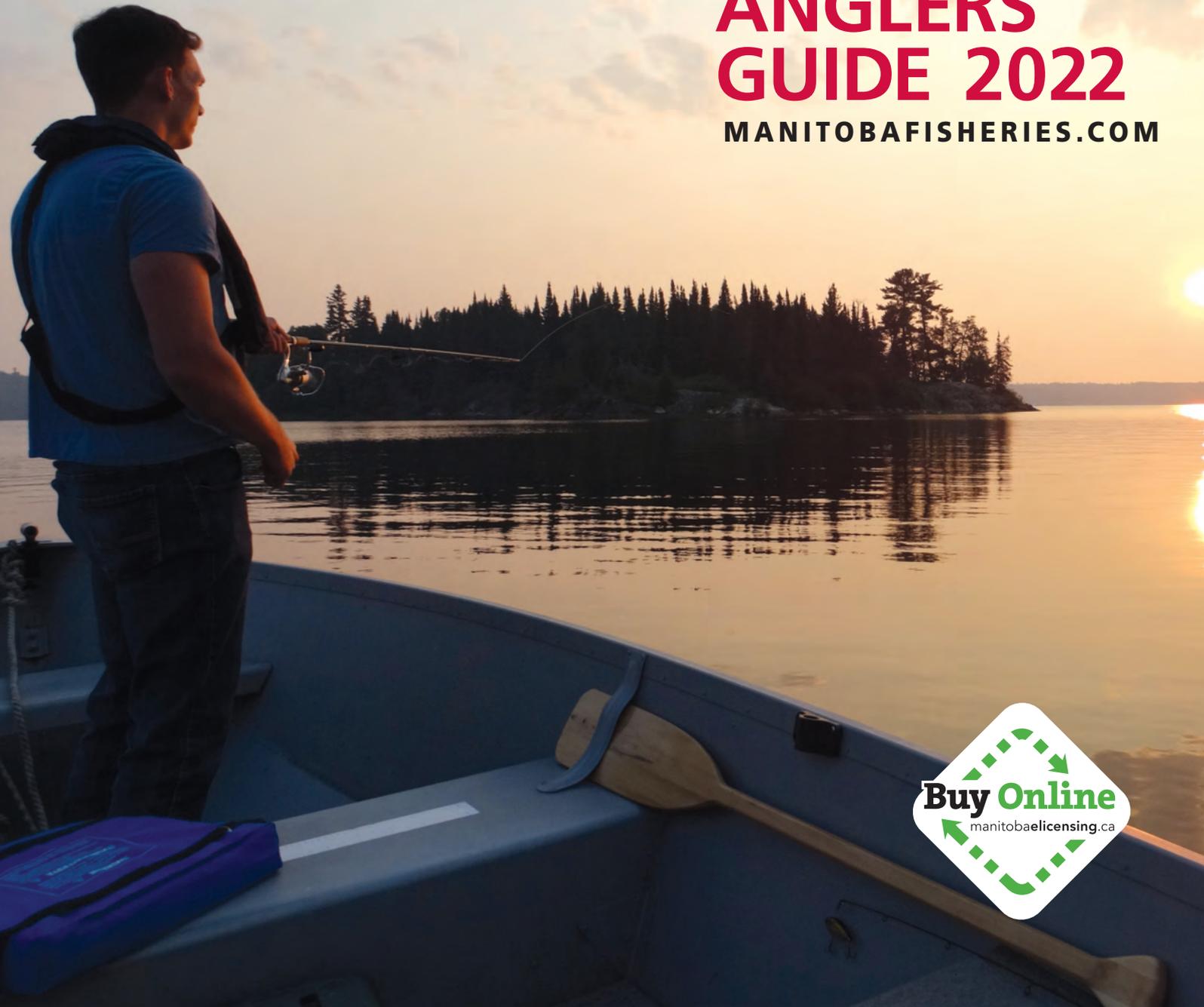


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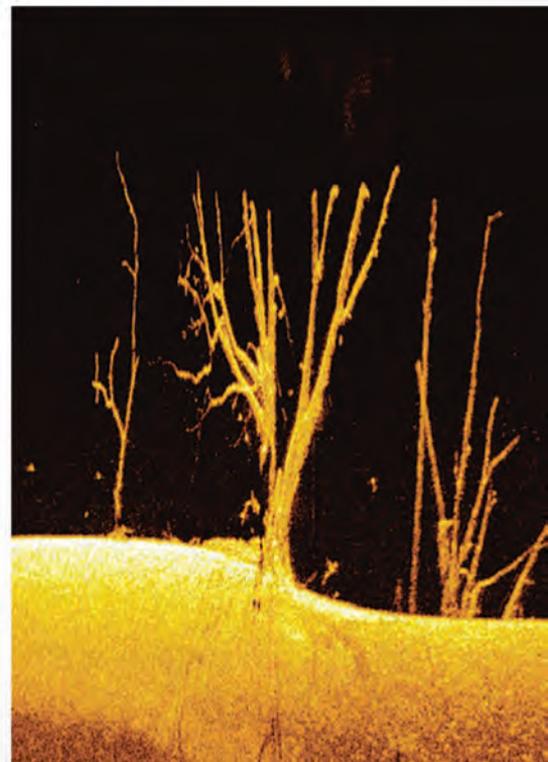
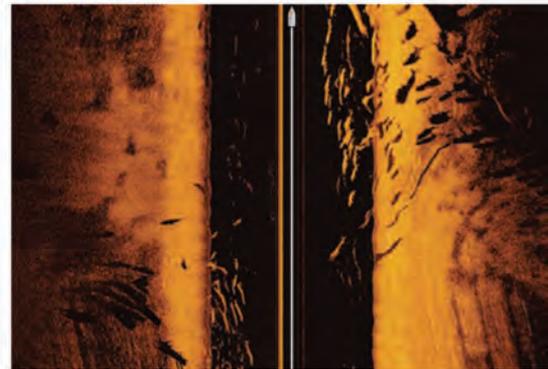
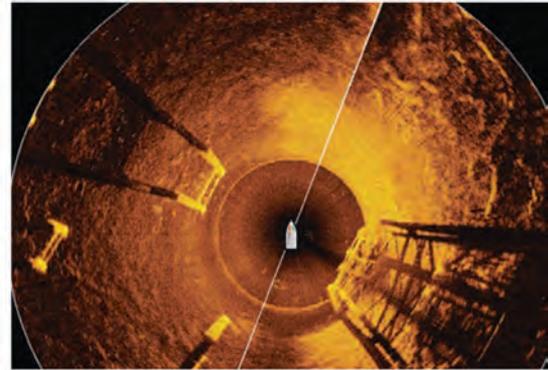
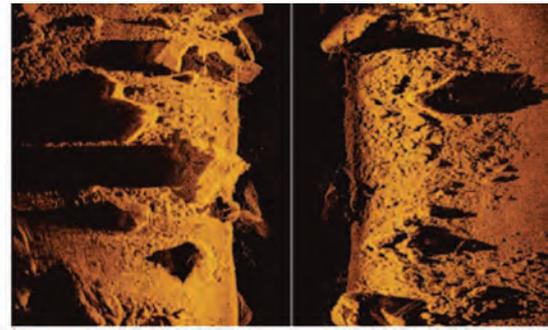
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## What's New for 2022

The regulations in this guide take effect on April 1, 2022. The following regulations are new for 2022.

- **West Watjask Lake, closed to all fishing from November 15 to and including June 15. May only use artificial lures and flies and may only use one hook per lure.**

## Pending Changes

The following changes fall under the Fisheries Act of Canada and require federal approval prior to becoming law.

- West Blue Lake will be added to the stocked trout waters list.
- Tees Lake will be added to the stocked trout waters list.
- Elgin Reservoir will be added to the stocked trout waters list.
- Lac du Bonnet Ponds – no motors, except electric motors, may be used.
- Goose River from the water control structure downstream to Goose Lake will be added to the stocked trout waters list.
- Beaver Lake (Duck Mountains) – will be removed from the stocked trout waters list.
- Mirror Lake – will be removed from the stocked trout waters list.



As Minister of Manitoba Natural Resources and Northern Development, I welcome you to another year of fishing in Manitoba.

Fishing in Manitoba is a time-honoured pastime and a perfect way to reconnect with nature, while enjoying the many physical, mental and social health benefits it offers.

Whether you fish on weekends, fish during your holidays or simply take advantage of Manitoba's free family fishing weekends, fishing in Manitoba will give you memories you can cherish for a lifetime.

In the following pages, you will find information on fishing regulations, licence types and fees, and much more, all designed to help you plan your next fishing adventure.

Last year, we released Manitoba's Recreational Angling Strategy, which provided an opportunity for anglers to provide feedback on proposed angling regulation changes that increase opportunities for angling, while enhancing protection of Manitoba's valuable fish populations.

Throughout the engagement process, we received tremendous feedback from thousands of passionate anglers and resource users and I am excited to announce that we will be moving forward with many of the proposed changes outlined in the strategy, with slight modifications based on your input. The angling regulation changes outlined in the strategy are proposed to be implemented on April 1, 2023. For more information, please review the Manitoba Recreational Angling Strategy and What We Heard Report at [www.engagemb.ca](http://www.engagemb.ca) or [www.manitobafisheries.com](http://www.manitobafisheries.com).

Manitoba angling licences continue to be available to purchase online. Angling licences may also be purchased at select retail locations or by phone at 1-877-880-1203. For more information, or to purchase an angling licence, visit [www.manitobaecensing.ca](http://www.manitobaecensing.ca).

