Pond | 3 | 153 | St | C | P | | | | C | | | C | P | | | | |
| Norton Pond | 4 | 583 | St | | | | | | C | C | C | C | P | C | P | | |
| Notch Pond | 4 | 22 | Sc | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nulhegan Pond | 4 | 37 | Pf | | | | | | P | | P | | P | | | | |
| Paul Stream Pond | 4 | 20 | Sf | | | | | | C | | | | P | P | | | |
| Pensioner Pond | 3 | 173 | St | | | | | | C | | C | C | C | P | | | |
| Perch Pond | 2 | 7 | Pc | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Round Pond | 3 | 14 | Sf | | | | | | | | | P | | | | | |
| Round Pond | 3 | 13 | Sf | | | | | | P | | | | C | P | | | |
| Salem Lake | 3 | 764 | St | | P | | P | C | C | P | | C | P | C | C | P | P |
| Seymour Lake | 3 | 1,769 | St | | P | C | C | C | P | | P | C | P | P | | C | |
| Shadow Lake | 8 | 128 | St | | | | | | C | | C | P | P | P | P | | |
| Shadow Lake | 3 | 218 | St | C | | P | | | C | | P | C | P | P | | | |

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| South America Pond | 4 | 29 | Pf | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Spectacle Pond | 4 | 103 | St | P | | | | | | | C | | C | C | C | C | C |
| Stannard Pond | 7 | 25 | Sf | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Stiles Pond | 8 | 154 | Sud | | | | | | | | | C | | C | C | C | C |
| Turtle Pond | 4 | 27 | Sf | | | | | | | | | | | P | | P | |
| Unknown Pond | 4 | 19 | Sf | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Unknown Pond | 4 | 12 | Sf | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Upper Symes Pond | 7 | 20 | Sf | | | | | | | | | | P | | P | | |
| Vail Pond | 3 | 16 | Sud | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wallace Pond | 4 | 532 | St | | | C | | | P | C | | | C | C | C | P | |
| West Mountain Pond | 4 | 60 | Sc | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Wheeler Pond | 3 | 15 | Sc | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | P |
| Wheeler Pond | 4 | 66 | Sud | | | | | | | | | | P | | P | P | P |
| Zack Woods Pond | 2 | 23 | Sc | P | | | | | | | | | | | | | P |

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| Barton River | | | | P | P | P | | | P | | | |
| Black River | | | | P | P | P | | | P | | | P |
| Clyde River | | | | P | P | P | P | | P | P | | P |
| Connecticut River | | | | P | P | P | | | P | P | P | P |
| Granby Stream | | | | P | | | | | | | | |
| Lamoille River | | | | P | P | P | | | | | | |
| Madison Brook | | | | P | | | | | | | | |
| Millers Run | | | | P | | | | | | | | |
| Missisquoi River | | | | C | P | C | | | | | | |
| Moose River | | | | P | P | | | | | | | |
| Nulhegan River | | | | P | | | | | | | | |
| Nulhegan River Black Branch | | | | P | | | | | | | | |
| Nulhegan River East Branch | | | | P | P | | | | | | | |
| Nulhegan River North Branch | | | | P | | | | | | | | |
| Passumpsic River | | | | P | P | P | | | | | | |
| Passumpsic River East Branch | | | | P | | | | | | | | |
| Passumpsic River West Branch | | | | P | P | | | | | | | |
| Paul Stream | | | | P | | | | | | | | |
| Stevens River | | | | P | P | | | | | | | |
| Willoughby River | | | | P | P | P | | | | | | |



Vermont is known for its diverse fishing opportunities for brook, brown, rainbow, and lake trout – including both wild and stocked fish – found in many of the state’s lakes, ponds, rivers, and streams.

What a Difference a Fin Makes

Detailed descriptions to help you identify fish



Kurt Budliger

Lake Trout

Salvelinus namaycush

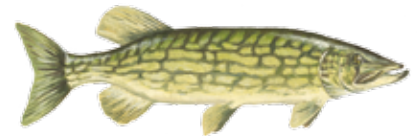


Cold-water species

A native to many of Vermont's deep, cold lakes, and like brook trout, are actually a char. They have a forked tail, white leading edges on their lower fins, and irregular light spots against a background color that ranges from light olive green to gray.

Chain Pickerel

Esox niger



Warm-water species

Chain pickerel is a member of the same family that includes northern pike. Unlike pike, pickerel have fully scaled gill covers, and their tail, dorsal, and anal fins have no conspicuous spots or blotches. Their flanks are a light, golden green, with dark, chain-like markings.

Yellow Perch

Perca flavescens



Cool-water species

One of Vermont's favorite food fishes and common to waters throughout the state. A schooling fish, yellow perch have golden-yellow flanks with six to eight dark vertical bars. In late winter and early spring, spawning males develop bright orange lower fins.

Landlocked Atlantic Salmon

Salmo salar



Cold-water species

Identical to seagoing Atlantic salmon. They have a forked tail, silvery flanks, and black spots on the upper half of their body. Unlike lake-dwelling brown trout, which they can closely resemble, salmon have no spots on their adipose and tail fins.

Brook Trout

Salvelinus fontinalis



Cold-water species

Vermont's only native stream-dwelling trout. Actually a char, they have worm-like markings against a greenish back, and their flanks are covered with light yellowish spots, with small bright red spots surrounded by blue halos along the lateral midsection. They have squarish tails, hence the nickname "squaretails."

Rainbow Trout

Oncorhynchus mykiss



Cold-water species

A true native to the American West, rainbow trout were introduced in Vermont in the 1800s. Their tail and flanks are heavily spotted with small, well-defined black spots, and their flank usually has a pink or reddish stripe, for which they are named. Migratory lake-run rainbow trout are silverish in color and are called steelhead.

Pumpkinseed

Lepomis gibbosus



Warm-water species

A small, brightly colored sunfish that is representative of a group of fish called "panfish," which in Vermont includes bluegill, redbreast sunfish, rock bass, and black crappie. Panfish rarely exceed 10 inches, but they are excellent eating, abundant, and fun to catch for anglers of all ages.

Brown Trout

Salmo trutta



Cold-water species

A true trout, brown trout were first brought to Vermont from their native Europe in 1892. They have a light brown overall color, especially in streams, with dark spots intermixed with reddish-orange spots along their flanks, with each spot surrounded by a light halo.

Brown Bullhead

Ameiurus nebulosus



Warm-water species

The "horned pout" are the most common member of the catfish family in Vermont. They have smooth, olive-brown to dark-brown flanks with a sharp, stout spine on the leading edge of their dorsal and pectoral fins. They have a broad, flat mouth surrounded by six whisker-like barbels.

Smallmouth Bass

Micropterus dolomieu



Warm-water species

Closely related to largemouth bass, except they prefer cooler, clearer waters, and when their mouth is closed, their upper jaw extends only to just below their eye. Their flanks are golden green to brownish bronze, with eight to 15 dark, thin vertical bars.

Largemouth Bass

Micropterus salmoides



Warm-water species

The largest member of the sunfish family in Vermont, largemouth bass have a large, round mouth when open, and when their mouth is closed, their upper jaw extends well past their eye. Their flanks are light green to golden green, with a pronounced horizontal bar.

Rainbow Smelt

Osmerus mordax



Cold-water species

A small, slender schooling fish found in Vermont's deeper and colder lakes, rainbow smelt have a strongly forked tail and iridescent silver flanks. They are a favorite forage fish of trout and salmon, and are popular with ice fishermen.

Northern Pike

Esox lucius



Cool-water species

A long, slender fish that has a large mouth and dorsal and anal fins placed far to the rear, northern pike have greenish-gray flanks with several rows of irregular, yellowish-white bean-shaped spots. Pike have scales only on the upper half of their gill covers, and their tail, dorsal, and anal fins have dark spots or blotches.

Walleye

Sander vitreus

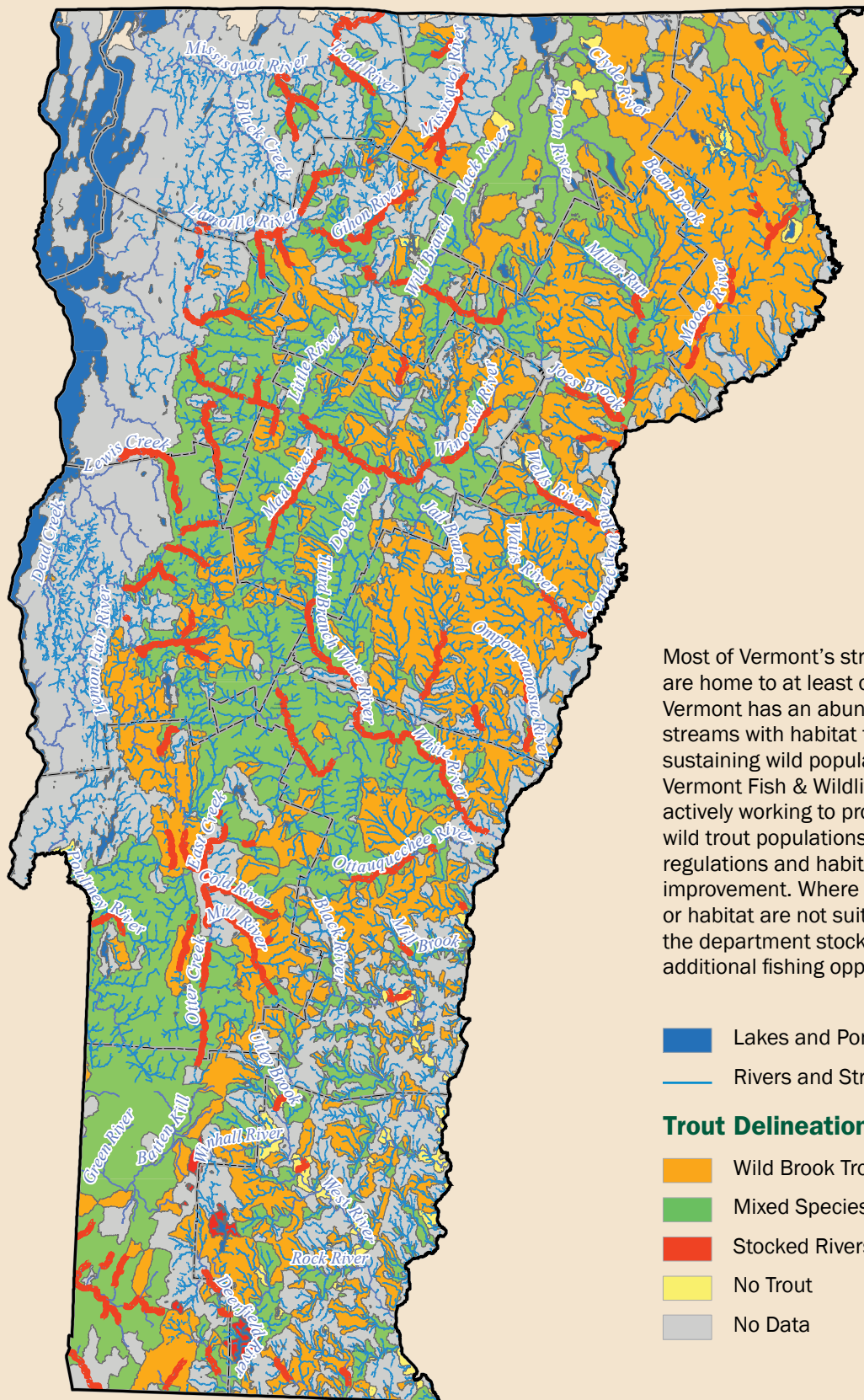


Cool-water species

The largest member of the perch family that includes yellow perch and sauger, walleye have a large, silvery eye, a milky belly, and flanks that range from olive-brown to golden-yellow. Walleye can be differentiated from sauger, which they closely resemble, by their first dorsal fin, which is dusky colored and spotless.



VERMONT TROUT MAP - RIVERS AND STREAMS



Most of Vermont's streams and rivers are home to at least one trout species. Vermont has an abundance of cold, clean streams with habitat that is suitable for sustaining wild populations of trout. The Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department is actively working to protect and enhance wild trout populations through fishing regulations and habitat protection and improvement. Where water temperatures or habitat are not suitable for wild trout, the department stocks trout to provide additional fishing opportunities.

- Lakes and Ponds
- Rivers and Streams
- Trout Delineation**
- Wild Brook Trout Only
- Mixed Species of Wild Trout
- Stocked Rivers and Streams
- No Trout
- No Data

How do mercury and lead get into wildlife?



Mercury Mercury is a toxic heavy metal that can become particularly concentrated in large, carnivorous fish. It has been found at levels exceeding health guidelines for some people in some freshwater fish. While the benefits of eating fish generally outweigh the risks of mercury exposure, women who are pregnant and young children should select fish with low levels of mercury. Brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, and yellow perch have lower mercury levels, while walleye, smallmouth bass, and chain pickerel show the highest concentrations of mercury. Please see www.healthvermont.gov or www.mercvt.org for the most current advisory.

Lead Loons and some other water birds can die from lead poisoning after swallowing lead fishing sinkers and jigs lost by anglers; up to 50 percent of adult loon deaths are the result of lead poisoning. You can help by switching to nonlead fishing tackle and by helping to spread the word to others to do the same. Lead is the leading cause of observed loon deaths here in the Northeast. It is illegal to use lead sinkers weighing one-half ounce or less.

What can you do to help?

- Use nonlead fishing tackle.
- Spread the word. Tell other anglers about the problem and encourage them to switch to nonlead alternatives.
- Remove lead sinkers and jigs from your tackle box.
- Remove spent fishing line and other materials from Vermont waters and shorelines to reduce entanglement, another major cause of loon deaths.
- Maintain a respectful distance from loons and other wild animals. Use binoculars to get a great view.
- Support continuing loon and other nongame wildlife conservation efforts by donating to the Vermont Nongame Wildlife Fund on your Vermont income tax form or by purchasing Vermont Conservation license plates for your vehicle.

PREVENTING HUMAN LEAD EXPOSURE FROM FISHING SINKERS

Some fishing sinkers contain lead, which is toxic when eaten, breathed in, or absorbed through the skin. In order to prevent exposure to lead, please handle lead sinkers with care and use the following guidelines:

- Switch to sinkers that do not contain lead. Alternatives to lead sinkers are made of steel, bismuth, tungsten, resin, and glass.
- Wash hands with soap after holding or using lead sinkers.
- Never put lead sinkers in your mouth or allow young children to handle lead sinkers or put them in their mouths.
- If you suspect lead poisoning in your child or yourself, call the Vermont Department of Health, Healthy Homes Lead Poisoning Prevention Program at **(800) 439-8550** or **(802) 863-7220**.

Using the Indexes, Tables, and Maps



Indexes and Tables

First, be sure to familiarize yourself with the Definitions of Terms and the General Fishing Requirements and Prohibitions on pages 30–36 of this digest.

Next, reference the appropriate index for the water(s) you are fishing:

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

If the waterbody **IS LISTED** in the **INDEX**, the number in the “Table” column will direct you to **TABLE 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 for open-water fishing, or TABLE 6, 7, 8, 9, or 10 for ice fishing**.

If the waterbody 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 and Streams. Table 1 contains the general regulations for rivers, streams, brooks, and creeks not listed in the **INDEX** of Rivers and Streams.

The Index of Rivers and Streams lists the specific map page where the stream is located and the stream section number, which is also located on the map page.

Similarly, the Index of Lakes and Ponds also contains information useful to anglers. The “Map” column directs you to the map page for the specific lake or pond. The “Lake Area” column contains the surface area of the waterbody in acres, and the “Access” column lists the type of access area(s) present. The final two columns list any applicable boating restrictions.

Important: Waterbody-specific regulations, also known as special regulations, always override general regulations. Please be sure to check for any special regulations specific to the waters you are fishing.

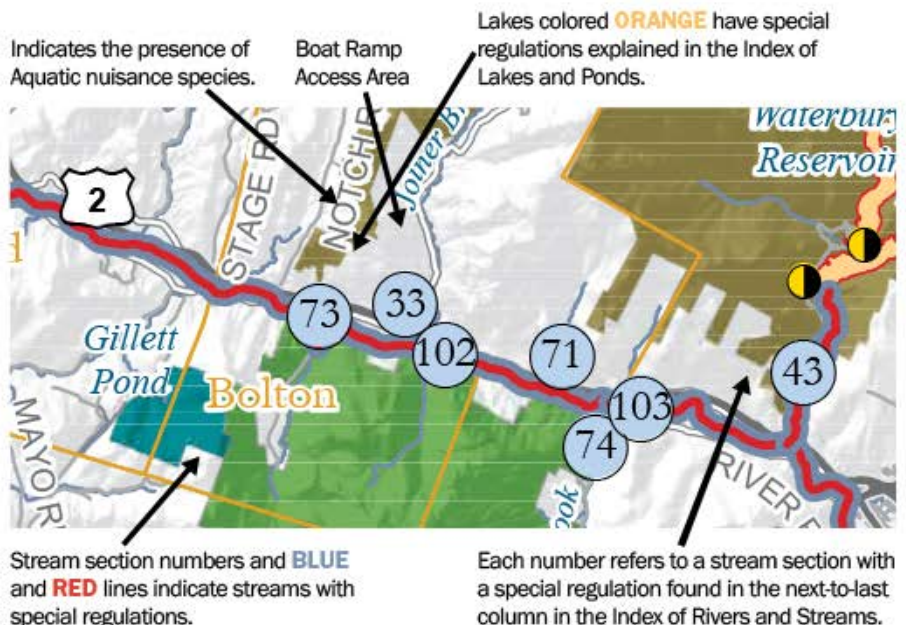
Maps

Begin by finding the area of the state where you want to fish on the large overview map on page 45, and note which detailed map it falls within. Then use the detailed map that contains many symbols that show the locations of access areas, special regulation rivers and streams and lakes and ponds, as well as public lands. The key on page 45 is a good guide to these symbols, but more detailed information is provided below.

- **Where can I launch my boat?** The Vermont Fish & Wildlife Department maintains fishing access areas to waterways throughout Vermont. Access areas are indicated on the map by the yellow circles. The half-yellow and half-black circles indicate an access area with a boat ramp usable by a trailer, while the full yellow circle indicates an access area that services only carry-on boats such as canoes and kayaks.
- **What are the regulations on my waterway?** Some waters have special fishing regulations. Rivers and streams with special regulations are highlighted by **BLUE** and **RED** lines. Lakes and

ponds with special regulations are highlighted in **ORANGE**. The regulations for a waterbody with special regulations are listed on pages 61–72 of this guidebook for rivers and streams, and on pages 73–85 for lakes and ponds. Special regulation waterbodies are labeled with a number (**BLUE** circle with number on map) that is found on the second to last column on the charts. Especially helpful are the General Fish Regulation tables on pages 86 through 91, which are sorted by species of fish and waterbody type.

- **Are there nuisance species for which I should be alert?** Aquatic nuisance species are labeled with **PINK** circles. On these waterbodies, take care to prevent the spread of aquatic nuisance species. Practices to prevent the spread of aquatic nuisance species should always be employed when visiting ANY waterbody, regardless of whether a known infestation is present; invasive species or fish diseases could be present but not yet detected. For more information on aquatic nuisance species, see page 14.





MAP GUIDE


These maps are intended only as a guide to areas with special regulations. The specific locations of these areas are described in the Index of Rivers and Streams and Index of Lakes and Ponds.

