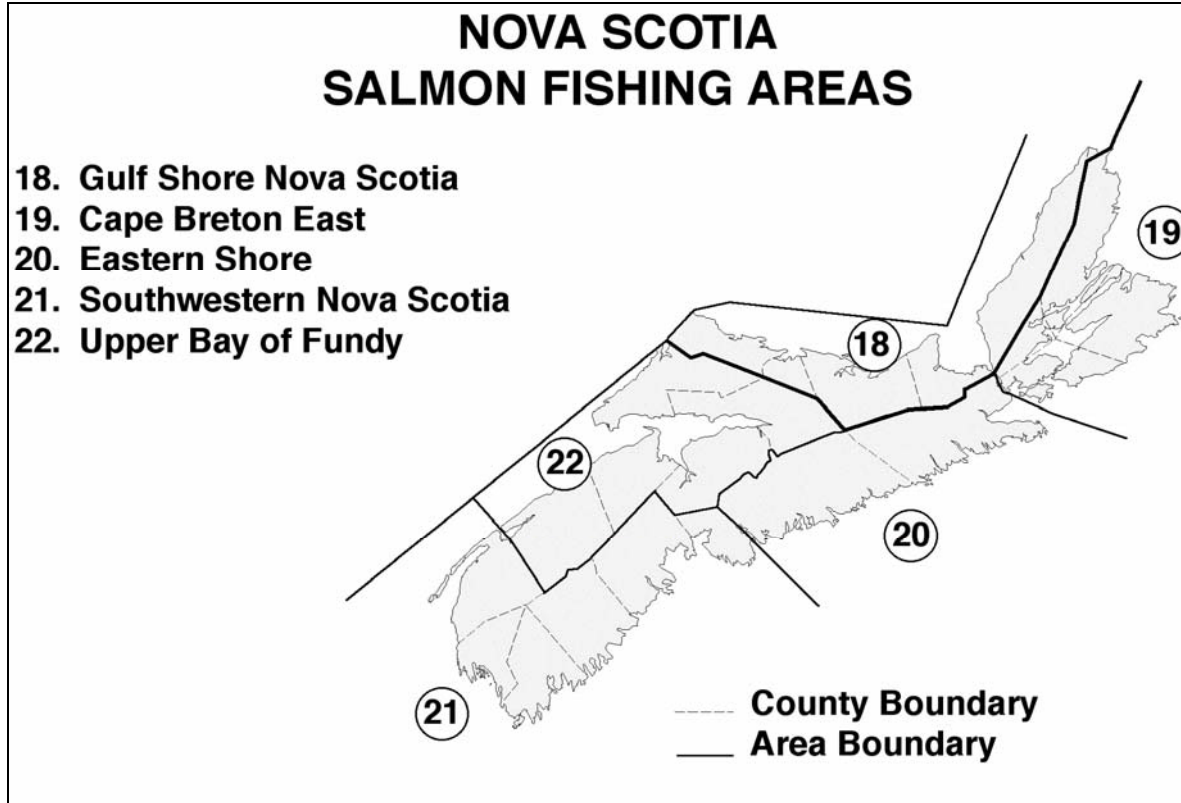




2009 SALMON ANGLING SEASONS

The Regional Director-General, Maritimes Region, Department of Fisheries and Oceans wishes to advise the public of the following changes to seasons and bag limits for Atlantic salmon in Nova Scotia.



- 1 (a) **SALMON FISHING AREA 18 (Gulf Shore of Nova Scotia)** and all waters of the Province flowing into that Area, except the waters referred to in paragraphs (b) to (j)Sept. 1 to Oct. 31
- (b) East River, Pictou CountySept. 1 to Oct. 31
- (c) West River, Pictou County.....Sept. 1 to Oct. 31
- (d) River PhillipSept. 1 to Oct. 31
- (e) Wallace River.....Sept. 1 to Oct. 31
- (f) West River, Antigonish County.....Sept. 1 to Oct. 31
- (g) South River, Antigonish County.....Sept. 1 to Oct. 31
- (h) Margaree River, Northeast Margaree River, Southwest Margaree River and tributaries, except the waters referred to in paragraphs (i) and (j).....June 1 to Oct. 15
- (i) Margaree River upstream from the highway bridges at East Margaree to the Big Intervale bridges on the Northeast Margaree River and upstream to the Scotsville highway bridge on the Southwest Margaree River, not including tributaries.....June 1 to Oct. 31
- (j) Northeast Margaree River and tributaries upstream from the Big Intervale bridges.....**Closed all year**