Our department continues to remain vigilant to the threat of Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS). Last year, zebra mussels were found in Lake Manitoba. I encourage you to visit [Manitoba.ca/StopAIS](http://Manitoba.ca/StopAIS) to learn how you can help stop the introduction and spread of AIS.

On behalf of the Manitoba government, I wish you a safe and fun-filled angling season! Please enjoy the many benefits that a day of fishing in Manitoba has to offer.

Honourable Scott Fielding  
Minister, Natural Resources and Northern Development

## Upcoming Changes

A suite of new angling regulations will be coming into effect April 1, 2023 as outlined in Manitoba's Recreational Angling Strategy and What We Heard Report. Upcoming changes can be viewed at: [www.manitobafisheries.com](http://www.manitobafisheries.com) or EngageMB.

### BARBLESS HOOKS

In Manitoba, anglers must use barbless hooks. A barbless hook is a hook with no barbs or barbs that have been compressed to be in complete contact with the shaft of the hook. Barbless hooks may have barbs on the shank for holding bait. When you are fishing, the hooks attached to all your lines, whether in use or not, must be barbless. Barbed hooks may be kept in the tackle box.

### FISHING METHODS

Recreational fishing includes angling, spear fishing, bow fishing, dip netting, seining, and minnow trapping. Techniques are those generally accepted by anglers. Under no circumstances may explosives, firearms, clubs, snagging, snaring, poisons, etc. be used.

## Licence Fees (includes GST)

	Conservation	Regular
<b>Resident Senior</b> (Manitobans 65 and over) ... Free .....		See Resident regular licence
<b>Resident</b> (Manitobans age 16-64) .....	\$19.20 .....	\$25.10
<b>Canadian Resident</b> (age 16 and over) .....	\$28.00 .....	\$47.65
<b>Non-resident</b> (age 16 and over) .....	\$37.85 .....	\$62.35

**Note: An administration fee will be added to all angling licence fees above, except Resident Senior Conservation Licence.**

New angling licence types and fees to take effect April 1, 2023.

## Angling Licences

All persons, except those exempt below, who engage in angling, dip netting, cast netting, seining, minnow trapping, spear fishing, and bow fishing, must have a Manitoba Angling Licence on their person.

Licences are valid from May 1, 2022 through April 30, 2023. Licences must be signed to be valid, and are not transferrable or refundable. The time of licence validity has no impact on season dates. See page 8 for general season dates.

### Manitoba Resident Seniors

A “Manitoba Resident Seniors Conservation Licence” is for seniors (65 and over) who have permanently resided in Manitoba for at least six months and is valid for a conservation limit of fish only. Manitoba seniors wanting a regular limit of fish must buy a regular resident licence.

### Conservation Licence

A Conservation Licence entitles the holder to the same rights as a Regular Licence holder except for reduced limits for some species: 4 walleye/sauger, 4 pike, 1 lake trout, 1 channel catfish, 2 smallmouth bass and 2 stocked trout. Limits for other species remain the same.

### Resident or Non-resident?

A resident is a person who has lived in Manitoba for the immediate past six months. A Canadian resident is a person who has lived elsewhere in Canada for the immediate past six months. Any person who has not lived in Manitoba or Canada for the immediate past six months is a non-resident and must purchase a non-resident licence.

## LICENCE EXEMPTIONS

The following people may angle without a licence:

- Any youth under the age of 16 who has permanently resided in Manitoba for at least six months. Manitoba youth under the age of 16 have all the rights and privileges of those holding a Regular Licence, including their own regular limit of fish. All other regulations apply. Proof of age is required when checked by a Conservation Officer.
- Any Canadian resident or non-resident youth under the age of 16. The person must fish with a licence holder, or someone exempt from holding a licence, and their catch must be applied to the limit of that person. A Canadian resident or non-resident youth under 16 who wishes to have a separate limit must buy a licence.

## STATUS INDIANS

Status Indians do not require an angling licence. They are exempt from angling regulations including seasons, limits, and gear restrictions when fishing for food. Proof of status is required when checked by an Officer (see page 17).

## NATIONAL PARKS

A Manitoba Angling Licence is not valid for fishing in National Parks. Contact Parks Canada for details on fishing licences and regulations in National Parks. [www.pc.gc.ca](http://www.pc.gc.ca).

## Purchase an Angling Licence

There are **three** options to obtain a Manitoba Angling Licence:

- Online at [www.manitobaelicensing.ca](http://www.manitobaelicensing.ca)
- In-person at select issuers. A list of issuers is available online. Call ahead to ensure angling licences are sold.
- By phone at 1-877-880-1203. Allow 10 business days for delivery of angling licence. Please provide your correct mailing address.

Angling licences must be printed, signed and carried on you when fishing. Licences may not be carried electronically. **For online orders, you are responsible for printing your own licence.**

**First time customers:** An account will need to be created, no matter which method you use to obtain your angling licence. You will be provided with a Customer Identification Number (CID#) to use for all your future orders. When obtaining an angling licence, please ensure you select the correct residency.

**Returning customers:** To obtain an angling licence, you will require your Customer Identification Number (CID#) in order to access your existing account whether done online, by phone, or in-person at a participating issuer. You were assigned a CID# when you ordered an angling licence or other licence/permit in 2021. Online accounts can also be accessed by using your registered secondary identification number and password.

A Manitoba Senior Conservation Angling Licence remains free of charge.

For more information, visit: [www.manitobaelicensing.ca](http://www.manitobaelicensing.ca) or call 1-877-880-1203.

## General Regulations

Recreational fishing in Manitoba is governed by regulations made under The Provincial Fisheries Act and the Fisheries Act of Canada. **This guide provides a summary of those regulations. The actual regulations in force, not necessarily those in this guide, shall apply.** Regulations other than those under the Fisheries Act of Canada may also apply while fishing, e.g. regarding Aquatic Invasive Species, the use of boats, motors, vehicles, etc. For more details on regulations contact your local Manitoba Natural Resources and Northern Development Office (see page 17).

### NOTE:

- Open fires** are prohibited in Burning Permit Areas of Manitoba from April 1 to November 15, unless the fire is in an approved fire pit. If approved fire pits are not available, shore lunches and other meals must be cooked over a camp stove. For more information on Burning Permit Areas, contact your Manitoba Natural Resources and Northern Development office.
- Littering** is prohibited (under the Environment Act) and regulations are enforced by Officers.
- Open liquor** (including beer) is prohibited in boats, vehicles and ice fishing shelters (under the Liquor and Gaming Control Act) and regulations are enforced by Officers.

## ANGLING AND ICE FISHING

Angling is fishing with a hook and line. The use of any unusual or special gimmicks is often illegal and best avoided. Hooks or lures must not be spring-loaded.

Anglers may use only one rod and line, except during ice fishing when two may be used. Only two hooks or lures may be used per line. Anglers must, when fishing in open water, keep their line in sight at all times and when ice fishing stay within 50 m of the line.

## ICE FISHING SHELTERS

Ice fishing shelters must be removed by March 12, 2023 on the Red River, by March 31 in the rest of the Southern Division and by April 15 in the Northwest, North Central and Northeast Divisions, or when requested to do so by a Conservation Officer due to unsafe ice conditions. **All ice fishing shelters must clearly display the owner's name and address.** Shelters must be stored or disposed of away from the shore and on private property. Manitoba Parks and Protected Spaces Branch requires that ice fishing shelters in provincial parks meet size, location and use standards and may not be used for overnight sleeping accommodation. For more information including specific details, please contact your local Manitoba Natural Resources and Northern Development Office.

## BAIT

Night crawlers and earthworms may be used as bait in all fishing divisions in Manitoba. They may be imported to Manitoba in a sterile medium such as paper mulch, but not in soil. Anglers importing night crawlers or earthworms into Canada must obtain a permit. To obtain a permit or for more information, contact the Canadian Food Inspection Agency. Dispose of unused worms in the trash.

Leeches, frogs and salamanders (water dogs) may also be used as bait in all divisions. However, they may not be imported.

### Possession of crayfish is prohibited.

Offal (fish cleaning remains) may be used as bait in all divisions.

Frozen or preserved bait fish may be imported into Manitoba and used in all fishing divisions. However, anglers importing frozen or preserved bait fish into Canada may require permit(s). For more information, contact the Canadian Food Inspection Agency.

### Live bait fish may not be imported into Manitoba.

Live bait fish may not be used or possessed in the Northwest, North Central and Northeast Divisions, including the Bloodvein and Gammon rivers. Live bait fish may be used and possessed in the Southern Division, except in the following areas:

- Stocked Trout Waters
- Duck Mountain Provincial Forest and Park
- Turtle Mountain Provincial Park
- Porcupine Provincial Forest
- Whiteshell Provincial Park
- Winnipeg River (from Seven Sisters Dam to the Ontario border)
- Atikaki and South Atikaki Provincial Parks

Those anglers in possession of purchased live bait fish must have a Live Bait Fish Transfer and Use Receipt issued by the dealer. Anglers may catch their own bait fish, but must kill them before transporting them away from the water where they were caught.

Only the following fish may be used as bait:

chub	trout-perch	tullibee (cisco)
shiner, except carmine shiner	stickleback	sculpin
mudminnow	fathead minnow	darler
sucker, except bigmouth buffalo	bluntnose minnow	dace

No angler may be in possession of more than 4 litres of bait fish of which no more than 15 dozen can be live bait fish (excluding suckers and tullibee, which have no limit).

