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A Summary of Regulations and Definitions for Recreational Freshwater Fishing in Connecticut

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Purpose of this Document: To provide a concise, easy to read, summary of the freshwater (inland) sport fishing regulations and definitions. Please note that this document may not be current as laws and regulations may have changed since printing. Every effort has been made to ensure the information provided here is accurate, however, for legal purposes the official regulations/definitions are found on the web page of the Connecticut Secretary of State at https://eregulations.ct.gov/eRegsPortal/

We encourage the use of the digital versions of the fishing guide, freshwater and saltwater, found on the DEEP Fisheries Division web page as web-based content can be modified or updated immediately as required.

CT's fishing regulations are also available in the FREE version of the App. The regulations are geo-referenced by waterbody.

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What is New for 2024

No freshwater (inland) regulations have changed from 2023.
The next round of changes is expected to take effect on January 1, 2025.

Marine (Saltwater) Regulations will be printed separately in brochure format once the regulations are finalized by the various regulatory agencies. This process is typically completed by March.

Fishing License Information

Fishing fuels conservation! 100% of your investment in a fishing license comes to DEEP's Bureau of Natural Resources. These funds are used to support programs that feed your passion. Examples include; trout rearing and stocking, purchase and stocking of pike, walleye, and channel catfish, land acquisition for conservation and fishing access, maintenance of boat ramps, restoration of migratory fish species, monitoring of resident fish populations (marine and freshwater), and education. Thank you for your continued support.

Fishing licenses are:

- Required for all persons age 16 or older.
- Issued on a calendar year basis and expire on December 31st,
- Can be purchased on-line 24/7 at https://portal.ct.gov/CTOutdoorLicenses,
- Discounted by 50% for Connecticut residents who are age 16 or 17,
- Free for Connecticut residents age 65 or older.

The Trout and Salmon Stamp is required for all persons age 16 and older when:

A. Taking (keeping any trout or salmon)
B. Fishing in a water designated as:
   -Trout Management Area (Rivers)
   -Trout Park
   -Wild Trout Management Area Class 1, 2, or 3
   -Atlantic Salmon Management Area

Licenses or stamps are available online anytime via https://portal.ct.gov/CTOutdoorLicenses or can be purchased at most bait and tackle shops, town clerk offices, or DEEP field offices. Please note that while the table below includes some of the most popular license options, other licenses, including combination hunting/fishing licenses are available.

License/Stamp Name	Fee	Notes
All waters	$16; $32; $63	CT age 16/17; CT resident; Nonresident
Inland Waters Only	$14; $28; $55	CT age 16/17; CT resident; Nonresident
Trout and Salmon Stamp	$3/$5	CT age 16/17; CT resident and Nonresident
Marine Waters Only	$5; $10; $15	CT age 16/17; CT resident; Nonresident
3 Day Inland (non resident only)	$22	Nonresident only
3 Day Marine (non resident only)	$8	Nonresident only
65+ Inland (CT resident only)	Free	Annual renewal is required
65+ Marine (CT resident only)	Free	Annual renewal is required
Blind or Intellectual Disability	Free	Certificate from a licensed physician or a licensed advanced practice registered nurse required to validate the definition in Public Act 11-16.
Physical Disability (Loss of one or more limbs, permanent loss of the use of one or more limbs).	Free	Any resident or a nonresident where the state reciprocates the opportunity who provides a certificate from a licensed physician or a licensed advanced practice registered nurse.

Default Species Regulations for Waters of the Inland District

The following are the regulations that are in effect for all waters that do not have a special regulation. For waterbody specific fishing regulations, please review lakes and ponds section (page 6 to 30) or rivers and streams section (page 31 to 44).

Alewife/Blueback Herring

Min. Length: None
Daily Limit: 25*
Methods: Angling or Scoop net
Season: Varies*

***The taking of anadromous alewife and blueback herring from all CT waters is currently prohibited.** Landlocked Alewife only may be taken from: *Amos Lake, Ball Pond, Beach Pond, Candlewood Lake, Crystal Lake (Ellington), Highland Lake, MT Tom Pond, Quassapaug Lake, Quonnipaug Lake, Squantz Pond, Uncas Lake, and Waramaug Lake.*

* Angling = Year Round; Scoop Net = April 1 to June 15

American Eel

Min. Length: 9 inches
Daily Limit: 25
Methods: Angling, Ice Fishing, Spearing, Bobbing, Bow and Arrow*
Season: Year-round

*Spearing and bow and arrow use prohibited in streams or stream sections stocked with trout. Spearing prohibited in all lakes and ponds. The taking of elver eel, glass, eel, and silver eel is prohibited.

American Shad

Min. Length: None
Daily Limit: 6*
Methods: Angling
Season: Year-round in CT River System only

*Harvesting American Shad is only allowed in the Connecticut River and its tributaries. Daily limit is in aggregate with Hickory Shad.

Atlantic Salmon

Lakes and Ponds
Min. Length: None
Daily Limit: 1
Methods: Angling, Ice Fishing
Season: Year-round

Naugatuck River, Shetucket River, Housatonic River (Derby Dam to Merritt Parkway Bridge)
Min. Length: None
Daily Limit: 1
Methods: Angling*
Season: Dec. 16 to Aug. 31**

*Angling (Single fly or artificial lure with a single free-swinging hook. Additional weight may not be added to the line)

** September 1 to December 15 catch and release fishing only. A Trout and Salmon stamp is required to keep salmon or to fish within the Atlantic Salmon Management Areas on the Naugatuck River or Shetucket River. Snagging is prohibited.

Bait Species

Min. Length: None
Daily Limit: None
Methods: Bait Traps, Bait Seines, Cast Net, Umbrella Nets, Angling, Ice Fishing, Hand ***(see the definition section for rules and specifications).***
Season: Year-round

Bait may be taken by sport fishermen for personal use (a recreational fishing license is required). A commercial bait dealer license is required to collect bait to sell.

Fish that are legally acquired may be used as bait except for black bass (largemouth and smallmouth), chain pickerel, northern pike, trout, salmon, carp and goldfish. Legal bait species include; Common shiner, golden shiner, fallfish, creek chub, spottail shiner, blacknose dace, longnose dace, pearl dace, bluntnose minnow, fathead minnow, cutlips minnow, chub sucker, white sucker, killifish, mummichog, Atlantic & tidewater silverside, sand lance, frogs (except northern leopard frog), crayfish (except rusty crayfish), perch bugs, hellgrammites and mayfly nymphs. Invasive species are not legal to use for bait.

Black Bass (Largemouth and Smallmouth)

Min. Length:
Lakes/Ponds/CT River: 12 inches
Rivers/Streams: None
Daily Limit: 6*
Methods: Angling, Ice Fishing
Season: Year-round

***In aggregate.** Regulations for minimum length and daily limit are different in Bass Management Lakes and the Bulls Bridge Bass Management Area.

Bowfin, Lamprey, Tench, Sucker

Min. Length: None
Daily Limit: None
Methods: Angling, Ice Fishing, Spearing, Bow and Arrow*
Season: Year-round

*Spearing and bow and arrow use prohibited in streams or stream sections stocked with trout. Spearing prohibited in all lakes and ponds.

Bullhead (Brown and Yellow)

Min. Length: None
Daily Limit: None
Methods: Angling, Bobbing, Ice Fishing, Hand
Season: Year-round

Burbot

The taking of Burbot in all waters is prohibited.

Catfish (Channel and White)

Min. Length: None
Daily Limit: 6*
Methods: Angling, Bobbing, Ice Fishing, Hand
Season: Year-round

*Daily limit is in aggregate. The daily creel limit is 3 catfish in aggregate at Community Fishing Waters.

Chain Pickerel

Min. Length:
Lakes/Ponds: 15 inches
Rivers/Streams: None
Daily Limit:
Lakes/Ponds 6
Rivers/Streams None
Methods: Angling, Ice Fishing
Season: Year-round

Common Carp (includes mirror, leather, ghost, and fantail variations)

Min. Length: None
Daily Limit: 5 fish only 1 may be greater than 30 inches*
Methods: Angling, Ice Fishing, Spearing, Bow and Arrow**
Season: Year-round

***Different daily creel and size regulations apply for bow and arrow fishing in some waters and in Trophy Carp Waters.**
****Spearing and Bow and Arrow use prohibited in stream sections stocked with trout. Spearing prohibited in all lakes and ponds.

Kokanee Salmon

Min. Length: None
Daily Limit: 5*
Methods: Angling, Ice Fishing
Season: 6:00 AM on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.*

*Catch and Release fishing only from March 1 until 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April.

Northern Pike and Tiger Muskie

Min. Length: 26 inches
CT River: 24 inches
Lake Lillinonah: 38 inches
Daily Limit: 2
Lake Lillinonah 1
Methods: Angling Ice Fishing
Season: Year-round*

*Bantam Lake and Little Pond have special rules.

Panfish (Yellow Perch, Calico Bass, Rock Bass, Pumpkinseed, Bluegill)

Min. Length: None
Daily Limit: None
Methods: Angling, Ice Fishing
Season: Year-round

Smelt

Min. Length: None
Daily Limit: 50*
Methods: Angling
Season: Year-round

*Taking of smelt from rivers/streams is prohibited.

Striped Bass

Slot Length: 28-31 inches*
Daily Limit: 1
Methods: Angling
Season: Year-round

REGULATIONS FOR STRIPED BASS ARE LIKELY TO CHANGE DURING 2024 AND AS SUCH ANGLERS SHOULD CHECK THE DEEP WEB PAGE FOR CURRENT REGULATIONS.

*Any striped bass less than 28 inches or greater than 31 inches (measured from the snout to the tip of the tail) must be immediately released.

No spearing or gaffing. However, striped bass that are legally taken by spearing in another state may be landed in CT.

An in-line circle hook is required when fishing for striped bass and using bait (whole, cut, or live natural bait). This does not apply when fishing with artificial lures tipped with bait (tube and worm, bucktail jig, etc.)

No person shall land or possess on the waters of this state or on any parcel of land, structure, or portion of a roadway abutting tidal waters of this state any striped bass from which the head or tail has been removed or otherwise rendered unidentifiable as a striped bass or unable to be measured.

Sturgeon

The taking of Sturgeon in all waters is prohibited.

Trout (Brook, Brown, Rainbow, Tiger)

Min. Length: None
Daily Limit: 5
Methods: Angling, Ice Fishing
Season: Year-round.*

*Catch and Release only from March 1 until 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April.

Different regulations apply in many waters including; Trout management Areas, Trout Management Lakes, Trophy Trout Areas, Trout Parks, Wild Trout Management Areas, Sea- Run Trout Streams, Tidal Waters and Tributaries, and in the Marine District.

Trout (Lake)

Min. Length: 20 inches
Daily Limit: 5
Methods: Angling, Ice Fishing
Season: Year-round.*

*Catch and Release only from March 1 until 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April.

Lake trout are occasionally donated to Connecticut by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and stocked into selected lakes for an immediate fishery. Lake Trout are not produced by the CT Fisheries Division, nor is there a program to manage this species.

White Perch

Min. Length: None*
Daily Limit: None*
Methods: Angling, Ice Fishing
Season: Year-round

*If fishing in the Marine District, Minimum length is 7 inches and the daily limit is 30 fish.

Walleye

Min. Length: 18 inches
Daily Limit: 2
Methods: Angling, Ice fishing
Season: Year-round

Fishing in these areas is prohibited:

1. Swim Areas: Casting or fishing in swim areas permitted by the DEEP. There is a no wake zone 100 feet around the perimeter.

2. Fishways and Fish Ladders: Fishing is prohibited 250 feet upstream and downstream of most fishways. Some fishways differ and the no fishing zone is marked by signage posted by DEEP or by large rocks painted red. Questions should be directed to the Diadromous Fish Program 860-434-6043.

Got a Boat? Fishing and boating can go hand in hand. While this guide does have some boating regulations, please refer to the boating guide at: https://portal.ct.gov/DEEP/Boating/Connecticut-Boaters-Guide

Contact the Boating Division by phone at (860) 434-8638 or by e-mail at deep.boating@ct.gov.

Lakes and Ponds

Summary of Fisheries Management Categories and Associated Waters

The Fisheries Division makes use of a variety of tools to optimize some of the more popular game fish species. These tools (regulations) can be daily creel limits, minimum or maximum size limits, or limits on the type of gear that can be used. These regulations can, and do, vary by waterbody. This section of the fishing guide details waters that have special fishing regulations, access limitations, or boating rules.

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY/ REGULATIONS	*WATERS*
Bass Management Lakes	
12-16 inch protective slot: All bass that are greater than 12 inches and less than 16 inches must be released without avoidable harm. Daily limit of 6 bass, only 2 may be equal to 16 inches or larger.	Bashan Lake, Billings Lake, Black Pond (Middlefield), Bolton Lakes, Colebrook River Lake, Coventry Lake, Halls Pond, Lake Chamberlain, Lake Hayward, Lake Kenosia, Maltby Lakes, Mamanasco Lake, Mansfield Hollow Reservoir, Mashapaug Lake, Pickerel Lake, West Side Pond, Wononskopomuc Lake
12-18 inch protective slot: All bass that are greater than 12 inches and less than 18 inches must be released without avoidable harm. Daily limit of 6 bass, only one may be equal to 18 inches or larger.	Amos Lake, Moodus Reservoir, Mudge Pond, Pattagansett Lake
16 inches or larger. Daily limit of 2.	Gardner Lake, Highland Lake, Lake Housatonic, Mohegan Park Pond, Quinebaug Lake, Taftville Reservoir, Wyassup Lake
18 inches or larger. Daily limit of 1.	Lake Saltonstall
Trout Management Lakes	
Standard Regulation: Five fish per day from 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. One fish per day from March 1 until 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April. 16-inch minimum length.	Amos Lake, Candlewood Lake, Long Pond, Quonnipaug Lake, Rogers Lake, Squantz Pond, West Hill Pond
12-16 inch protective slot: All trout that are greater than 12 inches and less than 16 inches must be released without avoidable harm. Five fish per day from 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February only 1 of which may be greater than 16 inches. One fish per day from March 1 until 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April.	Crystal Lake (Ellington), Highland Lake
Brook Trout Lakes: Five trout per day from 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. Only 1 of which may be a brook trout that is greater than 14 inches. One trout per day from March 1 until 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April. Minimum length of 14 inches.	Black Pond (Woodstock) and Mohawk Pond

