



## Colchester and Cumberland Counties

### RECREATIONAL FISHING AREA 6

#### SEASONS

##### **SPECKLED (BROOK) TROUT, BROWN TROUT, RAINBOW TROUT AND LANDLOCKED SALMON.**

Tidal Waters - Apr. 15 to Sept. 30.

Inland Waters - Apr. 1 to Sept. 30 except the waters referred to in the listings below.

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**NOTE:** From Sept. 1 to Sept. 30 no speckled trout may be retained, and the use of natural bait is prohibited province-wide in inland waters for all trout species and landlocked salmon, including Special Management Areas.

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##### **SMALLMOUTH BASS**

Apr. 1 to Sept. 30 except the following and the waters referred to in the listings below.

Angevine Lake, Cumberland County.

Apr. 1 to Oct. 31.

Big Lake, Cumberland County. Apr. 1 to Oct. 31.

Round Lake, Colchester County. Apr. 1 to Oct. 31.

Shortt's Lake, Colchester County.

Apr. 1 to Oct. 31.

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**SPAWNING SEASON RESTRICTIONS:** From Apr. 1 to June 2 no smallmouth bass may be retained and the use of natural bait is prohibited for this species. These regulations apply province-wide except for High Harvest Fisheries.

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**NOTE:** The opening dates for the following rivers do not apply to the lakes and tributaries to those rivers unless specified.

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##### **COLCHESTER COUNTY**

Chiganois River, downstream from the CN Railway bridge at Belmont, including tributaries. May 11 to Sept. 30.

Debert River, downstream from the CN Railway bridge, including tributaries. May 11 to Sept. 30.

Economy River, downstream from the confluence with Callaghan Brook, including tributaries. May 11 to Sept. 30.

Folly River, downstream from the CN Railway bridge, including tributaries. May 11 to Sept. 30.

French River, downstream from the 246 Highway bridge at Oliver. Apr. 15 to Sept. 30.

Great Village River, downstream from the confluence with Spencers Brook, including tributaries. May 11 to Sept. 30.

North River, downstream from the confluence the West Branch North River, including tributaries. May 11 to Sept. 30.

Portapique River, downstream from the confluence with Matheson Brook, including tributaries. May 11 to Sept. 30.

#### EARLY SEASON BROWNS

**N**ova Scotia's north shore rivers such as River John, Pictou County and Waughs River, Colchester County can provide excellent brown trout angling in the spring. Browns that have moved down into the Northumberland Strait estuaries in late fall or early spring actively feed on smelt and silversides and can provide anglers with some early season action. Fish are bright and plump and are best fished on the changing tides. Traditional baits include early seas on night crawlers fished off the bottom. Opening day is often a community event, with fisherman's breakfasts available in many villages to begin a great day of telling stories and some great fishing.

Salmon River, downstream from the confluence with Greenfield Brook, including tributaries. May 11 to Sept. 30.  
Waugh's River, downstream from the 256 Highway bridge at The Falls. Apr. 15 to Sept. 30.

#### CUMBERLAND COUNTY

Maccan River, downstream from the highway bridge at Southampton, including tributaries. May 11 to Sept. 30.  
River Phillip, downstream from the Mountain Road bridge in the community of River Phillip. Apr. 15 to Sept. 30.  
River Hebert, downstream from the bridge near the tree nursery in the Chignecto Game Sanctuary, including tributaries.

May 11 to Sept. 30.  
Shinimicas River, downstream from the No. 6 Highway bridge, including tributaries. Apr. 15 to Sept. 30.  
Wallace River, downstream from the bridge on Highway 4 at Wentworth Center. Apr. 15 to Sept. 30.

#### CHAIN PICKEREL

Apr. 1 to Sept. 30 except the following and the waters referred to in the listings by county above.  
Short's Lake, Colchester County.  
OPEN ALL YEAR.

#### WHITE PERCH AND YELLOW PERCH

Apr. 1 to Sept. 30 except in the following

### SPECIAL TROUT MANAGEMENT AREAS

#### HARRISON LAKE, CUMBERLAND COUNTY

Apr. 1 to Sept. 30. Unbaited lure to which not more than one hook is attached or artificial fly only and the use of natural bait is prohibited. The bag limit is reduced to one (1) fish (either brown or speckled trout) which must be 35 cm (13.8 in) total length or longer. From Sept. 1 to Sept. 30 all speckled trout must be released.

#### STEWIACKE RIVER, COLCHESTER COUNTY

Downstream from the highway bridge farthest upstream in Upper Stewiacke to the CN Railway bridge near McKay Siding. Closed Apr. 1 to May 10.

Open May 11 to Sept. 30. The bag limit is reduced to one (1) fish (either brown or speckled trout) which must be 35 cm (13.8 in) total length or longer. From Sept. 1 to Sept. 30 all speckled trout must be released.

May 11 to July 15. Unbaited lure to which not more than one hook is attached or artificial fly only and the use of natural bait is prohibited. July 16 to end of all fishing seasons. Fly fishing only.

### CLEAN THOSE FLY LINES

Fly lines work best when supple, rather than brittle. They also float best when clean. Annual maintenance is simple, and takes only a few minutes of time well invested. Wash plastic fly lines in mild detergent, then dry thoroughly and coat with vinyl treatment such as Armourall. This will extend the life of this expensive item, improve its casting properties, and help prevent "memory" coiling.

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Angevine (Dewar) Lake, Cumberland County. **OPEN ALL YEAR.**

Shortts Lake, Colchester County. **OPEN ALL YEAR.**

### **OTHER ANGLING SEASONS**

See page 9.

### **NIGHT FISHING**

Brown trout angling at night is permitted during the open season on the following: Stewiacke River, Colchester County, from the Landsdowne Bridge downstream to the East Pollack Bridge at Stewiacke East.

Where these waters overlap with the Special Management Area, the above bag limits, length limits and gear restrictions apply.

### **FLY FISHING ONLY**

Fishing is permitted with artificial flies only in the sections of the following rivers during the times listed. Other methods are permitted during the remainder of the open season. If in doubt as to the extent of these restrictions, please contact the local federal fishery officer.

#### **COLCHESTER COUNTY**

Stewiacke River, from the CN bridge near McKay Siding, upstream to the highway bridge farthest upstream in Upper Stewiacke, not including tributaries. **July 16 to end of all fishing seasons.**

#### **CUMBERLAND COUNTY**

Maccan River, from the highway bridge at Maccan upstream to the highway 2 bridge at Southampton, not including tributaries. **Aug. 16 to end of all fishing seasons.**



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