Yellow perch, goldeye, and mooneye, that have been caught by angling, may also be used as bait and may be used as live bait fish where use of live bait fish is allowed. Anglers may only possess a legal limit of these species. Common carp, goldfish, and rainbow smelt, except for purchased frozen smelt, may not be used as bait.

**Note: dispose of bait possessed in an Aquatic Invasive Species Control Zone before leaving the shore.**

## AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES (AIS)

**Set fines for AIS offences are in effect. To stop the spread of AIS, you must:**

1. **CLEAN** i.e., remove AIS and aquatic plants (i.e., weeds) before leaving the shore of the waterbody.
2. **DRAIN** all water from the watercraft and water-related equipment before leaving the shore. All drain plugs must be kept out while transporting watercraft over land.
3. **DRY** completely or decontaminate water-related equipment before placing into another waterbody.
4. **DISPOSE** of bait possessed in an AIS Control Zone prior to leaving the shore, regardless of a three day Live Bait Fish Transfer and Use Receipt.
5. **DECONTAMINATE** IF watercraft or water-related equipment were used last in an AIS Control Zone and before placing into another waterbody.

**For more information, visit: [Manitoba.ca/StopAIS](http://Manitoba.ca/StopAIS)**

## FISH REMAINS

Fish cleaning remains must not be left on beaches or shorelines. At sites such as boat launches, campgrounds, lodges, etc., fish remains must be placed in containers provided for that purpose.

## DIP NETTING, CAST NETTING, SEINING, AND MINNOW TRAPPING

An angling licence is required while dip netting, cast netting, seining, or minnow trapping. In most waters these activities are allowed at any time of the year. Check for closures on specific waters in the divisional sections of this guide.

Species that may be kept include suckers, common carp, burbot, bullheads, tullibee, chub, shiners, darters, dace, fathead minnow, bluntnose minnow, mudminnow, trout-perch, stickleback, sculpin and whitefish. All other species must be released immediately. Live fish may not be transported away from the waters where they were caught. Fish must be dead before transporting. Water from the waterbody may not be transported away from the shore. General creel limits apply.

Dip nets may not be larger than one square metre. Seine nets and cast nets may not be larger than three square metres. Minnow traps must not be larger than 65 cm long and 35 cm in diameter, and must have the fisher's name and address marked on them.

## SPEAR FISHING

Spear fishing is the taking of fish with a handheld spear or spear gun (pneumatic or rubber band powered) while swimming. Spear fishing is allowed in all areas of the province open to angling. For safety reasons do not spear fish near areas used for swimming, boat launching, or docking.

Angling seasons, limits and licence requirements apply. Fisher's may possess only one limit of fish, whether taken by spear fishing or angling.

You may not spear fish for lake sturgeon, largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, muskellunge, arctic grayling, arctic char, brown trout, rainbow trout, brook trout, splake or other trout hybrids. Only face mask, flippers and snorkel may be used to take the following species (i.e. no scuba equipment): walleye, sauger, northern pike, channel catfish, black crappie, mooneye, goldeye, lake trout and lake whitefish.

Scuba or snorkelling equipment may be used for species other than those listed above. For safety courses and information please contact your local scuba dealer.

## BOW FISHING

Bow fishing (the shooting of fish with archery equipment) is permitted for common carp and suckers only. **Bow fishing is not permitted during the general closure.** Angling seasons and licence requirements apply. A fish arrow and at least 20-kg test line must be used. Using a crossbow to fish is illegal.

## HOLDING AND RELEASING FISH

Fish being legally retained may be held live only while you are actively fishing, and they must be held within 25 m of you.

If you release fish, they must be released unharmed into the water from which they were taken. They must not be tagged or marked in any way, unless authorized by a permit.

## COMPETITIVE FISHING EVENTS

Persons and organizations holding fishing derbies or tournaments that have 25 or more participants must obtain a free Competitive Fishing Event Licence four weeks prior to the event. A licence can be obtained online at: [www.manitobaelicensing.ca](http://www.manitobaelicensing.ca) or at a regional Manitoba Natural Resources and Northern Development office (see page 17). Contact a regional office for more information.

All participants must have a Manitoba Angling Licence unless exempt (see page 3). All walleye, sauger, trout, smallmouth bass, and channel catfish entered must be released. All fish caught and retained for use in a Competitive Fishing Event are considered to be in possession and part of the angler's daily limit. Event organizers and all participants must adhere to the Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Regulation under The Water Protection Act. Further restrictions may be imposed. Set fines for AIS offences are in effect.

## General Limits

### NOTICE OF INDIVIDUAL REGULATIONS

The possession and size limits listed below are general, provincial regulations, and apply to most Manitoba waters. A number of waters and fishing divisions in Manitoba have special, individual regulations. These exceptions and/or additions to the general regulations are found in the individual fishing divisions on pages 8-10; 13; 16-17.

Species	Conservation Licence	Regular Licence	Species	Conservation Licence	Regular Licence
Arctic Char .....	8	8	Smallmouth Bass		
Arctic Grayling - only one may exceed 40 cm.....	3	3	- only one may exceed 40 cm.....	2	4
Black Crappie.....	6	6	<b>Stocked Brook, Brown, &amp; Rainbow Trout; Splake &amp; other Trout hybrids; &amp; Arctic Char</b>		
Brook Trout (except stocked trout waters)			(any species or combination)		
- none may exceed 45 cm.....	1	1	- only one may exceed 45 cm.....	2	3
Brown & Black Bullhead.....	25	25	Sturgeon.....	0	0
Channel Catfish - none may exceed 60 cm.....	1	4	Walleye (Pickerel) & Sauger (either or combined)		
Freshwater Drum - none may exceed 60 cm.....	10	10	- only one may exceed 55 cm.....	4	6
Goldeye & Mooneye (either or combined).....	10	10	White Bass.....	25	25
Lake Trout - only one may exceed 65 cm.....	1	2	Whitefish.....	25	25
Largemouth Bass.....	0	0	Yellow Perch (Southern Division).....	25	25
Muskellunge.....	0	0	- all other divisions.....	no limit	no limit
Northern Pike (Jackfish)			All Other Species.....	no limit	no limit
- only one may exceed 75 cm.....	4	6			
Rock Bass.....	6	6			

## Limits and Possession

Fish are considered to be in possession if they are not immediately released into the water from which they were taken. Possession limits are the same as daily limits in Manitoba. You may possess no more than one limit of each kind of fish at any time. This includes all fish you have in hand, camp, transportation, at home or for use in a competitive fishing event. The limits on this page apply to most Manitoba waters. Special limits on specific waters are listed in the individual fishing divisions (pages 8-10; 13; 16-17).

## Measuring a Fish

Total fish length is measured from the most anterior part of the head to the most posterior part of the tail laid flat (i.e. not pinched). See page 19 for an illustration. Note: 2.54 cm = 1 inch.

## High Quality Management Waters

High Quality Management Waters may have reduced possession and size limits to protect and maintain high quality fisheries. They are listed in the individual fishing divisions (pages 8-10; 13; 16-17).

### FISHWAYS (FISH LADDERS)

Fishways are used to assist fish passage through, over or around barriers. Please respect these structures when in use and do not disturb the fish. Remember, it is a violation to fish (including dip netting, seining and minnow trapping) within 23 metres of a fishway.

### HANDLING, TRANSPORT AND STORAGE OF FISH

Live fish may not be transported away from the waters where they were caught, except under the authority of a permit issued by Wildlife and Fisheries Branch.

Fish must not be handled, transported or disposed of in a way that will allow it to spoil. Water from the waterbody may not be transported away from the shore or used to transport or store fish.

Fish must be transported and stored so that the number, species, and size of fish can be readily determined by a Conservation Officer. **Six square centimetres of skin must be left on each fillet.** Fish cannot be transported or stored in a solid frozen block of fillets or in a processed state such as canned.

If due to extenuating circumstances, you need to transport fish belonging to another angler, in addition to your own limit, you must obtain a Fish Transportation Loadslip from a Manitoba Natural Resources and Northern Development Office (see page 17).

Persons transporting fish into Manitoba that were caught outside Manitoba should obtain physical proof of the origin of the fish before it is transported.

### BORDER WATERS

Anglers who are on or in the immediate vicinity of lakes or rivers that cross a Manitoba border may have only a Manitoba limit of fish.

Anglers may have either a Manitoba or Ontario Angling Licence (or be exempt from holding one) to fish on all of Davidson Lake, Frances Lake, Garner Lake, High Lake, Mantario Lake, Moar Lake and Ryerson Lake, and either a Manitoba or Saskatchewan Angling Licence (or be exempt from holding one) to fish on all of Lake of the Prairies upstream from the Shellmouth Dam; only one licence is required.

Anglers who have an Ontario Angling Licence may fish on the Manitoba portion of Artery Lake without a Manitoba Angling Licence.

#### Catch and Release Tips

- Play your fish as little as possible.
- Return it to the water quickly.
- Don't hold it by the eyes or gills.
- Don't squeeze its belly.
- Never release fish that have been held on a stringer.
- Don't recommend fizzing of fish.