MANAGEMENT CATEGORY/REGULATIONS	WATERS
Brown Trout Focus: Five trout per day from 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. Not more than 1 of which may be a brown trout. The minimum length for brown trout is 22 inches. One fish per day from March 1 until 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April. Minimum length 22 inches. Two device limit in aggregate when ice fishing (tips ups, jigging rods, lines, etc.).	East Twin Lake and Lake Wononoscopomuc
Trout Parks: Daily limit of 2 trout with no minimum length. Harvest is allowed from 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. Catch and release only March 1 to 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April.	Black Rock Pond, Day Pond, Great Hollow Pond, McGovern Pond, Mohegan Park Pond, Pasture Pond, Schreeder Pond, Southford Falls Pond, Stratton Brook Park Pond, Valley Falls Park Pond, Wharton Brook Park Pond
Community Fishing Waters: *Channel Catfish*: Daily limit of 3, no minimum size, harvest allowed year-round. *Trout:* Daily limit 5 trout with no minimum length. Harvest is allowed from 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. Catch and release only March 1 to 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April.	Beaver Park Lagoon, Birge Pond, Bunnells Pond, Center Springs Park Pond, Colony Pond, Crescent Lake, Freshwater Pond, Keney Park Pond, Lakewood Lake, Mirror Lake, Mohegan Park Pond, Pickett's Pond, Rogers Park Pond, Stanley Quarter Park Pond, Upper Fulton Park Pond, Lake Wintergreen
Northern Pike: May 1 to November 30 the daily creel limit is 2, minimum length is 26 inches. December 1 to the last day of February the daily creel limit is 1, minimum length is 36 inches. March 1 to April 30 northern pike fishing is closed.	Bantam Lake, Little Pond
Northern Pike: Minimum length 24 inches	Connecticut River
Northern Pike and Tiger Muskie: Daily creel limit of 1 fish in aggregate (either species but not both). Minimum length 38 inches.	Lake Lillinonah
Trophy Common Carp Waters: Daily limit of 1 and **MAXIMUM** size limit of 26 inches.	Batterson Park Pond and Squantz Pond.
Common Carp Enhanced Bow and Arrow Fishing Waters: The daily creel limit is 12 carp with not more than 3 of the 12 carp greater than 30 inches.	West Thompson Reservoir
Boundary Waters: Waters that have some portion in two states. The regulations may follow CT, MA, RI, NY, or may be a combination of the two states.	**MA:** Breakneck Pond, Colebrook River Lake, Congamond Lakes, Hamilton Reservoir, Muddy Pond, Perry Pond **NY:** Indian Pond **RI:** Beach Pond, Hazard Pond, Killingly Pond, Peck Pond
Children's Fishing Area: Fishing limited to children under the age of 16 only.	Factory Pond (Salisbury), Gould Manor Pond, Helen Keller Pond, Kaatz Pond, Mill Pond (Newington), Sochrin Pond.

Is My Catch Safe to Eat?

The CT Department of Public Health (DPH) evaluates data from the analysis of fish tissue. The DPH issues an advisory each year to help the public make an informed decision regarding the consumption of fish from Connecticut waters. To see the current advisory in multiple languages, please visit https://portal.ct.gov/fish or call 860-458-3474 (FISH).

Point the camera on your phone to open the fish advisory web page

The icons listed below are used within the Lake and Pond section to help identify waters with specific amenities that may be appropriate for your fishing trip.

AMENITY ICONS	
Icon	**Description**
	Shore based fishing opportunity
	Accessible for persons with disabilities
	Launch suitable for a trailed boat or car-top boat
	Launch suitable for car-top boat only
	Area is adequate for picnicking
	Child friendly fishing
	Camping on-site or nearby
	Fishing line recycling container on site
	Stocked with adult trout, adult catfish, or both

The abbreviations listed below are used within the Lake and Pond section to indicate fish that are likely to be caught based upon sampling conducted by the Fisheries Division and angler reports.

FISH SPECIES ABBREVIATION CODES			
Code	**Fish**	**Code**	**Fish**
AS	Atlantic Salmon	***RA***	Smelt
BB	Brown Bullhead	***S***	Sunfish
CA	Common Carp	***SM***	Smallmouth Bass
CB	Calico Bass	***T***	Trout (Brook, Brown, Rainbow, or Tiger)
CC	Channel Catfish	***TM***	Tiger Musky
CP	Chain Pickerel	***WA***	Walleye
K	Kokanee Salmon	***WC***	White Catfish
LM	Largemouth Bass	***WP***	White Perch
NP	Northern Pike	***YP***	Yellow Perch

DISCARDING FISHING LINE AND OTHER TRASH

Anglers are reminded that any person who intentionally discards fishing line or other litter in the waters of the state, on public property of the state, or on private property not owned by such person is subject to a fine under section 22a-250 of the general statues.

Carelessly discarded fishing line can seriously harm or kill wildlife. Animals can become entangled in or ingest the line, which can cause starvation, strangulation, and/or deep wounding. Birds are especially susceptible to entanglement as line is an attractive material to add to nests.

Receptacles to dispose of fishing line when fishing have been installed in dozens of locations around the state. To find a list of such receptacles please visit the DEEP web page and search for “fishing line recycling”.

HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD

CT has a number of aquatic invasive species, like Hydrilla, Milfoil, Curly Leaf Pond Weed, Zebra Mussels, Rock Snot, and others. These species are easily transported to new waterbodies by hitch-hiking on boats, trailers, waders, and any way possible.

Please be sure to **CLEAN, DRAIN, AND DRY** your equipment after leaving every waterbody. A bit of time invested can help prevent establishment of invasive species into new waters. Failure to properly remove and dispose of any vegetation or invasives may result in a $95 fine per violation.

Lakes/Ponds with Public Access that Follow Statewide Default Regulations

This section of the fishing guide provides information about fishing and boating regulations for many lakes and ponds with public access. There may be additional waters located in municipal parks, on land trust property, or other properties accessible to the public that are not listed here. Please be sure to note any signage on site indicating allowable use, access, or other rules.

Waterbody									
Anderson Pond (Blue Lake), North Stonington		■							
Ashland Pond, Griswold							■		
Backwater Pond, Thompson	■								
Baldwins Pond, Meriden	■				■	■			■
Baummer Pond, Naugatuck	■								■
Beachland Pond, West Hartford	■				■	■			
Besse Park Pond, Torrington	■				■	■			
Black Rock Lake, Thomaston	■		■				■	■	■
Branford Supply Ponds, Branford	■							■	■
Bull Pond, Harwinton	■			■					
Butternut Pond, East Windsor									
Christensen's Pond, Granby	■				■				■
City Hall Pond, Milford	■				■	■			
Dog Pond, Goshen		■							
Edgewater Park Pond, New Haven	■								
Factory Pond, Redding	■								
Fernridge Park Pond, West Hartford	■				■	■			
Fitchville Pond, Bozrah									
Fountain Lake Reservoir, Ansonia	■								■
Glasgo Pond, Griswold	■	■							
Hurlburt Pond, Putnam	■								
Hyde Pond, Ledyard	■								
Lake Stibbs, Southbury	■					■			■
Lantern Hill Pond, North Stonington		■							
Leonard Pond, Kent			■						
Lilly Pond, Thompson									
Little Pond, Thompson		■							

Waterbody									
Lower Fulton Park Pond, Waterbury	■				■	■			
Lower Storrs Pumping Station Pond, Mansfield	■								■
Malone's Pond, Bristol	■				■	■			
Mansfield Training School Ponds, Mansfield	■				■				
McGrath Park Pond (Prospect Park Pond), Prospect	■								
Mill Woods Park Pond, Wethersfield	■								
Mohegan Lake, Fairfield	■								■
Moosup Pond, Plainfield	■								■
Nells Rock Reservoir (Hope Lake), Shelton	■								■
North Street Pond, Milford									
Pachaug Pond, Griswold	■	■		■				■	
Page Park Lagoon, Bristol	■								
Pine Lake (Shelton Reservoir #2), Shelton	■								
Quillian Reservoir, Ansonia	■								
Salmon Brook Pond, Glastonbury	■								■
Salters Pond, Manchester	■								
Sawmill Pond, Ledyard	■								
Simsbury Town Park Ponds, Simsbury	■				■	■			
Stateline Pond, Stafford	■								
Stroh Park Pond, Windsor									
Taftville Pond, Lisbon		■							
Tankerhoosen Lake, Vernon									
Tollgate Pond, Greenwich									
Tyler Pond, Goshen		■							■
Upper Fulton Park Pond, Waterbury	■				■	■			■
Wards Millpond, Branford	■								
Washington Park Pond, Windsor	■								
Whitney Flood Control Pond (Patten Brook), Stafford									
Wood Creek Pond, Norfolk	■	■							
Zeiner Pond (Lake Winfield), Plymouth	■								
Zemko Pond, Salem									

Lakes and Ponds With Special Fishing Regulations

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Allen Brook Pond, Wallingford, See Wharton Pond

Alexander Lake, Killingly

Size: 215 acres
Species: LM, SM, CP, S, BB, WP, YP

No Public Access

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: No public access. The possession and use of any live alewives, blueback (glut or river) herring, gizzard, hickory or threadfin shad as bait is prohibited. Motor limited to 12 cubic inches (Approx. 10 horsepower).

Amos Lake, Preston

Size: 113 acres
Species: T, LM, BB, CP, S, YP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Trout Management Lake: From March 1 to 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April, daily limit 1; 16 inch minimum length. The rest of the year follows the statewide default regulations.
Bass Management Lake: Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 18 inch protected slot. Daily limit 6 bass; only 1 may be 18 inches or greater. 8 MPH speed limit. See CT DEEP Boater's Guide for summer exemption.

Angus Park Pond (Eastbury Pond), Glastonbury

Size: 9 Acres
Species: LM, CP, T, S, BB, YP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Follows default regulations for all species. Access courtesy of the Town of Glastonbury. Fishing allowed 6:00 a.m. on the second Saturday April to October 31. Boats and canoes prohibited.

Aspinook Pond, Griswold

Size: 301 acres
Species: LM, WP, YP, S, CA, CB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Informal boat access off Butts Bridge Road, no facilities. Butts Bridge is the demarcation line between the pond and the Quinebaug River.

Avery Pond, Preston

Size: 36 acres
Species: CP, LM, YP, BB, S

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Babcock Pond, Colchester

Size: 119 acres
Species: CP, LM, YP, BB, S

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Ball Pond, New Fairfield

Size: 83 acres
Species: T, LM, YP, BB, S

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Vessels with motors attached are prohibited. Includes electric motors.

Bantam Lake, Morris-Litchfield

Size: 947 acres
Species: NP, CP, LM, SM, CB, WP, YP, BB, S

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Northern Pike: May 1 to November 30 the daily limit is 2 and minimum length is 26 inches. From December 1 to last day of February the daily limit is 1 and minimum length is 36 inches. From March 1 to April 30 **closed** to northern pike fishing. Motors are prohibited 11 p.m. to 5 a.m. Use of internal combustion motors prohibited on the Bantam River between Bantam Lake and the inlet to Little Pond. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Barber Pond, Bloomfield

Size: 9 acres
Species: S

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Boat and canoes prohibited except between May 16 and October 31. Use of all motors prohibited.

Bashan Lake, East Haddam

Size: 273 acres
Species: T, CP, SM, LM, CB YP, BB, S

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 16 inch protected slot limit. Daily creel limit 6 bass; only 2 may be 16 inches or greater. 35 MPH speed limit days. 6 MPH limit 1/2 hour after sunset until 8:00 am.

Batterson Park Pond, Farmington

Size: 140 acres
Species: LM, YP, BB, S, WA, CC, CA, CB, WP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Trophy Common Carp Water:*** Daily creel limit 1. Maximum length 26 inches. All Common Carp over 26 inches must be released without avoidable injury. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Beach Pond, Voluntown / Rhode Island

Size: 372 acres
Species: CP, LM, YP, BB, S, K, WA, T, SM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Boundary Water:*** CT or RI fishing license legal on entire pond. Rhode Island regulations apply for bass and pickerel (as below). No more than 6 tip ups may be used while ice fishing. ***Bass (Largemouth and Smallmouth):*** Daily creel limit 5 bass (in aggregate), 12 inch minimum length. **Chain Pickerel:** Daily creel limit 5, 14 inch minimum length. ***All other species:*** Connecticut statewide regulations apply.

Beachdale Pond, Voluntown

Size: 46 acres
Species: T, LM, BB, S, YP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 5 MPH speed limit.

Beaver Brook Ponds (Bibbins Ponds), Windham

Size: 20 acres
Species: T, BB, S

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Boat and canoes prohibited except between May 16 and October 31. Motors prohibited. Default regulations apply for all species.

Beaver Brook Lagoon, New Haven

Size: 20 acres
Species: T, BB, S, CC, CA, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Catfish:*** Daily limit 3, No minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Beseck Lake, Middlefield

Size: 116 acres
Species: YP, CB, BB, S, LM, NP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: 8 MPH speed limit. Please refer to the CT DEEP Boater's Guide for summer exemption. Default regulations apply for all species.

Bigelow Pond, Union

Size: 25 acres
Species: T, YP, BB, S, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Use of internal combustion engines prohibited. Default regulations apply for all species.

Billings Lake, North Stonington

Size: 97 acres
Species: YP, CB, S, LM, SM,T, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 16 inch protected slot limit. Daily limit 6 bass, only 2 may be 16 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Birge Pond, Bristol

Size: 16 acres
Species: T, BB, S, CC, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Catfish: Daily limit 3, No minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Bishop Swamp (Jurovaty Pond), Andover

Size: 53 acres
Species: CB, BB, S, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Informal car-top launch. Use of all internal combustion engines prohibited. Default regulations apply for all species.

Black Pond, Middlefield

Size: 76 acres
Species: YP, CB, S, LM, T, CP, CC

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Bass Management Lake: Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 16 inch protected slot limit. Daily limit 6 bass, only 2 may be 16 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Black Pond, Woodstock

Size: 74 acres
Species: YP, CB, S, LM, SM, T, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Trout Management Lake: From March 1 until 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April, daily creel limit 1 trout, 14 inch minimum length. From 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February, daily creel limit 5 trout, not more than 1 of which, may be a brook trout that is 14 inches or greater. Motors limited to 5 horsepower. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Largemouth Bass (*Micropterus salmoides*)

Black Rock Park Pond, Watertown

Size: 10 acres
Species: LM, T, S

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Trout Park: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. All vessels prohibited. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Bolton Lakes Upper, Middle, Lower Bolton-Vernon-Coventry

Size: 346 acres
Species: LM, S, CC, SM, YP, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Bass Management Lake: Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 16 inch protected slot limit. Daily limit 6 bass, only 2 may be 16 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species. Motors limited to 6 horsepower.

Bolton Notch Pond, Bolton

Size: 17 acres
Species: LM, S, YP, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Informal car-top launch. Default regulations apply for all species.

Breakneck Pond, Union / Massachusetts

Size: 92 acres
Species: LM, S, CB, YP, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Boundary Water: CT or MA fishing license legal on entire pond. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited. Motor vehicle access prohibited. Walk-in access approximately 1.2 miles from the north end of Bigelow Pond.

Broad Brook Millpond, East Windsor

Size: 19 acres
Species: LM, S, T, YP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Default regulations apply for all species. Use of all motors prohibited.