-  Fish Culture Station
-  Carry-On Access
-  Boat Ramp
-  Town Boundary
-  Special Regulation Stream/River
-  Special Regulation Lake/Pond
-  Special Regulation Watershed


VT Agency of Natural Resources Lands

-  Wildlife Management Areas
-  State Forests
-  State Parks

U.S. Forest Service Lands

-  Green Mountain National Forest

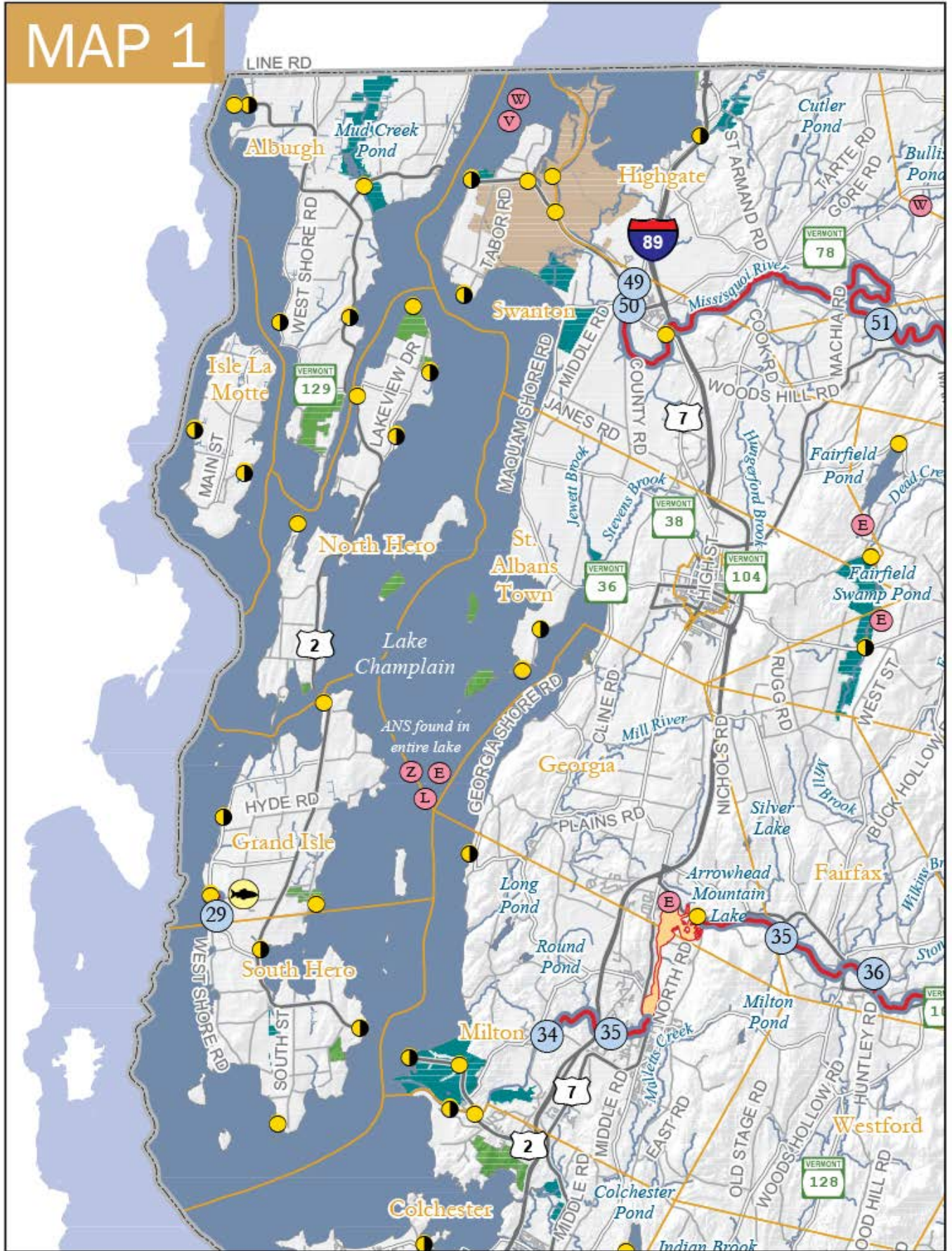
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Lands

-  National Wildlife Refuge

Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS) and Diseases

-  Whirling Disease
-  Variable-Leaf Watermilfoil
-  Alewives
-  Water Chestnut
-  Largemouth Bass Virus
-  Eurasian Watermilfoil
-  Zebra Mussel