#### Licensed Outfitters

If you will be using an outfitter, please book with a licenced outfitter who is licenced to offer angling. A list of licenced outfitters is available online at: [https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/permits\\_licenses\\_approvals/lic-res-tourism-operators/index.html](https://www.gov.mb.ca/sd/permits_licenses_approvals/lic-res-tourism-operators/index.html)



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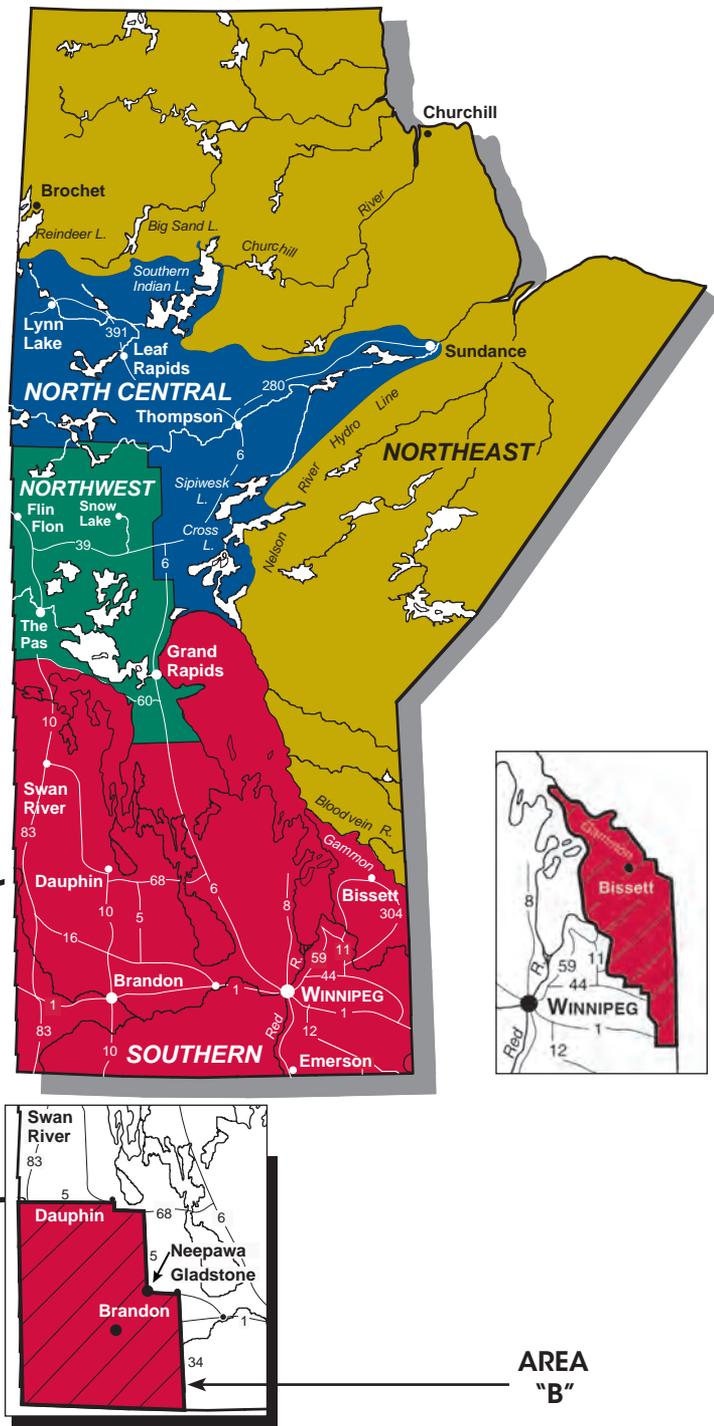
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# Fishing Divisions



## SEASONS

- Southern Division**  
Generally closed from April 4 to and including May 13, 2022. Season opens May 14, 2022.
- Northwest Division**  
Generally closed from May 1 to and including May 20, 2022. Season opens May 21, 2022.
- North Central Division**  
Generally closed from May 1 to and including May 20, 2022. Season opens May 21, 2022.
- Northeast Division**  
Generally open to angling all year.

# Southern Division Regulations

**General Closure: April 4, 2022 to and including May 13, 2022. Season opens May 14, 2022 (refer to map at left for Southern Divisional boundaries).**

- Barbless hooks must be used.
- Use of live bait fish is allowed in some areas (see page 4).
- All lake trout must be released between September 15 to and including October 31.
- **All lake trout over 65 cm must be released.**

## HIGH QUALITY MANAGEMENT

High Quality Management Waters in the Southern Division are listed below. All have limits of 4 walleye/sauger, 4 pike and 2 smallmouth bass with the exception of that portion of the Winnipeg River described below in which the limit is 0 for smallmouth bass.

- ◆ Echo Lake
- ◆ Saddle Lake
- ◆ Side Saddle Lake
- ◆ Winnipeg River from Ontario Boundary to Point Du Bois Dam (including Green Bay). All pike between 75 cm and 110 cm must be released.

## STOCKED TROUT WATERS

No bow fishing, dip netting, or seining is allowed on stocked trout waters. In Duck Mountain Provincial Park, and in Porcupine Provincial Forest, all trout smaller than 35 cm must be released, except those caught in streams. Annual stocking lists are available from Manitoba Natural Resources and Northern Development (see page 17).

The trout lakes, ponds and reservoirs listed below are open to fishing all year. All walleye, pike and smallmouth bass caught in these waters from April 4, 2022 to and including May 13, 2022 must be released. The trout creeks and rivers listed below are closed to all fishing from November 1 to and including April 15.

No motors may be used on those waters marked with an ~.  
No motors, except electric motors, may be used on those waters marked with an \*.

- \* Antons Lake - trout limit is two.
- Bagguley Lake
- Bear Lake (W of Caddy L)
- Beautiful Lake
- \* Beaver Lake (Duck Mountain)
- Birch River (E of Porcupine Forest)
- Black Beaver Lake
- Blueberry Pond
- Bower Lake
- Bowsman River
- \* Camp Lake (NE of Falcon Lake)
- Childs Lake
- \* Corstorphine Lake - trout limit is one and all trout over 45 cm must be released, may only use artificial lures and flies.
- Davidson Lake
- Dorothy Pond
- East Blue Lake (Duck Mountain)
- \* East Goose Lake (S of Roblin) - trout limit is one and all trout over 45 cm must be released.
- Eternal Springs (lower and upper ponds)
- Forbes Lake - lake trout limit is one.
- Garland River
- Gass Lake (Porcupine Forest)
- George Lake - lake trout limit is one.
- Glad Lake (Duck Mountain)
- Gull Lake (Duck Mountain)
- Gull Pond (N of Camp Morton)
- Hadashville Pond
- \* Hunt Lake
- Kinch Creek
- Kingfisher Lake
- Lac du Bonnet Ponds - all brown trout and tiger trout must be released.
- Lake 400
- Laurie Lake
- Limestone Pond
- \* Little McBride Lake (NW of Boggy Ck)
- \* Lyons Lake (S of W Hawk L)
- \* McHugh Lake - trout limit is one, may only use artificial lures and flies.
- Milner Ridge Pond
- Mirror Lake (Porcupine Forest) - trout limit is one and closed to all fishing from September 15 to and including October 31.
- Nick Lake (Porcupine Forest)
- North Duck River
- O'Hanly Pond
- Olson Lake (Porcupine Forest)
- ~ One Lake
- \* Patterson Lake - trout limit is one and all trout over 45 cm must be released, may only use artificial lures and flies.
- \* Perch Lake (Duck Mountain) - all bass and trout must be released.
- \* Persse Lake - trout limit is two, may only use artificial lures and flies.
- Pine River (Duck Mountain)
- \* Pybus Lake - trout limit is one and all trout over 45 cm must be released, may only use artificial lures and flies.

Quartz Pond  
 Raspberry Pond  
 Reynolds Ponds  
 Saskatoon Pond  
 \* Shilliday Lake (Duck Mountain)  
 Snail Lake  
 Snowberry Pond  
 South Duck River  
 \* Spear Lake (Russell Reservoir)  
 Steeprock River (Porcupine Forest)  
 Stony Creek (W of Neepawa)  
 Strawberry Pond  
 Tokaryk Lake  
 Tower Pond  
 Tugby Lake  
 \* Twin Lakes - all trout must be released, may only use artificial lures and flies.

~ Two Lake (S. of Crowduck)  
 \* Two Mile Lake (Duck Mountain)  
 \* Vermilion Reservoir  
 Vini Lake (Porcupine Forest)  
 Wasp Lake - all tiger trout must be released.  
 \* West Goose Lake - trout limit is one and all trout over 45 cm must be released, may only use artificial lures and flies.  
 West Hawk Lake  
 Whiteshell River between West Hawk and Caddy lakes - all trout must be released.  
 \* William Lake (S of Boissevain)

## DIP NETTING AND SEINING RESTRICTIONS

General regulations on dip netting and seining can be found on page 4. No dip netting or seining is allowed in any stocked trout waters. In Nopiming and Whiteshell Provincial Parks, and the Rennie River near Rennie, dip netting and seining for suckers and all species other than bait fish are prohibited year round.

Some streams are closed to all fishing (including dip netting) in spring to prevent damage to spawning fish and eggs.

Check for spring closures by stream or lake name in the following section.

### Eastern Manitoba - Special Walleye Regulation for Area "A"

All walleye between 45 cm and 70 cm must be released in the area south of the Gammon-Bloodvein rivers to the south and west shores of the Winnipeg River, including the Manigotagan River upstream of highway 304, Lac du Bonnet, and the southern boundary of Whiteshell Provincial Park and from Lake Winnipeg to the Ontario border (excluding the Winnipeg River from the Pine Falls Dam to Lake Winnipeg).