Bunnells Pond (Beardsley Park Pond), Bridgeport

Size: 33 acres
Species: LM, S, T, CC

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Ice fishing prohibited. Fee may be required to access the park at certain times of the year. ***Catfish:*** Daily creel limit 3. No minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Burr Pond, Torrington

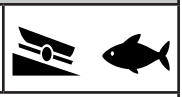
Size: 33 acres
Species: LM, S, CC, CB, CP, YP, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Butternut Park Pond, See Rowans Pond

Candlewood Lake, New Milford-Danbury-Sherman-New Fairfield

Size: 5,064 acres
Species: LM, SM, WP, CB, T, S, CA, WC, BB, YP



Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Trout Management Lake***: From March 1 until 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April, daily limit 1 trout, 16 inch minimum length. From 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April, daily creel limit 5 trout, no minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species. 45 MPH daytime speed limit. 25 MPH speed limit from 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise.

Cedar Lake, Chester

Size: 69 acres
Species: LM, S, WA, CP, YP, BB, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 6 MPH speed limit.

Center Springs Park Pond, Manchester

Size: 12 acres
Species: T, S, CC, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Catfish:*** Daily limit 3, No minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Chatfield Hollow Park Pond, See Schreeder Pond

Lake Chamberlain, Bethany

Size: 107 acres
Species: LM, S, CC, SM, YP, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 16 inch protected slot limit. Daily limit 6 bass, only 2 may be 16 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species. Shore fishing only. Ice fishing prohibited. Fishing by permit from the South Central Regional Water Authority. 203-562-4020.

Clarks Pond, Hamden

Size: 2 acres
Species: T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Boats and canoes are prohibited. Ice fishing prohibited. Pond is on South Central Regional Water Authority property. 203-562-4020.

Colebrook River Lake, Colebrook / Massachusetts

Size: 826 acres
Species: LM, S, RA, SM, YP, CP, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Boundary Water:*** CT or MA fishing license legal on entire lake from demarcation posters downstream to the dam. 20 MPH speed limit. The possession and use of any live alewives, blueback (glut or river) herring, gizzard, hickory, or threadfin shad as bait is prohibited. ***Bass Management Lake:*** Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 16 inch protected slot limit. Daily limit 6 bass, only 2 may be 16 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Colony Park Pond (Abe Stone Park Pond), Ansonia

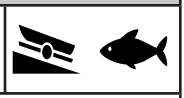
Size: 4 acres
Species: T, S, CC, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Catfish:*** Daily limit 3, No minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Compensating Reservoir, See Lake McDonough

Congamond Lakes, Suffield / Massachusetts

Size: 465 acres
Species: LM, S, SM, YP, CP, T, WP, WC, BB, CA



Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Boundary Water:*** CT or MA fishing license is legal on entire lake. Not more than two hooks may be used during periods of open water fishing and not more than five hooks may be used when ice fishing. Any sinker or weight made from lead that weighs less than one ounce, and any lead jig (meaning any lead weighted hook) that weighs less than one ounce, is prohibited for use in all inland waters of the Commonwealth. The term lead sinker shall not include any other sinkers, weights, fishing lures or fishing tackle including, but not limited to, artificial lures, hooks, weighted flies, and lead core or other weighted fishing lines. ***MA regulations apply as follows: Trout:*** daily creel limit 3 in aggregate. ***Bass:*** daily creel limit 5 in aggregate, 12 inch minimum length. ***Chain Pickerel:*** daily creel limit 5, 15 inch minimum length.

Coventry Lake (Wangumbaug Lake), Coventry

Size: 373 acres
Species: LM, S, SM, YP, CP, T, WA, WC, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 16 inch protected slot limit. Daily limit 6 bass, only 2 may be 16 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species. The possession and use of any live alewives, blueback (glut or river) herring, gizzard, hickory, or threadfin shad as bait is prohibited. 6 MPH speed limit from sunset to 1 hour after sunrise all days and on Sundays noon to 4:00 pm from May 15 to September 15 and noon to 2:00 pm on July 4. 40 MPH speed limit all other times.

Crescent Lake, Southington

Size: 4 acres
Species: S, CB, CP, CC, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Catfish:*** Daily limit 3, No minimum length. Default regulations apply for all species.

Crystal Lake, Ellington-Stafford

Size: 183 acres
Species: T, S, YP, CP, SM, LM,WP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Trout Management Lake:*** From 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February, 12 inch to 16 inch protective slot limit. Daily limit 5 trout in aggregate, Only 1 may be 16 inches or greater. From March 1 to 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April, daily limit 1, 16 inch minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species. 6 MPH speed limit from sunset to 9:00 am and on Sundays from noon to 3:00 pm. 45 MPH speed limit all other times.

Crystal Lake, Middletown

Size: 32 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, YP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited.

Day Pond, Colchester

Size: 7 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, YP, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Trout Park:*** Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. 2 fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. All vessels prohibited. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Dodge Pond, East Lyme

Size: 34 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, YP, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Use of all motors prohibited.

Dooley Pond, Middletown

Size: 19 acres
Species: LM, S, CP, YP, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Eagleville Lake, Mansfield-Coventry

Size: 77 acres
Species: LM, S, SM, YP, CP, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit. Brigham Road Bridge (Plains Road) is the demarcation line between the lake and the Willimantic River.

Eastbury Pond, See Angus Park Pond

East Twin Lake (Washining Lake), Salisbury

Size: 569 acres
Species: LM, S, SM, YP, CP, T, BB, K

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Trout Management Lake:*** During the period from 6:00 a.m. on the second Saturday in April through the last day of February the daily creel limit for trout shall be five, not more than one of which may be a brown trout, and the minimum length for brown trout shall be 22 inches. During the period from March first through 6:00 a.m. on the second Saturday in April, inclusive, the daily creel limit for trout shall be one and the minimum length limit shall be 22 inches.

Not more than two tip-ups, bobbers or floats, similar devices or hand-held jigging rods in any combination may be used at any one time when ice fishing.

Default regulations apply for all other species.

35 MPH daytime speed limit. 6 MPH from 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour after sunrise. Also 6 MPH within 200 feet of vessel or dock.

The possession and use of any live alewives, blueback (glut or river) herring, gizzard, hickory, or threadfin shad as bait is prohibited.

Factory Pond (Town Grove Pond), Salisbury

Size: 2 acres
Species: LM, S, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Children's Fishing Area:*** Fishing is restricted to those under 16. Ice fishing is prohibited. Default regulations apply for all species.

Farmill Reservoir (Isinglass Reservoir), Shelton

Size: 4 acres
Species: LM, S, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Permit required to fish, contact Aquarion Water Company at 203-452-3511. Ice fishing prohibited.

Fisher Meadows Pond (Spring Lake), Avon

Size: 41 acres
Species: LM, S, BB, YP, CA

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Ice fishing prohibited.

Freshwater Pond, Enfield

Size: 4 acres
Species: S, T, CC, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Catfish:*** Daily limit 3, No minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Gardner Lake, Salem-Montville-Bozrah

Size: 529 acres
Species: LM, S, T, YP, CA, WA, WC, CC, CB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Largemouth and smallmouth bass: Daily creel limit 2 bass, 16 inch minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species. 6 MPH speed limit from sunset to 8:00 am.

Brown Bullhead (*Ameiurus nebulosus*)

Gay City Pond, Hebron

Size: 5 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, YP, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. All vessels prohibited.

Goodwin Park Pond, Hartford

Size: 4 acres
Species: S

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: No fishing allowed from the golf course grounds. Default regulations apply for all species.

Gorton Pond, East Lyme

Size: 52 acres
Species: LM, S, CB, YP, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Gould Manor Pond, Fairfield

Size: 2 acres
Species: S

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Children's Fishing Area:*** Fishing is restricted to those under 16. Default regulations apply for all species.

Great Hill Pond, Portland

Size: 76 acres
Species: LM, S, BB, YP, CP, CB, WC

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Informal car-top/carry in access only. Motors limited to 6 HP or less. 12 MPH speed limit.

Great Hollow Pond, Monroe

Size: 15 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Trout Park:*** Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. 2 fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. Ice fishing is prohibited. Proof of a fishing license may be required to enter Wolfe Park during some time of the year. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Green Falls Reservoir, Voluntown

Size: 48 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited.

Griggs Pond, Woodstock

Size: 38 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, YP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited. Access is walk in from Route 198.

Halls Pond, Eastford-Ashford

Size: 82 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 16 inch protected slot limit. Daily limit 6 bass, only 2 may be 16 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Hallville Pond (Indiantown Brook), Preston

Size: 10 acres
Species: LM, S

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Informal car-top/carry in access only. Motors limited to 6 HP or less. 12 MPH speed limit.

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Hamilton Reservoir, Union / Massachusetts

Size: 412 acres
Species: LM, S, SM, YP, CP, T, CB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Boundary Water:*** CT or MA fishing license is legal on entire lake. Not more than two hooks may be used during periods of open water fishing and not more than five hooks may be used when ice fishing. Any sinker or weight made from lead that weighs less than one ounce, and any lead jig (meaning any lead weighted hook) that weighs less than one ounce, is prohibited for use in all inland waters of the Commonwealth. The term lead sinker shall not include any other sinkers, weights, fishing lures or fishing tackle including, but not limited to, artificial lures, hooks, weighted flies, and lead core or other weighted fishing lines. ***MA regulations apply as follows: Trout:*** daily creel limit 3 in aggregate. ***Bass:*** daily creel limit 5 in aggregate, 12 inch minimum length. ***Chain Pickerel:*** daily creel limit 5, 15 inch minimum length.

Hampton Reservoir, Hampton/Eastford

Size: 88 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, YP, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited.

Hancock Brook Lake, Plymouth

Size: 20 acres
Species: S, LM, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Open 8:00 am to sunset (but no later than 8:00 pm). Walk-in access only after Labor Day weekend until Memorial Day weekend. Access courtesy of the US Army Corps of Engineers.

Hanover Pond, Meriden

Size: 70 acres
Species: S, LM, CA

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Steerage speed only. Town operated launch.

Hanover Reservoir, Canterbury-Sprague

Size: 21 acres
Species: S, LM, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Access is walk-in only off of Little River Road, Canterbury.

Hatch Pond, Kent

Size: 72 acres
Species: LM, S, CB, YP, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Lake Hayward (Shaw Lake), East Haddam

Size: 82 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, CP, CB, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 16 inch protected slot limit. Daily limit 6 bass, only 2 may be 16 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited

Hazard Pond, Voluntown / Rhode Island

Size: 15 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Boundary Water:*** CT or RI fishing license is legal on entire lake. RI regulations apply as follows. Bass (Largemouth and Smallmouth): Daily creel limit 5 (in aggregate), 12 inch minimum length. Chain Pickerel: Daily creel limit 5, 14 inch minimum length. Trout: 8 inch minimum length. Daily creel limit 5 from second Saturday in April until November 30. Daily creel limit 2 from December 1 until the last day of February. No more than 6 tip ups per angler when ice fishing.

Helen Keller School Pond, Easton

Size: 1 acre
Species: S

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Children's Fishing Area:*** Fishing is restricted to those under 16. Ice fishing is prohibited. Default regulations apply for all species.

Hewitt Fly Pond (Gallup Pond), North Stonington

Size: 2 acres
Species: S, LM, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Fly fishing only. Default regulations apply for all species. All vessels prohibited.

Hewitt Pond (Lower Hewitt Pond), North Stonington

Size: 2 acres
Species: S, LM, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Operation of vessels with motors prohibited, except electric motors are allowed.

Higganum Reservoir, Haddam

Size: 31 acres
Species: S, LM, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Public right of way is passable for cars. 8 MPH speed limit.

Highland Lake, Winchester

Size: 445 acres
Species: S, LM, T, CP, YP, SM, WP, CB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Daily creel limit 2 bass in aggregate, 16 inch minimum length. ***Trout Management Lake:*** from 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February, 12 inch to 16 inch protective slot limit. Daily limit 5 trout in aggregate, only 1 may be 16 inch or greater. From March 1 to 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April, daily limit 1,16 inch minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species. 6 MPH speed limit from 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise and from 5:00 pm on Sundays from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend. 45 MPH speed limit on weekends and holidays.

Hodge Pond, Voluntown

Size: 10 acres
Species: LM, S, YP, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Public right-of-way, carry in access only.

Hogback Reservoir, See West Branch Reservoir

Holbrook Pond, Hebron

Size: 83 acres
Species: LM, S, CB, YP, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Hop Brook Lake, Middlebury

Size: 26 acres
Species: S, LM, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Open 8:00 am to sunset (but no later than 8:00 pm). Walk-in access only after Labor Day weekend until Memorial Day weekend. Only electric motors are allowed. Ice fishing prohibited. Access courtesy of the US Army Corps of Engineers.

Hopeville Pond, Griswold

Size: 137 acres
Species: LM, S, CB, YP, BB, CP, WC, CC, NP, T, WP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit. State operated launch is open from the second Saturday of April until early October.

Hopewell Lake, See Huntington Pond

Horse Pond, Salem

Size: 13 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, YP, CP, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited.

Northern Pike (*Esox lucius*)

Lake Housatonic, Shelton-Derby-Monroe

Size: 328 acres
Species: LM, SM, CB, YP, BB, CP, WC, CC, NP, T, WP, CA, S

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Bass Management Lake: Daily creel limit 2 bass in aggregate, 16 inch minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species. From the Stevenson Dam to the Derby Dam. Boat launch at Indian Well State Park, opens for daytime (8:00 am to sunset) use on April 1. Park officially closes on September 30th. Boating and Fishing access may continue past this date. Contact Park Manager at 203-735-4311 for fall boating and fishing access. Minimum steerage speed within 25 feet of shore or dock. 45 MPH speed limit daytime, 25 MPH from 1/2 hour after sunset until 1/2 hour before sunrise.

Howells Pond, Hartland

Size: 14 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, YP, CP, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Default regulations apply for all species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited.

Huntington Park Pond (Starret Pond/ Hopewell Lake), Redding

Size: 15 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Default regulations apply for all species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited.

Indian Pond/Lake, Sharon/New York

Size: 196 acres
Species: LM, S, YP, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Boundary Water: CT or NY fishing license legal on entire lake. NY regulations apply for taking bass as follows: Season opens 6:00 am second Saturday of April and closes November 30. Daily limit of 6 bass minimum length 12 inches. Not more than 5 tip ups and 2 handheld jigging rods allowed when ice fishing.

Isinglass Reservoir, See Farmill Reservoir

Kaatz Pond, Trumbull

Size: 2 acres
Species: S

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Children's Fishing Area: Fishing is restricted to those under 16. Ice fishing is prohibited. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Keach Pond, See Peck Pond

Keney Park Pond, Hartford

Size: 3 acres
Species: S, T, CC, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Catfish: Daily limit 3, No minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Lake Kenosia, Danbury

Size: 60 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, CC, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Bass Management Lake: Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 16 inch protected slot limit. Daily limit 6 bass, only 2 may be 16 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited.