MAP 1

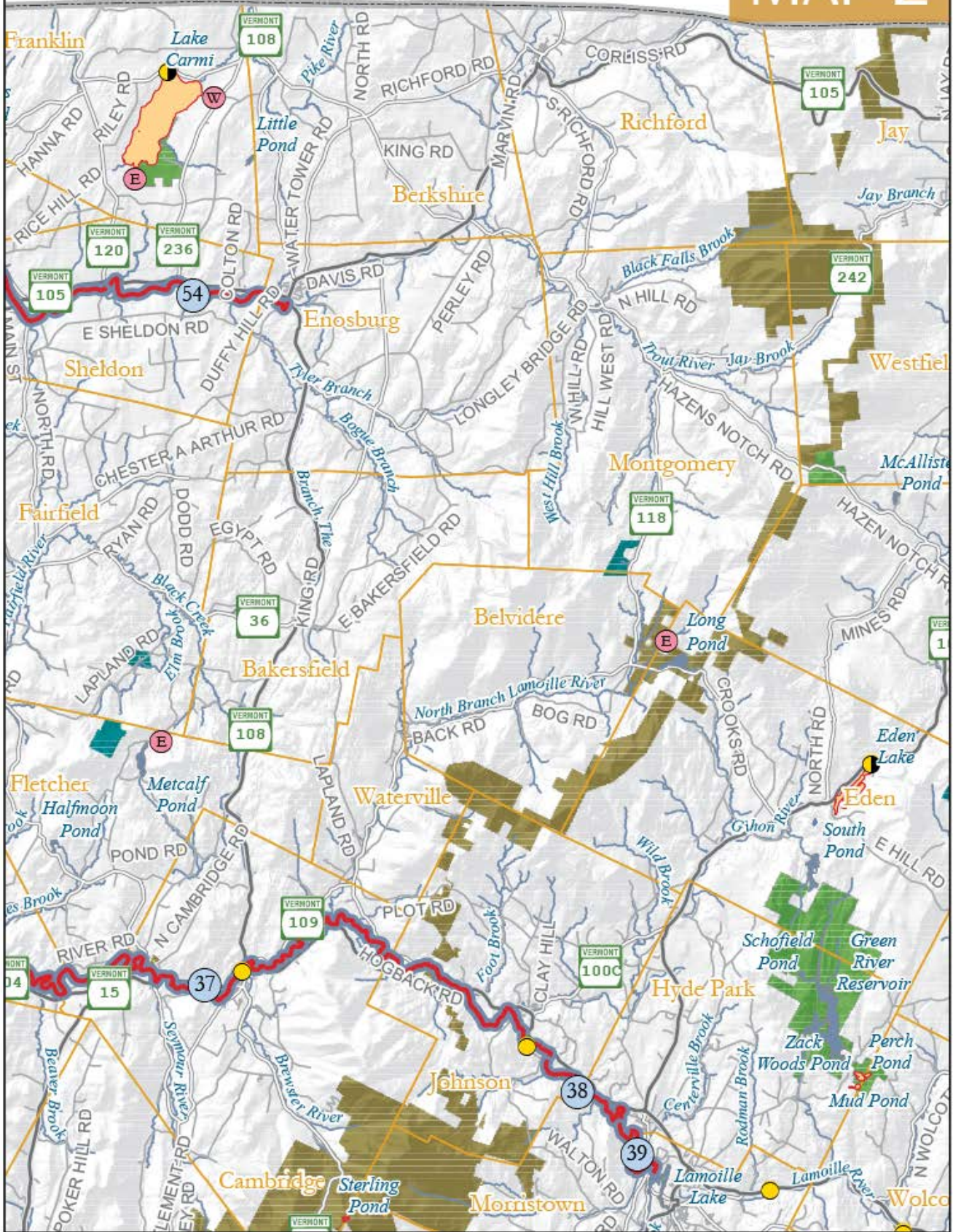


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MAP 5

ANS = Aquatic Nuisance Species

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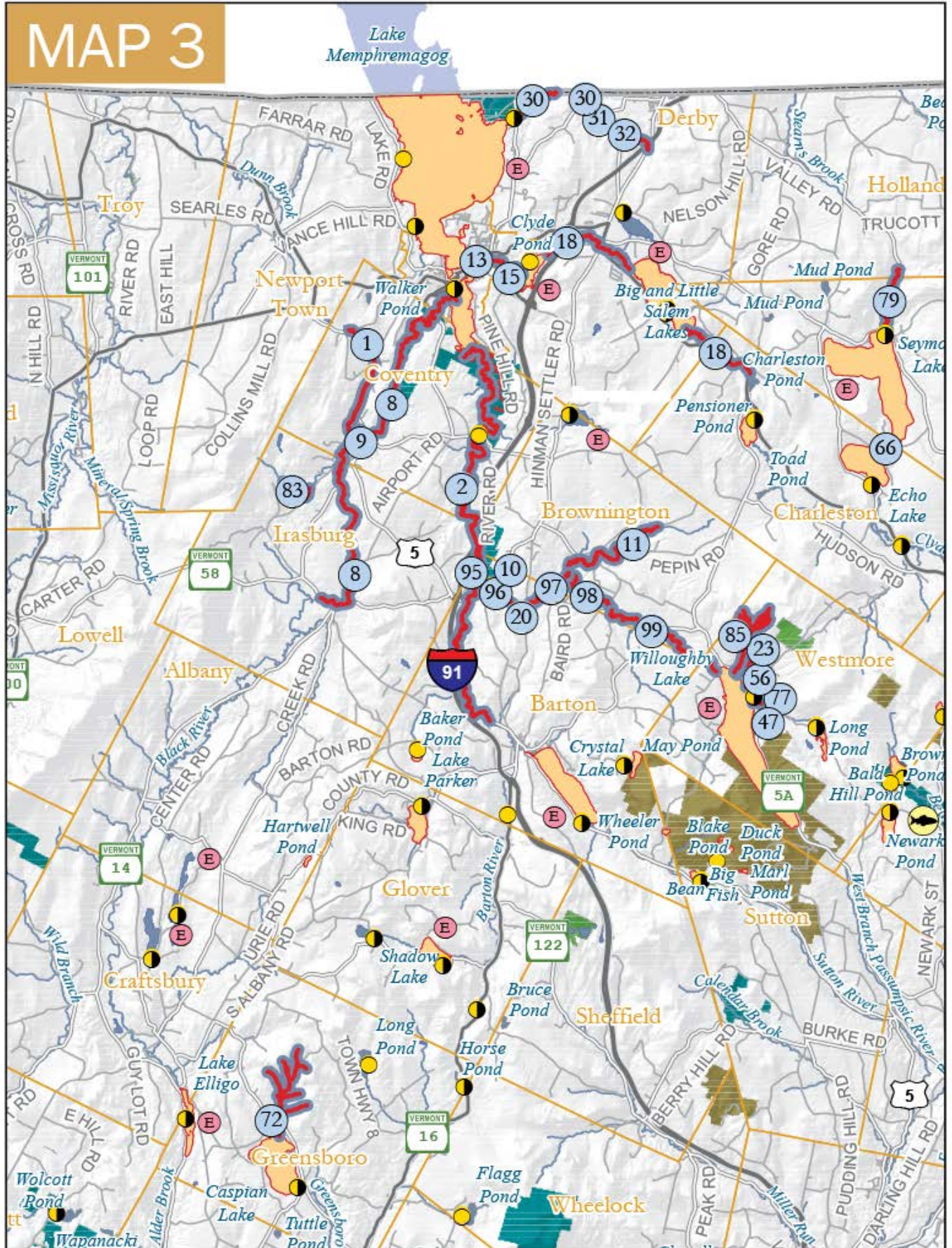
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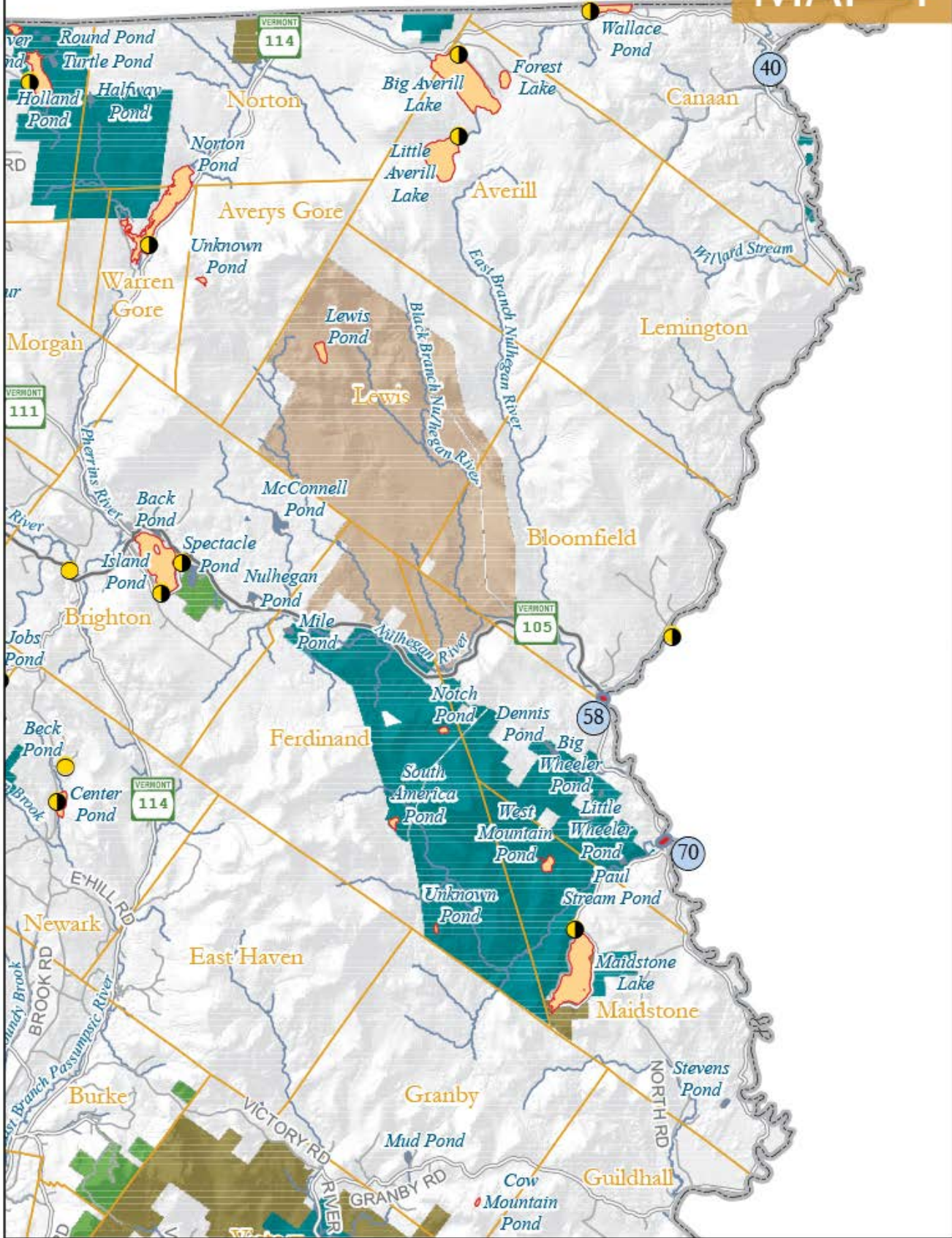
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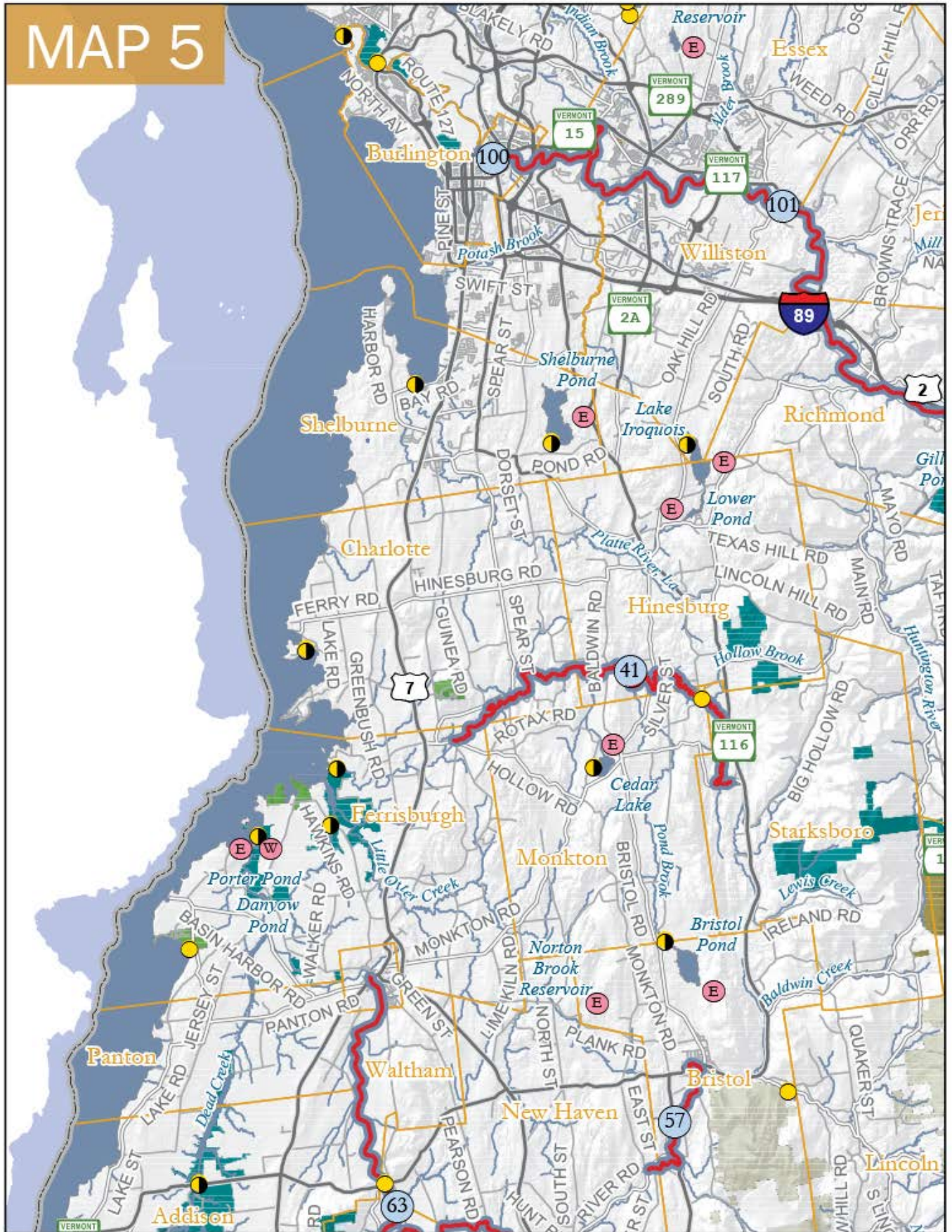
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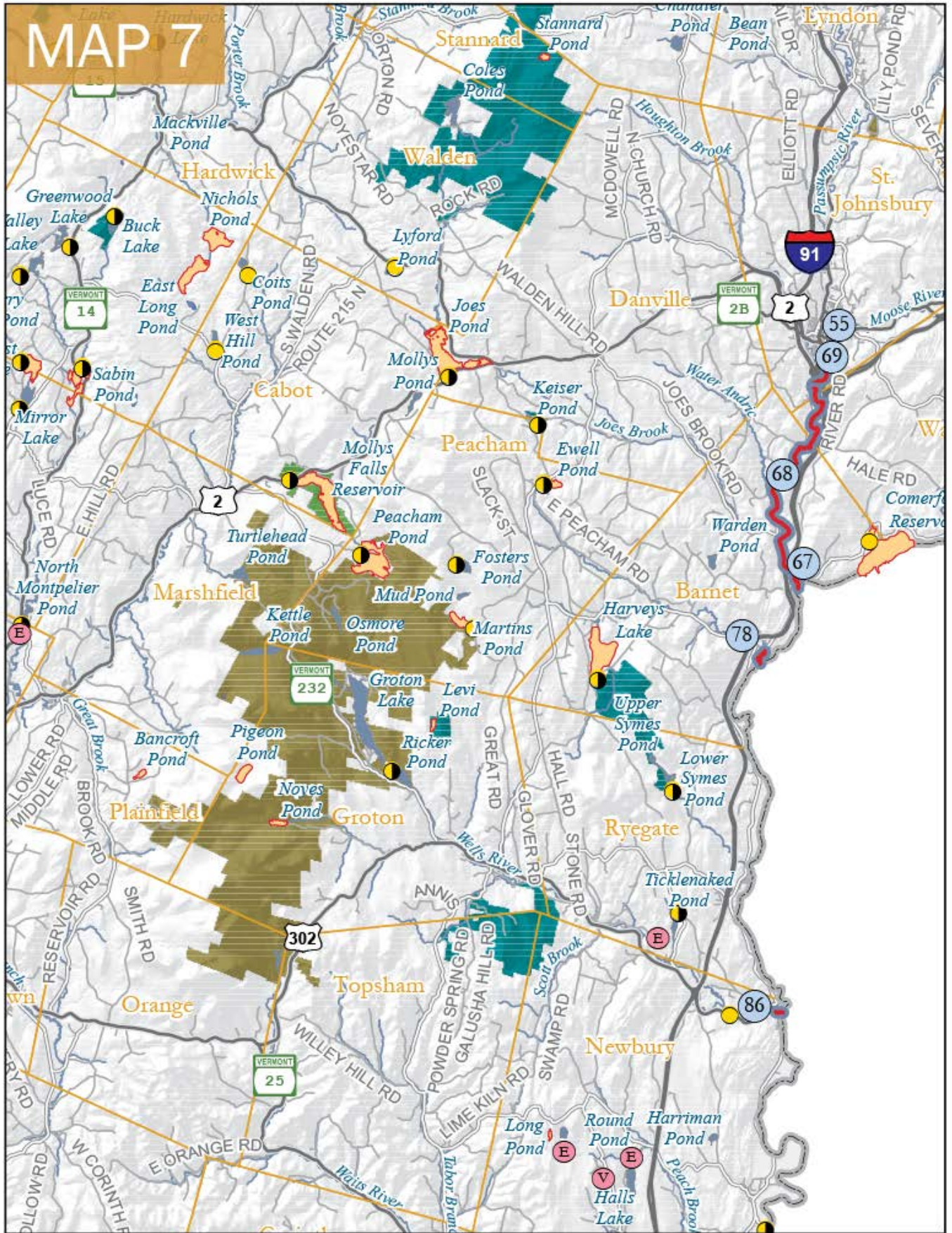
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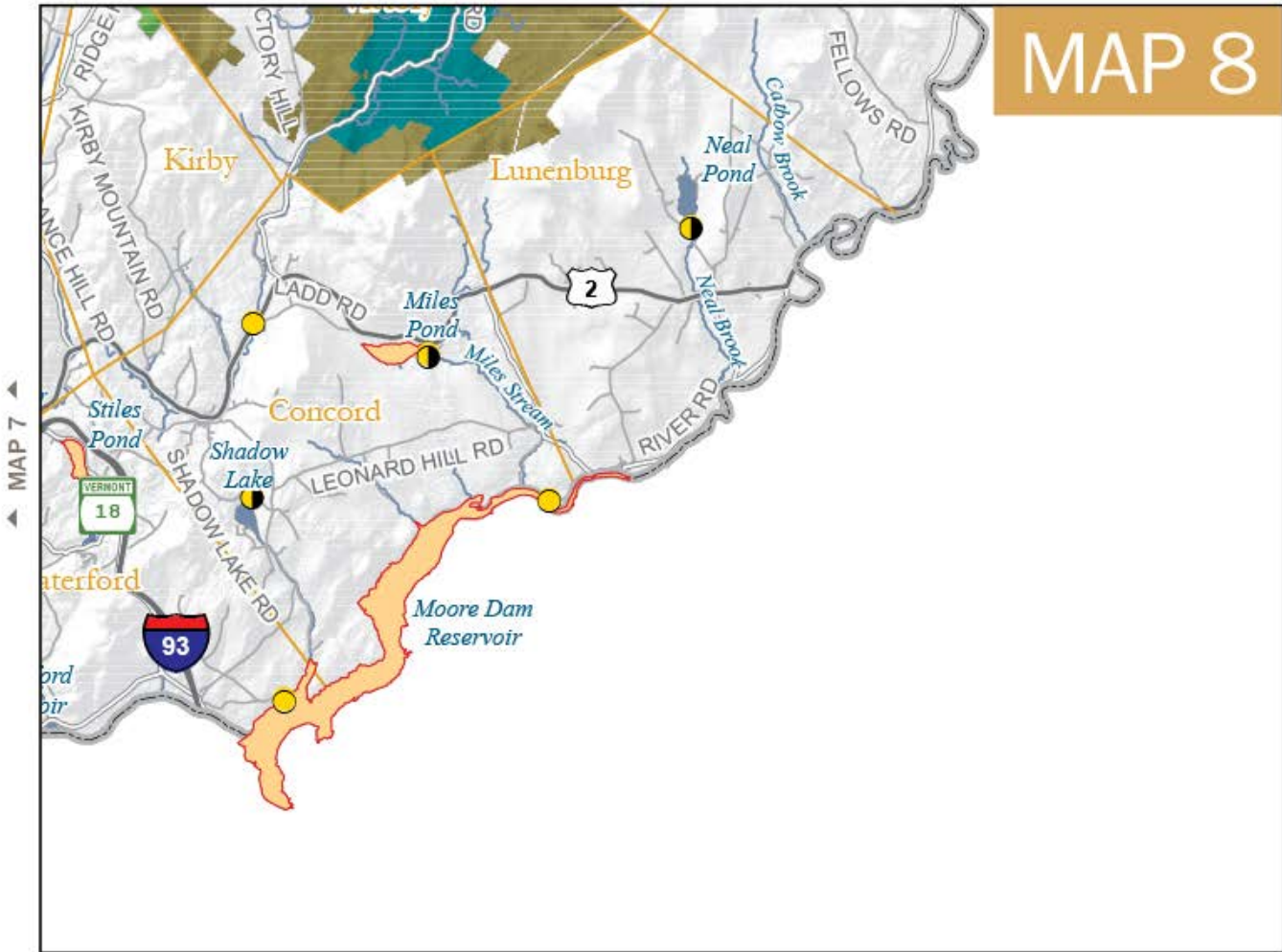
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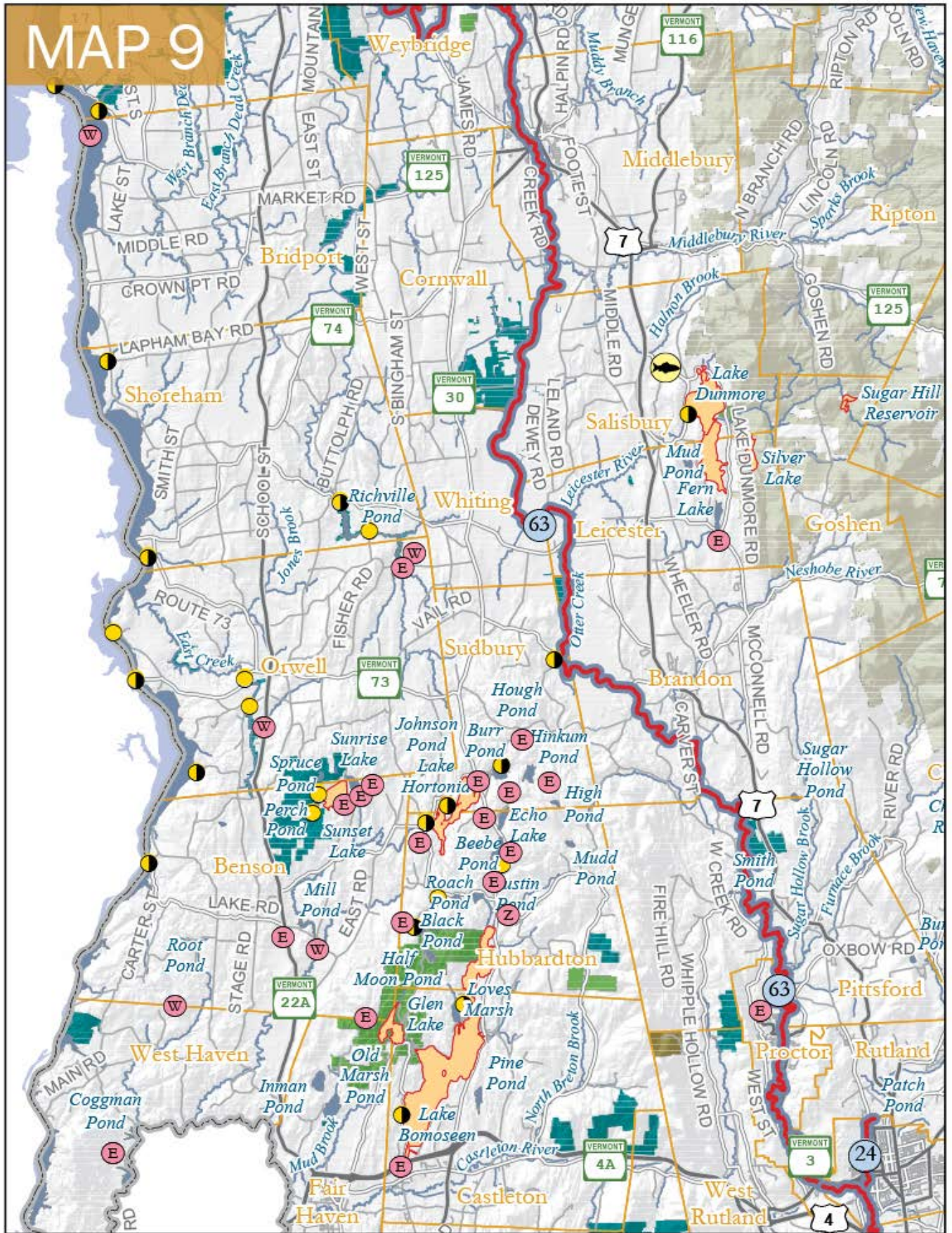
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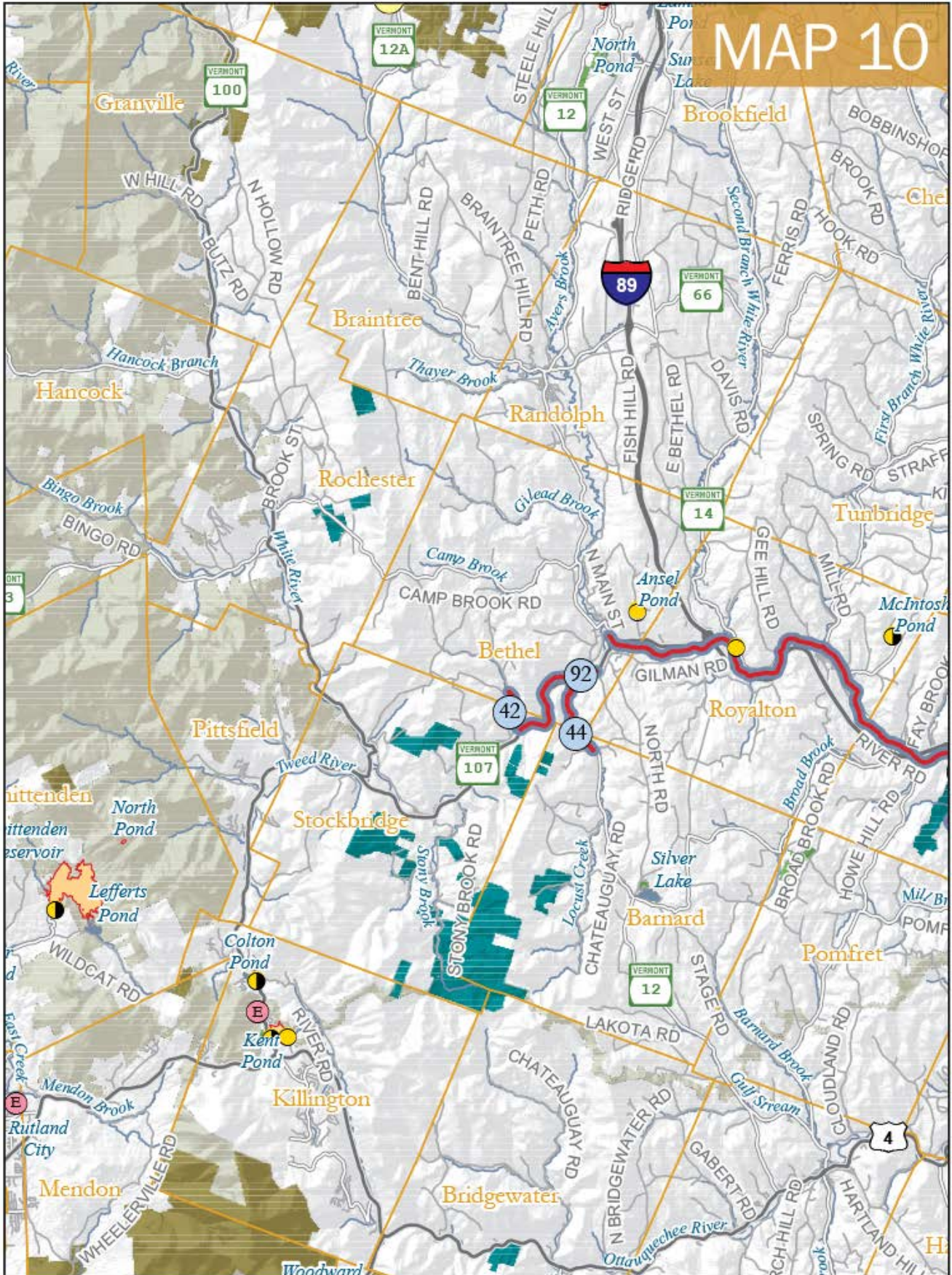
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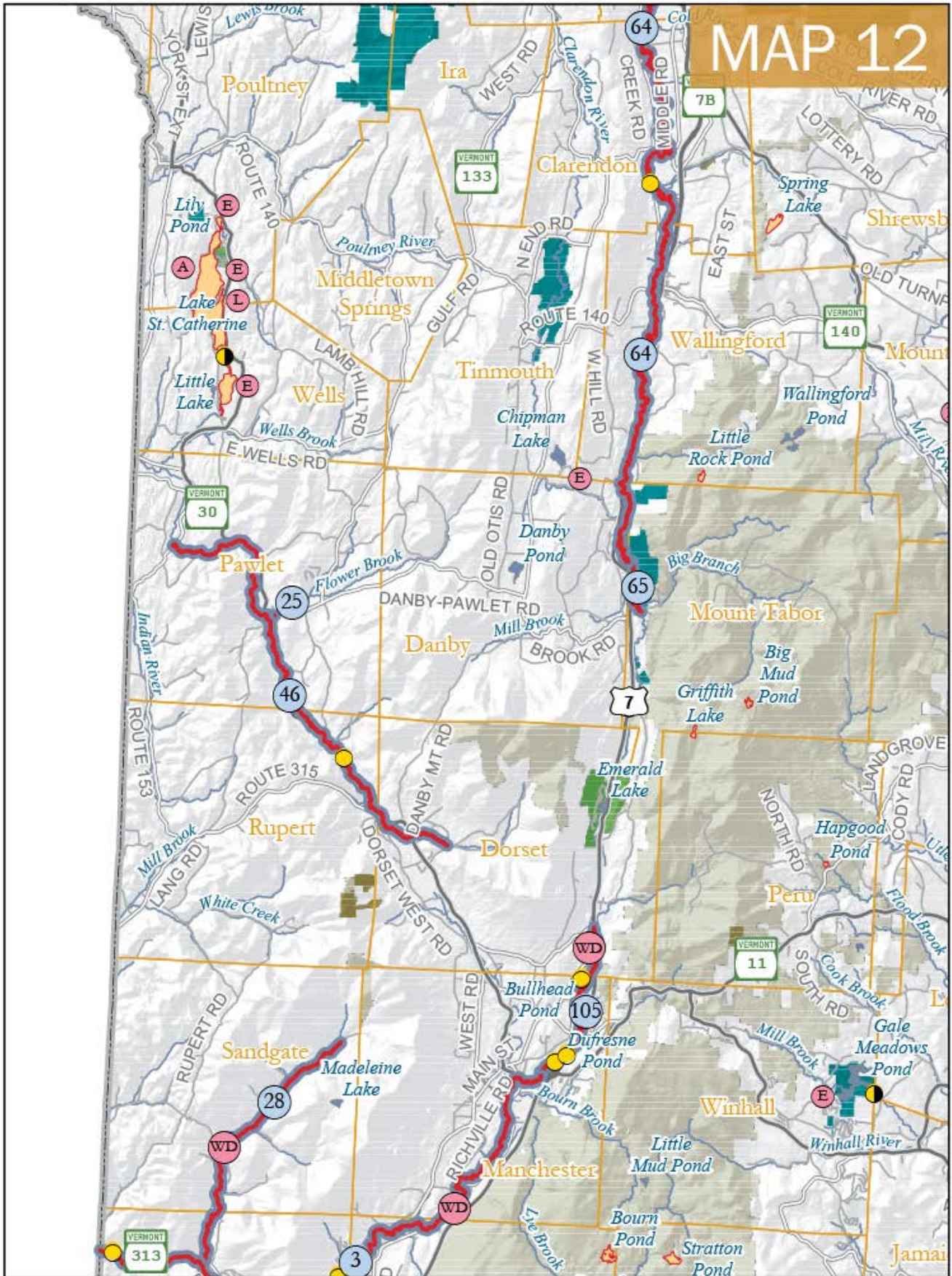
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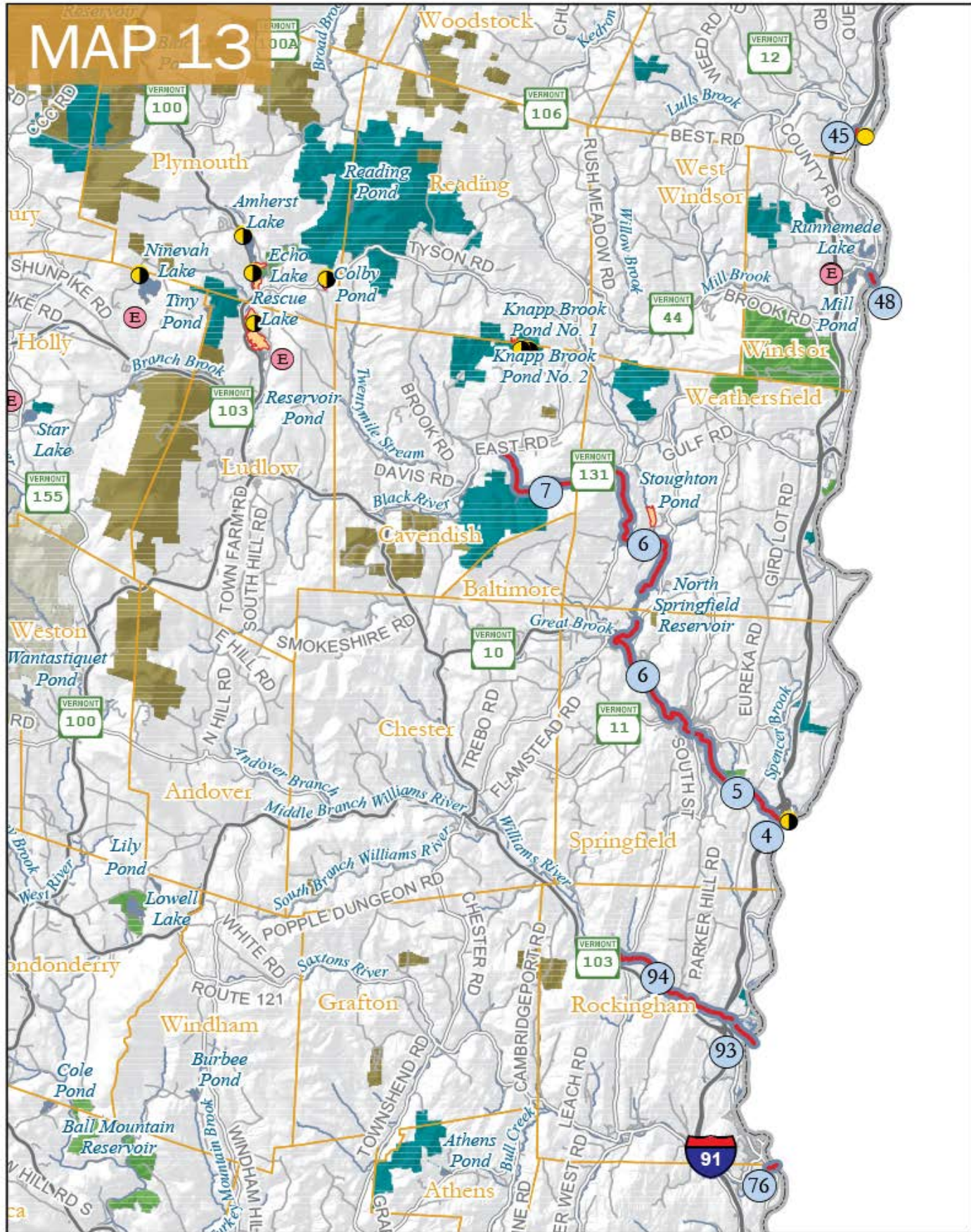