◆ Special Walleye Regulation Applies

### Southwestern Manitoba - Special Walleye Regulation for Area "B"

The walleye limit is 4 and all walleye shorter than 35 cm must be released south of highway 5 from the Saskatchewan border east to St. Rose du Lac, including all waterbodies west of highway 5 south to Neepawa, including all waterbodies south of highway 16 east to Gladstone and including all waterbodies west of highway 34 south to the US border;

Excluding, the Assiniboine River, Lake of the Prairies, Dauphin Lake tributaries, and Lake Wahtopanah and Little Saskatchewan River upstream to Riding Mountain National Park, including Rapid City Reservoir and Minnedosa Lake.

## SPECIAL REGULATIONS FOR INDIVIDUAL WATERS

**Basket Creek** - closed to all fishing, including dip netting, from April 1 to and including May 13.

**Beaver Lake** - walleye limit is 2 and all walleye between 45 cm and 70 cm must be released.

**Bell Lake** - walleye limit is 2 and all walleye between 45 cm and 70 cm must be released. **All pike over 75 cm must be released.**

◆ **Big Whiteshell Lake** - cisco limit is 6 and only one may exceed 45 cm.

◆ **Black Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

◆ **Booster Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

**Chain Lakes** - no motors, except electric motors, are allowed.

**Crawford Creek** - see Dauphin Lake.

◆ **Crowduck Lake** - walleye limit is 2. All smallmouth bass over 40 cm must be released.

**Dauphin Lake including that portion of the Mossy River to municipal road 107 west and all inflowing tributaries** - the walleye/sauger limit is 4 and all walleye between 45 cm and 70 cm must be released. All inflowing tributaries and those parts of Dauphin Lake within 1 km of their mouths are closed to all fishing, including dip netting from March 1 to and including May 13. The remaining parts of Dauphin Lake remain open in March and are closed to all fishing from April 1 to and including May 13.

**Dog Lake Drain** - closed to all fishing, including dip netting, from April 1 to and including May 13.

**Duck Mountain Provincial Park** - walleye limit is 4. **All pike over 75 cm must be released.** See Beaver, Glad, Singush, Verrall, and Wellman lakes for specific regulations.

**Dufaults Creek** - closed to all fishing, including dip netting, from April 1 to and including May 13.

◆ **Falcon Creek** - closed to all fishing, including dip netting, from April 1 to and including May 31.

◆ **Flintstone Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

◆ **Garner Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

◆ **Gem Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

**Glad Lake** - all arctic char must be released. Only 1 pike may exceed 75 cm.

**Gull Lake (near Beconia)** - all pike over 60 cm must be released.

◆ **Hamilton Creek** - closed to all fishing, including dip netting, from April 1 to and including May 31.

**Hamlin Drain** - closed to all fishing, including dip netting, from April 1 to and including May 13.

◆ **Happy Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

**Lake Irwin** - pike limit is 4 and all pike over 75 cm must be released.

**Lake of the Prairies and its tributaries, including the Shell River west of PTH 83** - walleye limit is 4; all walleye between 45 cm and 70 cm must be released. **All pike over 75 cm must be released.** Anglers may fish with either a Manitoba or Saskatchewan angling licence upstream from the Shellmouth Dam (see border waters - page 5).

**Lake St. Andrew** - all smallmouth bass must be released.

**Lake St. George** - all walleye between 45 cm and 70 cm must be released. **All pike over 75 cm must be released.**

**Lake Winnipeg** - anglers may retain only 1 walleye longer than 70 cm per year. Licence holders who catch and retain one of these fish must immediately record the date on the back of their licence.

**Lake Winnipeg and its tributaries up to the first impassable barrier for fish** - all walleye and sauger shorter than 35 cm must be released.

**Lake Winnipegosis and its tributaries** - the walleye limit is 4 and all walleye between 45 cm and 70 cm must be released.

**Limestone Bay (on Lake Winnipeg)** - closed to fishing all year.

**Lonely Lake Drain** - closed to all fishing, including dip netting, from April 1 to and including May 31.

◆ **Long Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

◆ **Manigotagan Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

**Marge Lake** - walleye limit is 2 and all walleye shorter than 35 cm must be released.

**Mary Jane Reservoir** - walleye limit is 4 and all walleye shorter than 35 cm must be released. Black crappie limit is 4.

**Mink Creek** - see Dauphin Lake.

**Minnedosa Lake** - see Wahtopanah Lake.

**Minnewasta Lake** - walleye limit is 4 and all walleye shorter than 35 cm must be released.

**Moose Lake (near Sprague)** - all walleye shorter than 35 cm must be released.

**North Steeprock Lake** - walleye limit is 2 and all walleye between 45 cm and 70 cm must be released. **All pike over 75 cm must be released.**

◆ **Obukowin Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

**Ochre River** - see Dauphin Lake.

**Overflowing River** - walleye limit is 4 and all walleye between 45 cm and 70 cm must be released. Closed to all fishing from April 1 to and including May 20.

**Perch Lake** - all smallmouth bass and trout must be released.

**Porcupine Provincial Forest** - walleye limit is 4. **All pike over 75 cm must be released.** See Bell, North Steeprock, Vini, and Whitefish lakes for specific regulations.

**Proulx Creek and all other creeks and drains that intersect PR 328 to the east** - closed to all fishing, including dip netting, from April 1 to and including May 13.

◆ **Quesnel (Caribou) Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

**Rapid City Reservoir** - see Wahtopanah Lake.

**Red Deer River from Red Deer Lake to Lake Winnipegosis** - walleye limit is 4 and all walleye between 45 cm and 70 cm must be released. Closed to all fishing from April 1 to and including May 20.

**Red River from the Canada/US border to Lake Winnipeg and all tributaries between Lockport Dam and Lake Winnipeg** - anglers may retain only 1 walleye longer than 70 cm per year. Licence holders who catch and retain one of these fish must immediately record the date on the back of their licence. The walleye/sauger limit is 4 and all walleye and sauger shorter than 35 cm must be released.

**Red River from Lockport Dam to 1 km downstream** - dip netting and seining for bait fish only, not suckers (excluding the Special Conservation Area); no bow fishing allowed.

**Red River at St. Andrews Lock and Dam (Special Conservation Area for pelicans)** - closed to all fishing and possession of fishing gear from April 1 to and including November 15. Boundary outlined below:

*East:* existing north-south chain link fence running along the top of the bank;

*North:* a line from the existing east-west chain link fence, extending into the Red River to the point directly north of the centre of the first freestanding bridge pier;

*South:* the dam face to the centre of the first freestanding bridge pier;

*West:* a line directly north of the centre of the first freestanding bridge pier to the point it intersects with the north boundary.

◆ **Rice Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

**Shoal Lake (on the Ontario border)** - all walleye/sauger must be released.

◆ **Shoe Lake** - walleye/sauger limit is 4. Pike limit is 4.

◆ **Siderock Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

**Singush Lake** - walleye limit is 2 and all walleye between 45 cm and 70 cm must be released. **All pike over 75 cm must be released.**

**St. Malo Lake** - no motors, except electric motors, allowed.

◆ **Summerhill Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

**Turtle River from PTH 5 near Laurier to Dauphin Lake** - see Dauphin Lake.

**Valley River** - see Dauphin Lake.

**Vermilion River** - see Dauphin Lake.

**Verrall Lake** - walleye limit is 2 and all walleye between 45 cm and 70 cm must be released.

**Vini Lake** - only 1 pike may exceed 75 cm.

**Wahtopanah Lake and Little Saskatchewan River from the Rivers Dam upstream to Riding Mountain National Park, including Rapid City Reservoir and Minnedosa Lake** - a limit of 4 walleye/sauger and all walleye/sauger between 45 cm and 70 cm must be released. That portion of Wahtopanah Lake and the Little Saskatchewan River from PTH 24 to the Trans-Canada Pipeline crossing on Wahtopanah Lake is closed to all fishing from April 1 to and including May 31.

◆ **Wallace Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

**Waterhen Lake, Waterhen River, and all tributaries, including West Waterhen River, Little Waterhen River, and Snake River** - walleye limit is 4. All pike over 75 cm must be released.

**Wellman Lake** - walleye limit is 2 and all walleye between 45 cm and 70 cm must be released. **All pike over 75 cm must be released.**

**West Blue Lake** - walleye limit is 4. No motors, except electric motors, allowed.

**West Watjask Lake** - closed to all fishing from November 15 to and including June 15. May only use artificial lures and flies and may only use one hook per lure.

**Whitefish Lake (in the Porcupine Forest) including the Marina Lagoon, North Creek and Whitefish Creek** - walleye limit is 2 and all walleye between 45 cm and 70 cm must be released. **All pike over 75 cm must be released.** North Creek closed to all fishing from April 1 to and including June 1.

◆ **Whiteshell River from West Hawk Lake to Caddy Lake** - trout limit is 0; closed to all fishing from November 1 to and including April 15.

**Winnipeg River between the Manitoba/Ontario border and the Pine Falls Generating Station** - closed to lake sturgeon fishing all year.

**Winnipeg River from Pine Falls Generating Station to Lake Winnipeg to and including Traverse Bay** - anglers may retain only 1 walleye longer than 70 cm per year. Licence holders who catch and retain one of these fish must immediately record the date on the back of their licence. The walleye/sauger limit is 4 and all walleye and sauger shorter than 35 cm must be released.

**Wilson River** - see Dauphin Lake.

**William Lake** - smallmouth bass limit is 2; only 1 may exceed 40 cm.

## Please Do Not Litter

The fine for littering in Manitoba is \$204.