Killingly Pond, Killingly / Rhode Island

Size: 122 acres
Species: LM, SM, S,YP, T, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Boundary Water: CT or RI fishing license is legal on entire lake. RI regulations apply as follows. Bass (Largemouth and Smallmouth): Daily creel limit 5 (in aggregate), 12 inch minimum length. Chain Pickerel: Daily creel limit 5, 14 inch minimum length. Trout: 8 inch minimum length. Daily creel limit 5 from second Saturday in April until November 30. Daily creel limit 2 from December 1 until the last day of February. No more than 6 tip ups per angler when ice fishing. Motors are limited to 12 cubic inches (approximately 10 HP).

Lake of Isles, North Stonington

Size: 89 acres
Species: LM, S, CB, YP, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Lakeville Lake, See Wononskopomuc Lake

Lakewood Lake (Great Brook Reservoir), Waterbury

Size: 73 acres
Species: S, CC, LM, YP, WP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Catfish:*** Daily limit 3, No minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Lake Lillinonah, Brookfield-Bridgewater-Southbury

Size: 328 acres
Species: LM, SM, CB, YP, BB, CP, WC, CC, NP, T, WP, CA, S, NP, TM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Northern Pike AND Tiger Muskie:*** Daily creel limit 1 of either species (not both), 38 inch minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species. From Bleachery Dam to the Shepaug Dam; 45 MPH speed limit daytime, 25 MPH from 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise.

Little Pond, Litchfield

Size: 15 acres
Species: S, LM, YP, WP, NP, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Northern Pike:*** May 1 to November 30 the daily creel limit is 2 and minimum length is 26 inches. From December 1 to last day of February the daily limit is 1 and minimum length is 36 inches. From March 1 to April 30 **closed** to northern pike fishing. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Long Pond, Ledyard-North Stonington

Size: 109 acres
Species: S, LM, YP, T, WA, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Trout Management Lake:*** From March 1 to 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April, Daily creel limit 1; 16 inch minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species. 5 MPH speed limit.

Mad River Flood Control, Winchester

Size: 8 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. All vessels prohibited.

Malones Pond (Pine Lake), Bristol

Size: 18 acres
Species: S, LM, C, YP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Catfish:*** Daily limit 3, No minimum length. Ice fishing is prohibited. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Maltby Lakes (1,2,3), West Haven

Size: 19-23-25 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, CC, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 16 inch protected slot limit. Daily limit 6 bass, only 2 may be 16 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species. Shore fishing only. Fishing by permit from the South Central CT Regional Water Authority (203) 562-4020. Ice fishing prohibited.

Mamanasco Lake, Ridgefield

Size: 89 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, CB, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 16 inch protected slot limit. Daily limit 6 bass, only 2 may be 16 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited.

Manitook Lake, Granby

Size: 57 acres
Species: S, LM, YP, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 5 MPH speed limit in restricted areas. Use of motors in excess of 7.5 HP prohibited on Saturdays. Ice fishing is permitted on weekends only.

Mansfield Hollow Reservoir, Mansfield

Size: 460 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, CB, BB, NP, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Bass Management Lake: Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 16 inch protected slot limit. Daily limit 6 bass, only 2 may be 16 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Mashapaug Lake, Union

Size: 287 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, CB, BB, WA, CP, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Bass Management Lake: Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 16 inch protected slot limit. Daily limit 6 bass, only 2 may be 16 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species. 10 MPH speed limit.

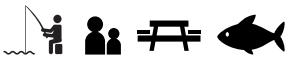
Lake McDonough, (Compensating Reservoir), Barkhamsted-New Hartford

Size: 391 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, CB, BB, SM, CP, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Default regulations apply for all species. 10 MPH speed limit. Boat launch owned and operated by MDC who charges parking and launch fees. Check the MDC web page or call 860-379-3036 for dates and hours of operation. Shore-based fishing allowed from sunrise to 9:00 pm along Route 219 year-round (when there is open water) where indicated by signage. Ice fishing prohibited.

McGovern Park Pond, West Hartford

Size: 1 acre
Species: S, LM, T



Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Trout Park: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Messerschmidt Pond, Westbrook-Essex

Size: 73 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, CP, YP, CB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Default regulations apply for all species. Operation of vessels with motors prohibited, except electric motors are allowed.

Mill Pond, Newington

Size: 3 acres
Species: S, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Children's Fishing Area: Fishing is restricted to those under 16. Ice fishing is prohibited. Default regulations apply for all species.

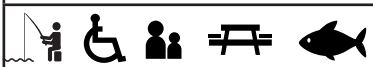
Millers Pond, Durham

Size: 33 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Default regulations apply for all species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited. Carry in boat access (300 yards).

Mirror Lake (Hubbard Park Pond), Meriden

Size: 8 acres
Species: S, CC, T, CA



Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Catfish: Daily limit 3, No minimum length. Ice fishing is prohibited. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Mitchell Pond, East Haddam

Size: 4 acres
Species: S, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Default regulations apply for all species. Boats and canoes are prohibited.

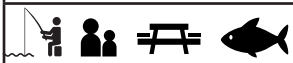
Mohawk Pond, Cornwall-Goshen

Size: 16 acres
Species: YP, CB, S, LM, SM, T, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Trout Management Lake:*** From March 1 until 6:00 am second Saturday of April, daily limit 1 trout, 14 inch minimum length. From 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February, daily limit 5 trout, not more than 1 of which, shall be a Brook Trout that is 14 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species. Use of all motors prohibited.

Mohegan Park Pond (Spaulding Pond), Norwich

Size: 14 acres
Species: S, LM, T, CC



Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Daily limit 2 bass 16 inch minimum length. ***Catfish:*** Daily limit 3 catfish, no minimum length. ***Trout Park:*** Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. Default regulations apply for all other species. Ice fishing prohibited per town ordinance.

Mono Pond, Columbia

Size: 113 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Moodus Reservoir, East Haddam

Size: 486 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, CB, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 18 inch protective slot. Daily limit 6 bass, only 1 may be 18 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species. 35 MPH speed limit days, 6 MPH speed limit from 1/2 hour after sunset until 8:00 am.

Morey Pond, Union-Ashford

Size: 45 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Mount Tom Pond, Washington-Morris-Litchfield

Size: 56 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, T, AS, WA, CB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Atlantic salmon:*** Daily limit 1. No minimum length. Trout and Salmon Stamp required to keep salmon. Default regulations apply for all other species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited.

Muddy Pond, Woodstock / Massachusetts

Size: 38 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, T

No Public Access

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. CT or MA fishing license valid on entire pond. CT regulations apply. 5 HP limit.

Mudge Pond (Silver Lake), Sharon

Size: 207 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, CB, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 18 inch protective slot. Daily limit 6 bass, only 1 may be 18 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species. Motors limited to 7.5 HP. 6 MPH speed limit. Use of motors prohibited from 1/2 hour after sunset until sunrise and at any time within 200 feet of the town beach.

Naubesatuck Lake, See Mansfield Hollow Reservoir

North Farms Reservoir, Wallingford

Size: 64 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Northfield Brook Lake, Litchfield

Size: 8 acres
Species: S, LM, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Walk-in access only after Columbus Day until the second Saturday of April. Open 8:00 am until sunset. Access courtesy of the US Army Corps of Engineers.

Northfield Cutlery Company Pond, Litchfield

Size: 5 acres
Species: S, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Public right of way passable for cars.

Norwich Pond, Lyme

Size: 30 acres
Species: S, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Operation of motor boats prohibited.

Papermill Pond, See Southford Falls Pond

Park Pond, Winchester

Size: 75 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Pasture Pond, Plainfield

Size: 1 acre
Species: T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Trout Park:*** Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Pattaconk Lake (Russel Jennings Pond), Chester

Size: 56 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, T, YP, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Carry in boat access (75 yards). 8 MPH speed limit. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited during July and August.

Pattagansett Lake, East Lyme

Size: 128 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, CC, CB, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 18 inch protective slot. Daily limit 6 bass, only 1 may be 18 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species. 8 MPH speed limit. See CT DEEP Boater's Guide for summer exemption.

Peck Pond (Keach Pond), Thompson / Rhode Island

Size: 14 acres
Species: LM, SM, CP, CB, BB, S, YP, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Boundary Water:*** CT or RI fishing license is legal on entire lake. RI regulations apply as follows. *Bass (largemouth and smallmouth):* Daily creel limit 5 (in aggregate), 12 inch minimum length. Chain Pickerel: Daily creel limit 5, 14 inch minimum length. *Trout:* 8 inch minimum length. Daily creel limit 5 from second Saturday in April until November 30. Daily creel limit 2 from December 1 until the last day of February. No more than 6 tip ups per angler when ice fishing.

Perry Pond, Thompson / Massachusetts

Size: 4 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: CT or MA fishing license valid on entire pond. Default regulations apply for all species.

Pickerel Lake, Colchester-East Hampton

Size: 82 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, CB, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Largemouth and smallmouth bass: 12 inch to 16 inch protected slot limit. Daily limit 6 bass, only 2 may be 16 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species. 8 MPH speed limit. See DEEP Boater's Guide for summer exemption.

Picketts Pond, Derby

Size: 9 acres
Species: S, CC, T, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Catfish:*** Daily limit 3, No minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Pierrepont Pond, Ridgefield

Size: 38 acres
Species: S, LM, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited.

Pine Lake, Shelton

Size: 7 acres
Species: S, LM, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Ice fishing prohibited.

Pine Acres Lake, Hampton

Size: 190 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, CP, YP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited.

Lake Pocotopaug, East Hampton

Size: 502 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, CP, YP, WA, CB, WP, SM

No Public Access

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: No public access. ***Walleye:*** Daily creel limit 2, 20 inch minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species. The possession and use of any live alewives, blueback (glut or river) herring, gizzard, hickory or threadfin shad as bait is prohibited.

Powers Lake, East Lyme

Size: 144 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Quaddick Reservoir, Thompson

Size: 408 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP, CB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Launch open 8:00 am until sunset from April 13 through the last weekend before October 31.

Lake Quassapaug, Middlebury-Woodbury

Size: 297 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP, CB

No Public Access

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Trout:*** Daily limit 1,18 inch minimum length. ***Bass:*** Daily limit 1 (in aggregate), 18 inch minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species. Ice fishing prohibited. 6 MPH speed limit, except 25 MPH from Tuesday after Labor Day to 3rd Saturday of April. Use of motors prohibited 11:00 pm to 6:00 am.

Quinebaug Lake (Wauregan Reservoir), Killingly

Size: 88 acres
Species: LM, SM, S,YP, CB, BB, CP, CC, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Largemouth and smallmouth bass: Daily creel limit 2 bass, 16 inch minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited.

Quonnipaug Lake, Guilford

Size: 99 acres
Species: YP, CB, S, LM, SM, T, CP, CC

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Trout Management Lake:*** From March 1 until 6:00 am second Saturday of April, daily limit 1 trout, 16 inch minimum length. From 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February, daily creel limit 5. Default regulations apply for all other species. Motors limited to 6 HP. Operation of motorboats prohibited from 9:00 pm to 6:00 am

Rainbow Reservoir, Windsor Locks-Windsor

Size: 240 acres
Species: LM, SM, S,YP, CB, BB, CP, WP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 35 MPH speed limit. Upper boundary of the reservoir is the Route 187 bridge.

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Red Cedar Lake, Lebanon

Size: 127 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Informal car-top launch only, not maintained.

Rogers Lake, Lyme

Size: 260 acres
Species: YP, CB, S, LM, SM, T, CP, CC

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Trout Management Lake:*** From March 1 until 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April, daily limit 1 trout, 16 inch minimum length. From 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February, daily creel limit 5. Default regulations apply for all other species. Motors limited to 135 HP. 6 MPH speed limit sunset to 10:00 am. See CT DEEP Boater's Guide for additional regulations.

Rogers Park Pond, Danbury

Size: 2 acres
Species: S, CC, T, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Catfish:*** Daily limit 3, No minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Roseland Lake, Woodstock

Size: 96 acres
Species: YP, CB, S, LM, T, CP, CA

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Access courtesy of Roseland Park. Open sunrise to sunset (closed Thanksgiving and Christmas), unimproved boat launch and fishing dock. Visit Roseland Park web page for additional information about the park.

Ross Pond, Killingly

Size: 31 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited.

Rowans Pond (Butternut Park Pond), Middletown

Size: 3 acres
Species: S, CC, T, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Catfish:*** Daily limit 3, No minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Saint Martha's Pond, Enfield

Size: 31 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Access courtesy of the property owner fishing is allowed April 1 until August 31.

Lake Saltonstall, East Haven-Branford

Size: 422 acres
Species: YP, CB, S, LM, T, CC, WA

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Daily limit 1 bass, 18 inch minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species. Use of live bait prohibited. Fishing by permit from South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority 203-401-2654. Boat rental available. No outside vessels allowed. Ice fishing prohibited.

Saugatuck Reservoir, Easton-Redding-Weston

Size: 827 acres
Species: YP, CB, S, LM, T, SM, WA

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Permit required to fish from Aquarion Water Company 203-452-3511. Fishing permitted from west shoreline only. Boating, wading, or flotation devices are prohibited. The possession and use of any live alewives, blueback (glut or river) herring, gizzard, hickory, or threadfin shad as bait is prohibited. Ice fishing prohibited.

Savin Lake, Lebanon

Size: 49 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, CP, YP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited.

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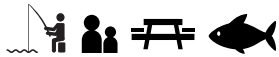
Schreeder Pond (Chatfield Hollow Park Pond), Killingworth

Size: 4 acre
Species: S, LM,T



Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Trout Park: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. Default regulations apply for all other species. Walk-in access only during the off season.

Scoville Reservoir (Woodtick Reservoir), Wolcott

Size: 121 acres
Species: YP, CB, S, LM, T, CP, CC

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Default regulations apply for all species. Shore fishing is allowed within designated fishing areas. Fishing within the conservation zone is prohibited. Operation of vessels prohibited from sunset to sunrise. Use or possession of internal combustion engines prohibited.

Seymour Reservoirs (1-2-3-4), Seymour

Size: 5-35-12-37 acres
Species: YP, CB, S, LM, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Default regulations apply for all species. Walk-in access only.

Shaw Lake, See Lake Hayward

Shelton Reservoir 2, See Pine Lake

Shenipsit Lake, Ellington-Tolland-Vernon

Size: 532 acres
Species: YP, CB, S, LM, T, CP, CC, CA, WP, SM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Default regulations apply for all species. Use of boats restricted to those stored on site. Contact the Shenipsit Lake boat storage facility 860-875-1850 for additional information. The possession and use of any live alewives, blueback (glut or river) herring, gizzard, hickory, or threadfin shad as bait is prohibited. Ice fishing prohibited.

Silver Lake, Berlin

Size: 146 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP, CC, CB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit. See CT DEEP Boater's Guide for exemptions.