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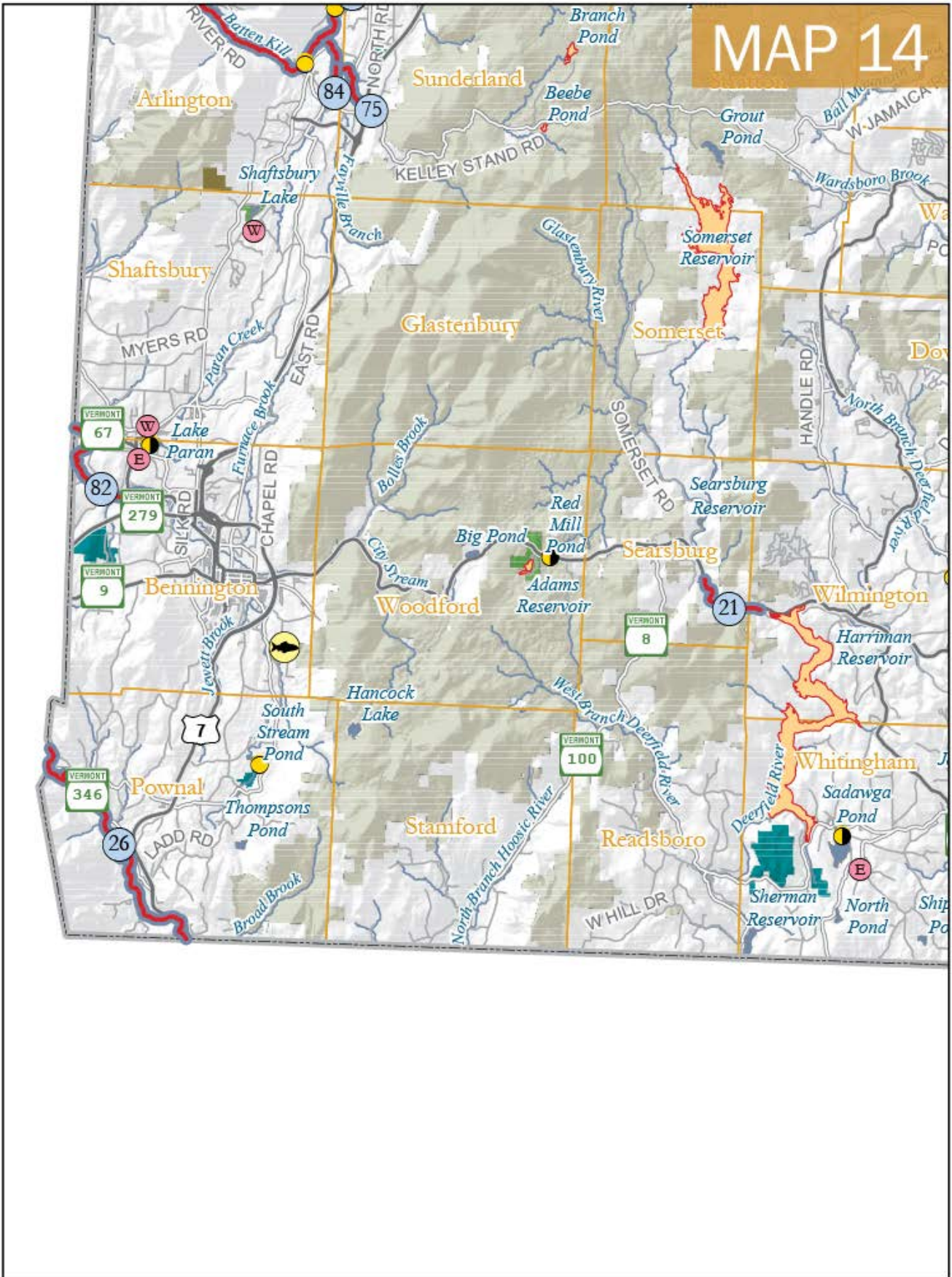
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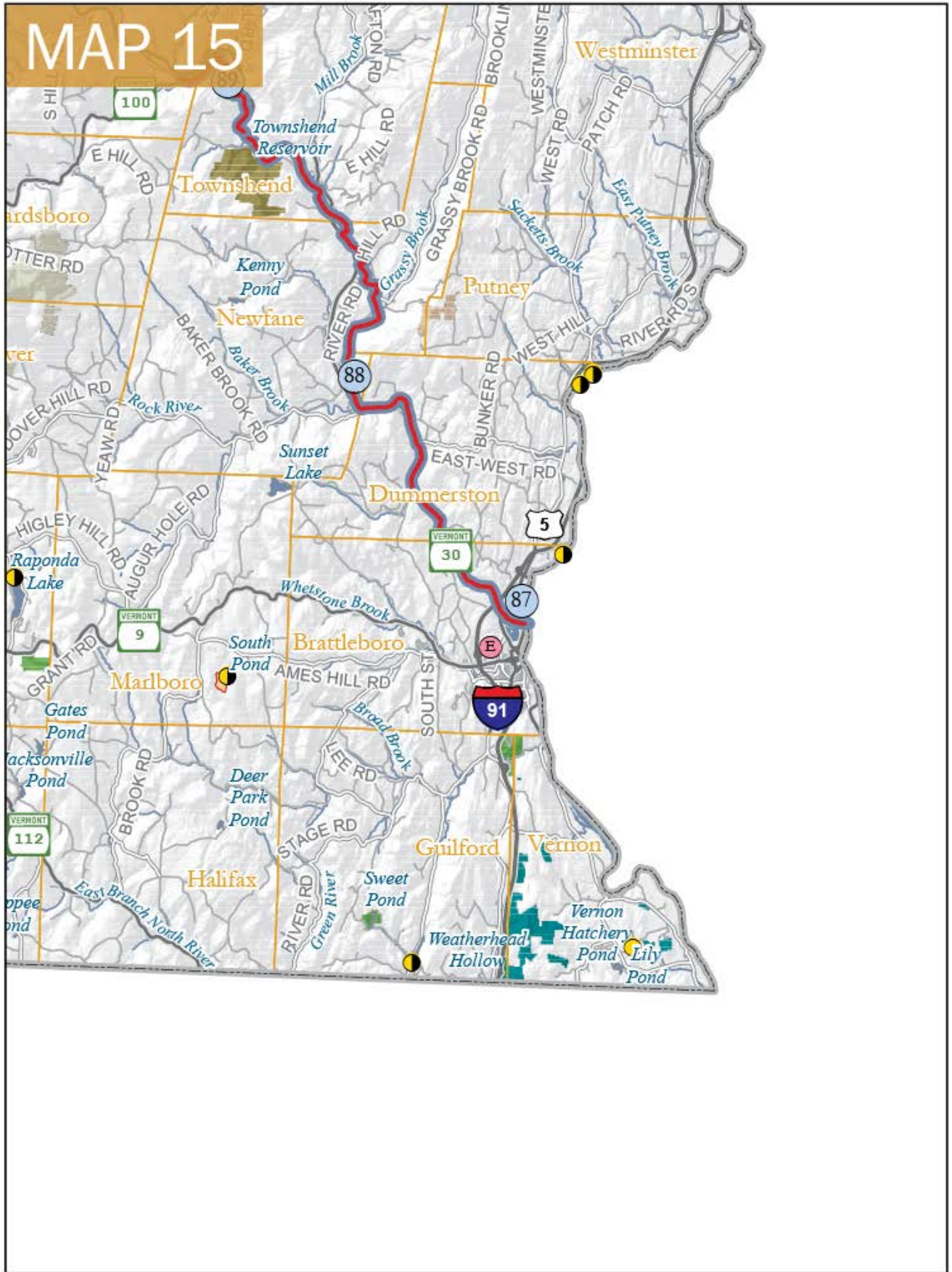


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Index of Rivers and Streams

Kurt Budliger

For rivers, streams, brooks, and creeks **NOT LISTED** in this index, see Table 1 (page 86).

| ALDER BROOK | | | | | | | |
|---|---|-------------------------|---|--|--------|-----|----|
| Black River to Sargent Pond Outlet. | Coventry | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 1 | |
| ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 | | | | | | | |
| Sargent Pond to Headwater. | Coventry | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | | |
| BARTON RIVER | | | | | | | |
| From Lake Memphremagog upstream to the downstream side of the US Route 5 bridge southernmost and closest to the village of Barton in Barton. | Barton/ Coventry/ Irasburg | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 2 | |
| ■ LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" | | | | | | | |
| ■ RAINBOW TROUT AND BROWN TROUT: length limit, minimum length 10"; daily limit, 2 trout | | | | | | | |
| US Route 5 bridge southernmost and closest to the village of Barton in Barton to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | | |
| BATTEN KILL RIVER | | | | | | | |
| From NY state line upstream (20.6 miles) to downstream side of Depot Street bridge (Routes 11/30) in Manchester. | Arlington/ Sunderland/ Manchester | Bennington | 1 | | 12, 14 | 3 | WD |
| ■ All trout must be released immediately | | | | | | | |
| Depot Street bridge (Routes 11/30) in Manchester to downstream side of US Route 7 bridge south of East Dorset | Manchester and Dorset | Bennington | 1 | | 14 | 105 | WD |
| ■ TROUT: Oct. 1–Oct. 31: Catch and Release (includes tributaries: Green River, Roaring Branch, Warm Brook) fishing only, all trout must be released immediately. | | | | | | | |
| S Route 7 bridge south of East Dorset to headwaters, and all tributaries | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 12 | | WD |
| BLACK RIVER (CONNECTICUT RIVER TRIBUTARY) | | | | | | | |
| Connecticut River main channel to I-91 bridge, Springfield. | Springfield | Windsor | 4 | | 13 | 4 | E |
| From the Connecticut River boundary upstream to the top of the Lovejoy Dam in Springfield. | | | | | | | |
| ■ Open to fishing year-round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | |
| ■ LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: season, open year-round; length limit, none; daily limit, 5 | | | | | | | |
| ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open to trout fishing (Catch and Release) using artificial flies or lures | Springfield | Windsor | 2 | | 13 | 5 | E |
| From the top of Lovejoy Dam in Springfield upstream to the Downers covered bridge. | Weathersfield/ Cavendish | Windsor | 1 | | 13 | 6 | |
| ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open ONLY TO TROUT FISHING (Catch and Release) using artificial flies and lures | | | | | | | |

* Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS): E=Eurasian Watermilfoil; W=Water Chestnut; WD=Whirling Disease

Aquatic Nuisance Species (ANS) may be present in other waterbodies and not yet detected. Please follow the recommendations on page 14 to help stop the spread of ANS.

BLACK RIVER (CONNECTICUT RIVER TRIBUTARY)

| Rivers and Streams | Town | County | Table | Ice Fishing Table | Map | Stream Section # | ANS* |
|---|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------|-------------------|-----|------------------|------|
| <p>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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ BROOK, BROWN, AND RAINBOW TROUT: length limit, none; daily limit, 2 trout aggregate ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open ONLY TO TROUT FISHING (Catch and Release) using artificial flies and lures | Weathersfield/ Cavendish | Weathersfield/ Cavendish | 1 | | 13 | 7 | |
| Howard Hill bridge to headwaters | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 13 | | |
| BLACK RIVER (LAKE MEMPHRETAGOG TRIBUTARY) | | | | | | | |
| <p>Lake Memphremagog upstream to 600' below the falls at Old Harman Mill in Coventry.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" ■ RAINBOW TROUT AND BROWN TROUT: length limit, minimum length 10"; daily limit, 2 trout | Newport City, Coventry | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 8 | |
| <p>From 600' below the falls at Old Harman Mill in Coventry upstream to the top of the falls at Old Harman Mill in Coventry.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 ■ LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" ■ RAINBOW TROUT AND BROWN TROUT: length limit, minimum length 10"; daily limit, 2 trout | Coventry | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 9 | |
| <p>Old Harman Mill in Coventry upstream to the downstream side of the VT Routes 14/58 bridge in Irasburg.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" ■ RAINBOW TROUT AND BROWN TROUT: length limit, minimum length 10"; daily limit, 2 trout | Newport City, Coventry | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 8 | |
| VT Routes 14/58 bridge to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | | |
| BLODGETT/TARBOX BROOK | | | | | | | |
| <p>From the confluence with Willoughby River upstream 1,300' to bridge on Tarbox Hill Road.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 | Barton | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 10 | |
| BROWNINGTON BRANCH OF WILLOUGHBY RIVER | | | | | | | |
| <p>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).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 | Brownington | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 11 | |
| <p>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.</p> | Brownington | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | | |
| CHASE BROOK | | | | | | | |
| <p>From its confluence with the Dog River upstream approximately 1/2 mile to the top of the natural falls in Berlin.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 | Berlin | Washington County | 1 | | 6 | 12 | |
| NEW! CLYDE RIVER | | | | | | | |
| <p>Lake Memphremagog to 260' below the top of the abandoned Mill Dam immediately upstream of the Number 1, 2, 3 hydroelectric powerhouse, in Newport City.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Catch and Release for salmon between Sept. 1 and Oct. 31 using artificial flies and lures only ■ LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" | Newport City | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 13 | |
| <p>From 260' below the top of the abandoned Mill Dam immediately upstream of the Number 1, 2, 3 hydroelectric powerhouse, 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.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING | Newport City | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 15 | |
| CLYDE RIVER | | | | | | | |

| Rivers and Streams | Town | County | Table | Ice Fishing Table | Map | Stream Section # | ANS* |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------|-------------------|---------------------|------------------|------|
| Top of the abandoned Mill Dam immediately upstream of the Number 1, 2, 3 hydroelectric powerhouse, in Newport City, to Citizens Charleston Dam (Lubber Lake) in West Charleston. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Catch and Release for salmon between Sept. 1 and Oct. 31 using artificial flies and lures only ■ LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" | Newport City, Derby, and Charleston | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 18 | |
| Citizens Charleston Dam (Lubber Lake) in West Charleston to Island Pond outlet. | Charleston/Brighton | Orleans/Essex | 1 | | 3, 4 | | |
| COCHE BROOK | | | | | | | |
| Little Salem Lake to headwaters. | Derby, Morgan | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | | |
| CONNECTICUT RIVER | | | | | | | |
| (Including tributaries, bays, and setback to first highway bridge) | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 4 | | 4, 7, 8, 11, 13, 15 | | E |
| 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 | Barton | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 20 | |
| Hollow Road (TH #14) bridge in Barton to headwaters. | 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 | 7 | 5 | | E, W |
| Panton Road bridge in Panton upstream to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | Addison | 2 | | 5 | | E, W |
| DEERFIELD RIVER | | | | | | | |
| From the Woods Road (Medburyville) bridge in Wilmington upstream approximately 2 miles to the VT Route 9W bridge in Searsburg. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open ONLY TO TROUT FISHING (Catch and Release) using artificial flies and lures | Wilmington/Searsburg | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 14 | 21 | |
| DOG RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Winooski River, Berlin/Montpelier, to the downstream edge of the Junction Road bridge in Berlin/Montpelier. | Berlin/Montpelier | Washington | 1 | | 6 | | |
| Downstream edge of the Junction Road bridge in Berlin/Montpelier upstream to the top of Northfield Falls Dam in Northfield. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ TROUT: All trout must be released immediately. Fishing may only be done with artificial flies and lures. Anglers 14 years old and younger may use natural baits. | All Applicable Towns | Washington | 1 | | 6 | 22 | |
| Top of Northfield Falls Dam in Northfield upstream to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | Washington | 1 | | 6 | | |
| DORIN BROOK | | | | | | | |
| Lake Willoughby upstream 3/4 mile. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 | Westmore | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 23 | |
| 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). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Lake Champlain Boundaries | Orwell | Addison | 3 | 7 | 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. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ BROOK, BROWN, AND RAINBOW TROUT: season, second Saturday in April to Oct. 31; length limit, none; daily limit, total number of brook trout, brown trout, and rainbow trout, no more than 2 ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open ONLY TO TROUT FISHING (Catch and Release) using artificial flies and lures | Rutland City | Rutland | 1 | | 9 | 24 | |
| FLOWER BROOK | | | | | | | |

| Rivers and Streams | Town | County | Table | Ice Fishing Table | Map | Stream Section # | ANS* |
|--|--------------------|------------|-------|-------------------|-----|------------------|------|
| From its confluence with the Mettawee River extending upstream (approximately 1,000') to the downstream edge of the Route 30 bridge in Pawlet. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ TROUT: length limit, 10" to 14" protected slot (all fish 10" to 14" must be released); daily limit, 2 trout, only 1 greater than 14" | Pawlet | Bennington | 1 | | 12 | 25 | |
| VT Route 30 bridge, Pawlet, to headwaters. | Pawlet/Dorset | Bennington | 1 | | 12 | | |
| GREEN BROOK | | | | | | | |
| Salem Lake to headwaters. | Derby | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | | |
| GREEN RIVER | | | | | | | |
| From its mouth on the Batten Kill upstream to its confluence with Moffitt Hollow Brook. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ TROUT: Catch and Release between Oct. 1 and Oct. 31 – all trout must be immediately released | Arlington/Sandgate | Bennington | 1 | | 12 | 28 | WD |
| HALLS BROOK | | | | | | | |
| Lake Memphremagog to the headwaters. | Derby | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | | |
| HATCHERY BROOK | | | | | | | |
| Lake Champlain to main drive for State Fish Hatchery. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING | Grand Isle | Grand Isle | | | 1 | 29 | |
| HOOSIC RIVER | | | | | | | |
| From the VT/NY border upstream to the VT/MA border. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open ONLY TO TROUT FISHING (Catch and Release) using artificial flies and lures | Pownal | Bennington | 1 | | 14 | 26 | |
| JOHNS RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Lake Memphremagog to the downstream edge of the first bridge (culvert) upstream of Lake Memphremagog on North Derby Road (TH #6). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" | Derby | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | | |
| From the downstream edge of the first bridge (culvert) upstream of Lake Memphremagog on North Derby Road (TH #6) to downstream edge of the bridge on Beebe Road (TH #3). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: Oct. 1–Oct. 31 ■ LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" ■ RAINBOW TROUT AND BROWN TROUT: length limit, minimum length 10"; daily limit, 2 trout | Derby | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 30 | |
| From the downstream edge of the bridge on Beebe Road (TH #3) upstream approximately two tenths of a mile to the downstream edge of the bridge on Elm Street (TH #2) in Derby. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31, and Oct. 1–Oct. 31 ■ LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" ■ RAINBOW TROUT AND BROWN TROUT: length limit, minimum length 10"; daily limit, 2 trout | Derby | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 31 | |
| Downstream edge of the bridge on Elm Street (TH #2) in Derby to US 5 in Derby. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: Oct. 1–Oct. 31 ■ LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" ■ RAINBOW TROUT AND BROWN TROUT: length limit, minimum length 10"; daily limit, 2 trout | Derby | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 32 | |
| US 5 in Derby to headwaters. | Derby | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | | |
| JOINER BROOK | | | | | | | |
| Winooski River upstream approximately 1,900' to first falls. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 ■ TROUT: length limit, 10" to 16" protected slot (all fish 10" to 16" must be released); daily limit: 2 trout, only 1 greater than 16" | Bolton | Chittenden | 1 | | 6 | 33 | |
| First falls to headwater. | Bolton | Chittenden | 1 | | 6 | | |
| LAMOILLE RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Lake Champlain to the downstream edge of the bridge on Bear Trap Road in Milton (referred to as the West Milton Bridge). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Lake Champlain Boundaries | Milton | Chittenden | 3 | 7 | 1 | | E |
| LAMOILLE RIVER | | | | | | | |