## Protection of Privacy Act

Personal information collected on angling licences falls under the authority of The Fisheries Act (Chapter F90), Fishing Licensing Regulation 124/97 and will be used only for existing program activities, surveys and enforcement by Manitoba Natural Resources and Northern Development.

It is protected by the Protection of Privacy provisions of The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. For questions about the collection, contact: 204-945-4170.

## For Your Information

Manitoba Conservation Officers play an important educational role in relation to angling regulations. Officers check anglers on a regular basis and also conduct roadside checkstops. To help make your angling experience enjoyable, please be aware of Manitoba's angling and Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) regulations.

The following are some set, ticketable fines for common angling and AIS offences. Fines may be higher depending on the severity and/or frequency of the offences. Restitution will apply to those who are convicted of illegally removing fish from the environment.

Using barbed hooks .....	\$52
Fishing without a licence.....	\$298
Over limit.....	\$102 plus
Transport live fish away from the water.....	\$486
Unattended line .....	\$52
Failure to carry your licence while fishing.....	\$174
Possession of crayfish .....	\$102 plus
<b>Possession of AIS (e.g. zebra mussels).....</b>	<b>\$1,296</b>
<b>Failure to dispose bait used in an AIS Control Zone .....</b>	<b>\$672</b>
Bringing into Manitoba live bait.....	\$202

For more information on AIS set fines, visit: [Manitoba.ca/StopAIS](http://Manitoba.ca/StopAIS)

## Mercury in Fish

Although Manitoba has some of the cleanest waters in the world, all fish contain some mercury from natural sources. Human activities can cause further increases in these natural mercury levels. Fish from some areas may have elevated mercury levels.

For further information about mercury in fish and for recommended consumption rates, please visit: [manitobafisheries.com](http://manitobafisheries.com), or phone Manitoba Natural Resources and Northern Development at 204-945-6784.



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# Northwest Division Regulations

**General Closure: May 1, 2022 to and including May 20, 2022.**

**Season opens May 21, 2022** (refer to map on page 8 for Northwest Divisional boundaries).

- Barbless hooks must be used.
- From April 1 to and including April 30 and from May 21 to and including May 31, the walleye limit is 4.
- No live bait fish allowed.
- All lake trout over 65 cm must be released.
- All pike over 75 cm must be released.
- All walleye over 55 cm must be released.

## HIGH QUALITY MANAGEMENT

High Quality Management Waters in the Northwest Division are listed below. All have limits of 4 walleye/sauger, 4 pike and 1 lake trout.

**These limits apply to all waterbodies in Grass River Provincial Park excluding Reed Lake (see Reed Lake regulation).**

Alberts Lake	Koblun Lake	Rail Lake
Bacon Lake	Lac Aimee	Sewell Lake
Buzz Lake	Loonhead Lake	Snow Lake
Cacholotte Lake	McGhee Lake	Squall Lake
Centre Lake	McLeod Lake	Tait Lake
Cook Lake	Mikanagan Lake	Tramping Lake
Corley Lake	Morgan Lake	Twin Lake
Crow Lake	Niblock Lake	Vickers Lake
Deep Lake	Norris Lake	Wabishkok Lake
Dolomite Lake	Pineroot River	Whitefish Lake
Dow Lake	Podruski Lake	Woosey Creek
File Lake	Pothier Lake	Woosey Lake

## STOCKED TROUT LAKES

No bow fishing, dip netting or seining is allowed on stocked trout waters. Annual stocking lists are available from your local Manitoba Natural Resource and Northern Development Office (see page 17).

The following stocked trout lakes are open to fishing all year. All pike and walleye caught in these waters from May 1 to and including May 20 must be released.

Amphipod Lake	Kormans Lake	Webster Lake
Barbe Lake	One Portage Lake	
Foot Print Lake	Scotty Lake	

## LAKE SPECIFIC REGULATIONS

**Athapapuskow Lake** - walleye limit is 4. The south end is closed to all fishing from September 15 to and including October 15. Quarry Bay and Quarry Bay Channel are closed to all fishing from May 1 to and including May 31. Pickerel Bay and Pickerel Bay Channel are closed to all fishing from May 1 to and including May 31.

**Atik Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

**Burntwood Lake** - walleye limit is 4 and pike limit is 4.

**Clearwater Lake** - the west side is closed to all fishing from September 15 to and including October 15, on a line northeast from the end of Spawn Camp Point to the west side of the inlet of Pike Bay.

**Dolomite Lake** - closed to all fishing from April 1 to and including May 20.

**Grass River** - see Wekusko Lake for specific regulation.

**Grass River from the CN rail line just north of Iskwassum Lake to the inlet of Reed Lake (including Iskwassum, Loucks, and Flag lakes)** - closed to all fishing from May 1 to and including May 31.

**Kisseynew Lake and Kississing River from Kisseynew Lake to Kississing Lake** - closed to all fishing from May 1 to and including May 31. On Kisseynew Lake the walleye limit is 4.

**Kississing Lake and its tributaries, including Bartlett Lake** - lake trout limit is 1, walleye limit is 4 and pike limit is 4. All non-residents of Manitoba who fish must be registered and staying with, and obtain a Special Angling Licence (free) from, a licensed Manitoba tourist operator with an allocation for this fishery.

**Morgan Lake** - closed to all fishing from May 1 to and including June 30.

**Morton Lake** - walleye limit is 2 and pike limit is 2. All non-residents of Manitoba who fish must be registered and staying with, and obtain a Special Angling Licence (free) from, a licensed Manitoba tourist operator with an allocation for this fishery.

**Naosap Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

**Osborne Lake, Osborne Lake Creek and Wekusko Brook** - walleye limit is 4 and pike limit is 4. Closed to all fishing from April 1 to and including June 30.

**Pickerel Creek** - closed to all fishing, including dip netting, from April 20 to and including May 20.

**Reed Lake, including Krug Lake, Jackfish Lake, Jackfish Lake Creek, Woosey Creek between Reed Lake and Halfway Lake, and all other tributaries of Reed Lake, including Grass River from Flag Lake to Tramping Lake** - the limits are 2 walleye, 2 pike and 1 lake trout.

**Rocky Lake** - walleye limit is 4. Goose Bay is closed to all fishing from November 1 to and including May 15.

**Saskatchewan River from Grand Rapids Generating Station to 1 km downstream (tailrace channel)** - closed to fishing all year.

**Snow Creek from Compton Lake to Snow Lake** - closed to all fishing from May 1 to and including May 31.

**Three Finger Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

**Wabishkok Lake** - closed to all fishing from May 1 to and including May 31.

**Wekusko Lake** - walleye/sauger limit is 4 and pike limit is 4. Herb Bay north of the hydro line on Wekusko Lake is closed to all fishing from April 1 to and including June 30. Grass River from the outlet on Wekusko Lake on a line from the mouth of Rex Creek, southeast to the southwest corner of Campbell Island to the rapids downstream (including Missipisew and Wuskatasko Rivers) walleye limit is 4 and pike limit is 4. Closed to all fishing from April 1 to and including June 30.

**Whitefish Lake and Pineroot River from Whitefish Lake to and including Wabishkok Lake** - closed to all fishing from May 1 to and including May 31.

**Woosey Creek between Woosey Lake and Morgan Lake** - closed to all fishing from May 1 to and including June 30.

**Woosey Lake** - closed to all fishing from May 1 to and including May 31.

# STOP AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES



## IN THE OPEN-WATER SEASON...

### **BEFORE ENTERING A WATER BODY, you need to...**

- ensure watercraft (e.g., canoe, power boat) and water-related equipment (e.g., fishing gear, bait container) are free of AIS, aquatic plants (e.g., weeds, algae) and mud.
- drain any residual water from the watercraft and water-related equipment on land away from the water body. This includes water in bait containers.
- ensure the water-related equipment that were last used in **another** water body than the one you are entering are dried completely OR decontaminated.

### **AFTER EXITING A WATER BODY and at the shore, you need to...**

- remove AIS and aquatic plants (e.g., weeds, algae) from watercraft and water-related equipment.
- drain all water from the watercraft and water-related equipment.
- open/remove drain plugs/valves and leave them open while transporting watercraft over land.

### **WHEN LEAVING AN AIS CONTROL ZONE, in addition to the exiting steps above, you need to...**

- obtain a Transportation Authorization if you cannot remove the AIS **before** leaving the shore.
- dispose of all remaining bait (e.g., live or dead) in the trash before leaving the shore.
- decontaminate watercraft and water-related equipment **before** placing them into **another** water body. Note: if returning to the same water body on the next trip, decontamination is not required.

To decontaminate in the open-water season, you can:

- visit a provincial Watercraft Inspection Station. There is no cost for this service.

**OR**

- follow the Approved Decontamination Methods (Schedule B and C) in the Aquatic Invasive Species Regulation.

## NEED MORE INFORMATION?

**[Manitoba.ca/StopAIS](http://Manitoba.ca/StopAIS)**

**or call (toll-free): 1-87-STOP AIS-0**

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**In Manitoba:**

- **you must be free of AIS**
- **set fines for AIS offences are in effect year-round**



**IN THE WINTER (ICE-COVERED) SEASON...**

**BEFORE ENTERING A WATER BODY, you need to...**

- ensure water-related equipment are free of AIS, aquatic plants (e.g., weeds), and mud.
- drain any residual water on land away from the water body. This includes water in bait containers.
- ensure all water-related equipment (e.g., fishing gear, auger, ice scooper) that were last used in **another** water body than the one you are entering are dried completely (preferably indoors) OR decontaminated (e.g., let all items freeze outside for three days at -10°C or colder).