Sochrin Pond, Seymour

Size: 3 acres
Species: S

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Children's Fishing Area: Fishing is restricted to those under 16. Ice fishing is prohibited. Default regulations apply for all species.

Somersville Mill Pond, Somers

Size: 41 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Default regulations apply for all species. 6 MPH speed limit. Unimproved town launch.

Southford Falls Pond (Papermill Pond), Oxford-Southbury

Size: 3 acres
Species: S, LM, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Trout Park: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February Default regulations apply for all other species. Walk-in access only during the off season.

South Spectacle Pond, Kent

Size: 85 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP, CB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules:
Default regulations apply for all species. Walk-in access only. Public right of way is NOT passable for cars.

Spaulding Pond, See Mohegan Park Pond

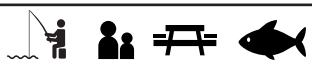
Squantz Pond, New Fairfield-Sherman

Size: 270 acres
Species: YP, CB, S, LM, T, CP, CC, CA, WP, SM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Trout Management Lake:*** From March 1 to 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April, daily limit 1; 16 inch minimum length. ***Trophy Carp Water:*** Daily limit 1, 26 inch **maximum** length. All Common Carp over 26 inches must be released without avoidable injury. Default regulations apply for all other species.
Motors on boats launched from Squantz Pond State Park are limited to 25 HP. 45 MPH daytime speed limit, 25 MPH from 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise. Fishing from shore prohibited behind fence along the shoreline within the State Park from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

Stanley Quarter Park Pond, New Britain

Size: 7 acres
Species: S, CC, T, LM



Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Catfish:*** Daily limit 3, No minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Starret Pond, See Huntington Pond

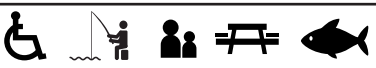
Stillwater Pond, Torrington

Size: 94 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, CP, YP, CC, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Use of internal combustion engines prohibited.

Stratton Brook Park Pond, Simsbury

Size: 2 acres
Species: S, LM,T



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Taftville Reservoir, Norwich

Size: 25 acres
Species: S, LM, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Access through Raymond Ouellet Park. ***Bass Management Lake:*** Daily limit 2 bass only 2 bass, 16 inch minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species.

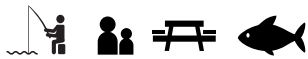
Tetreault Pond, Killingly

Size: 39 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Twin Brooks Park Pond, Trumbull

Size: 4 acres
Species: S, T



Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Ice fishing prohibited by town ordinance. *NOTE: A permit maybe required to access the park. This pass may be acquired free by anglers wishing to fish the waters by visiting the Trumbull Parks and Recreation Department.*

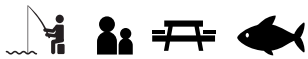
Uncas Lake (Hog Pond), Lyme

Size: 69 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Operation of motorboats prohibited.

Valley Falls Pond, Vernon

Size: 4 acres
Species: S, LM,T



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Walkers Reservoir (East), Vernon

Size: 5 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. All vessels prohibited.

Wangumbaug Lake, See Coventry Lake

Lake Waramaug, Kent-Warren-Washington

Size: 656 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP, T, WC, SM, CB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Carry in access in Lake Waramaug State Park. Boating access is also available to the public at the town boat launch in Washington (fee and inspection required). Boats and trailers failing inspection for aquatic invasive species will not be allowed to use the launch. Days and hours vary seasonally, contact the Washington Parks and Recreation Department at 860-868-1519 for more information.

Warner Pond (Kazan's Pond), Newtown

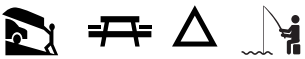
Size: 12 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Walk-in access only.

Wauregan Reservoir, See Quinebaug Lake

West Branch Reservoir (Hogback), Colebrook-Hartland

Size: 201 acres
Species: S, T, LM, RA, YP, SM



Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. The possession and use of any live alewives, blueback (glut or river) herring, gizzard, hickory, or threadfin shad as bait is prohibited.

West Hill Pond, Barkhamsted-New Hartford

Size: 261 acres
Species: S, T, LM, RA, YP, SM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Trout Management Lake:*** From March 1 to 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April, Daily limit 1; 16 inch minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species. The possession and use of any live alewives, blueback (glut or river) herring, gizzard, hickory, or threadfin shad as bait is prohibited.

15 MPH speed limit except 6 MPH between sunset and sunrise. 8 HP motor limit from Memorial Day through September 15.

West Pequonnock Reservoir, Monroe

Size: 2 acres
Species: S, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all other species. Permit required to fish contact Aquarion Water Company at 203-452-3511. Ice fishing prohibited.

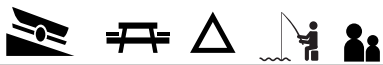
West Side Pond, Goshen

Size: 42 acres
Species: S, T, LM, BB, YP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** 12 inch to 16 inch protective slot. Daily limit 6 bass, only 2 bass may be 16 inches or greater. Default regulations apply for all other species. 8 MPH speed limit. See CT DEEP Boater's Guide for summer exemption.

West Thompson Lake, Thompson

Size: 239 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, YP, CB, CA, WP, SM



Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Common Carp:*** When fishing with bow and arrow; Daily Creel limit of 12, not more than 3 of which can be greater than 30 inches. Default regulations apply for all other species.

West Twin Lake Washinee Lake), Salisbury

Size: 290 acres
Species: S, LM, BB, YP, CB, CP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 35 MPH daytime speed limit except 6 MPH from 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour after sunrise and when within 200 feet of any vessel or dock. The possession and use of any live alewives, blueback (glut or river) herring, gizzard, hickory, or threadfin shad as bait is prohibited.

Wharton Pond (Allen Brook Pond), Wallingford-North Haven

Size: 5 acres
Species: S, LM, T

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Trout Park:*** Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Williams Pond (Lake Williams), Lebanon

Size: 7 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP, CB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. Informal car-top access from dam on Route 207.

Winchester Lake, Winchester

Size: 246 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP, CB, NP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 8 MPH speed limit.

Lake Winnemaug, Watertown

Size: 113 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP, CB, WP

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 7 MPH speed limit. Vessels with internal combustion engines attached prohibited.

Lake Wintergreen, Hamden

Size: 44 acres
Species: S, CC, T, LM

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Catfish:*** Daily limit 3, No minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Lake Wononskopomuc (Lakeville Lake), Salisbury

Size: 348 acres
Species: LM, S,YP, BB, CP, CB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** 12 inch to 16 inch protective slot. Daily limit 6 bass only 2 bass may be 16 inches or greater. ***Trout Management Lake:*** During the period from 6:00 a.m. on the second Saturday in April through the last day of February the daily creel limit for trout shall be 5, not more than 1 of which may be a brown trout, and the minimum length for brown trout shall be 22 inches. During the period from March first through 6:00 a.m. on the second Saturday in April, inclusive, the daily creel limit for trout shall be 1 and the minimum length limit shall be 22 inches. Default regulations apply for all other species.

Not more than 2 tip-ups, bobbers or floats, similar devices or hand-held jigging rods in any combination may be used at any one time when ice fishing.

Motors restricted to 112 cubic inches (approximately 10 HP). Town operated boat launch open daily from 7:00 am to 8:00 PM from second Saturday in April through Labor Day. From Labor Day through October 31 launch open 7:00 am to 8:00 pm weekdays and from 7:00 am to 12:00 noon weekends. Boat Livery. Fee charged to launch.

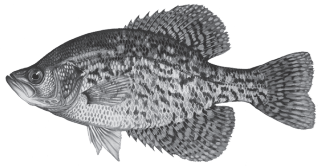
The possession and use of any live alewives, blueback (glut or river) herring, gizzard, hickory, or threadfin shad as bait is prohibited.

Wyassup Lake, North Stonington

Size: 99 acres
Species: S, T, LM, SM, CP, BB

Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: ***Bass Management Lake:*** Daily limit 2 bass, 16 inch minimum length. Default regulations apply for all other species. 8 MPH speed limit, see CT DEEP Boaters Guide for summer exemption.

Lake Zoar, Oxford-Monroe-NewtownSouthbury	
Size: 909 acres **Species:** LM, SM,YP, BB, CP, CB, WP, CA, WC, WA, S	
Fishing Regulations and Miscellaneous Rules: Default regulations apply for all species. 45 MPH daytime speed limit, 25 MPH from 1/2 hour after sunset to 1/2 hour before sunrise.	



Black Crappie (*Pomoxis nigromaculatus*)

Rivers and Streams

This section of the fishing guide provides information about fishing regulations for many rivers and streams, portions of which, have public access. There may be additional waters located in municipal parks, on land trust property, or other properties accessible to the public that are not listed here. Please be sure to note any signage on site indicating allowable use, access, or other rules. Always request permission prior to fishing on private property.

Rivers/Streams that Follow Default (Statewide) Fishing Regulations
Bold indicates portions are stocked with trout by CT DEEP

Aspetuck River, Easton-Weston
Bartlett Brook, Lebanon
Beaver Brook, Barkhamsted
Beaver Brook, Franklin-Sprague
Bible Rock Brook, Haddam
Bigelow Brook, Eastford-Union
Bladens River, Woodbridge-Seymour
Branford River, Branford
Broad Brook, Ellington
Bungee Brook, Woodstock
Butternut Brook, Litchfield
Byram River, Greenwich
Candlewood Hill Brook, Haddam
Cedar Swamp Brook, Stafford
Cedar Swamp Brook, Sterling
Choate Brook, Preston
Copps Brook, Stonington
Delphi Brook, Stafford
Denison Brook, Voluntown
East Swamp Brook, Bethel
Exeter Brook, Lebanon
Falls River, Essex-Westbrook
Farmill River, Monroe-Stratford
Fivemile River, Thompson-Killingly
Flat Brook, East Hampton
French River, Thompson
Freshwater Brook, Enfield
Furnace Brook, Stafford
Gillette Brook, Somers
Green Falls River, N. Stonington-Voluntown
Gulf Stream, Somers
Haleys Brook, Groton
Hall Meadow Brook, Goshen-Torrington
Hop Brook, Middlebury-Waterbury
Hop River, Bolton-Coventry
Hunts Brook, Montville-Watertown
Indiantown Brook, Ledyard-Preston
Joe Clark Brook, Ledyard
Kettletown Brook, Southbury
Kitt Brook, Canterbury
Laurel Brook, Middletown
Leadmine Brook, Harwinton
Little River, Canterbury-Hampton
Lowden Brook, Voluntown
Mary Brown Brook, Putnam
Mashamoquet Brook, Pomfret
Middle River, Stafford
Mill Brook, Cornwall
Mill Brook, Woodstock
Mine Brook, Portland
Morrissey Brook, Sherman
Mount Hope River, Ashford-Mansfield
Mount Misery Brook, Voluntown
Muddy River, North Haven
Myron Kinnie Brook, Voluntown
Nepaug River, New Hartford
Nonewaug River, Woodbury
Northfield Brook, Litchfield-Thomaston
Oxoboxo Brook, Montville
Pachaug River, Voluntown
Parmalee Brook, Durham
Pattaconk Brook, Chester
Pond Brook, Newtown
Ponset Brook, Haddam
Poquetanuck Brook, Preston
Quanduck Brook, Killingly-Sterling
Quinebaug River, Putnam-Norwich
Reservoir Brook, Portland
Rippowam River, Stamford
Roaring Brook, Haddam
West Branch Saugatuck River, Weston-Westport
Sawmill Brook, Sherman
Scantic River, East Windsor-Enfield-Somers
Seth Williams Brook, Ledyard

Shepaug **River, Roxbury**
Shewville Brook, Preston
Skungamaug River, Coventry
Snake Meadow Brook, Plainfield-Sterling
Sprain Brook, Woodbury
Still River, Eastford-Woodstock
Still River, Danbury
Stony Brook, Suffield
Sugar Brook, Plainfield
Sumner Brook, Middletown
Susquetonscut Brook, Bozrah-Lebanon
Taylor Brook, Woodstock
Tenmile River, Cheshire
Tenmile River, Lebanon-Columbia
Wappoquia Brook, Pomfret
Weekeepeemee River, Woodbury
Wepawaug River, Orange-Milford
West River, Guilford
Whetsone Brook, Killingly
Whiting River, North Canaan
Willow Brook, Cheshire
Wyassup Brook, North Stonington

Summary of Fisheries Management Categories and Associated Waters

The Fisheries Division makes use of a variety of tools to optimize some of the more popular game fish species. These tools (regulations) can be daily creel limits, minimum or maximum size limits, or limits on the type of gear that can be used. These regulations can, and do, vary by waterbody. This section of the fishing guide details waters that have special fishing regulations.

MANAGEMENT/REGULATIONS	*WATERS OR PORTIONS OF WITH SPECIAL REGULATIONS*
Trout Management Areas (TMA)	
Year-round catch and release fishing only: * Indicates some or all of the TMA is limited to fly fishing gear only.	Coppermine Brook, Farmington River, Hockanum River, Housatonic River*, Mill River (Fairfield), Moosup River*, Naugatuck River, Pequabuck River, Tenmile River (Kent), Willimantic River*
Seasonal Harvest: Catch and release fishing only from September 1 to 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April. Harvest allowed from 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until August 31. * Indicates some or all of the TMA is limited to fly fishing gear only.	Farmington River, Hammonasset River, Mianus River, Mill River (Hamden), Salmon River*, Saugatuck River*, Yantic River*
Wild Trout Management Areas (WTMA)	
Class 1: Year-round catch and release fishing only and requires the use of a single barbless hook on an artificial lure or fly.	Beaver Brook (Scotland), Deep Brook, Eightmile River (Southington), Freeman Hill Brook, Hawleys Brook, Macedonia Brook, Merrick Brook, Mill River (Fairfield), Pootatuck River, Quinnipiac River, Tankerhoosen River, Wachocastinook Brook.
Class 2: Daily limit of 2 trout with minimum length of 12 inches. Harvest is allowed from 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. Catch and release only March 1 to 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April.	Furnace Brook (Cornwall), Salmon Brook (Glastonbury)
Class 3: Daily limit of 5 trout with minimum length of 9 inches. Harvest is allowed from 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. Catch and release only March 1 to 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April.	Beacon Hill Brook, Blackberry River, East Aspetuck River, East Branch Naugatuck River, Farm River, Fenton River, Little River (Oxford), Macedonia Brook, Morgan Brook, Norwalk River, Pease Brook, Roaring Brook (Glastonbury), Roaring Brook (Willington), Salmon Brook (Granby), Shunock River, Stony Brook (Montville).
Trout Parks: Daily limit of 2 trout with no minimum length. Harvest is allowed from 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. Catch and release only March 1 to 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April.	Branch Brook, Chatfield Hollow Brook, Eightmile Brook (Oxford), Kent Falls Brook, Natchaug River, Stratton Brook