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| From the downstream edge of the bridge on Bear Trap Road 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–May 31 | Milton | Chittenden | 3 | 7 | 1 | 34 | E |
| From the Lake Champlain boundary (top of Peterson Dam in Milton) upstream to downstream edge of the bridge on Route 104 in the village of Fairfax (Arrowhead Mountain Lake – see Index of Lakes and Ponds). ■ Open to fishing year-round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open to trout fishing (Catch and Release) using artificial flies or lures ■ LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: season, open year-round; length limit, none; daily limit, 5 ■ WALLEYE: season, first Saturday in May through March 15; length limit, minimum length 18"; daily limit, 3 | All Applicable Towns | Chittenden/ Franklin | 2 | | 1 | 35 | E |
| Lamoille River from the downstream edge of the bridge on Route 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) ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open to trout fishing (Catch and Release) using artificial flies or lures ■ BROOK, BROWN, AND RAINBOW TROUT: season, second Saturday in April to Oct. 31; length limit, none; daily limit, total number of brook trout, brown trout, and rainbow trout, no more than 2 ■ LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: season, open year-round; length limit, none; daily limit, 5 | Fairfax | Franklin | 2 | | 1 | 36 | |
| Hydroelectric dam at Fairfax Falls in Fairfax upstream to the downstream side of the railroad bridge in Johnson. ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open ONLY TO TROUT FISHING (Catch and Release) using artificial flies and lures | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 1 | 37 | |
| From the downstream side of the railroad bridge in Johnson upstream (approximately 3.7 miles) to the downstream edge of the Ten Bends Drive bridge in Hyde Park. ■ BROOK, BROWN, AND RAINBOW TROUT: length limit, minimum length 16"; daily limit, 2 trout total; gear restrictions, artificial lures and flies only ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open ONLY TO TROUT FISHING (Catch and Release) using artificial flies and lures | Johnson and Hyde Park | Lamoille | 1 | | 2 | 38 | |
| From the downstream edge of the Ten Bends Drive bridge in Hyde Park to top of Cadys Falls Dam in Morristown. ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open ONLY TO TROUT FISHING (Catch and Release) using artificial flies and lures | Hyde Park and Morristown | Lamoille | 1 | | 2 | 39 | |
| From the top of Cadys Falls in Morristown 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 | 7 | 5 | | E |
| LEACH CREEK | | | | | | | |
| Connecticut River main channel to VT Route 102 bridge, Canaan. | Canaan | Essex | 4 | | 4 | 40 | |
| VT Route 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 | 7 | 5 | | E |
| From the Lake Champlain boundary (falls in North Ferrisburgh) upstream to the State Prison Hollow Road (TH #3) bridge in Starksboro. ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open to trout fishing (Catch and Release) using artificial flies or lures | All Applicable Towns | Addison | 1 | | 5 | 41 | |
| State Prison Road (TH #3) to headwaters | Starksboro/ Bristol | Addison | 1 | | 5 | | |
| LILLIESVILLE BROOK | | | | | | | |

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| From the confluence with the White River upstream to the second bridge on the Lilliesville Brook Road. ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 | Stockbridge/ Bethel | Windsor | 1 | | 10 | 42 | |
| LITTLE OTTER CREEK | | | | | | | |
| Lake Champlain to the falls in Ferrisburgh Center (downstream of Little Chicago Road). ■ Lake Champlain Boundaries | Ferrisburgh Center | Chittenden | 3 | 7 | 5 | | |
| NEW! LITTLE RIVER | | | | | | | |
| From the confluence with Winooski River upstream to the top of the Waterbury Reservoir Dam in Waterbury. ■ BROOK, BROWN, AND RAINBOW TROUT: season, second Saturday in April to Oct. 31; length limit, none; daily limit, total number of brook trout, brown trout, and rainbow trout, no more than 2 | Waterbury | Washington | 1 | | 6 | 43 | |
| US Route 2 bridge to its beginning at base of Waterbury Dam | Waterbury | Washington | 1 | | 6 | | |
| LOCUST CREEK | | | | | | | |
| From its confluence with the White River upstream to the second bridge on Route 12. ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 | Bethel/ Barnard | Windsor | 1 | | 10 | 44 | |
| LULLS BROOK | | | | | | | |
| Connecticut River main channel to I-91 bridge, Hartland. | Hartland | Windsor | 4 | | 13 | 45 | |
| I-91 bridge, Hartland, to Headwaters. | Hartland | Windsor | 1 | | 13 | | |
| MAD RIVER | | | | | | | |
| From the confluence with Winooski River upstream to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 6 | | |
| MALLETTS CREEK | | | | | | | |
| Malletts Creek to the first falls upstream of Roosevelt Highway (US 2 and US 7) in Colchester. ■ Lake Champlain Boundaries | Colchester | Chittenden | 3 | 7 | 1 | | |
| METTAWEE RIVER | | | | | | | |
| NY border to the downstream edge of the Route 153 bridge in Pawlet. | Pawlet | Rutland | 1 | | 12 | | |
| From the downstream edge of the Route 153 bridge in Pawlet upstream (approximately 16 miles) to the downstream edge of the first bridge on Dorset Hollow Road and including tributary: Flower Brook upstream (approximately 1,000') to the downstream edge of the Route 30 bridge in Pawlet. ■ TROUT: length limit, 10" to 14" protected slot (all fish 10" to 14" must be released); daily limit, 2 trout, only 1 greater than 14" | Pawlet | Rutland | 1 | | 12 | 46 | |
| First bridge on Dorset Hollow Road, in Dorset, to headwaters. | Dorset | Bennington | 1 | | 12 | | |
| MILL BROOK | | | | | | | |
| Lake Willoughby upstream 1/4 mile. ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 | Westmore | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 47 | |
| From 1/4 mile upstream of Lake Willoughby to headwaters. | Westmore | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | | |
| MILL BROOK (WINDSOR) | | | | | | | |
| Connecticut River main channel to US Route 5 bridge, Windsor. | Windsor | Windsor | 4 | | 13 | 48 | |
| US Route 5 bridge, Windsor, to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 13 | | |
| MILL RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Lake Champlain to the falls in Georgia (just upstream of Georgia Shore Road bridge). ■ Lake Champlain Boundaries | Georgia | Franklin | 3 | 7 | 1 | | |
| NEW! MISSISQUOI RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Lake Champlain to Riverside Cemetery (5,120' below Swanton Dam). | Highgate/ Swanton | Franklin | 3 | 7 | 1 | | E, W |
| Riverside Cemetery (5,120' below Swanton Dam) to 850' below the Swanton Dam. ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: March 16 to the Friday before the first Saturday in May, both dates inclusive | Highgate/ Swanton | Franklin | 3 | 7 | 1 | 49 | E |
| MISSISQUOI RIVER | | | | | | | |

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| From the top of the Swanton Dam in the village of Swanton downstream approximately 850' to the water treatment plant on the west side of the river, and downstream approximately 850' to the upstream end of the cement breakwater on the east side of the river. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: March 16–May 31 | Highgate/ Swanton | Franklin | 3 | 7 | 1 | 50 | E |
| Missisquoi River from Swanton Dam in the village of Swanton upstream to the downstream edge of Kane Road (TH-3) in Sheldon. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Open to fishing year-round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open to trout fishing (Catch and Release) using artificial flies or lures ■ LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: season, open year-round; length limit, none; daily limit, 5 | Swanton/ Highgate/ Sheldon | Franklin | 2 | | 1, 2 | 51 | E |
| 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"> ■ Open to fishing year-round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open to trout fishing (Catch and Release) using artificial flies or lures ■ LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: season, open year-round; length limit, none; daily limit, 5 ■ BROOK, BROWN, AND RAINBOW TROUT: season, second Saturday in April to Oct. 31; length limit, none; daily limit, total number of brook trout, brown trout, and rainbow trout, no more than 2 | Sheldon and Enosburg | Franklin | 2 | | 2 | 54 | |
| 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 (approximately 350') 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: season, second Saturday in April to Oct. 31; length limit, none; daily limit, total number of brook trout, brown trout and rainbow trout, no more than 2 ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open ONLY TO TROUT FISHING (Catch and Release) using artificial flies and lures | Village of St. Johnsbury | Caledonia | 1 | | 7 | 55 | |
| 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 Route 78 bridge. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Lake Champlain Boundary | Alburgh | Grand Isle | 3 | 7 | 1 | | |
| Route 78 bridge to dam in Alburgh (just upstream of Route 78 bridge). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Lake Champlain Boundary ■ No shooting, spearing or bow and arrow for fish | Alburgh | Grand Isle | 3 | 7 | 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 | 56 | |
| 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: length limit, 10" to 16" protected slot (all fish 10" to 16" must be released); daily limit, 2 trout, only 1 greater than 16" | New Haven/ Bristol | Addison | 1 | | 5 | 57 | |
| South Street Bridge, Bristol, to headwaters. | Bristol | Addison | 1 | | 5, 9 | | |
| NULHEGAN RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Connecticut River main channel to VT Route 102 bridge, Bloomfield. | Bloomfield | Essex | 4 | | 4 | 58 | |
| VT Route 102 bridge, Bloomfield, to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 4 | | |
| OMPOMANOOSUC RIVER | | | | | | | |

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| Connecticut River main channel to US Route 5, Norwich. | Norwich | Windsor | 4 | | 11 | 59 | E |
| From the Connecticut River boundary (US Route 5 in Norwich) upstream to the top of the flood control dam in Union Village in the town of Thetford. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Open to fishing year-round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open to trout fishing (Catch and Release) using artificial flies or lures ■ LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: season, open year-round; length limit, none; daily limit, 5 | Norwich/Thetford | Windsor/Orange | 2 | | 11 | 60 | E |
| Top of the flood control dam in Union Village in the town of Thetford to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 11 | | |
| ORCUTT BROOK | | | | | | | |
| Salem Lake to headwaters. | Derby, Morgan, Holland | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | | |
| OTTAUQUECHEE RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Connecticut River main channel to first highway bridge crossing, Hartland. | Hartland | Windsor | 4 | | 11 | 62 | |
| First 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 | 7 | 5 | | E, W |
| From the Lake Champlain boundary (Falls at Vergennes) upstream to the top of the Center Rutland Falls in Rutland. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Open to fishing year-round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open to trout fishing (Catch and Release) using artificial flies or lures ■ LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: season, open year-round; length limit, none; daily limit, 5 | Vergennes/Rutland | Addison/Rutland | 2 | | 5, 9 | 63 | |
| Top of the Center Rutland Falls in Rutland to VT Railway bridge, Danby. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open ONLY TO TROUT FISHING (Catch and Release) using artificial flies and lures | All Applicable Towns | Rutland | 1 | | 9 | 64 | |
| 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). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ BROOK, BROWN, AND RAINBOW TROUT: season, second Saturday in April to Oct. 31; length limit, none; daily limit, total number of brook trout, brown trout, and rainbow trout, no more than 2 ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open ONLY TO TROUT FISHING (Catch and Release) using artificial flies and lures | Danby | Rutland | 1 | | 12 | 65 | |
| 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. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 | Charleston/Brighton | Orleans County | 1 | | 3 | 66 | |
| PASSUMPSIC RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Connecticut River main channel to first highway bridge crossing, Barnet. | Barnet | Caledonia | 4 | | 7 | 67 | |
| First highway bridge crossing, Barnet, to top of Gage Dam in St. Johnsbury. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open ONLY TO TROUT FISHING (Catch and Release) using artificial flies and lures | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 7 | 68 | |
| From top of Gage Dam in St. Johnsbury upstream (approximately 2.4 miles) to the top of Arnold Falls Dams. Moose River: from confluence with Passumpsic River upstream (approximately 350') 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: season, second Saturday in April to Oct. 31; length limit, none; daily limit, total number of brook trout, brown trout, and rainbow trout, no more than 2 ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open ONLY TO TROUT FISHING (Catch and Release) using artificial flies and lures | St. Johnsbury | Caledonia | 1 | | 7 | 69 | |
| From the top of Arnold Falls in village of St. Johnsbury to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 7 | | |
| PAUL STREAM | | | | | | | |

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| Connecticut River main channel to VT Route 102 bridge, Maidstone. | Maidstone | Essex | 4 | | 4 | 70 | |
| VT Route 102 bridge, Maidstone, to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 4 | | |
| PINNEO BROOK | | | | | | | |
| Winooski River upstream approximately 100' to railroad crossing. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 ■ TROUT: length limit, 10" to 16" protected slot (all fish 10" to 16" must be released); daily limit, 2 trout, only 1 greater than 16" | Bolton | Chittenden | 1 | | 6 | 71 | |
| Railroad crossing to headwaters | Bolton | Chittenden | 1 | | 6 | | |
| PORTER BROOK | | | | | | | |
| From Caspian Lake upstream to its headwaters. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 | Greensboro | Orleans County | 1 | | 3 | 72 | |
| POULTNEY RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Lake Champlain upstream to Poultney River to Central Vermont Power Dam at Carver Falls in West Haven. | West Haven | Rutland | 3 | 7 | 9 | | E, W |
| Central Vermont Power Dam at Carver Falls in West Haven to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 9 | | |
| PRESTON BROOK | | | | | | | |
| Winooski River upstream approximately 2,600' to first falls. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 ■ TROUT: length limit, 10" to 16" protected slot (all fish 10" to 16" must be released); daily limit, 2 trout, only 1 greater than 16" | Bolton | Chittenden | 1 | | 6 | 73 | |
| First Falls to headwater. | Bolton/Huntington | Chittenden | 1 | | 6 | | |
| RIDLEY BROOK | | | | | | | |
| Winooski River upstream approximately 1,700' to first falls. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 ■ TROUT: length limit, 10" to 16" protected slot (all fish 10" to 16" must be released); daily limit, 2 trout, only 1 greater than 16" | Duxbury | Washington | 1 | | 6 | 74 | |
| First falls to headwaters. | Duxbury | Washington | 1 | | 6 | | |
| ROARING BRANCH | | | | | | | |
| From its mouth on the Batten Kill upstream to the downstream side of bridge #14 on Sunderland TH 3 in East Kansas. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ TROUT: Catch and Release between Oct. 1 and Oct. 31 — all trout must be immediately released | Arlington/Sunderland | Bennington | 1 | | 14 | 75 | |
| ROCK RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Lake Champlain to the first Canadian border crossing. | Highgate | Franklin | 3 | 7 | 1 | | E |
| SAXTONS RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Connecticut River main channel to US Route 5 bridge, Westminster. | Westminster | Windham | 4 | | 13 | 76 | |
| US Route 5 bridge, Westminster, to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 13 | | |
| SCHOOLHOUSE BROOK | | | | | | | |
| Lake Willoughby upstream 1/4 mile. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 | Westmore | Orleans County | 1 | | 3 | 77 | |
| From 1/4 mile upstream of Lake Willoughby to headwaters. | Westmore | Orleans County | 1 | | 3 | | |
| STEVENS RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Connecticut River main channel to first highway bridge crossing Barnet. | Barnet | Caledonia | 4 | | 7 | 78 | |
| First highway bridge crossing, Barnet, to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 7 | | |
| STONY BROOK (ALDER BROOK) | | | | | | | |
| From its confluence with the Black River upstream 3.5 miles to the outlet of Sargent Pond in Coventry. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 | Coventry | Orleans County | 1 | | 3 | 1 | |
| Sargent Pond to headwaters. | Coventry | Orleans County | 1 | | 3 | | |
| VALLEY BROOK | | | | | | | |

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| From Seymour Lake to headwaters. ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: Oct. 1–Oct. 31 | Morgan and Holland | Orleans | 1 | | 2 | 79 | |
| WAITS RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Connecticut River main channel to US Route 5 bridge, Bradford. | Bradford | Orange | 4 | | 11 | 80 | |
| From the Connecticut River boundary (US Route 5 bridge, Bradford) upstream to the top of the Central Vermont Power Dam in Bradford. ■ Open to fishing year-round (<i>see below and table for regulations on specific species</i>) ■ LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: season, open year-round; length limit, none; daily limit, 5 | Bradford | Orange | 2 | | 11 | 81 | |
| Top of the Central Vermont Power Dam in Bradford to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 7, 11 | | |
| WALLOOMSAC RIVER | | | | | | | |
| From the VT/NY border in Bennington upstream to the top of the former Vermont Tissues Plant Dam (downstream of Murphy Road) in Bennington. ■ BROOK, BROWN, AND RAINBOW TROUT: season, second Sat in April to Oct. 31; length limits, none; daily limits, total number of brook trout, brown trout, and rainbow trout, no more than 2 ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open ONLY TO TROUT FISHING (Catch and Release) using artificial flies and lures | Bennington and Shaftsbury | Bennington | 1 | | 14 | 82 | |
| WARE BROOK | | | | | | | |
| From the downstream edge of the furthest downstream bridge/culvert on Back Coventry Road (TH #8 in Irasburg) upstream approximately 1 mile to the top of the first major natural falls on Ware Brook. ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 | Irasburg | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 83 | |
| WARM BROOK | | | | | | | |
| From its mouth on the Roaring Branch upstream to the base of the so-called Hale Company dam in East Arlington. ■ TROUT: Catch and Release between Oct. 1 and Oct. 31 – all trout must be immediately released | Arlington/Sunderland | Bennington | 1 | | 14 | 84 | |
| WELLS BROOK | | | | | | | |
| Lake Willoughby to headwater. ■ CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 | Westmore | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 85 | |
| WELLS RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Connecticut River main channel to US Route 302 bridge, Newbury. | Newbury | Orange | 4 | | 7 | 86 | |
| US Route 302 bridge, Newbury, to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 7 | | |
| WEST RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Connecticut River main channel to US Route 5 bridge, Brattleboro. | Brattleboro | Windham | 4 | | 15 | 87 | E |
| From the Connecticut River boundary (US Route 5 bridge) upstream to the Townshend Dam (Townshend). (Retreat Meadows – see Index of Lakes and Ponds) ■ Open to fishing year-round (<i>see below and table for regulations on specific species</i>) ■ From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open to trout fishing (Catch and Release) using artificial flies or lures ■ LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: season, open year-round; length limit, none; daily limit, 5 | Townshend/Jamaica | Windham | 2 | | 15 | 88 | E |
| Top of Townshend Lake Dam in Townshend to VT Route 100 bridge, Jamaica. ■ LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: season, open year-round; length limit, none; daily limit, 5 | Townshend/Jamaica | Windham | 2 | | 15 | 89 | |
| VT Route 100 bridge, Jamaica, to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 12, 13, 15 | | |
| WHITE RIVER | | | | | | | |

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| Connecticut River main channel to Bridge Street bridge (US Route 5), Hartford. | Hartford | Windsor | 4 | | 11 | 90 | |
| From the Connecticut River boundary (US Route 5 bridge) upstream to the downstream edge of Route 107 bridge in Bethel. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to fishing year-round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open to trout fishing (Catch and Release) using artificial flies or lures LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: season, open year-round; length limit, none; daily limit, 5 | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 2 | | 10, 11 | 91 | |
| From the confluence with Lilliesville Brook in Stockbridge downstream 3.3 miles to 220' downstream of the confluence with Cleveland Brook in Bethel. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BROOK, BROWN, AND RAINBOW TROUT: length limit, 18" minimum length; daily limit, 1 trout; gear restriction, artificial lures and flies only | Stockbridge/Bethel | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 10 | 92 | |
| Confluence with Lilliesville Brook, Stockbridge, to headwaters. | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 10 | | |
| WILLIAMS RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Connecticut River main channel to US Route 5 bridge, Rockingham. | Rockingham | Windham | 4 | | 13 | 93 | E |
| From the Connecticut River boundary (Route 5 bridge) upstream to the top of the dam at Brockway Mills Falls in Rockingham. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to fishing year-round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open to trout fishing (Catch and Release) using artificial flies or lures LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: season, open year-round; length limit, none; daily limit, 5 | Rockingham | Windham | 2 | | 13 | 94 | E |
| 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 Road bridge. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" RAINBOW TROUT AND BROWN TROUT: length limit, minimum length 10"; daily limit, 2 trout | Barton | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 95 | |
| Orleans/Brownington Road bridge to natural falls top. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" RAINBOW TROUT AND BROWN TROUT: length limit, minimum length 10"; daily limit, 2 trout | Barton | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 96 | |
| Natural falls top to Brownington Branch confluence. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" RAINBOW TROUT AND BROWN TROUT: length limit, minimum length 10"; daily limit, 2 trout | Barton/Brownington | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 97 | |
| Brownington Branch confluence to downstream edge of the bridge on VT Route 58 in the village of Evansville (Brownington). <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CLOSED TO FISHING: second Saturday in April through May 31 LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" RAINBOW TROUT AND BROWN TROUT: length limit, minimum length 10"; daily limit, 2 trout | Brownington | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 98 | |
| Downstream edge of the bridge on VT Route 58 in the village of Evansville (Brownington) to Willoughby Lake outlet. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" RAINBOW TROUT AND BROWN TROUT: length limit, minimum length 10"; daily limit, 2 trout | Brownington/Barton/Westmore | Orleans | 1 | | 3 | 99 | |
| WINOOSKI RIVER | | | | | | | |
| Lake Champlain upstream to the first railroad bridge (approximately 9 miles) in Winooski and Burlington. | Winooski/Burlington | Chittenden | 3 | 7 | 5 | | E |
| 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. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CLOSED TO FISHING: March 16–May 31 | Winooski/Burlington | Chittenden | 3 | 7 | 5 | 100 | |
| WINOOSKI RIVER | | | | | | | |

| Rivers and Streams | Town | County | Table | Ice Fishing Table | Map | Stream Section # | ANS* |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|-------------------|------|------------------|------|
| <p>From the Winooski One Hydro Dam west of Main Street (US 7) in Winooski and Burlington upstream to Preston Brook, Bolton.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to fishing year-round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open to trout fishing (Catch and Release) using artificial flies or lures LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: season, open year-round; length limit, none; daily limit, 5 | All Applicable Towns | Chittenden | 1 | | 5, 6 | 101 | |
| <p>From Preston Brook mouth upstream (approximately 4.4 miles) to the Ridley Brook mouth.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to fishing year-round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open to trout fishing (Catch and Release) using artificial flies or lures TROUT: length limit, 10" to 16" protected slot (all fish 10" to 16" must be released); daily limit, 2 trout, only 1 greater than 16" LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: season, open year-round; length limit, none; daily limit, 5 | Bolton/ Duxbury/ Waterbury | Chittenden/ Washington | 1 | | 6 | 102 | |
| <p>Ridley Brook mouth upstream to the top of the Bolton Dam in Duxbury and Waterbury.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open to trout fishing (Catch and Release) using artificial flies or lures LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: season, open year-round; length limit, none; daily limit, 5 | Bolton/ Duxbury/ Waterbury | Chittenden/ Washington | 1 | | 6 | 103 | |
| <p>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).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BROOK, BROWN, AND RAINBOW TROUT: season, second Saturday in April to Oct. 31; length limit, none; daily limit, total number of brook trout, brown trout, and rainbow trout, no more than 2 From Nov. 1 to Friday before the second Saturday in April, open ONLY TO TROUT FISHING (Catch and Release) using artificial flies and lures | Duxbury/ Waterbury | Washington | 1 | | 6 | 104 | |
| <p>Route 2 bridge (east side of Waterbury Village) in Waterbury to headwaters.</p> | All Applicable Towns | All Applicable Counties | 1 | | 6, 7 | | |



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Index of Lakes and Ponds

Kurt Budliger

For lakes, ponds, reservoirs, and impoundments **NOT LISTED** in this index, see Table 2 (page 87).

