



General Information

- Refer to General Fishing Regulations for more information on how to use this summary.
- Refer to the Boundary Waters section for information on licences and limits in boundary waters and remember that regulations differ between Ontario and Quebec. Anglers are responsible to ensure they are obeying the regulations of the waters where they are fishing.
- American Eel is a specially protected species and may not be caught or possessed under a Recreational Fishing Licence.
- The following species are not present in this Zone and are closed to fishing all year: Pacific Salmon.
- FMZ 12 is the Ottawa River. Baitfish and leeches that **are both dead and preserved** can be transported into and out of BMZs and the Ottawa River.
- Baitfish and leeches that **are not both dead and preserved** may be transported out of:
 - an adjacent Bait Management Zone and used in the Great Lakes
 - the Great Lakes only to be disposed of immediately more than 30 m from the water.
 Refer to Bait (p.20) for more details.

Zone-wide Seasons and Limits

Zone-wide seasons and limits apply to all waters in the Zone except for the specific waters and species listed in the Species Exceptions, Waterbody Exceptions and Fish Sanctuaries

Aggregate Limits for Trout and Salmon (including Splake)

Limits: S-5 and C-2; total daily catch and possession limit for all trout and salmon species combined

Atlantic Salmon

Season: Friday before fourth Saturday in April to September 30
Limits: S-1 and C-0

Brook Trout

Season: Friday before fourth Saturday in April to September 30
Limits: S-5 and C-2

Brown Trout and Rainbow Trout

Season: Friday before fourth Saturday in April to September 30
Limits: S-5 and C-2

Channel Catfish

Season: open all year
Limits: S-12 and C-6

Crappie

Season: open all year
Limits: S-30 and C-10

Lake Sturgeon

Season: closed all year

Lake Trout and Splake

Season: Friday before fourth Saturday in April to September 30
Limits: S-2 and C-1; must be greater than 45 cm

Lake Whitefish

Season: open all year
Limits: S-12 and C-6

Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass combined

Season: Friday before fourth Saturday in June to November 30
Limits: S-6 and C-2

Muskellunge

Season: Friday before third Saturday in June to December 15
Limits: S-1; must be greater than 137 cm, and C-0

Northern Pike

Season: January 1 to March 31 and Friday before third Saturday in May to December 31
Limits: S-6 and C-2

Sunfish

Season: open all year
Limits: No limit

Walleye and Sauger combined

Season: January 1 to March 31 and Friday before third Saturday in May to December 31
Limits: S-5 and C-2; must be less than 40 cm from March 1 to June 15

Zone 12

Yellow Perch

Season: open all year
Limits: S-50 and C-25

Species Exceptions

American Shad

Season: open all year

Limits: S-5 and C-2

- Ottawa River - below Carillon Dam to Pointe Fortune

Fish Sanctuaries

No fishing - March 1 to Thursday before third Saturday in May

- Lac des Chats (Ottawa River), Madawaska River and Mississippi River - including waters of the Madawaska River downstream from the Arnprior Generating Station, Ottawa River from Dochart Creek to the lighthouse (45°27'03"N, 76°21'02"W) and then east following the inter-provincial boundary to the south end of the CNR bridge at Lavergne Point (West Carleton Township), and the Mississippi River downstream from the Generating Station at the town of Galetta

No fishing - March 15 to June 15

- Lake Timiskaming (Ottawa River) - Harris Township, Sutton Bay

No fishing - April 1 to June 15

- Lac la Cave (Ottawa River) - from the Lake Timiskaming dam downstream to a line drawn due east from the southernmost point of land at the mouth of Fournier Creek in Poitras Township

No fishing - April 1 to Thursday before second Friday in May

- Ottawa River - between the Quebec Carillon Power House and Pointe Fortune

No fishing - April 1 to Friday before third Saturday in May

- Muskrat River - Renfrew County, from Highway 17 downstream through the City of Pembroke to its confluence with the Ottawa River

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