**AFTER EXITING A WATER BODY and at the shore, you need to...**

- remove AIS and aquatic plants (e.g., weeds) from water-related equipment.
- drain all water. This includes water in bait containers. Note: water in its frozen form does not need to be removed.

**WHEN LEAVING AN AIS CONTROL ZONE, in addition to the exiting steps above, you need to...**

- dispose of all remaining bait (e.g., live or dead) in the trash **before** leaving the shore.
- decontaminate all water-related equipment (e.g., fishing gear, auger, ice scooper) **before** placing them into **another** water body. Note: if returning to the same water body on the next trip, decontamination is not required.

To decontaminate in the winter, you can:

- freeze all water-related equipment for at least three days at -10°C or colder.

**OR**

- follow the Approved Decontamination Methods (Schedule C) in the Aquatic Invasive Species Regulation.

**AND** ensure all water-related equipment are dried completely **before** placing them into **another** water body.

## North Central Division Regulations

**General Closure: May 1, 2022 to and including May 20, 2022. Season opens May 21, 2022** (refer to map on page 8 for North Central Divisional boundaries).

- Barbless hooks must be used.
- No live bait fish.

### HIGH QUALITY MANAGEMENT

High Quality Management Waters in the North Central Division are listed below. All have limits of 4 walleye/sauger, 4 pike and 1 lake trout and all pike over 75 cm, all walleye over 55 cm and all lake trout over 65 cm must be released.

Alto Lake	Witchai Lake)	Numakoos Lake
Burge Lake	Hunter Lake	Paint Lake and its
Black Trout Lake	Joey Lake	tributaries
Border Lake	Lasthope Lake	Plumbtree Lake
Chicken Lake	Laurie Lake	Preston Lake
Clarke Creek and Lake	Laurie River (from	Pyta Lake
Conlin Lake	Sask. border east to	Running Bear Lake
Cousins Lake	the railway line)	Sickle Lake
Dafoe Lake	Leftrook Lake	Teal Lake
Dunphy Lake	Little Brightsand Lake	Tenklei Lake
Eager Lake	Little Chipewyan Lake	Tod Lake
Eden Lake	Liz Lake	Tractor Lake
Frances Lake	MacGranachan Lake	Turnbull Lake
Ghost Lake	Matheson Lake	Van Lake
Goldsand Lake	McGavock Lake	Vanderkerckhove Lake
Goose Hunting Lake	Mooswa Creek and Lake	Velde Lake
Grass River (from	Motrik Lake	Willis Lake
Bald Eagle Lake to	Nesbitt Lake	Zed Lake

### STOCKED TROUT LAKES

No bow fishing, dip netting, or seining are allowed on stocked trout waters. Annual stocking lists are available from Manitoba Natural Resources and Northern Development (see page 17). The following stocked trout lakes are open to fishing all year. All walleye and pike caught in these waters from May 1 to and including May 20 must be released. No motors, except electric motors, are allowed on those marked with an \*.

Bowden Lake	Esler Lake No.2	Little Troy Lake
Crater Lake	* Gemmell Lake	* Mid Lake
* Digney Lake	Hidden Lake	Upper Ospwagan Lake
Esler Lake No.1	Leaf Lake	

### LAKE SPECIFIC REGULATIONS

**Fish Lake and Setting Creek (Fish Creek) and including that part of Setting Lake within 2 km of the mouth of Setting Creek** - closed to all fishing from March 15 to and including July 15.

**Kiski Lake and Kiski Creek** - closed to all fishing from May 1 to and including July 15.

**McLaren Creek** - closed to all fishing from May 1 to and including May 31.

**Nelson River and its tributaries downstream of Kettle Generating Station** - closed to brook trout fishing from September 1 to and including September 30.

**Nelson River and its tributaries from Whitemud Falls (outlet of Cross Lake) to Kelsey Generating Station, including Duck and Sipiwesik lakes** - closed to lake sturgeon fishing from May 1 to and including June 15. Within that area; a portion of the Nelson River extending 8 kms upstream and 8 kms downstream of the mouth of the Landing River, including the Landing River is closed to lake sturgeon fishing all year.

**Owl Creek** - closed to all fishing from May 1 to and including May 31.

**Thompson Creek** - closed to all fishing from May 1 to and including May 31.

**Velde Creek (including Joey Creek)** - closed to all fishing from May 1 to and including May 31.

**Wintering Lake** - walleye limit is 4.

## Northeast Division Regulations

**Generally open to angling all year** (refer to page 8 for Northeast Divisional boundaries).

- Barbless hooks must be used.
- No live bait fish.

### HIGH QUALITY MANAGEMENT

High Quality Management Waters in the Northeast Division are listed below. All have limits of 4 walleye/sauger, 4 pike and 1 lake trout, and all walleye over 55 cm, all pike over 75 cm, all lake trout over 65 cm and all Arctic grayling over 40 cm must be released. Only single, barbless hooks may be used on those waters marked with an \*.

Acheetamo Lake	Gods Lake	* Nueltin Lake
Aikens Lake	* Goose Lake	Opiminegoka Lake
Amphibian Lake	Gunisao Lake	Otter Lake
Anishinabe Lake	Harpok Lake	Pelletier Lake
Apisko Lake	Head Leaf Lake	Poplar River
* Askey Lake	* High Hill Lake	(from Wrong Lake to
Assapan Lake	Holmes Lake	Ontario border)
Assinika Lake	Horseshoe Lake	* Pritchard Lake
* Bagg Lake	Jensen Lake	* Putahow Lake
Bain Lake	Joint Lake	* Putahow River
* Bangle Lake	* John Osborn Lake	(between Putahow
Baralzon Lake	Kagipo Lake	Lake and Nueltin
Bear Lake	Kakeenokamak Lake	Lake)
Bear Head Lake	Kanapakaksis Lake	* Ragged Basin Lake
Bennett Lake	* Kapusta Lake	Recluse Lake
Black Currant Lake	* Kasmere Lake	Red Willow Lake
* Blevins Lake	Kautunigan Lake	Rorke Lake
Bolton Lake	Keschismeeneko	Sasaginnigak Lake
* Booth Lake	Lake	Sawdon Lake
Brad Lake	Kistigan Lake	Semmens Lake
Brisebois Lake	Knee Lake	* Shannon Lake
Brownstone Lake	Lewis Lake	* Silsby Lake
Burnie Lake	Little Duck Lake	* Snyder Lake
Campbell Lake	Little Stull Lake	South Knife Lake
Caron Lake	Long Lake (Berens	Sparrowhawk Lake
Carr-Harris Lake	River)	Stag Lake
Carroll Lake	MacLeod Lake	Stevens Lake
* Chatwin Lake	* MacMillan Lake	Stull Lake
* Corbett Lake	McMurray Lake	* Thanout Lake
Cobham River	Manapaywi Lake	* Thlewiaza River
(from the border	Mantricia Lake	(from Fort Hall Lake
downstream to	Maria Lake	to Nueltin Lake)
Elliot Lake)	Max Lake	Thomas Lake
Commonwealth Lake	Meat Lake	Thunder Lake
Craven Lake	Molson Lake	* Tice Lake
* Cuddle Lake	including Paimusk	* Timewe Lake
Douglas Lake	Creek and all other	Tseteli Lake
Eakins Lake	tributaries	Utik Lake
Eardley Lake	Munroe Lake	Viking Lake
Edmund Lake	* Muskasew Lake	Warrington Lake
Egenolf Lake	* Muskosemunomin	Waskaiowaka Lake
Elliot Lake	Lake	Wendigo Lake
Fairy Rock Lake	* Nahili Lake	Whiskey Jack Lake
Fishing Lake	Nejanilini Lake	Wrong Lake
* Fort Hall Lake	Nicklin Lake	
Gammon River	North Knife Lake	

### LAKE SPECIFIC REGULATIONS

**Bear Lake** - all non-residents of Manitoba who fish must be registered and staying with, and obtain a Special Angling Licence (free) from, a licensed Manitoba tourist operator with an allocation for this fishery.

**Berens River from the mouth upstream to Sturgeon Falls, including the Etonami River upstream to Makik Falls and including the North Etonami River upstream to Miskomapiinna Rapids** - closed to all fishing from April 4 to and including May 13.

**Bloodvein River from the mouth upstream to Meekisiwi Rapids** - closed to all fishing from April 4 to and including May 13.

**Bradbury River** - closed to all fishing from April 4 to and including May 13.

**Gods Lake** - all non-residents of Manitoba who fish must be registered and staying with, and obtain a Special Angling Licence (free) from, a licensed Manitoba tourist operator with an allocation for this fishery. A High Quality Management Lake.

**Gods River (from Gods Lake to Great Bear Falls)** - all brook trout must be released.

**Molson Lake and its tributaries (except Paimusk Creek)** - closed to fishing from May 1 to and including May 20. All non-residents of Manitoba who fish must be registered and staying with, and obtain a Special Angling Licence (free) from, a licensed Manitoba tourist operator with an allocation for this fishery. A High Quality Management Lake.

**Nelson River and its tributaries** - closed to brook trout fishing from September 1 to and including September 30.

**Nueltin Lake** - all non-residents of Manitoba who fish must be registered and staying with, and obtain a Special Angling Licence (free) from, a licensed Manitoba tourist operator with an allocation for this fishery. A High Quality Management Lake.

**Paimusk Creek** - closed to fishing from May 1 to and including May 31. All non-residents of Manitoba who fish must be registered and staying with, and obtain a Special Angling Licence (free) from, a licensed Manitoba tourist operator with an allocation for this fishery. A High Quality Management Water.