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|---------------------|---|---|----|-----|-----|---|---|-------|
| ABENAKI, LAKE | Thetford | Orange | 2 | 8 | 11 | 44 | | | N | 5mph |
| | Woodford | Bennington | 5 | 6 | 14 | 21 | | | N | 5mph |
| ADAMS RESERVOIR | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | |
| AMHERST LAKE | Plymouth | Windsor | 2 | 8 | 13 | 81 | St | | Y | |
| ANSEL POND | Bethel | Windsor | 5 | 6 | 10 | 2 | Sc | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| ARROWHEAD MOUNTAIN LAKE | Milton/Georgia | Chittenden/Franklin | 2 | 8 | 1 | 760 | Ut | E | Y | Other |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to fishing year-round (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| ATHENS POND | Athens | Windham | 2 | 8 | 13 | 21 | | | N | 5mph |
| AUSTIN POND | Hubbardton | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 28 | | E | N | 5mph |
| BACK POND | Brighton | Essex | 2 | 8 | 3 | 10 | | | | |
| BAKER POND | Barton | Orleans | 5 | 6 | 3 | 51 | Sud | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| BAKER POND (Brookfield Pond) | Brookfield | Orange | 2 | 6 | 10 | 31 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LARGEMOUTH BASS: length limit, no minimum length. 10" to 12" protected slot (all bass 10" to 12" must be released); daily limit, 10 bass, only 1 greater than 12" | | | | | | | | | |
| BALD HILL POND | Westmore | Orleans | 5 | 6 | 3 | 108 | St | | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| BALL MOUNTAIN RESERVOIR | Jamaica | Windham | 2 | 8 | 13 | 85 | | | Y | 5mph |
| BANCROFT POND | Plainfield | Washington | 5 | 8 | 7 | 14 | | | | |
| BEAN POND | Lyndon | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 24 | | | Y | 5mph |
| BEAN POND | Sutton | Caledonia | 5 | 6 | 3 | 30 | Sc | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| BEAVER POND | Holland | Orleans | 5 | 6 | 4 | 40 | Sf | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | |
| BECK POND | Newark | Caledonia | 5 | 6 | 4 | 6 | Sud | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| BEEBE POND | Hubbardton | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 110 | | E | Y | Other |
| BEEBE POND | Sunderland | Bennington | 5 | 6 | 14 | 10 | Gf | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | |
| BERLIN POND | Berlin | Washington | 2 | 8 | 6 | 256 | Mc | E | N | Other |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: Catch and immediate release only YELLOW PERCH: daily limit, 10 perch | | | | | | | | | |

- 1 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.
- 2 E=Eurasian Watermilfoil; Z=Zebra Mussel; W=Water Chestnut; V=Variable-leaf watermilfoil; LBV=Largemouth Bass Virus; A=Alewife.
- 3 The rule prohibits the use of internal combustion motors to power vessels.

Aquatic nuisance species (ANS) spread-prevention practices should always be employed when visiting ANY waterbody, regardless of whether a known infestation is present. Invasive species and/or fish diseases could be present but not yet detected. Please follow the recommendations on page 14 to help stop the spread of ANS.

| Lakes and Ponds | Town | County | Table | Ice Fishing Table | Map | Lake Area (acres) | Access ¹ | Aquatic Nuisance Species ² | Internal Combustion Boat Motors Allowed ³ | Other Boating Restrictions | |
|---|---|-----------------------|---------|-------------------|-----|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|--|----------------------------|------|
| BIG AVERILL LAKE (Great Averill Lake) | Norton/Averill | Essex | 5 | 9 | 4 | 828 | St | | Y | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 and third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 ALL SPECIES: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length limits) BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, AND LANDLOCKED SALMON: daily limit, total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 in aggregate | | | | | | | | | | |
| BIG FISH POND (Vail Pond) | Sutton | Caledonia | 5 | 6 | 3 | 16 | | | | | |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BIG MUD POND | Mt. Tabor | Rutland | 5 | 6 | 12 | 15 | | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | | |
| BIG POND (Woodford Lake) | Woodford | Bennington | 2 | 8 | 14 | 31 | | | Y | 5mph | |
| BIG SALEM LAKE (Salem Lake) | Derby | Orleans | 2 | 10 | 3 | 764 | St | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to fishing year-round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) Catch and Release for salmon between Sept. 1 (NEW!) and Oct. 31 LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, LANDLOCKED SALMON, AND LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | | |
| | BILLINGS MARSH POND | West Haven | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 56 | | | N | 5mph |
| | BLACK POND | Hubbardton | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 20 | Sud | E | N | 5mph |
| BLACK POND | Plymouth | Windsor | 2 | 8 | 13 | 20 | | | N | 5mph | |
| BLAKE POND | Sutton | Caledonia | 5 | 6 | 3 | 8 | Sf | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | | |
| BLISS POND | Calais | Washington | 2 | 8 | 6 | 46 | | | Y | 5mph | |
| BLUEBERRY LAKE (Warren Lake) | Warren | Washington | 2 | 8 | 6 | 48 | | | N | 5mph | |
| BOMOSEEN, LAKE | Castleton/Hubbardton | Rutland | 2 | 10 | 9 | 2360 | St | E, W, Z | 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: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | | |
| BOURN POND | Sunderland | Bennington | 5 | 6 | 12 | 48 | | | N | 5mph | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | | |
| BRANCH POND | Sunderland | Bennington | 5 | 6 | 14 | 34 | | | N | 5mph | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | | |
| BRISTOL POND (Winona Lake) | Bristol | Addison | 2 | 8 | 5 | 248 | St | E | Y | | |
| BROOKFIELD POND (Baker Pond) | Brookfield | Orange | 2 | 8 | 10 | 31 | | | Y | 5mph | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LARGEMOUTH BASS: length limit, 10" to 12" protected slot (all bass 10" to 12" must be released); daily limit, 10 bass, only 1 greater than 12" | | | | | | | | | | |
| BROWN POND | Westmore | Caledonia/ Orleans | 5 | 6 | 3 | 15 | Sud | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | | |
| BROWNINGTON POND | Brownington/Derby | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 139 | St | E | Y | | |
| BRUCE POND | Sheffield | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 3 | 27 | | | Y | 5mph | |
| BUCK LAKE | Woodbury | Washington | 2 | 8 | 7 | 39 | Sc | | N | 5mph | |
| BULLHEAD POND | Manchester | Bennington | 2 | 8 | 12 | 8 | Sc | | N | | |
| BURBEE POND | Windham | Windham | 2 | 8 | 13 | 50 | Sf | | N | 5mph | |
| BURR POND | Pittsford | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 20 | | | N | 5mph | |
| BURR POND | Sudbury | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 85 | St | E | Y | Others | |
| CARMI, LAKE (Franklin Pond) | Franklin | Franklin | 2 | 8 | 2 | 1,402 | St | E | Y | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> WALLEYE: open season, first Saturday in May to March 15; length limit, minimum length 15", 17" to 19" protected slot (all walleye between 17" and 19" must be released); daily limit, 5 fish limit provided only 1 is over 19" | | | | | | | | | | |

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|--|--|-----------------|-------|-------------------|---------|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|--|----------------------------|
| CASPIAN LAKE | Greensboro | Orleans | 5 | 9 | 3 | 789 | Mt | | Y | Others |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 and third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 ■ ALL SPECIES: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length Limit) ■ BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, AND LANDLOCKED SALMON: daily limit, total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 in aggregate ■ RAINBOW TROUT AND BROWN TROUT: length limit, minimum length 10"; daily limit, 2 trout | | | | | | | | | |
| CEDAR LAKE (Monkton Pond) | Monkton | Addison | 2 | 8 | 5 | 123 | St | E | Y | |
| CENTER POND | Newark | Caledonia | 5 | 6 | 4 | 79 | St | | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) ■ BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, AND LANDLOCKED SALMON: daily limit, total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 in aggregate | | | | | | | | | |
| CHAMPLAIN, LAKE | | | 3 | 7 | 1, 5, 9 | | Xt | E, W, Z, LBV, A | Y | |
| CHANDLER POND | Wheelock | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 68 | | | N | 5mph |
| CHARLESTON POND (Lubber Lake) | Charleston | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 40 | Uf | | N | 5mph |
| CHIPMAN LAKE (Tinmouth Pond) | Tinmouth | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 12 | 79 | Pc | E | Y | |
| CHITTENDEN RESERVOIR | Chittenden | Rutland | 2 | 10 | 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: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 ■ WALLEYE: open season, June 1–March 15; length limit, minimum length 22"; daily limit, 2 | | | | | | | | | |
| CLARK POND (Tildy's Pond) | Glover | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 33 | Sud | | | |
| CLYDE POND | Derby | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 186 | Uc | E | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Open to fishing year-round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) ■ Catch and Release for salmon between Sept. 1 (NEW!) and Oct. 31 ■ LANDLOCKED SALMON: length limit, minimum length 17" | | | | | | | | | |
| COBB POND | Derby | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 27 | | | N | 5mph |
| COGGMAN POND | West Haven | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 20 | | E, W | N | 5mph |
| COITS POND | Cabot | Washington | 2 | 8 | 7 | 40 | Sud | | N | 5mph |
| COLBY POND | Plymouth | Windsor | 5 | 6 | 13 | 20 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| COLCHESTER POND | Colchester | Chittenden | 2 | 8 | 1, 5 | 186 | Mc | | N | No Boat Motors |
| COLE POND | Jamaica | Windham | 2 | 8 | 13 | 41 | | | N | 5mph |
| COLES POND | Walden | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 125 | Mc | | Y | |
| COLTON POND | Killington | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 10 | 27 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| COMERFORD RESERVOIR (CT River) | Waterford/Concord | Caledonia/Essex | 4 | | 7 | 777 | Ut | | | |
| | Granby | Essex | 5 | 6 | 4 | 10 | Mf | | | |
| COW MOUNTAIN POND | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) ■ Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| CRANBERRY MEADOW POND | Woodbury | Washington | 2 | 8 | 6 | 28 | | | N | 5mph |
| CRESCENT LAKE | Sharon | Windsor | 2 | 8 | 11 | 20 | | | N | 5mph |
| CRYSTAL LAKE | Barton | Orleans | 5 | 9 | 3 | 763 | St | E | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 and third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 ■ ALL SPECIES: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length Limit) ■ BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, AND LANDLOCKED SALMON: daily limit, total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 in aggregate | | | | | | | | | |
| CURTIS POND | Calais | Washington | 2 | 8 | 6 | 72 | St | | Y | Others |
| CUTLER POND | Highgate | Franklin | 2 | 8 | 1 | 25 | | | N | 5mph |
| DANBY POND | Danby | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 12 | 56 | | | Y | 5mph |
| DANIELS POND | Glover | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 66 | St | | Y | 5mph |

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| DANYOW POND | Ferrisburgh | Addison | 2 | 8 | 5 | 192 | | | Y | 5mph |
| DEER PARK POND | Halifax | Windham | 2 | 8 | 15 | 22 | | | N | 5mph |
| DENNIS POND | Brunswick | Essex | 2 | 8 | 4 | 49 | Sf | | N | 5mph |
| DERBY POND | Derby | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 207 | St | E | Y | |
| DEWEYS MILL POND | Hartford | Windsor | 2 | 8 | 11 | 56 | | E | N | 5mph |
| DUCK POND | Craftsbury | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 9 | Sc | | | |
| DUCK POND | Sheffield | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 3 | 7 | | | | |
| DUCK POND | Sutton | Caledonia | 5 | 6 | 3 | 8 | Sc | | | |
| | ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| DUFRESNE POND | Manchester | Bennington | 5 | 6 | | | | | | |
| | ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| DUNMORE, LAKE North of a line from Sucker Brook to the island | Salisbury/Leicester | Addison | 5 | 9 | 9 | 985 | St | E | Y | |
| | ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 and third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| | ■ ALL SPECIES: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length Limit) | | | | | | | | | |
| | ■ BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, AND LANDLOCKED SALMON: daily limit, total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 in aggregate | | | | | | | | | |
| DUNMORE, LAKE South of a line from Sucker Brook to the island | Salisbury/Leicester | Addison | 2 | 10 | 9 | 985 | St | E | 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, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| | ■ BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, AND LANDLOCKED SALMON: daily limit, total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 in aggregate | | | | | | | | | |
| EAST LONG POND | Woodbury | Washington | 5 | 6 | 7 | 188 | Pf | | Y | |
| | ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| | ■ BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, AND LANDLOCKED SALMON: daily limit, total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 in aggregate | | | | | | | | | |
| ECHO LAKE | Charleston | Orleans | 5 | 9 | 3 | 550 | St | | Y | |
| | ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 and third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| | ■ ALL SPECIES: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length Limit) | | | | | | | | | |
| | ■ BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, AND LANDLOCKED SALMON: daily limit, total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 in aggregate | | | | | | | | | |
| | ■ RAINBOW TROUT AND BROWN TROUT: length limit, minimum length 10" | | | | | | | | | |
| ECHO LAKE | Plymouth | Windsor | 2 | 10 | 13 | 104 | 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: third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| ECHO LAKE (Keeler Pond) | Hubbardton | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 54 | | E | Y | |
| EDEN, LAKE | Eden | Lamoille | 2 | 10 | 2 | 194 | 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, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| ELLIGO, LAKE | Craftsbury/Greensboro | Orleans | 2 | 10 | 3 | 174 | St | E | 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, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| | ■ BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, AND LANDLOCKED SALMON: daily limit, total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 in aggregate | | | | | | | | | |
| ELMORE, LAKE | Elmore | Lamoille | 2 | 8 | 6 | 219 | St | E | Y | Others |
| EMERALD LAKE | Dorset | Bennington | 2 | 8 | 12 | 28 | Sf | | N | 5mph |
| EWELL POND | Peacham | Caledonia | 5 | 6 | 7 | 51 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| | ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| FAIRFIELD POND | Fairfield | Franklin | 2 | 8 | 1 | 446 | Sud | E | Y | |
| FAIRFIELD SWAMP POND | Swanton | Franklin | 2 | 8 | 1 | 152 | Sc | E | Y | 5mph |

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|--|--|------------|-------|-------------------|-----|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------|--|----------------------------|
| FAIRLEE LAKE | Thetford/Fairlee/W. Fairlee | Orange | 2 | 10 | 11 | 457 | St | E | 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: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| FERN LAKE | Leicester | Addison | 2 | 8 | 9 | 69 | Mc | | Y | 5mph |
| FLAGG POND | Wheelock | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 3 | 111 | Sud | | N | 5mph |
| FOREST LAKE | Averill | Essex | 5 | 6 | 4 | 62 | | | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| FOREST LAKE (Nelson Pond) | Calais/Woodbury | Washington | 5 | 9 | 7 | 133 | St | | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 and third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 ■ ALL SPECIES: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length limit) ■ BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, AND LANDLOCKED SALMON: daily limit, total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 in aggregate | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| FOSTERS POND | Peacham | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 61 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| FRANKLIN POND (Lake Carmi) | Franklin | Franklin | 2 | 8 | 2 | 1,402 | St | E | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ WALLEYE: open season, first Saturday in May to March 15; length limit, minimum length 15", 17" to 19" protected slot (all walleye between 17" to 19" must be released); daily limit, 5 fish with only 1 over 19" | | | | | | | | | |
| GALE MEADOWS POND | Londonderry | Windham | 2 | 8 | 13 | 195 | St | E | Y | 5mph |
| GATES POND | Whitingham | Windham | 2 | 8 | 14 | 30 | | | N | 5mph |
| GILLETT POND | Richmond | Chittenden | 2 | 8 | 5 | 30 | | | N | 5mph |
| GLEN LAKE | Castleton/Fair Haven/Benson | Rutland | 2 | 10 | 9 | 206 | Sf | E | 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: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| GOSHEN DAM (Sugar Hill Reservoir) | Goshen | Addison | 5 | 6 | 9 | 63 | St | | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday April to Oct. 31. Closed to ice fishing. | | | | | | | | | |
| GREAT AVERILL LAKE (Big Averill Lake) | Norton/Averill | Essex | 5 | 9 | 4 | 828 | St | | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday April to Oct. 31 and third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 ■ ALL SPECIES: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length limits) ■ BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT AND LANDLOCKED SALMON: daily limit, total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 in aggregate | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| GREAT HOSMER POND | Craftsbury/Albany | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 140 | Mt | E | Y | |
| GREEN RIVER RESERVOIR | Hyde Park | Lamoille | 2 | 8 | 2 | 554 | Sc | | N | 5mph |
| GREENWOOD LAKE | Woodbury | Washington | 2 | 8 | 7 | 91 | St | | Y | Others |
| | Mt. Tabor | Rutland | 5 | 6 | 12 | 15 | | | | |
| GRIFFITH LAKE | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) ■ Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | |
| GRIGGS POND | Albany | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 6 | | | | |
| GROTON LAKE | Groton | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 414 | Sr | | Y | |
| GROUT POND | Stratton | Windham | 2 | 8 | 14 | 84 | Gc | | N | 5mph |
| HALF MOON POND | Hubbardton | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 23 | Sc | | N | 5mph |
| HALFMOON POND | Fletcher | Franklin | 2 | 8 | 2 | 21 | | | Y | 5mph |
| HALFWAY POND | Norton | Essex | 2 | 8 | 4 | 22 | Sf | | N | 5mph |
| HALLS LAKE | Newbury | Orange | 2 | 8 | 7 | 85 | Mt | E, V | Y | Others |
| HANCOCK LAKE (Sucker Pond) | Stamford | Bennington | 2 | 8 | 14 | 51 | Mf | | N | 5mph |
| HAPGOOD POND | Peru | Bennington | 5 | 6 | 14 | 8 | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| HARDWICK LAKE | Hardwick | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 145 | St | | N | 5mph |
| HARDWOOD POND | Elmore | Lamoille | 2 | 8 | 6 | 44 | | | N | 5mph |
| HARRIMAN POND | Newbury | Orange | 2 | 8 | 7 | 20 | | | N | 5mph |