MANAGEMENT/REGULATIONS	*WATERS OR PORTIONS OF WITH SPECIAL REGULATIONS*
Trophy Trout Areas: Daily limit of 2 trout with no minimum length. Harvest is allowed from 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. Catch and release only March 1 to 6:00 am on the second Saturday of April..	Natchaug River, Naugatuck River, Pequonnock River, Pomperaug River, Salmon River, Shetucket River
Sea-Run Trout Streams: Daily limit is 2 fish with a 15 inch minimum length. Harvest is allowed year-round.	Eightmile River (Lyme), Farm River, Hammonasset River, Latimer Brook, Mianus River, Oil Mill Brook, Saugatuck River, Whitford Brook
Nine Inch Minimum Length: Minimum length for trout is nine inches in portions of the water or its entirety.	Belden Brook, Blackledge River, Bunnell Brook (Burlington Brook), Center Brook (Colebrook), Cherry Brook, Colebrook Brook, Dickinson Creek, East Branch Salmon Brook, East Branch Eightmile River (Salem), East Branch Farmington River, Eightmile River (Salem), Farmington River (Avon/Windsor), Fawn Brook, Indian Meadow Brook, Jeremy River, Judd Brook, Mad River (Winsted), Meadow Brook, Morgan Brook, Mountain Brook (Granby), Pequabuck River, Pine Brook, Ratlum Brook, Raymond Brook, Safstrom Brook, Salmon River, Salmon Brook (Granby) Sandy Brook, Still River (Barkhamsted), West Branch Fawn Brook, West Branch Salmon Brook (Granby).
Atlantic Salmon Management Areas: Gear is limited to the use of a fly or an artificial lure with a single free-swinging hook. Catch and release fishing only from September 1 to December 16. One fish per angler per day from December 16 until August 31.	Naugatuck River, Shetucket River
Bass Management Areas: Catch and release fishing only. All bass must be returned immediately without avoidable injury.	Housatonic River, Tenmile River (Sherman).
Trophy Carp Waters: These waters have a daily limit of 1 and **MAXIMUM** size limit of 26 inches. Some sections have different rules for Bow and arrow fishing.	Coginchaug River, Connecticut River and its coves, Farmington River, Mattebesset River, Salmon River
Common Carp Enhanced Bow and Arrow Fishing Waters: portions of these waters where the daily creel limit is 12 fish with not more than 3 of the 12 fish are greater than 30 inches.	Coginchaug River, Connecticut River and its coves downstream of the Arrigoni Bridge, Mattebesset River, Quinnipiac River, Salmon River, Shetucket River, Thames River, Yantic River
Tidal Waters and Tributaries: Harvest is allowed year-round. Special rules apply to for some species in these sections.	Coginchaug River, Connecticut River, Farmington River, Housatonic River, Mattebesset River, Mystic River, Naugatuck River, Niantic River, Quinnipiac River, Salmon River, Shetucket River, Thames River, Yantic River

AMENITY ICONS	
Icon	**Description**
	Accessible for persons with disabilities
	Trout and Salmon Stamp required to fish here (A trout and salmon stamp is required to keep trout or salmon anywhere on public waters).
	Wild Trout Management Area and Class (1, 2, or 3)
	Area is adequate for picnicking
	Child friendly fishing
	Camping on-site or nearby
	Fishing line recycling container at some access locations
	Fly fishing only section
	Canoe/kayak access in sections
	Boat launch in sections
	Stocked with adult trout
ATS	Stocked with adult Atlantic Salmon

Rivers and Streams With Special Fishing Regulations

Bantam River, Litchfield

A Fly Fishing only section is downstream of Stoddard Road as indicated by posters.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6;00 am on the second Saturday of April. 5 fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Beacon Hill Brook, Beacon Falls

Wild Trout Management Area Class 3: From the Route 63 crossing to the Naugatuck River.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Beaver Brook, Scotland

Wild Trout Management Area Class 1: Within the Talbot Wildlife Management Area.

Trout: Catch and Release year-round. Gear limited to an artificial lure/fly with single barbless hook.

Belden Brook, Hartland-Granby

Downstream of Fuller Road in Hartland. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February

Blackberry River, Canaan

Wild Trout Management Area Class 3: From the confluence with the Whiting River downstream to the Housatonic River.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Blackledge River, Glastonbury-Marlborough

From the Route 94 crossing downstream to the Salmon River. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Branch Brook, Watertown-Thomaston

Trout Park: Within Black Rock State Park

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Bunnell Brook (Burlington Brook), Burlington

From Covey Road downstream to the Farmington River. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Center Brook, Colebrook

Downstream from Route 183. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Chatfield Hollow Brook, Killingworth

Trout Park: Within Chatfield Hollow State Park

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Coginchaug River, Middletown

Tidal Water and Tributary and Trophy Common Carp Water: Route 3 crossing to the Connecticut River.

Trout: Daily limit of 2 / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round.
Common Carp: Daily creel limit 1 fish, 26 inch maximum length except when fishing with a bow and arrow, then the daily limit is 12, not more than 3 of which can be greater than 30 inches.

Colebrook Brook, Colebrook

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Connecticut River and coves, Enfield-Old Saybrook

Tidal Water and Tributary and Trophy Common Carp Water: Entire river in CT

Trout: Daily limit of 2 / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round.
Common Carp: Daily limit 1 fish, 26 inch maximum length except when fishing downstream of the Arrigoni Bridge (Middletown) with a bow and arrow, then the daily limit is 12, not more than 3 of which can be greater than 30 inches.
Northern Pike: Daily limit of 2 / 24 inch minimum length.
Largemouth Bass and Smallmouth Bass: Daily limit 6 / 12 inch minimum length. ***Alewife and Blueback Herring***: closed to all fishing/taking.

Coppermine Brook, Bristol

Year-Round Catch and Release Trout Management Area: From Artisan Street to the Pequabuck River.

Trout: Catch and Release year-round.

Deep Brook, Newtown

Wild Trout Management Area Class 1: From Wasserman Way to the Pootatuck River. Includes a portion of the Pootatuck River above and below the confluence as posted with signs by the CT DEEP.

Trout: Catch and Release year-round. Gear limited to an artificial lure/fly with single barbless hook.

Dickinson Creek, Marlborough

Downstream from Route 66. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

East Aspetuck River, Washington-New Milford

Wild Trout Management Area Class 3: From Lake Waramaug to the Housatonic River.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

East Branch Eightmile River, Lyme

Trout: ***Downstream of Witch Meadow Road.*** Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

East Branch Farmington River, New Hartford

Downstream from Route 219. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

East Branch Salmon Brook, Granby

Downstream from CT state boundary. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

East Branch Naugatuck River, Torrington

Wild Trout Management Area Class 3: From Newfield Road downstream to the West Branch Naugatuck River.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Eightmile Brook, Southbury-Oxford

Trout Park: Within Southford Falls State Park

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Eightmile River, Salem-Lyme

From Foxtown Road to the dam at Mount Archer Road: Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Sea Run Trout Stream: Downstream of the dam at Mount Archer Road. ***Trout***: Daily creel limit 2 / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round.

Eightmile River, Southington

Wild Trout Management Area Class 1: The entire river in Southington.

Trout: Catch and Release year-round. Gear limited to an artificial lure/fly with single barbless hook.

Farm River, North Branford-East Haven

Wild Trout Management Area Class 3: From Mill Road to Route 95. **Sea-Run Trout Stream:** Downstream of Route 95.

Trout: **Wild Trout Management Area Class 3 section** is catch and release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February **Sea Run Trout Stream:** Downstream of Route 95. ***Trout***: Daily creel limit 2 / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round.

Farmington River/West Branch Farmington River, Hartland-Windsor

Seasonal Catch and Release Trout Management Area: From Hogback Dam (Hartland) to old abutments (Barkhamsted). ***Trout***: Catch and Release from September 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 12 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until August 31.

Year-Round Catch and Release Trout Management Area: From old abutments (Barkhamsted) to Route 219 (New Hartford). ***Trout Fishing*** is catch and release year-round. All hooks required to be barbless.

Seasonal Catch and Release Trout Management Area: From Route 219 (New Hartford) to Route 177 (Farmington). ***Trout***: Catch and Release from September 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 12 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until August 31.

From Route 177 (Farmington) to Rainbow Reservoir (Windsor Locks). ***Trout***: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Tidal Waters and Tributaries: From mouth of the tailrace below Rainbow Dam to the CT River: ***Trout***: Daily limit of 2 / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round.
Trophy Common Carp Water: Daily creel limit 1 fish, 26 inch maximum length.

Fawn Brook and West Branch Fawn Brook, Marlborough

Downstream of Slocum Road. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Fenton River, Willington-Mansfield

Wild Trout Management Area Class 3: Entire river in Willington and Mansfield.

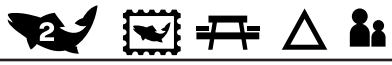
Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Freeman Hill Brook, Burlington

Wild Trout Management Area Class 1: Upstream of Route 69 crossing through Sessions Woods Wildlife Management Area.

Trout: Catch and Release year-round. Gear limited to an artificial lure/fly with single barbless hook.

Furnace Brook, Cornwall
Heather Reeves Wild Trout Management Area



Wild Trout Management Area Class 2: Entire waterbody upstream of the Housatonic River as posted with signs by CT DEEP.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit / 12 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Hammonasset River, Madison

Seasonal Catch and Release Trout Management Area: From Lake Hammonasset dam to Chestnut Hill Road (Madison): Trout: Catch and Release from September 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until August 31.

Sea Run Trout Stream: From Chestnut Hill Road to breached dam above River Road (Madison): Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. 2 fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Downstream of the breeched dam above River Road. Trout: 2 fish daily limit / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round.

Hockanum River, Vernon-Manchester

Year-Round Catch and Release Trout Management Area: From Route 84 crossing in Vernon downstream to the 1-84 crossing in Laurel Marsh.

Trout: Catch and Release year-round.

Hawleys Brook, Easton-Weston

Wild Trout Management Area Class 1: Within Trout Brook Valley Property.

Trout: Catch and Release year-round. Gear limited to an artificial lure/fly with single barbless hook.

Housatonic River, Salisbury-Milford

Year-Round Catch and Release Trout Management Area: From Route 112 (Sharon) to Route 4/Route 7 crossing (Cornwall). ***Trout Fishing*** is Catch and Release year-round. Gear restricted to fly fishing only within the 3-mile section upstream of the Routes 4/7 bridge as posted with signs by CT DEEP. From June 15 to September 15 fishing prohibited within 100 feet of thermal refuges as posted with signs by CT DEEP.

Year-Round Catch and Release Trout Management Area: From Bulls Bridge Dam (Kent) to Route 7 bridge (New Milford). ***Trout and black bass (largemouth and smallmouth) fishing*** Catch and Release year-round. June 15 to September 15 fishing prohibited within 100 feet of thermal refuges as posted with signs by CT DEEP.

Atlantic salmon: Derby Dam to Merritt Parkway Bridge Catch and Release only from September 1 to December 15. Daily limit of 1 salmon, no minimum length, from December 16 to August 31. Gear restricted to single fly or lure with a free-swinging hook. No additional weight may be added to the line.

Tidal Waters and Tributaries: Downstream of Lake Housatonic/Derby Dam: ***Trout:*** Daily creel limit 2 / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round. ***Enhanced Bow and Arrow Fishing Area: Common Carp****:* When fishing with a bow and arrow downstream of the Derby Dam, the daily creel limit is 12, not more than 3 of which can be greater than 30 inches.

Rainbow Trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*)

Indian Meadow Brook, Winchester

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Jeremy River, Marlborough

Downstream of Grayville Road. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Judd Brook, Colchester

Downstream of Old Colchester Road. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Kent Falls Brook, Kent

Trout Park: Within Kent Falls State Park

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Latimer Brook, East Lyme

Sea Run Trout Stream: Downstream of I-95 crossing.

Trout: Two fish daily limit / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round.

Little River, Oxford

Wild Trout Management Area Class 3: From Towner Lane downstream to Park Road Crossing.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Macedonia Brook, Kent

Wild Trout Management Area Class 1: From Bog Hollow Brook to Route 341 crossing: ***Trout***: Catch and Release year-round. Gear limited to an artificial lure/fly with single barbless hook.

Wild Trout Management Area Class 3: Within Macedonia Brook State Park: ***Trout:*** Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Mad River, Winchester

Downstream of Grantville Road. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Mattebesset River, Middletown

Tidal Water and Tributary and Trophy Common Carp Water: Route 372 crossing downstream to the Connecticut River.

Trout: Daily limit of 2 / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round.
Common Carp: Daily limit 1 fish, 26 inch maximum length except when fishing with a bow and arrow, then the daily limit is 12, not more than 3 of which can be greater than 30 inches.

Meadow Brook, Colchester

Downstream of Route 16 crossing. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Merrick Brook, Scotland

Wild Trout Management Area Class 1: Within Talbot Wildlife Management Area and upstream of the WMA as posted with signs by CT DEEP.

Trout: Catch and Release year-round. Gear limited to an artificial lure/fly with single barbless hook.

Mill Brook, Winchester

Downstream from Hannifin Road. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Mianus River, Greenwich-Stamford

Seasonal Catch and Release Trout Management Area: From Merribrook Lane upstream 1 mile to dam. ***Trout***: Catch and Release from September 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from 6 am second Saturday of April until August 31. Gear restricted to single hook flies and single hook artificial lures only.

Sea Run Trout Stream: Entire river (except for TMA described above) upstream of dam north of Boston Post Road. ***Trout***: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Mill River, Fairfield

Wild Trout Management Area Class 1: From the confluence with Canoe Brook, as posted with signs by CT DEEP, downstream to the crossing with the Merritt Parkway. ***Trout***: Catch and Release year-round. Gear limited to an artificial lure/fly with single barbless hook.

Year-Round Catch and Release Trout Management Area: From Merritt Parkway crossing downstream to Lake Mohegan (Fairfield). ***Trout***: Catch and Release year-round.

Mill River, Hamden

Seasonal Catch and Release Trout Management Area: Within Sleeping Giant State Park**.**

Trout: Catch and Release from September 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until August 31.

Moosup River, Plainfield

Year-Round Catch and Release Trout Management Area: From Route 14 crossing downstream to the Quinebaug River.

Trout: Catch and Release year-round. Gear restricted to fly fishing only within the lower half of this section as posted with signs by the CT DEEP.

Morgan Brook, Barkhamsted

Wild Trout Management Area Class 3: From West Hill Pond downstream to the West Branch Farmington River.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Mountain Brook, Granby

Downstream from Route 20 at Case Road. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Mystic River, Groton

Tidal Water and Tributary: From the confluence of Haleys Brook and Whitford Brook downstream.

Trout: Daily limit of 2 / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round.

Natchaug River, Eastford-Mansfield

Trophy Trout Stream: Entire river **except for the Trout Park** within Natchaug State Forest**.**

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. Trout and Salmon Stamp is required to fish in the trout park section.

Fish Handling Tips If You Plan to Catch and Release:

-Limit the amount of time a fish is played while hooked and retrieved.