NOTES FOR SALMON FISHING AREA 18

- THE DAILY CATCH AND RETAIN LIMIT IS **TWO** GRILSE (SALMON LESS THAN 63 CM IN LENGTH).
- THE DAILY CATCH AND RELEASE LIMIT IS ANY COMBINATION OF GRILSE OR SALMON TOTALING **FOUR**.
- THE YEARLY CATCH AND RETAIN LIMIT IS **FOUR** GRILSE (SALMON LESS THAN 63 CM IN LENGTH).
- WHEN FISHING FOR SALMON, ONLY BARBLESS OR PINCHED BARB ARTIFICIAL FLIES ARE PERMITTED FROM OCTOBER 1 TO OCTOBER 31, INCLUSIVE.

- 2 (a) SALMON FISHING AREA 19 (Cape Breton East)** and all waters of the Province flowing into that Area, except the waters referred to in paragraphs **(b)** to **(q)**.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (b)** Baddeck River.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (c)** Catalone River.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (d)** Framboise River.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (e)** Gaspereau River.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (f)** Gerratt Brook.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (g)** Indian Brook, Eskasoni.....**Closed all year**
- (h)** Lorraine Brook.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (i)** Marie Joseph River.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (j)** Mira River.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (k)** Salmon River.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (l)** Grand River.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (m)** Middle River.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (n)** North River downstream from the area known as “The Benches” as marked by a Fishery Officer.....(catch and release only) June 1 to Oct. 31
- (o)** North River upstream from the area known as “The Benches”.....**Closed all year**
- (p)** River Tillard.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (q)** Inhabitants River.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15

NOTES FOR SALMON FISHING AREA 19

- THE ANGLING SEASONS ARE OPEN TO CATCH AND RELEASE FISHING ONLY ON THE ABOVE SPECIFIED DATES AND ARE SUBJECT TO IN-SEASON ADJUSTMENTS.
- THE DAILY CATCH AND RELEASE LIMIT IS ANY COMBINATION OF GRILSE OR SALMON TOTALING **TWO**.
- WHEN FISHING FOR SALMON, ONLY **BARBLESS** OR **PINCHED BARB** ARTIFICIAL FLIES ARE PERMITTED.

- 3 (a) SALMON FISHING AREA 20 (Eastern Shore)** and all waters of the Province flowing into that Area, except the waters referred to in paragraph **(b)** to **(g)**.....**Closed all year**
- (b)** East River, Sheet Harbour.....June 1 to Sept. 30
- (c)** Musquodoboit River.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (d)** Salmon River (Guysborough), downstream from the highway bridge at West Cooks Cove.....(catch and release only) July 1 to Sept. 30
- (e)** Salmon River (Guysborough), upstream from the highway bridge at West Cooks Cove.....**Closed all year**
- (f)** St. Mary’s River, except the waters referred to in paragraph (g)(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (g)** West River, St. Mary’s, upstream from the highway bridge at Glenelg.....**Closed all year**

NOTES FOR SALMON FISHING AREA 20

- THE ANGLING SEASONS ARE OPEN TO CATCH AND RELEASE FISHING ONLY ON THE ABOVE SPECIFIED DATES AND ARE SUBJECT TO IN-SEASON ADJUSTMENTS.
- THE DAILY CATCH AND RELEASE LIMIT IS ANY COMBINATION OF GRILSE OR SALMON TOTALING **TWO**.
- WHEN FISHING FOR SALMON, ONLY **BARBLESS** OR **PINCHED BARB** ARTIFICIAL FLIES ARE PERMITTED.
- SEE EXCEPTIONS FOR THE EAST RIVER, SHEET HARBOUR AT THE END OF THIS NOTICE.