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| HARRIMAN RESERVOIR | Whitingham/Wilmington | Windham | 2 | 10 | 14 | 2,040 | Ut | | Y | |
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| HARTWELL POND | Albany | Orleans | 5 | 6 | 3 | 16 | Pf | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| HARVEYS LAKE | Barnet | Caledonia | 2 | 10 | 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: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, AND LANDLOCKED SALMON: daily limit, total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 in aggregate | | | | | | | | | |
| HIGH POND | Sudbury | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 20 | | | N | 5mph |
| HINKUM POND | Sudbury | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 60 | | E | N | 5mph |
| HOLLAND POND | Holland | Orleans | 5 | 6 | 4 | 325 | St | | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| HORSE POND | Greensboro | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 32 | Sc | | Y | 5mph |
| HORTONIA, LAKE (Horton Pond) | Hubbardton/Sudbury | Rutland | 2 | 10 | 9 | 479 | St | E | 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: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| INDIAN BROOK RESERVOIR | Essex | Chittenden | 2 | 8 | 5 | 50 | Mc | E | N | 5mph |
| INMAN POND | Fair Haven | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 85 | | | N | 5mph |
| IROQUOIS, LAKE | Hinesburg | Chittenden | 2 | 8 | 5 | 243 | St | E | Y | |
| ISLAND POND | Brighton | Essex | 2 | 10 | 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: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| JACKSONVILLE POND | Whitingham | Windham | 2 | 8 | 15 | 20 | | | N | 5mph |
| JOBS POND | Westmore | Orleans | 5 | 6 | 3 | 39 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see below and table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited BROOK TROUT: length limit, 12" to 15" protected slot (all fish 12" to 15" must be released); daily limit, 2 brook trout, only 1 greater than 15" | | | | | | | | | |
| JOES POND | Cabot/Danville | Washington/Caledonia | 2 | 10 | 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: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| JOHNSON POND | Orwell | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 20 | | | N | 5mph |
| KEISER POND | Danville | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 33 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| KENNY POND | Newfane | Windham | 2 | 8 | 15 | 26 | | | N | 5mph |
| KENT POND | Killington | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 10 | 99 | St | E | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LARGEMOUTH BASS: length limit, no minimum length. 10" to 12" protected slot (all bass 10" to 12" must be released); daily limit, 10 bass, only 1 greater than 12" | | | | | | | | | |
| KETTLE POND | Groton | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 109 | Sf | | Y | 5mph |
| KIDDER POND | Irasburg | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 16 | | | | |
| KNAPP BROOK POND NO. 1 | Cavendish/Reading | Windsor | 5 | 6 | 13 | 25 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| KNAPP BROOK POND NO. 2 | Cavendish/Reading | Windsor | 5 | 6 | 13 | 35 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | | |
| LAMOILLE LAKE | Morristown | Lamoille | 2 | 8 | 2 | 148 | | | Y | |
| LAMSON POND | Brookfield | | 2 | 8 | 10 | 24 | | | N | 5mph |
| LEFFERTS POND | Chittenden | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 10 | 55 | | | N | 5mph |
| LEVI POND | Groton | | 5 | 6 | 7 | 22 | Sf | | N | 5mph |
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| LEWIS POND | Lewis | Essex | 5 | 6 | 4 | 68 | Gc | | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | |
| LILY POND | Londonderry | Windham | 2 | 8 | 13 | 21 | | | N | 5mph |
| LILY POND | Vernon | Windham | 2 | 8 | 15 | 41 | | | N | 5mph |
| LITTLE AVERILL LAKE | Averill | Essex | 5 | 9 | 4 | 467 | Pt | | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 and third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 LAKE TROUT: length limit, minimum Length 20" LEGAL METHOD: open-water fishing with not more than 1 line, ice fishing with not more than 4 lines BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, AND LANDLOCKED SALMON: daily limit, total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 in aggregate, of which only 1 may be a lake trout BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, LANDLOCKED SALMON, AND LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15, ice fishing with not more than 4 lines | | | | | | | | | |
| LITTLE ELMORE POND | Elmore | Lamoille | 5 | 6 | 6 | 24 | Pc | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| LITTLE HOSMER POND | Craftsbury | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 180 | St | | Y | Others |
| LITTLE MUD POND | Winhall | Bennington | 2 | 8 | 12 | 21 | | | | |
| LITTLE POND | Franklin | Franklin | 2 | 8 | 2 | 95 | | | N | 5mph |
| LITTLE ROCK POND | Wallingford | Rutland | 5 | 6 | 12 | 18 | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | |
| LITTLE SALEM LAKE | Derby | Orleans | 2 | 10 | 3 | -- | Sc | | Y | |
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| LITTLE WHEELER POND | Brunswick | Essex | 2 | 8 | 4 | 8 | Sud | | | |
| LONG POND (Belvidere Pond) | Eden | Lamoille | 2 | 8 | 2 | 97 | Pc | E | N | 5mph |
| LONG POND | Greensboro | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 100 | Sc | | N | 5mph |
| LONG POND | Milton | Chittenden | 2 | 8 | 1 | 47 | Pf | | N | 5mph |
| LONG POND | Newbury | Orange | 5 | 6 | 7 | 15 | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| LONG POND | Sheffield | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 3 | 38 | Sf | | N | 5mph |
| LONG POND | Westmore | Orleans | 5 | 6 | 3 | 90 | St | | Y | 5mph |
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| LOVES MARSH | Castleton | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 62 | | | N | 5mph |
| LOWELL LAKE | Londonderry | Windham | 2 | 8 | 13 | 109 | Sc | | N | 5mph |
| LOWER POND (Lake Sunset) | Hinesburg | Chittenden | 2 | 8 | 5 | 58 | | E | Y | 5mph |
| LOWER SYMES POND | Ryegate | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 57 | Sc | | Y | 5mph |
| LYFORD POND | Walden | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 33 | Sc | | Y | 5mph |
| MACKVILLE POND | Hardwick | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 12 | Mc | | | |
| MADELEINE LAKE | Sandgate | Bennington | 2 | 8 | 14 | 20 | | | Y | 5mph |
| MAIDSTONE LAKE | Maidstone | Essex | 5 | 9 | 4 | 745 | St | | Y | |
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| MARL POND | Sutton | Caledonia | 5 | 6 | 3 | 10 | Sc | | | |
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| MARSHFIELD DAM (Mollys Falls Reservoir) | Cabot | Washington | 2 | 10 | 7 | 397 | St | | Y | |
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| MARTINS POND | Peacham | Caledonia | 5 | 6 | 7 | 82 | St | | Y | Others |
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| MAY POND | Barton | Orleans | 5 | 6 | 3 | 116 | St | | N | 5mph |
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| MCALLISTER POND | Lowell | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 2 | 25 | | | N | 5mph |
| MCCONNELL POND | Brighton | Essex | 2 | 8 | 4 | 87 | Sf | | N | 5mph |
| MCINTOSH POND | Royalton | Windsor | 5 | 6 | 10 | 23 | St | | Y | 5mph |
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| MEMPHREMAGOG, LAKE Lake Memphremagog (including South Bay) | Newport/Derby/ Coventry | Orleans | 2 | 10 | 3 | 5,966 | St | E | Y | |
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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, LANDLOCKED SALMON, AND LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, LANDLOCKED SALMON, AND LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| MENDON BEAVER POND | Mendon | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 10 | 6 | Sc | | | |
| METCALF POND | Fletcher | Franklin | 2 | 8 | 2 | 81 | Mc | E | Y | |
| MILE POND | Ferdinand | Essex | 2 | 8 | 4 | 26 | | | N | 5mph |
| MILES POND | Concord | Essex | 2 | 10 | 8 | 215 | St | | Y | |
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| MILL POND (Kennedys Pond) | Windsor | Windsor | 2 | 8 | 13 | 77 | Mt | E | N | 5mph |
| MILL POND (Parsons Mill Pond) | Benson | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 39 | | E, W | N | 5mph |
| MILLER POND | Strafford | Orange | 2 | 8 | 11 | 64 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| MILTON POND | Milton | Chittenden | 2 | 8 | 1 | 24 | | | N | Others |
| MIRROR LAKE (No. 10 Pond) | Calais | Washington | 2 | 8 | 7 | 85 | St | | Y | Others |
| MOLLYS FALLS RESERVOIR (Marshfield Dam) | Cabot | Washington | 2 | 10 | 7 | 397 | St | | Y | |
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| MOLLYS POND | Cabot | Washington | 2 | 8 | 7 | 38 | Pf | | N | 5mph |
| MOORE DAM RESERVOIR (CT River) | Waterford | Caledonia | 4 | | 8 | 1235 | Ut | | | |
| MOREY, LAKE | Fairlee | Orange | 2 | 10 | 11 | 547 | St | E | Y | |
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| MUD CREEK POND | Alburgh | Grand Isle | 2 | 8 | 1 | 333 | | | N | 5mph |
| MUD POND | Craftsbury | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 35 | | | N | 5mph |
| MUD POND | Granby | Essex | 2 | 8 | 4 | 55 | | | N | 5mph |
| MUD POND | Hyde Park | Lamoille | 5 | 6 | 2 | 14 | | | N | 5mph |
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| MUD POND | Irasburg | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 5 | | | | |
| MUD POND | Leicester | Addison | 2 | 8 | 9 | 23 | | | N | 5mph |

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| MUD POND | Morgan | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 35 | Pf | | N | 5mph |
| MUD POND | Peacham | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 34 | | | N | 5mph |
| MUD POND | Sheffield | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 3 | 5 | | | | |
| MUD POND (Forsythie Pond) | Thetford | Orange | 2 | 8 | 11 | 20 | | | N | 5mph |
| MUDD POND | Hubbardton | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 20 | | | N | 5mph |
| NEAL POND | Lunenburg | Essex | 2 | 8 | 8 | 185 | St | | Y | |
| NELSON POND (Forest Lake) | Calais/Woodbury | Washington | 5 | 9 | 7 | 133 | St | | Y | |
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| NEWARK POND | Newark | Caledonia | 2 | 10 | 3 | 153 | St | | Y | |
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| NICHOLS POND | Woodbury | Washington | 5 | 6 | 7 | 171 | Pc | | Y | 5mph |
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| NINEVAH, LAKE | Mount Holly | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 13 | 171 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| NORFORD LAKE | Thetford | Orange | 2 | 8 | 11 | 21 | | | N | 5mph |
| NORTHEAST DEVELOPERS POND | Wells | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 12 | 27 | | | Y | 5mph |
| NORTH HARTLAND RESERVOIR | Hartland | Windsor | 2 | 8 | 11 | 215 | Gt | E | Y | |
| NORTH MONTPELIER POND | East Montpelier | Washington | 2 | 8 | 7 | 72 | Sc | E | Y | 5mph |
| NORTH SPRINGFIELD RESERVOIR | Springfield | Windsor | 2 | 8 | 13 | 290 | Gt | E | Y | 5mph |
| NORTH POND | Brookfield | Orange | 2 | 8 | 10 | 24 | | | N | 5mph |
| | Chittenden | Rutland | 5 | 6 | | | | | Y | |
| NORTH POND | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | |
| | Whitingham | Windham | 2 | 8 | 14 | 20 | | | N | 5mph |
| NORTON BROOK RESERVOIR | Bristol | Addison | 2 | 8 | 5 | -- | | | | |
| NORTON POND | Norton/Warrens Gore | Essex | 5 | 9 | 4 | 583 | St | | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 and third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 ALL SPECIES: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 (see table for daily and length limit) | | | | | | | | | |
| NOTCH POND | Ferdinand | Essex | 5 | 6 | 4 | 22 | Pf | | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | |
| NOYES POND (Seyon Pond) | Groton | Caledonia | 5 | 6 | 7 | 39 | Sr | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ALL SPECIES: open season, second Saturday in April to last Sunday in Oct., between 6:00 a.m. and one hour after sunset. Access to waters controlled by Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation; legal method, open-water fishing, 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 & Recreation (shore and tributary fishing are prohibited). | | | | | | | | | |
| NULHEGAN POND | Brighton | Essex | 2 | 8 | 4 | 37 | Pf | | N | 5mph |
| OLD MARSH POND | Fair Haven | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 131 | | | N | 5mph |
| OSMORE POND | Peacham | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 48 | Sf | | N | 5mph |
| PAGE POND | Albany | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 16 | | | | |
| PARAN LAKE | Bennington | Bennington | 2 | 8 | 14 | 40 | Str | E, W | N | No Boat Motors |
| PARKER, LAKE | Glover | Orleans | 2 | 10 | 3 | 250 | St | E | 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: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |

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| PATCH POND | Rutland City | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 20 | | | N | 5mph |
| PAUL STREAM POND | Brunswick | Essex | 2 | 8 | 4 | 20 | Sf | | N | 5mph |
| PEACHAM POND | Peacham | Caledonia | 5 | 9 | 7 | 340 | St | | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 and third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 ALL SPECIES: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 (see table for daily and length Limit) | | | | | | | | | |
| PENSIONER POND | Charleston | Orleans | 2 | 10 | 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: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| PERCH POND | Benson | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 24 | Sc | | N | 5mph |
| PERCH POND (Zack Woods Pond) | Hyde Park/Wolcott | | 5 | 6 | 2 | 30 | Sc | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| PIGEON POND | Groton | Caledonia | 5 | 6 | 7 | 69 | | | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| PINE POND | Castleton | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 40 | | | N | 5mph |
| PINNEO LAKE | Hartford | Windsor | 2 | 8 | 11 | 50 | | | N | 5mph |
| POTTERS POND | Albany | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 5 | | | | |
| RAPONDA LAKE | Wilmington | Windham | 2 | 8 | 15 | 121 | St | | Y | |
| READING POND | Reading | Windsor | 2 | 8 | 13 | 22 | | | N | 5mph |
| RED MILL POND | Woodford | Bennington | 5 | 6 | 14 | 7 | Sc | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | |
| RESCUE LAKE | Ludlow | Windsor | 2 | 10 | 13 | 180 | 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: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| RESERVOIR POND (Lake Pauline) | Ludlow | Windsor | 2 | 8 | 13 | 32 | | | Y | 5mph |
| RETREAT MEADOWS | Brattleboro | Windham | 2 | 8 | 15 | 80 | | | | |
| RICHMOND POND | Richmond | Chittenden | 2 | 8 | 6 | 24 | | | N | 5mph |
| RICHVILLE POND | Shoreham | Addison | 2 | 8 | 9 | 129 | St | E, W | Y | 5mph |
| RICKER POND | Groton | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 92 | Sc | | Y | |
| ROACH POND | Hubbardton | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 20 | | | N | 5mph |
| ROOD POND | Williamstown/ Brookfield | Orange | 2 | 8 | 6 | 23 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| ROUND POND | Holland | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 14 | Sf | | N | 5mph |
| ROUND POND | Milton | Chittenden | 2 | 8 | 1 | 22 | | | N | 5mph |
| ROUND POND | Newbury | Orange | 2 | 8 | 7 | 30 | Sf | E | N | 5mph |
| ROUND POND | Sheffield | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 3 | 13 | Sf | | | |
| RUNNEMEDE LAKE (Everts Pond) | Windsor | Windsor | 2 | 8 | 13 | 62 | Sf | | N | No Boating or Swimming |
| | Calais/Woodbury | Washington | 2 | 10 | 7 | 142 | St | | Y | |
| SABIN POND (Woodbury Lake) | <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: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| | SADAWGA POND | Whitingham | Windham | 2 | 8 | 14 | 194 | St | E | Y |
| SALEM LAKE (Big Salem Lake) | Derby | Orleans | 2 | 10 | 3 | 764 | St | | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to fishing year-round (see below and table for regulations on specific species) Catch and Release for salmon between Sept. 1 (NEW!) and Oct. 31 LANDLOCKED SALMON: Minimum Length 17" BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, LANDLOCKED SALMON, AND LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| | SARGENT POND | Coventry | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 6 | Pf | | |
| SCHOFIELD POND | Hyde Park | Lamoille | 2 | 8 | 2 | 29 | | | N | 5mph |
| SEARSBURG RESERVOIR | Searsburg | Bennington | 2 | 8 | 14 | 25 | | | N | 5mph |

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| SEYMOUR LAKE | Morgan/Charleston | Orleans | 5 | 9 | 3 | 1,769 | St | | Y | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 and third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 LAKE TROUT: length limit, minimum length 20" LEGAL METHOD: open-water fishing with not more than 1 line, ice fishing with not more than 4 lines BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, AND LANDLOCKED SALMON: daily limit, total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 in aggregate, of which only 1 may be a lake trout BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, LANDLOCKED SALMON, AND LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15, ice fishing with not more than 4 lines | | | | | | | | | |
| | Groton | Caledonia | 5 | 6 | 7 | 39 | | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ALL SPECIES: open season, second Saturday in April to last Sunday in Oct., between 6:00 a.m. and one hour after sunset. Access to waters controlled by Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation; legal method, open-water fishing, 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 & Recreation (<i>shore and tributary fishing are prohibited</i>). | | | | | | | | | |
| SEYON POND (Noyes Pond) | Concord | Essex | 2 | 8 | 8 | 128 | St | | Y | |
| | Glover | Orleans | 5 | 9 | 3 | 210 | St | | Y | |
| SHADOW LAKE | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 and third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 ALL SPECIES: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 (<i>see below and table for daily and length Limit</i>) BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, AND LANDLOCKED SALMON: daily limit, total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 in aggregate | | | | | | | | | |
| | Shaftsbury | Bennington | 2 | 8 | 14 | 27 | | | N | 5mph |
| SHAFTSBURY LAKE | Shaftsbury | Bennington | 2 | 8 | 14 | 27 | | | N | 5mph |
| SHELBURNE POND | Shelburne | Chittenden | 2 | 8 | 5 | 452 | St | E | Y | |
| SHERMAN RESERVOIR | Whitingham | Windham | 2 | 8 | 14 | 160 | Ut | | Y | |
| SHIPPEE POND | Whitingham | Windham | 2 | 8 | 14 | 24 | | | N | 5mph |
| SHREWSBURY POND (Spring Lake) | Shrewsbury | Rutland | 5 | 6 | 12 | 66 | | | N | 5mph |
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| SILVER LAKE | Barnard | Windsor | 2 | 8 | 10 | 84 | Scr | | Y | Others |
| SILVER LAKE | Georgia | Franklin | 2 | 8 | 1 | 27 | Scr | | N | Others |
| SILVER LAKE | Leicester | Addison | 5 | 6 | 9 | 101 | Sc | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (<i>see table for regulations on specific species</i>) | | | | | | | | | |
| SMITH POND | Newport | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 8 | | | | |
| SMITH POND | Pittsford | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 6 | | | | |
| SODOM POND | East Montpelier | Washington | 2 | 8 | 6 | 21 | | | N | 5mph |
| SOMERSET RESERVOIR | Somerset/Stratton | Windham | 2 | 10 | 14 | 1,568 | Ut | | Y | Others |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to fishing year-round (<i>see below and table for regulations on specific species</i>) BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, LANDLOCKED SALMON, AND LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| SOUTH AMERICA POND | Ferdinand | Essex | 5 | 6 | 4 | 29 | Pf | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (<i>see table for regulations on specific species</i>) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | |
| SOUTH POND | Eden | Lamoille | 2 | 8 | 2 | 103 | | | Y | |
| SOUTH POND | Marlboro | Windham | 5 | 6 | 15 | 68 | Str | | N | No Boat Motors |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (<i>see table for regulations on specific species</i>) | | | | | | | | | |
| SOUTH STREAM POND | Pownal | Bennington | 2 | 8 | 14 | 24 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| SPECTACLE POND | Brighton | Essex | 2 | 8 | 4 | 103 | St | | Y | |
| SPRING LAKE (Shrewsbury Pond) | Shrewsbury | Rutland | 5 | 6 | 12 | 66 | | | N | 5mph |
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| SPRUCE POND | Orwell | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 25 | | | N | 5mph |
| STANNARD POND | Stannard | Caledonia | 5 | 6 | 7 | 25 | Sf | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (<i>see table for regulations on specific species</i>) | | | | | | | | | |
| STAR LAKE | Mount Holly | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 13 | 63 | Mt | E | Y | 5mph |