-- Wet your hands prior to handling the fish.

- Unhook quickly by using single barbless hooks whenever possible (replace treble hooks), cut the line if deeply hooked (vs. taking minutes to dig the hook out).

- Keep the fish in the water while unhooking (not flopping around in the boat, shore, ice, or pavement).

- Minimize the time spent out of the water when taking photos.

Naugatuck River, Torrington-Ansonia

Trophy Trout Stream: From confluence of East and West Branches to the Route 118 bridge. ***Trout:*** Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February

Year-Round Catch and Release Trout Management Area: From Route 118 to the Thomaston Army Corp Dam. ***Trout Fishing*** is Catch and Release year-round. Gear restricted to a single fly or a lure with a free-swinging hook from September 1 to March 31. Fishing prohibited within 100 feet of thermal refuges from June 15 to September 15 as posted with signs by CT DEEP.

Atlantic Salmon Management Area: From Route 118 to the Thomaston Army Corp Dam. ***Atlantic Salmon:*** From September 1 to December 15 Catch and Release only. From December 16 to August 31 daily creel limit of 1 salmon, no minimum length. Gear restricted to a single fly or a lure with a free-swinging hook. No additional weight may be added to the line.

Trophy Trout Stream: From Thomaston Dam to Kinneytown Dam. ***Trout:*** Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February Fishing prohibited within 100 feet of thermal refuges from June 15 to September 15 as posted with signs by CT DEEP.

Atlantic Salmon Management Area: From Prospect Street (Naugatuck) to Route 42 bridge crossing (Beacon Falls). ***Atlantic Salmon:*** From September 1 to December 15 Catch and Release only. From December 16 to August 31 daily creel limit of 1 salmon, no minimum length. Gear restricted to a single fly or a lure with a free-swinging hook. No additional weight may be added to the line. Fishing prohibited within 100 feet of thermal refuges from June 15 to September 15 as posted with signs by CT DEEP.

Tidal Waters and Tributaries: Downstream of Kinneytown Dam: ***Trout:*** Daily creel limit 2 /15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round. ***Atlantic salmon:*** from September 1 to December 15 Catch and Release only. From December 16 to August 31 daily creel limit of 1, no minimum length. When fishing for Atlantic salmon in this section, gear is restricted to a single fly or a lure with a free-swinging hook. No additional weight may be added to the line.

Niantic River, East Lyme-Waterford

Tidal Water and Tributary: Downstream of the confluence with Latimer Brook.

Trout: Daily limit of 2 / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round.

Norwalk River, Norwalk

Wild Trout Management Area Class 3: The entire stream within Wilton and Ridgefield that is upstream of Wolf Pit Road (Wilton).

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Oil Mill Brook, Waterford

Sea Run Trout Stream: Downstream of I-95 crossing.

Trout: Two fish daily limit / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round.

Pease Brook, Lebanon

Wild Trout Management Area Class 3: Within the Pease Brook Wildlife Management Area.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Pequabuck River, Bristol

Year-Round Catch and Release Trout Management Area: From King Street downstream to the Route 177 crossing, including a section of Coppermine Brook.

Trout: Catch and Release year-round.

Pequonnock River, Trumbull

Trophy Trout Stream: From Whitney Avenue Bridge to Daniels Farm Road, includes Trumbull Basin.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February. *NOTE: A parking permit is required to park on streets adjacent to the Trumbull Basin and many Trumbull municipal parks. This pass may be acquired free by anglers wishing to fish the waters by visiting the Trumbull Parks and Recreation Department.*

Pine Brook, East Hampton

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Pomperaug River, Woodbury-Southbury

Trophy Trout Stream: The entire river from the confluence of the Nonewaug River and Weekeepeemee River downstream to Lake Zoar.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February

Pootatuck River, Newtown

Wild Trout Management Area Class 1: From approximately 1/2 mile above and below the confluence with Deep Brook as posted with signs by CT DEEP.

Trout: Catch and Release year-round. Gear limited to an artificial lure/fly with single barbless hook.

The ***Connecticut Aquatic Resource Education*** (CARE) program is the Fisheries Division's main pathway for introducing or re-introducing people to fishing. We are always looking for motivated, passionate, and patient anglers who are willing to help coach new fishing participants. If you would like to join our team of certified fishing coaches, please reach out to Justin Wiggins at 860-663-1656.

Quinnipiac River, Southington-New Haven

Wild Trout Management Area Class 1: The entire river in Southington and Cheshire upstream of Cheshire Street**.** ***Trout***: Catch and Release year-round. Gear limited to an artificial lure/fly with single barbless hook.

Tidal Waters and Tributaries: From the Route 5 crossing (North Haven) downstream to the New Haven Harbor: ***Trout***: Daily limit of 2 / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round. **Enhanced Bow and Arrow Fishing Area: Common Carp:** When fishing with a bow and arrow downstream of the Route 40 crossing, the daily creel limit is 12, not more than 3 of which can be greater than 30 inches.

Ratlum Brook, New Hartford

Downstream of confluence with Spruce Brook. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Raymond Brook, Hebron

From Old Colchester Road downstream. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Roaring Brook, Glastonbury
Eric C. Schluntz Wild Trout Management Area

Wild Trout Management Area Class 3: From Route 94 crossing downstream to the Connecticut River.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Roaring Brook, Stafford-Willington

Wild Trout Management Area Class 3: From Route 190 crossing to the Willimantic River.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Safstrom Brook, East Hampton

From Tartia Road downstream. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Salmon Brook, Glastonbury

Wild Trout Management Area Class 2: From the Addison Pond dam downstream to the Connecticut River.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit / 12 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Salmon Brook and East Branch Salmon Brook, Granby

Wild Trout Management Area Class 3: From Route 20 crossing downstream to the Farmington River.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Salmon Brook-West Branch, Hartland/Granby

Route 179 downstream. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Brown Trout (*Salmo trutta*)

Salmon River, Colchester-East Haddam

Seasonal Catch and Release Trout Management Area and Trophy Trout Stream: From the confluence of the Blackledge River and Jeremy River to the Route 16 crossing. ***Trout***: Catch and Release from September 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from 6 am second Saturday of April until August 31. Gear restricted to fly fishing only in the middle of this section as posted with signs by the CT DEEP.

Trophy Trout Stream: From the Route 16 crossing downstream to the Route 151 crossing. ***Trout***: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Tidal Waters and Tributaries: From the Route 151 crossing downstream to the Connecticut River: ***Trout***: Daily limit of 2 / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round.

Trophy Common Carp Water: Daily creel limit 1 / 26 inch maximum length.

Enhanced Bow and Arrow Fishing Area: Common Carp: When fishing with a bow and arrow downstream of the Route 40 crossing, the daily creel limit is 12, not more than 3 of which can be greater than 30 inches.

Sandy Brook, Colebrook

From the MA/CT state line to the Still River. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Saugatuck River, Westport
William "Doc" Skerlick Trout Management Area

Seasonal Catch and Release Trout Management Area: From the Dorrs Mill Dam downstream to the Merritt Parkway crossing. ***Trout***: Catch and Release from September 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from 6 am second Saturday of April until August 31. Gear restricted to fly fishing only. **Sea Run Trout Stream: Downstream of the "Wood Dam" (Westport):** ***Trout***: Year-round daily limit of 2 / 15 inch minimum length.

Shetucket River, Windham-Norwich

Trophy Trout Stream: The entire river upstream of the Greenville Dam (Norwich). ***Trout***: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Atlantic Salmon Management Area: From the Scotland Dam to the Occum Dam. ***Atlantic Salmon:*** From September 1 to December 15 Catch and Release only. From December 16 to August 31 daily creel limit of 1 salmon, no minimum length. Gear restricted to a single fly or a lure with a free-swinging hook. No additional weight may be added to the line.

Tidal Waters and Tributaries: Downstream of the Greenville Dam: ***Trout***: Daily limit of 2 / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round.

Enhanced Bow and Arrow Fishing Area: Common Carp: When fishing with a bow and arrow downstream of the Greenville Dam, the daily creel limit is 12, not more than 3 of which can be greater than 30 inches.

Shunock River, North Stonington

Wild Trout Management Area Class 3: The entire river within North Stonington.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Still River, Winchester-Colebrook

From the confluence with the Mad River to the West Branch Farmington River. Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Brook Trout (*Salvelinus fontinalis*)

Stony Brook, Montville

Wild Trout Management Area Class 3: The entire river within Montville.

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am second Saturday of April. Five fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Stratton Brook, Simsbury

Trout Park: Within Stratton Brook State Park

Trout: Catch and Release from March 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit from the second Saturday of April until the last day of February.

Tankerhoosen River, Vernon

Wild Trout Management Area Class 1: The river and its tributaries as posted with signs by CT DEEP within the Belding Wildlife Management Area.

Trout: Catch and Release year-round. Gear limited to a artificial lure/fly with single barbless hook.

Tenmile River, Sherman

Year-Round Catch and Release Trout Management Area: The entire river from the NY/CT state line to the Housatonic River

Trout: Catch and Release year-round. ***Black Bass (largemouth and smallmouth):*** Catch and Release year-round.

Thames River, Norwich-New London

Tidal Water and Tributary: Entire river including coves.

Trout: Daily limit of 2 / 15 inch minimum length. **Enhanced Bow and Arrow Fishing Area: Common Carp:** When fishing with a bow and arrow the daily creel limit is 12, not more than 3 of which can be greater than 30 inches.

Wachocastinook (Riga) Brook, Salisbury

Wild Trout Management Area Class 1: Downstream of South Pond as posted with signs by CT DEEP within MT Riga Corporation Property.

Trout: Catch and Release year-round. Gear limited to an artificial lure/fly with single barbless hook.

Whitford Brook, North Stonington

Sea Run Trout Stream: Downstream of the Route 184 crossing.

Trout: Two fish daily limit / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round.

Willimantic River, Willington/Windham
Cole Wilde Trout Management Area

Year-Round Catch and Release Trout Management Area: From the confluence with Roaring Brook (Willington) to the Route 74 crossing. Gear limited to fly fishing only.

Yantic River, Bozrah-Norwich

Seasonal Catch and Release Trout Management Area: From Barstow Road downstream to the bridge near the intersection with Schwartz Road. ***Trout***: Catch and Release from September 1 until 6 am on the second Saturday of April. Two fish daily limit / 9 inch minimum length from 6 am second Saturday of April until August 31. Gear restricted to fly fishing only in this section as posted with signs by the CT DEEP.

Tidal Waters and Tributaries: From the waterfall at Lovers Leap to the Thames River: ***Trout***: Daily limit of 2 / 15 inch minimum length. Harvest allowed year-round.

Enhanced Bow and Arrow Fishing Area: Common Carp: When fishing with a bow and arrow downstream of the falls, the daily creel limit is 12, not more than 3 of which can be greater than 30 inches.

Freshwater Definitions and Regulatory Terms

The following are taken from the sport fishing regulations found on the Secretary of State web page. They do not apply to taking fish from licensed commercial hatcheries, private waters legally registered with DEEP, or to commercial fishing in the inland district. Information on commercial fishing is available on the CT DEEP web page.

ANGLING Fishing with hook and line, which must be personally attended. No more than three lines, with or without rods, may be used at one time, except in the designated Trout Management Areas, Wild Trout Management Areas, Trout Parks, Sea-run Trout Streams and Trophy Trout Streams where the maximum number of lines that can be used is two, with or without rods. Each line may have any combination of hooks, flies or lures, among which not more than three hooks may be baited.

BAIT Any bait species, animal, vegetable, or their parts, living or dead, used with a hook for the purpose of attracting and catching fish. Any fish legally acquired, except largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, chain pickerel, northern pike, trout, salmon, carp and goldfish may be used as bait.

BAIT FISHING means taking or attempting to take bait species, for personal use as bait or food, by use of a bait seine, bait trap, cast net, umbrella net, scoop net or by hand.

BAIT SEINE means a seine or net which, for the purpose of this regulation, does not exceed fifteen feet in length and four feet in depth and is used for the taking of bait species.

BAIT TRAP means a glass, wire or wooden device which does not exceed twenty inches in length and fifteen inches in diameter and is used for the taking of bait species**.**

BAIT SPECIES The following species of fish, amphibians, aquatic insects and crustaceans may be taken by sport fishermen for personal use (a recreational fishing license is required), but may only be sold if taken under an inland commercial bait license. Common shiner, golden shiner, fallfish, creek chub, spottail shiner, blacknose dace, longnose dace, pearl dace, bluntnose minnow, fathead minnow, cutlips minnow, chub sucker, white sucker, killifish, mummichog, Atlantic & tidewater silverside, sand lance, frogs (except northern leopard frog), crayfish (except rusty crayfish), perch bugs, hellgrammites and mayfly nymphs. Invasive species are not legal to use for bait. The legal methods for taking the bait species listed above are as follows: **Rivers & streams**: Bait species may be taken at any time with seines not over 15 feet long and 4 feet deep, bait traps not over 20 inches long and 15 inches in diameter, and umbrella nets not over 4 feet by 4 feet. Cast nets may be used for bait in waters designated as “tidal rivers and tributaries”.

Lakes & ponds: Bait species may be taken at any time with bait traps not over 20 inches long and 15 inches in diameter and umbrella nets not over 4 feet by 4 feet. Seines shall not be used in lakes and ponds except those designated by the DEEP as open to commercial taking of bait. Where posted, taking, use or possession of fish as bait is prohibited in lakes and ponds.

All inland waters: During the open season for fishing, the species listed above may also be taken by hand, angling, and scoop net.

BARBLESS HOOK A curved, pointed device, without a barb, used to catch fish. Barbless hooks may be single, double or treble, and each point must be without a barb. For the purposes of these regulations, hooks manufactured with a barb are considered barbless if the barb has been bent down to the hook, broken off or otherwise made ineffective.

BOBBING Fishing with a ball or mass of worms or other bait attached to a hookless line held in the hand or a line attached to a rod held in the hand.

BOW AND ARROW FISHING means fishing by use of a compound bow, longbow, recurved bow or crossbow by which an arrow is propelled. Arrows shall have barbed heads and be attached to the bow, or to a fishing reel attached to the bow. Any fish taken by bow and arrow shall be part of the possession limit of the individual taking such fish and shall not be released to the waters where taken. Common carp, bowfin, tench, white suckers, American eels and sea lampreys may be taken with a bow and arrow in lakes and ponds as well as in streams and stream sections **not stocked with trout** only during the open season for fishing in those waters. A fishing license is required.

BOUNDARY WATER a lakes/pond forming a common boundary between CT and another state. Regulations may be for CT, the other state, or a combination thereof. Listed in RCGA 26-112-46 (a).

BUBBLE FLOAT A type of float that is attached to a fishing line or leader and can be filled with water to adjust its buoyancy.

CAST NET means a circular or conical net with a round weighted opening that is cast and then retrieved by hand using lines attached to its margins, and is used to take fish or bait species. The use of cast nets to take fish or bait species in the inland district is prohibited, except in waters designated as “tidal waters and tributaries”.