**Pigeon River from the mouth upstream to Sturgeon Falls** - closed to all fishing from April 4 to and including May 13.

**Utik Lake** - all non-residents of Manitoba who fish must be registered and staying with, and obtain a Special Angling Licence (free) from, a licensed Manitoba tourist operator with an allocation for this fishery.

## Fishing Regulations and Status Indian People

The Natural Resources Transfer Agreement, which forms part of the Constitution Act (1930), provides that Indian people have the right to fish for food on all unoccupied Crown lands and on any other lands to which they may have a right of access.

Recognizing the Treaty and constitutional rights of Indian people, Manitoba Natural Resources and Northern Development considers that status Indians:

- Do not require a licence to fish for food by angling or other means.
  - Do not require an angling licence to fish for recreational purposes or to participate in a competitive fishing event, but must follow all regulations when not fishing for food.
  - Are not subject to gear restrictions such as the use of gill nets or the number of lines that can be used by angling, however, any unattended gear must be clearly marked with the owner's name and treaty number.
  - Except for conservation closures, are generally not restricted to seasons, limits or areas.
  - May angle in stocked trout waters but may not use nets or other methods of fishing.
  - May not block more than two-thirds of a river or stream with a net or other device.
  - May not fish within 23 metres of a fish ladder or fishway.
  - May not sell fish caught under status Indian fishing rights or give fish to a non-Indian person.
  - May transport fish from the catch point directly to their nearest residence.
  - Must obtain a Fish Transportation Loadslip if fish in excess of a regular limit are to be transported to a location other than their nearest residence.
  - While employed as guides or outfitters, may not fish using their treaty or constitutional rights in any manner that could benefit their employer or their business.
  - When exercising their rights, are required to carry proof of status.
- Non-Indian people may accompany Indian people that are fishing but may not help them to exercise their food fishing rights. For example, non-Indian people could not set or lift nets, however, they could assist in transporting fish while accompanying a status Indian person.

For more information, please contact the nearest Manitoba Natural Resources and Northern Development Office, or telephone 204-945-6784 in Winnipeg, 1-800-214-6497 outside Winnipeg or visit: manitoba.ca.

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Head Office (Winnipeg) .....	204-945-6784
Eastern Region (Lac du Bonnet) .....	204-345-1450
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## Family Fishing Weekends

Summer and Winter Family Fishing Weekends will be held on June 11-12, 2022 and February 18-20, 2023, across Manitoba (excluding federal parks). During these weekends, people wishing to fish may do so without acquiring a licence. All other rules and regulations will apply. Conservation limits apply to those angling without a licence, who would normally require one. Please note specific lake regulations. For more information, call 204-945-6784.

## Buying and Selling Fish

Fish harvested while angling may not be bought, sold, traded or bartered. **If you buy fish from a commercial fisher or retailer be sure to get a sales receipt or trade record at the time of sale.** You must carry this receipt with the fish as proof of purchase.

## Angling Safety Around Fishing Gear

Be careful and stay a safe distance from commercial fishing gear, buoys and floats when fishing or boating. It's recommended not to travel between buoys as commercial nets can be set between buoys and you may tangle your fishing or boating equipment. Buoys and floats can be different colours.



## Common Manitoba Fish Species

WALLEYE



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SMALLMOUTH BASS



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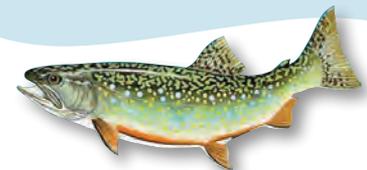
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 Travel Manitoba..... travelmanitoba.com  
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Manitoba Recreational Fishing League .....mwf.mb.ca  
 Walleye Anglers Association of Manitoba.....walleyeanglers.mb.ca/  
 Mid-Canada Marine and Powersports Dealers Assoc. .... mmpda.ca  
 Lake Information for Anglers..... manitobafisheries.com  
 Intermountain Sport Fish Enhancement ..... isfe.ca  
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# Travel Manitoba Master Angler Program

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How to Measure a Fish's Total Length  
2.54 cm = 1 inch



## Length Requirements

Species	Minimum Length
Arctic Char	51 cm (20 in)
Arctic Grayling	46 cm (18 in)
Black Crappie	30.5 cm (12 in)
Brook Trout	51 cm (20 in)
Brown Trout	51 cm (20 in)
Bullhead	30.5 cm (12 in)
Burbot	76 cm (30 in)
Common Carp	76 cm (30 in)
Channel Catfish	86.5 cm (34 in)
Freshwater Drum	61 cm (24 in)
Goldeye	35.5 cm (14 in)
Lake Sturgeon	109 cm (43 in)
Lake Trout	89 cm (35 in)
Lake Whitefish	56 cm (22 in)
Largemouth Bass	46 cm (18 in)
Mooneye	35.5 cm (14 in)
Muskellunge	79 cm (31 in)
Northern Pike	104 cm (41 in)
Rainbow Trout	51 cm (20 in)
Rock Bass	25.5 cm (10 in)
Sauger	46 cm (18 in)
Smallmouth Bass	46 cm (18 in)
Splake	51 cm (20 in)
Sucker	46 cm (18 in)
Sunfish	18 cm ( 7 in)
Tiger Trout	51 cm (20 in)
Tullibee (Cisco)	40.5 cm (16 in)
Walleye	71 cm (28 in)
White Bass	38 cm (15 in)
Yellow Perch	33 cm (13 in)

## Master Angler Awards Program Rules and Regulations

- Registered fish must be caught in Manitoba in accordance with provincial angling regulations.
- Anglers must use a hook and line to make the catch.
- Photo Requirements:
  - All submissions must have a horizontal measurement photo of the entire length of the fish against a ruler, measuring tape or bump board to qualify for a Master Angler Award.
  - An action photo is optional, but highly encouraged.
  - We will not accept submissions with images showing vertical gill, eye, weigh scale or fish stringer holds.
  - We will not accept catches with pictures of frozen fish declared as released.
  - We will not accept photos that are thumbnails or a screen capture from a mobile device or desktop computer.
  - Photos with blood in them will not be posted on the Master Angler website.
- Please note that all pictures provided will become the property of Travel Manitoba and may be used for publishing on the web site or in published materials.
- Qualifying fish must be submitted digitally through the Master Angler Awards website or Master Angler mobile app. Official paper entry form available for download on Master Angler Awards website. Mail-in submissions must meet all requirements in rule #3.
- Travel Manitoba will be the sole and final judge as to the acceptance of the entries, and reserves the right to request additional information and requirements as may be deemed necessary in the best interest of the program.
- Submissions need to be made within one year of the catch to be eligible for an award.
- Only one bronze, silver, or gold badge and release crest will be awarded to any one angler, but certificates will be presented for all qualifying fish. Different specialist badges will be awarded for each species (one per species).

For more information contact:

### The Manitoba Master Angler Program

Tel: 1-800-665-0040

Email: MasterAngler@travelmanitoba.com

Website: anglers.travelmanitoba.com

\*\*Digital Certificates\*\*

All anglers who provide an email address will receive a digital copy of their certificate for all non-level achieving catches and catch and release recognition. If anglers prefer a printed certificate, they may request one by contacting Master Angler directly. Anglers will continue to receive a mailed hard copy for the one-time "First Master Angler" and when a new level or specialist badge is achieved.

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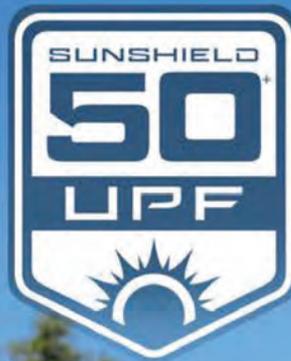
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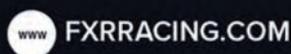
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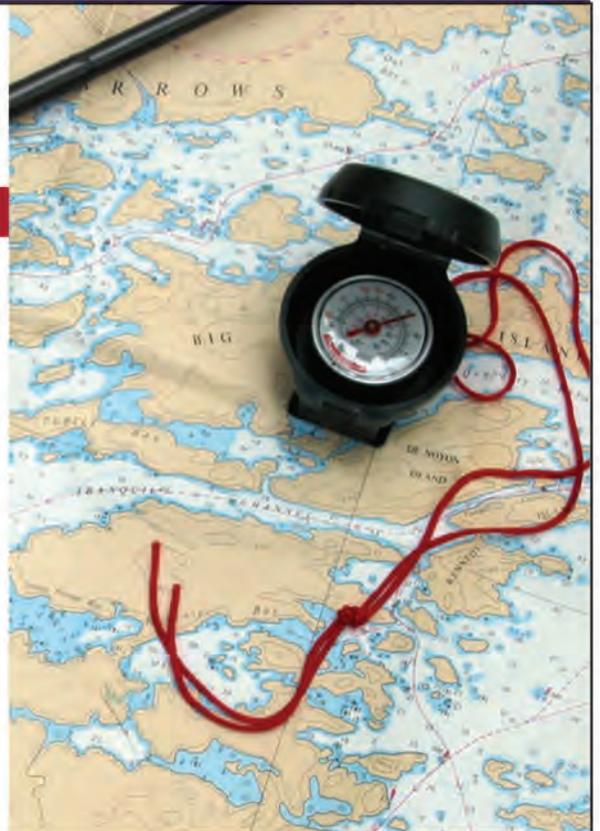
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