- 4 (a) **SALMON FISHING AREA 21 (Southwestern Nova Scotia)** and all waters of the Province flowing into that Area, except the waters referred to in paragraphs (b) to (k).....**Closed all year**
- (b) Clyde River.....May 10 to Sept. 30
- (c) Jordan River.....May 10 to Sept. 30
- (d) Mersey River.....May 10 to Aug. 15
and Sept. 1 to Sept. 30
- (e) Sackville River.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (f) Mushamush River.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (g) LaHave River downstream from Morgan Falls.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (h) LaHave River upstream from Morgan Falls
except the waters referred to in paragraph (i).....**Closed all year**
- (i) LaHave River between the bridge on the
Lower Branch Road (Varner's Bridge #2)
in New Germany and the Cherryfield Bridge
at Cherryfield, not including tributaries.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (j) Petite Rivière, downstream from Fancy Lake(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15
- (k) Tusket River.....(catch and release only) June 1 to July 15

NOTES FOR SALMON FISHING AREA 21

- THE ANGLING SEASONS ARE OPEN TO CATCH AND RELEASE FISHING ONLY ON THE ABOVE SPECIFIED DATES AND ARE SUBJECT TO IN-SEASON ADJUSTMENTS.
- THE DAILY CATCH AND RELEASE LIMIT IS ANY COMBINATION OF GRILSE OR SALMON TOTALING **TWO**.
- WHEN FISHING FOR SALMON, ONLY **BARBLESS** OR **PINCHED BARB** ARTIFICIAL FLIES ARE PERMITTED.
- SEE EXCEPTIONS FOR THE CLYDE, JORDAN AND MERSEY RIVER AT THE END OF THIS NOTICE.

- 5 (a) **SALMON FISHING AREA 22 (Upper Bay of Fundy)** and all waters of the Province flowing into that Area.....**Closed all year**

EXCEPTIONS

- THE FOLLOWING FOUR RIVERS ARE HIGHLY ACIDIC AND NATURAL SALMON PRODUCTION IS UNLIKELY. ALTHOUGH PREVIOUSLY MANAGED AS PUT AND TAKE FISHERIES, THERE HAS BEEN NO STOCKING OF SALMON IN THESE RIVERS FOR SOME TIME. THEY REMAIN OPEN TO RETENTION, BUT THE LIKELIHOOD OF CATCHING SALMON THERE IS REMOTE.
 - THE EAST RIVER, SHEET HARBOUR IN SALMON FISHING AREA 20
 - CLYDE, JORDAN AND MERSEY RIVERS IN SALMON FISHING AREA 21
 - THE DAILY CATCH AND RETAIN LIMIT IS TWO GRILSE (SALMON LESS THAN 63 CM IN LENGTH)
 - THE DAILY CATCH AND RELEASE LIMIT IS ANY COMBINATION OF GRILSE OR SALMON TOTALING FOUR.
 - THE YEARLY CATCH AND RETAIN LIMIT IS FOUR GRILSE (SALMON LESS THAN 63 CM IN LENGTH).
 - WHEN FISHING FOR SALMON, ONLY **BARBLESS** OR **PINCHED BARB** ARTIFICIAL FLIES ARE PERMITTED.

REMINDERS

FOR 2009 ANGLERS ARE REMINDED THAT

- FOR THOSE RIVERS ON WHICH RETENTION IS PERMITTED, THE YEARLY BAG LIMIT FOR ATLANTIC SALMON IS (4) GRILSE THAT MEASURE LESS THAN 63 CM FROM THE TIP OF THE NOSE TO THE FORK OF THE TAIL.
- SALMON FISHING IS ONLY PERMITTED USING ARTIFICIAL FLIES AND, IN CERTAIN LOCATIONS AT CERTAIN TIMES, ONLY WITH BARBLESS OR PINCHED BARB HOOKS.
- ALL SALMON 63 CM OR LONGER MUST BE RETURNED TO THE WATER IN A MANNER THAT CAUSES THE LEAST POSSIBLE HARM TO THAT FISH.

SEASONS AND BAG LIMITS MAY CHANGE AT ANY TIME FOR CONSERVATION REASONS AND SUBJECT TO ABORIGINAL HARVEST AGREEMENTS. CONSULTATIONS ARE ONGOING WITH REGARD TO THE FALL (September 1 to October 31) SEASONS IN SALMON FISHING AREA 19 (Cape Breton East).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE LOCAL FISHERY OFFICER AND REFER TO MARITIMES REGION VARIATION ORDERS 2009- 074, 2009-075 AND 2009- 076

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