CHILDREN'S FISHING AREA Waters set aside in whole or in part, as indicated by posters, where fishing is restricted to children under sixteen years of age.

CLOSED SEASON means that period of time during which fishing for any species of fish, except trout, is prohibited.

CULLING or HIGH-GRADING means discarding or returning a previously retained fish to the water in order to retain a more desirable fish of the same species or species group. Culling is prohibited except that an individual fishing for black bass in a fishing tournament or derby that has been permitted by CT DEEP may cull provided said individual has not yet attained their possession limit for black bass.

DAILY CREEL LIMIT means the quantity or number of fish of a species or species group that can be taken by an individual during the period from 12:01 a.m. to midnight. In the inland district an individual that has attained their daily creel limit of fish for a species or species group may continue fishing for said fish provided all fish so taken are immediately returned, without avoidable injury, to the waters from which taken.

DOWNRIGGER A device, supplemental to a fishing line, used to deploy, via an electric or hand powered winch, reel or spool that projects over the side or stern of a boat and is used as a hoist, main line and terminal weight, one or more fishing lines to a desired depth in the water column.

FISHHOOK or HOOK A curved, pointed device, with or without barb, used to catch fish. Hooks may be single, double or treble and each point shall be considered as a single hook.

FISHING OR SPORT FISHING Taking or attempting to take fish. In the inland district, fishing is limited to angling, bow and arrow fishing, bobbing, ice fishing, snagging or snatching, spearing, scoop netting, and taking or attempting to take fish by hand.

FLOAT (BOBBER) Any buoyant object attached to a fishing line. No floats may be used unless personally attended.

FLY A single or double hook dressed with hair, feathers, tinsel, thread, yarn or similar material to which no bait, spinner, spoon, plug or other device is added.

FLY FISHING Angling with the use of a fly reel, fly rod, fly line, leader and a fly or flies. Extra weight may be built into the fly in its construction, as in a weighted nymph, and additional weight may be attached to the leader or line. "Tenkara" fishing is considered to be fly-fishing. The use of strike indicators is permitted.

GAFF A spear or hook, with or without a handle, used for holding or lifting fish. The use of a gaff to land or assist in landing a fish is prohibited in the inland district.

HAND-HELD JIG A rod, jig stick or line held in the hand used for fishing through the ice.

ICE FISHING means fishing through the ice with tip-ups, bobbers or floats, similar devices or hand-held jigs. When ice fishing, except on some waters, anglers may not use more than six tip-ups, floats (bobbers), similar devices, or hand-held jigs or any combination thereof not exceeding six in the aggregate may be used at one time. Not more than three baited hooks, with or without attractors, or three ice flies, or three artificial lures, or any combination thereof not exceeding three in the aggregate may be used with each tip-up, float (bobber), or similar device or hand-held jig. Devices must be personally attended. The name and address of the user must be legibly stamped on or attached to all devices.

INLAND DISTRICT Is the area inland of the demarcation lines as listed on Marine/Inland Demarcation table.

INLINE CIRCLE HOOK is a fish hook on or which the point and barb are not offset from the plane of the shank and the bend of such hook, and such point, is perpendicular to such shank.

LAKES AND PONDS are all natural and artificial impounded bodies of water listed by the Secretary of the State as lakes, ponds and reservoirs, and includes their flood waters, including temporary and seasonal pools resulting therefrom and all coves and lagoons contiguous thereto.

LEADCORE LINE A fishing line constructed with a metal core.

MAXIMUM LENGTH Means the largest total length of a species or species group that can be legally possessed Measured from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail. No person shall possess any fish greater than the lengths specified and any fish greater than the maximum length, shall, without avoidable injury, be immediately returned to the water from which taken.

MINIMUM LENGTH Means the smallest total length of a species or species group that can be legally possessed as measured from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail. No person shall possess any fish less than the lengths specified and any fish less than the minimum length, shall, without avoidable injury, be immediately returned to the water from which taken.

PANFISH Includes yellow perch, white perch, calico bass, rock bass, and all species of sunfish.

PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES FISHING AREA Means an area set aside for the exclusive use by persons with physical disabilities when such restriction is indicated by posters.

POSSESSION LIMIT Means the total number of fish of any species or species group that may be legally possessed by one person, either on the person, on the waters of the inland district, or the shores of such waters, or in any type of vehicle. Any fish placed on a stringer, in a container, cooler, live well or similar device, or otherwise not immediately released to the water shall count against the possession limit. An individual that has attained their possession limit of fish for a species or species group may continue fishing for said fish provided all fish so taken are immediately returned, without avoidable injury, to the waters from which taken. Possession limit in the field shall not exceed the daily creel limit. Any fish in possession shall be intact to the extent that neither the heads nor the tails have been removed but gills and viscera may be removed. Possession limit shall not be construed to restrict the number of legally acquired fish that may be kept in storage in the home or in other storage facilities.

PRIVATE WATER means a natural or artificial pond or lake to which the owner, not a corporation, partnership or voluntary association, has exclusive right of access, of which water supply all sources are located substantially within the property of the owner, to which fish do not have access from waters not under the control of such owner or from water stocked at the expense of the state, except that a natural or artificial pond five acres or less in extent may be owned by an individual, a corporation, partnership or voluntary association and, when meeting the other requirements of this subsection, such pond may be registered as private waters

PRIVATELY STOCKED WATER A waterbody where fishing rights are owned or controlled by a club or association (but not designated as a Private Water). Any association owning or controlling the fishing rights in any stream or pond, the waters of which are stocked with fish by such association at no expense to the state, may request special open and closed seasons, daily creel and season limits, and legal lengths of species taken from such waters by applying for a “Special Fishing Regulation” permit.

SCOOP NET OR SCAP NET A manually operated, flexible mesh net attached to a hoop, which is attached to a handle. The hoop may not be over 36 inches across at the widest point and the mesh bag may not be more than 36 inches in depth at its deepest point. The use of any such net constructed of metal mesh or stiff plastic mesh is prohibited.

SET LINE A line with one or both ends secured to the shore, or to a fixed or buoyant object in the water which is used for fishing and is not personally attended. Use of set lines in the inland district is prohibited.

SLOT LENGTHS Length limits designated to reduce or increase the taking of fish by anglers.
•Protected slot lengths: Lengths between which fish may not be kept by anglers.
•Open slot lengths: Lengths between which fish may be kept by anglers.

SNAGGING or SNATCHING The taking of fish by foul hooking, that is hooking fish in any part of the body other than the mouth. Snagging is prohibited in all waters in the Inland District for all species of fish and any fish so taken must be released immediately, except that, in tidal waters and tributaries, menhaden, alewives and blueback (glut) herring may be taken by these methods. Anglers are reminded that there currently is an emergency ban on the taking of anadromous alewife and blueback herring (see Broodstock Atlantic Salmon & River Herring).

SPEARING The use of any pointed instrument, with or without barbs, propelled solely by hand. Common carp, bowfin, tench, American eels, white suckers and sea lampreys may be taken by spearing in streams or sections of streams not stocked with trout during the open seasons for fishing in such waters. Prohibited in lakes and ponds. Underwater spear fishing and the use of any type of spear gun is prohibited in all waters within the Inland District.

STREAMS means all rivers, streams, brooks, creeks, and their flood waters, including temporary and seasonal pools resulting therefrom, and all coves, lagoons and canals contiguous thereto, but does not include that portion of impounded bodies of water on rivers, streams, brooks and creeks listed by the Secretary of the State as a lake, pond or reservoir.

STRIKE INDICATOR Means a brightly colored, highly visible tab, sleeve or bead or similar material used in fly fishing. Such devices may be attached to the line or leader when used in areas restricted to fly fishing only.

TAKE or TAKING Killing, capturing or otherwise rendering into possession, any fish or bait species, or attempting to kill, capture or rendering into possession, or assisting in taking or attempting to take any fish or bait species.

TENKARA FISHING Angling with the use of a tenkara rod, tenkara line and a fly or flies, without the use of a reel of any type.

TIDAL WATERS AND TRIBUTARIES include streams or portions thereof where there is a direct connection to Long Island Sound and may be influenced by tidal cycles. A list is provided in RCSA 26-112-46 (m).

TROUT and SALMON includes brook trout or speckled trout, brown trout, rainbow trout, lake trout, Atlantic salmon, kokanee or sockeye salmon, coho salmon, chinook salmon or any hybrid of any two or more of these species.

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State Record Freshwater Fish - Harvest

Defined as the largest fish, by weight determined using a certified scale, captured legally in Connecticut waters.

For all potential harvested state record fish: The fish must be retained (in identifiable condition) so that Fisheries Division staff can examine the fish, if necessary, to determine the species. A photo of the print-out of weight from a certified scale must be included in your online submittal. Exceptions: Common Carp and associated variations (fantail, ghost, leather, mirror) may be released after being weighed on a certified scale at time of capture and observed by a witness.

Species	Pounds	Ounces	Waterbody	Angler	Year
American Eel	10	3	Shetucket River, Norwich	Charles J. Lobacz	1993
American Shad	9	4	Connecticut River, Windsor	Edward Cypus	1981
Bluegill	2	4	Private Pond, Madison	Daniel Gesner	1996
Bowfin	9	11	Connecticut River, Hartford	Fejzo Akaratovic	2022
Brook Trout	9	3	Blackwells Brook, Brooklyn	David Andes	1998
Brown Bullhead	4	15	Prospect Pond, Southington	Robert Richey	1990
Brown Trout	19	0	West Hill Pond, New Hartford	James M. Lucas II	2014
Brown Trout (sea run)	10	8	Saugatuck River, Westport	Ronald J. Merly	2006
Calico Bass	4	0	Pattagansett Lake, East Lyme	James M. Boss	1974
Chain Pickerel	8	9	West Twin Lake, Salisbury	Alden L. Foss	2005
Channel Catfish	29	6	Mashapaug Lake, Union	Appleton Barrows	2004
Common Carp	45	1	Lake Lillinonah, Bridgewater	Robert Jagiello	2023
Fallfish	2	4	Farmington River, Simsbury	Chad Tessman	2012
Kokanee	2	14	East Twin Lake, Salisbury West Hill Pond, Barkhamsted	Tom Pasko Seth Harris	2011 2018
Lake Trout	29	13	Wononscopomuc Lake, Salisbury	Dr. Thompson	1918
Largemouth Bass	12	14	Mashapaug Lake, Union	Frank Domurat	1961
Northern Pike	29	0	Lake Lillinonah, Brookfield W. Branch Reservoir, Colebrook	Joseph Nett Leslie Slater	1980 2020
Pumpkinseed	1	3	Lake Marie, Windham	Robyn Rogers	1973
Rainbow Trout	14	10	Mansfield Hollow Reservoir, Mansfield	Michael V. Ludlow	1998
Rock Bass	1	3	Shenipsit Lake, Tolland Colebrook Lake, Colebrook	Joseph Mankauskas Jr Ernie Gonsalves	1980 1989
Smallmouth Bass	7	12	Shenipsit Lake, Tolland	James Bonan	1995
Tiger Trout	7	14	Lake Quassapaug, Woodbury	Jerry Barth	2011
Walleye	15	4	Beach Pond, Voluntown	Vincent Deledda	2015
White Catfish	12	12	Connecticut River, Middletown	John L. Shatas	1999
White Perch	3	1	Crystal Lake, Ellington	Jacob Niemczyk	2018
White Sucker	5	4	Crystal Lake, Ellington	Zach Stoltenberg	2021
Yellow Perch	2	13	Black Pond, Woodstock	Miller B. Bassett	1973

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State Record Freshwater Fish - Catch and Release

Defined as the largest fish (by length) either captured legally in Connecticut waters and released alive at the point of capture.

For all potential catch and release state record fish: A witness must be present when the fish is measured. A clear photo must be submitted via the on-line portal. This photo must include the angler holding the fish and also included the fish next to a measuring (yardstick, ruler, or tape measure) device to clearly show length of fish. The accompanying photo must be taken at the location where the fish was caught and released. Fish cannot be taken from site and then transported back.

Species	Inches	Waterbody	Angler	Year
American Eel	41	Lake Terramuggus, Marlborough	Daniel E.S. Kornegay III	2011
Bluegill	10.5	Andover Lake, Andover Private Pond, Rocky Hill Private Pond, Killingworth Saugatuck Reservoir, Redding	Gregory Doane Ted Munette Evan Kamoen Jude Lundbye	2015 2015 2018 2023
Bowfin	28.5	Crow Point Cove, Wethersfield	Benjamin Florian	2023
Brook Trout	21.25	Natchaug River, Chaplin	Nicholas Burnore	2010
Brown Bullhead	17.5	Saugatuck Reservoir, Redding	Keith Bonenfant	2016
Brown Trout	30	Saugatuck Reservoir, Redding	Liam Sikora	2023
Calico Bass	19	Candlewood Lake, Danbury	Evan Kamoen	2016
Chain Pickerel	33	West Hill Pond, Barkhamsted	Mark R. Popolizio	2013
Channel Catfish	36	Private Pond, Chaplin	Colby Kerttula	2020
Common Carp	42	Connecticut River, Hartford	Michael Hudak	2012
Fallfish	17	Bladdens River, Seymour	William Hein	2020
Hybrid Sunfish	10.5	Private Pond, Cheshire Risley Reservoir, Vernon	James Robitaille Ryan McKinney	2014 2019
Kokanee	20	East Twin Lake, Salisbury	Timothy E. Kilbride	2010
Lake Trout	32	Coventry Lake, Coventry	Christopher Rinaldi	2023
Largemouth Bass	25.25	Lake Pocotopaug, East Hampton	Daniel E.S. Kornegay III	2008
Northern Pike	45.75	Housatonic River, Falls Village	David L. Jones	2009
Pumpkinseed	10	Lake McDonough, Barkhamsted Lake McDonough, Barkhamsted	Ellie Fiorentino Joey Takeman	2012 2014
Rainbow Trout	30	Scoville Reservoir, Wolcott	Michael Thureson	2010
Redbreast Sunfish	10.75	Andover Lake, Andover	Brandon Powers	2022
Rock Bass	12.75	Housatonic River, Kent	Daniel E.S. Kornegay III	2008
Smallmouth Bass	24.25	Farmington River, Windsor	Jacob Long	2018
Tiger Trout	22	Woodbridge Lake, Goshen	Cristian Cifaldi	2018
Walleye	30	Lake Pocotopaug, East Hampton Lake Zoar, Southbury	Daniel E.S. Kornegay III Alexander Daignault	2010 2022
White Catfish	25.5	Salmon River, East Haddam	Shawn Sims	2012
White Perch	15.2	Candlewood Lake, New Fairfield	Jerry Feng	2022
White Sucker	22	Wepawaug River, Milford	Blake Antrim	2023
Yellow Perch	16.25	Lake McDonough, New Hartford	Ron Barbour	2011