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| ST. CATHERINE, LAKE (including Lilly Pond and Little Lake) | Wells/Poultney | Rutland | 2 | 10 | 12 | 904 | St | E, W, LBV, A | 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: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| STERLING POND | Cambridge | Lamoille | 5 | 6 | 2 | 8 | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | |
| STEVENS POND | Maidstone | Essex | 2 | 8 | 4 | 26 | | | N | 5mph |
| STILES POND | Waterford | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 8 | 154 | Sud | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS: catch and immediate release only YELLOW PERCH: daily limit, 10 perch | | | | | | | | | |
| STOUGHTON POND | Weathersfield | Windsor | 5 | 6 | 13 | 56 | Gt | | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| STRATTON POND | Stratton | Windham | 5 | 6 | 12 | 46 | | | N | No Boat Motors |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | |
| SUGAR HILL RESERVOIR (Goshen Dam) | Goshen | Addison | 5 | 6 | 9 | 63 | Uf | | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| SUGAR HOLLOW POND | Pittsford | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 21 | Uf | | N | 5mph |
| SUNRISE LAKE | Benson | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 9 | 57 | Pc | E | Y | 5mph |
| | Benson/Orwell | Rutland | 5 | 9 | 9 | 202 | | E | Y | |
| SUNSET LAKE | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 and third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 ALL SPECIES: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 (see below and table for daily and length limit) BROOK, BROWN, RAINBOW, AND LAKE TROUT, AND LANDLOCKED SALMON: daily limit, total of brook trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, and landlocked salmon must not be more than 2 in aggregate | | | | | | | | | |
| SUNSET LAKE | Brookfield | Orange | 2 | 8 | 10 | 25 | Pc | | N | 5mph |
| SUNSET LAKE | Marlboro | Windham | 2 | 8 | 15 | 96 | Mc | | N | Others |
| SWEENEY POND | Glover | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 9 | | | | |
| SWEET POND | Guilford | Windham | 2 | 8 | 15 | 20 | | | N | 5mph |
| TILDYS POND (Clark Pond) | Glover | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 33 | | | Y | 5mph |
| THOMPSONS POND | Pownal | Bennington | 2 | 8 | 14 | 28 | | | N | 5mph |
| TICKLENAKED POND | Ryegate | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 54 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| TINY POND | Ludlow | Windsor | 2 | 8 | 13 | 29 | | | Y | 5mph |
| TOAD POND | Charleston | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 22 | | | N | 5mph |
| TOWNSHEND RESERVOIR | Townshend | Windham | 2 | 8 | 15 | 108 | Gt | | Y | 5mph |
| TURTLE POND | Holland | Essex | 2 | 8 | 4 | 27 | Sf | | N | 5mph |
| TURTLEHEAD POND | Marshfield | Washington | 2 | 8 | 7 | 69 | | | | |
| TUTTLE POND | Hardwick | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 21 | | | N | 5mph |
| | Averys Gore | Essex | 5 | 6 | 4 | 19 | Pf | | | |
| UNKNOWN POND | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | |
| | Ferdinand | Essex | 5 | 6 | 4 | 12 | Sf | | | |
| UNKNOWN POND | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) Use of fish (alive or dead) as bait is prohibited | | | | | | | | | |
| UPPER SYMES POND | Ryegate | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 20 | Sf | | N | 5mph |
| VAIL POND (Big Fish Pond) | Sutton | Caledonia | 5 | 6 | 3 | 16 | Sud | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| VALLEY LAKE (Dog Pond) | Woodbury | Washington | 2 | 8 | 7 | 88 | Sc | | Y | Others |
| VERNON HATCHERY POND | Vernon | Windham | 5 | 6 | | | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| WALKER POND | Coventry | Orleans | 2 | 8 | 3 | 18 | | | | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open to fishing year-round (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |

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| WALLACE POND | Canaan | Essex | 2 | 10 | 4 | 532 | St | | | |
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| WALLINGFORD POND | Wallingford | Rutland | 2 | 8 | 12 | 87 | Gf | | N | 5mph |
| WANTASTIQUET POND | Weston | Windsor | 2 | 8 | 13 | 44 | | | N | 5mph |
| WAPANACKI LAKE | Wolcott | Lamoille | 2 | 8 | 3 | 21 | | | N | 5mph |
| WARDEN POND | Barnet | Caledonia | 2 | 8 | 7 | 46 | | | Y | 5mph |
| WATERBURY RESERVOIR | Waterbury/Stowe | Washington/Lamoille | 2 | 10 | 6 | 839 | St | | Y | Others |
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| WEATHERHEAD HOLLOW | Guilford | Windham | 2 | 8 | 15 | 33 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| WEST HILL POND | Cabot | Washington | 2 | 8 | 7 | 46 | Sud | | N | 5mph |
| WEST MTN. POND | Maidstone | Essex | 5 | 6 | 4 | 60 | Sc | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| WHEELER POND | Barton/Caledonia | Orleans | 5 | 6 | 3 | 15 | Sc | | Y | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |
| WHEELER POND | Brunswick | Essex | 2 | 8 | 4 | 66 | Sud | | | |
| | Westmore | Orleans | 5 | 9 | 3 | 1,653 | St | E | Y | |
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| WINONA LAKE (Bristol Pond) | Bristol | Addison | 2 | 8 | 5 | 248 | St | E | Y | |
| WOLCOTT POND | Wolcott | Lamoille | 2 | 8 | 3 | 74 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| WOODBURY LAKE (Sabin Pond) | Calais/Woodbury | Washington | 2 | 10 | 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: ice fishing open season, third Saturday in Jan. to March 15 | | | | | | | | | |
| WOODWARD RESERVOIR | Plymouth | Windsor | 2 | 8 | 13 | 106 | St | | Y | 5mph |
| WORCESTER POND, LOWER | Worcester | Washington | 2 | 8 | 6 | 35 | | | N | 5mph |
| WRIGHTSVILLE RESERVOIR | East Montpelier | Washington | 2 | 8 | 6 | 190 | St | | Y | Others |
| ZACK WOODS POND (Perch Pond) | Hyde Park/Wolcott | Lamoille | 5 | 6 | 2 | 30 | Sc | | N | 5mph |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only open to fishing from second Saturday in April to Oct. 31 (see table for regulations on specific species) | | | | | | | | | |



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Waterbody-specific regulations listed in Index of Rivers/Index of Lakes override the general regulation.

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

| Species | Length Rules | Daily Limit | Legal Methods | Open Seasons |
|--|--------------|--|---|------------------------------|
| AMERICAN SHAD | | 0 | Catch and release open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| ANADROMOUS ATLANTIC SALMON | | 0 | | No open season |
| BOWFIN, MULLET (REDHORSE), GAR | None | NEW! No more than 5 of any one species | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| 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 | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| CRAPPIE | 8" | 25 | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LAKE STURGEON | | 0 | | No open season |
| LAKE TROUT | 18" | Total of lake trout + landlocked salmon = no more than 2 | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LANDLOCKED ATLANTIC SALMON | 15" | | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS | None | Total of largemouth + smallmouth = no more than 5 | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| MUSKELLUNGE | | 0 | Catch and release open-water fishing with artificial lures and flies only | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| NORTHERN PIKE | 20" | 5 | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| RAINBOW SMELT | None | None | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| SAUGER | | 0 | | No open season |
| WALLEYE | 18" | 3 | Open-water fishing | 1st Sat. in May to Oct. 31 |
| YELLOW PERCH | None | 50 | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| ALL OTHER SPECIES | None | None | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |

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

| Species | Length Rules | Daily Limit | Legal Methods | Open Seasons |
|--|--------------|--|---|--|
| AMERICAN SHAD | | 0 | Catch and release open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| ANADROMOUS ATLANTIC SALMON | | 0 | | No open season |
| BOWFIN, MULLET (REDHORSE), GAR | None | NEW! No more than 5 of any one species | Open-water fishing, ice fishing, spear gun, bow and crossbow all with line attached | All year |
| BROOK TROUT and BROWN TROUT and RAINBOW TROUT | None | Total of brook + brown + rainbows = no more than 6 | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| CARP, SUCKERS (LONGNOSE and WHITE), CULL FISH | None | None | Open-water fishing, ice fishing, spear gun, bow and crossbow all with line attached | All year |
| CRAPPIE | 8" | 25 | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | All year |
| LAKE STURGEON | | 0 | | No open season |
| LAKE TROUT | 18" | Total of lake trout + landlocked salmon = no more than 2 | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LANDLOCKED ATLANTIC SALMON | 15" | | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS (Catch and Release Season) | None | 0 | Catch and release open-water fishing with artificial lures and flies only | Dec. 1 to Fri. before 2nd Sat. in June |
| LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS (Regular Season) | 10" | Total of largemouth + smallmouth = no more than 5 | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in June to Nov. 30 |
| MUSKELLUNGE | | 0 | Catch and release open-water fishing with artificial lures and flies only | All year |
| NORTHERN PIKE | 20" | 5 | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | All year |
| RAINBOW SMELT | None | None | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | All year |
| SAUGER | | 0 | | No open season |
| WALLEYE | 18" | 3 | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | 1st Sat. in May to March 15 |
| YELLOW PERCH | None | 50 | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | All year |
| ALL OTHER SPECIES | None | None | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | All year |

TABLE 3: General Fishing Regulations for Lake Champlain include the setbacks at the same water level and the lower portion of its tributaries as defined on page 36. Spawning waters are not included.

| Species | Length Rules | Daily Limit | Legal Methods | Open Seasons |
|--|--------------|--|---|--|
| BOWFIN, MULLET (REDHORSE), GAR | None | NEW! No more than 5 of any one species | Open-water fishing, ice fishing, spear gun, bow and crossbow all with line attached | All year |
| | | | Shooting, hand-held spearing | March 25 to May 25 |
| BROOK TROUT and BROWN TROUT and RAINBOW TROUT | 12" | Total of brook + brown + rainbows = no more than 3 | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | All year |
| BULLHEAD | None | None | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | All year |
| | | | Shooting, hand-held spearing | March 25 to May 25 |
| CARP, SUCKERS (LONGNOSE and WHITE), CULL FISH | None | None | Open-water fishing, ice fishing, spear gun, bow and crossbow all with line attached | All year |
| CHAIN PICKEREL | None | 10 | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | All year |
| | | | Shooting, hand-held spearing | March 25 to May 25 |
| CRAPPIE | 8" | 25 | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | All year |
| LAKE STURGEON | | 0 | | No open season |
| LAKE TROUT | 15" | 3 | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | All year |
| LANDLOCKED ATLANTIC SALMON | 15" | 2 | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | All year |
| LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS (Catch and Release Season) | | 0 | Catch and release open-water fishing with artificial lures and flies only | Dec. 1 to Fri. before 2nd Sat. in June |
| LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS (Regular Season) | 10" | Total of largemouth + smallmouth = no more than 5 | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in June to Nov. 30 |
| MUSKELLUNGE | | 0 | Catch and release open-water fishing with artificial lures and flies only | All year |
| NORTHERN PIKE | 20" | 5 | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | All year |
| | | | Shooting, hand-held spearing | March 25 to May 25 |
| RAINBOW SMELT | None | None | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | All year |
| SAUGER | | 0 | | No open season |
| WALLEYE | 18" | 3 | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | 1st Sat. in May to March 15 |
| YELLOW PERCH | None | None | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | All year |
| ALL OTHER SPECIES | None | None | Open-water fishing, ice fishing | All year |

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, setbacks, and tributaries, only to the first highway bridge crossing said tributaries on the Vermont and New Hampshire sides.

LICENSES: All New Hampshire– and Vermont-resident fishing licenses are valid for the taking of fish from the Connecticut River as defined above. All other nonresidents with a New Hampshire 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, New Hampshire, to the northern boundary of the town of Canaan, Vermont.

DEVICES: No more than six ice fishing devices shall be used to take fish while ice fishing. When fishing in open water, no more than two lines may be used.

Lead sinkers and lead jigs one ounce or less, regardless of length, are prohibited.

| SPECIES RULES: The rules below apply during the open season for fishing. | |
|--|--|
| AMERICAN SHAD | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Catch and release only. |
| ATLANTIC SALMON | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ No open season for Atlantic salmon until declared by the Connecticut River Atlantic Salmon Commission. |
| BROOK, BROWN and RAINBOW TROUT | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The season for taking brook, brown, or rainbow trout by all legal methods shall open on Jan. 1 and close Oct. 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 Route 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 Route 18 bridge. |
| BLACK BASS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The daily bag limit for black bass from Jan. 1 to March 31 is 2 fish, of which only 1 bass may be greater than 16". The daily limit for black bass from April 1 to May 14 and June 16 to June 30 is 2 fish. ■ 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 Dec. 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 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 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. |
| HORNED POUT | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The daily limit is 25 fish. |
| NORTHERN PIKE | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The daily limit is 1 fish; minimum total length 28". |
| PICKEREL | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ The daily limit is 10 fish. |
| RIVER HERRING | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Closed to the taking of alewives and blueback herring. |
| WALLEYE (Pike Perch) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ No person shall take walleye 16"–18"; the daily limit is 4 fish, of which only 1 can be larger than 18". |
| ALL OTHER SPECIES | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ 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 the Murphy Dam in Pittsburg, New Hampshire, downstream to the highway bridge that crosses the river from West Stewartstown, New Hampshire, to Canaan, Vermont: from Jan. 1 to the fourth Saturday in April, catch and release only with barbless lures and flies.
- From a point 1,600' upstream from the bridge in North Stratford, New Hampshire, upstream to a point 250' below the Lyman Falls Dam in North Stratford, New Hampshire, 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' below the dam.
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- Never release plants, fish or animals into a body of water unless they came out of that body of water.

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

| Species | Length Rules | Daily Limit | Legal Methods | Open Seasons |
|---|--------------|--|---|---|
| AMERICAN SHAD | | 0 | Catch and release open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| ANADROMOUS ATLANTIC SALMON | | 0 | | No open season |
| BOWFIN, MULLET (REDHORSE), GAR | None | NEW! No more than 5 of any one species | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| BROOK TROUT and BROWN TROUT and RAINBOW TROUT | None | Total of brook + brown + rainbows = no more than 6 | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| CRAPPIE | 8" | 25 | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LAKE STURGEON | | 0 | | No open season |
| LAKE TROUT | 18" | Total of lake trout + landlocked salmon = no more than 2 | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LANDLOCKED ATLANTIC SALMON | 15" | | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS (Catch and Release Season) | | 0 | Catch and release open-water fishing with artificial lures and flies only | 2nd Sat. in April to Fri. before 2nd Sat. in June |
| LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS (Regular Season) | 10" | Total of largemouth + smallmouth = no more than 5 | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in June to Oct. 31 |
| MUSKELLUNGE | | 0 | Catch and release open-water fishing with artificial lures and flies only | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| NORTHERN PIKE | 20" | 5 | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| RAINBOW SMELT | None | None | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| SAUGER | | 0 | | No open season |
| WALLEYE | 18" | 3 | Open-water fishing | 1st Sat. in May to Oct. 31 |
| YELLOW PERCH | None | 50 | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |
| ALL OTHER SPECIES | None | None | Open-water fishing | 2nd Sat. in April to Oct. 31 |

TABLE 6: Closed to Ice Fishing

| Species | Length Rules | Daily Limit | Legal Methods | Open Seasons |
|-------------------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| ALL FISH SPECIES | NA | Closed | Closed | Closed to ice fishing |

TABLE 7: Lake Champlain Ice Fishing Regulations

| Species | Length Rules | Daily Limit | Legal Methods | Open Seasons |
|--|--------------|---|---------------|-----------------------------|
| BOWFIN, MULLET (REDHORSE), GAR | None | NEW! No more than 5 of any one species | Ice fishing | All Year |
| BROOK TROUT and BROWN TROUT and RAINBOW TROUT | 12" | Total of brook + brown + rainbow = no more than 3 | Ice fishing | All year |
| CARP, SUCKERS (LONGNOSE and WHITE), CULL FISH | None | None | Ice fishing | All year |
| CHAIN PICKEREL | None | 10 | Ice fishing | All year |
| CRAPPIE | 8" | 25 | Ice fishing | All year |
| LAKE STURGEON | NA | 0 | NA | No open season |
| LAKE TROUT | 15" | 3 | Ice fishing | All year |
| LANDLOCKED SALMON | 15" | 2 | Ice fishing | All year |
| LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS | None | 0 | Closed | Closed |
| MUSKELLUNGE | NA | 0 | Closed | Closed |
| NORTHERN PIKE | 20" | 5 | Ice fishing | All year |
| RAINBOW SMELT | None | None | Ice fishing | All year |
| SAUGER | | 0 | NA | No open season |
| WALLEYE | 18" | 3 | Ice fishing | 1st Sat. in May to March 15 |
| YELLOW PERCH | None | None | Ice fishing | All year |
| ALL OTHER SPECIES | None | None | Ice fishing | All year |

TABLE 8: Ice Fishing Regulations

| Species | Length Rules | Daily Limit | Legal Methods | Open Seasons |
|---|--------------|---|---------------|-----------------------------|
| AMERICAN SHAD | NA | 0 | Closed | Closed |
| ANADROMOUS ATLANTIC SALMON | NA | 0 | NA | No open season |
| BOWFIN, MULLET (REDHORSE), GAR | None | NEW! No more than 5 of any one species | Ice fishing | All Year |
| BROOK TROUT and BROWN TROUT and RAINBOW TROUT | NA | 0 | Closed | Closed |
| CARP, SUCKERS (LONGNOSE and WHITE), CULL FISH | None | None | Ice fishing | All year |
| CRAPPIE | 8" | 25 | Ice fishing | All year |
| LAKE STURGEON | NA | 0 | NA | No open season |
| LAKE TROUT | NA | 0 | Closed | Closed |
| LANDLOCKED SALMON | NA | 0 | Closed | Closed |
| LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS | NA | 0 | Closed | Closed |
| MUSKELLUNGE | NA | 0 | Closed | Closed |
| NORTHERN PIKE | 20" | 5 | Ice fishing | All year |
| RAINBOW SMELT | None | None | Ice fishing | All year |
| SAUGER | | 0 | NA | No open season |
| WALLEYE | 18" | 3 | Ice fishing | 1st Sat. in May to March 15 |
| YELLOW PERCH | None | 50 | Ice fishing | All year |
| ALL OTHER SPECIES | None | None | Ice fishing | All year |

TABLE 9: Ice Fishing Regulations

| Species | Length Rules | Daily Limit | Legal Methods | Open Seasons |
|---|--------------|--|---------------|------------------------------|
| AMERICAN SHAD | | 0 | Closed | Closed |
| ANADROMOUS ATLANTIC SALMON | NA | 0 | NA | No open season |
| BOWFIN, MULLET (REDHORSE), GAR | None | NEW! No more than 5 of any one species | Ice fishing | 3rd Sat. in Jan. to March 15 |
| BROOK TROUT and BROWN TROUT and RAINBOW TROUT | None | Total of brook + brown + rainbow = no more than 6 | Ice fishing | 3rd Sat. in Jan. to March 15 |
| CRAPPIE | 8" | 25 | Ice fishing | 3rd Sat. in Jan. to March 15 |
| LAKE STURGEON | NA | 0 | NA | No open season |
| LAKE TROUT | 18" | Total of lake trout + landlocked salmon = no more than 2 | Ice fishing | 3rd Sat. in Jan. to March 15 |
| LANDLOCKED SALMON | 15" | Total of lake trout + landlocked salmon = no more than 2 | Ice fishing | 3rd Sat. in Jan. to March 15 |
| LARGEMOUTH and SMALLMOUTH BASS | 10" | Total of largemouth + smallmouth = no more than 5 | Ice fishing | 3rd Sat. in Jan. to March 15 |
| MUSKELLUNGE | NA | 0 | Closed | Closed |
| NORTHERN PIKE | 20" | 5 | Ice fishing | 3rd Sat. in Jan. to March 15 |
| RAINBOW SMELT | None | None | Ice fishing | 3rd Sat. in Jan. to March 15 |
| SAUGER | | 0 | NA | No open season |
| WALLEYE | 18" | 3 | Ice fishing | 3rd Sat. in Jan. to March 15 |
| YELLOW PERCH | None | 50 | Ice fishing | 3rd Sat. in Jan. to March 15 |
| ALL OTHER SPECIES | None | None | Ice fishing | 3rd Sat. in Jan. to March 15 |



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TABLE 10: Ice Fishing Regulations

| Species | Length Rules | Daily Limit | Legal Methods | Open Seasons |
|--|--------------|--|---------------|------------------------------|
| AMERICAN SHAD | | 0 | Closed | Closed |
| ANADROMOUS ATLANTIC SALMON | NA | 0 | NA | No open season |
| BOWFIN, MULLET (REDHORSE), GAR | None | NEW! No more than 5 of any one species | Ice fishing | All Year |
| BROOK TROUT and BROWN TROUT and RAINBOW TROUT | None | Total of brook + brown + rainbow = no more than 6 | Ice fishing | 3rd Sat. in Jan. to March 15 |
| CARP, SUCKERS (LONGNOSE and WHITE), CULL FISH | None | None | Ice fishing | All year |
| CRAPPIE | 8" | 25 | Ice fishing | All year |
| LAKE STURGEON | NA | 0 | NA | No open season |
| LAKE TROUT | 18" | Total of lake trout + landlocked salmon = no more than 2 | Ice fishing | 3rd Sat. in Jan. to March 15 |
| LANDLOCKED SALMON | 15" | Total of lake trout + landlocked salmon = no more than 2 | Ice fishing | 3rd Sat. in Jan. to March 15 |
| LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS | 10" | Total of largemouth + smallmouth = no more than 5 | Ice fishing | 3rd Sat. in Jan. to March 15 |
| MUSKELLUNGE | NA | 0 | Closed | Closed |
| NORTHERN PIKE | 20" | 5 | Ice fishing | All year |
| RAINBOW SMELT | None | None | Ice fishing | All year |
| SAUGER | | 0 | NA | No open season |
| WALLEYE | 18" | 3 | Ice fishing | 1st Sat. in May to March 15 |
| YELLOW PERCH | None | 50 | Ice fishing | All year |
| ALL OTHER SPECIES | None | None | Ice fishing | All year |



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