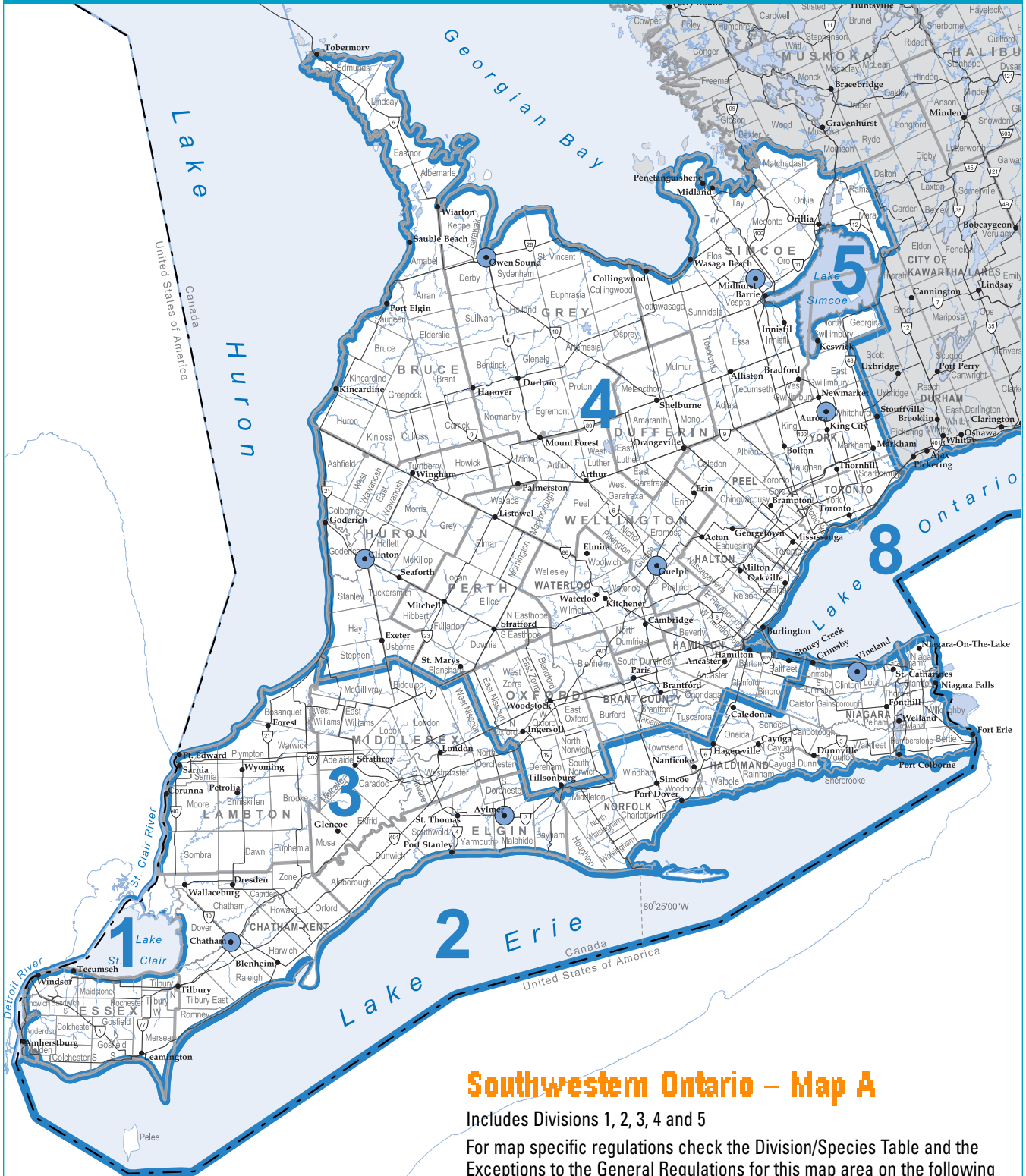


# SOUTHWESTERN ONTARIO – MAP A



## Southwestern Ontario – Map A

Includes Divisions 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5

For map specific regulations check the Division/Species Table and the Exceptions to the General Regulations for this map area on the following pages.

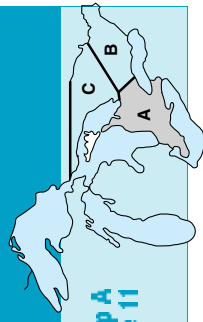
NOTE: Detroit River and St. Clair River are in Division 1. Niagara River upstream of the falls is in Division 2 and downstream of the falls is in Division 8.

For Lake Huron, Division 35 see Central Ontario - Map C.

For Lake Ontario, Division 8 see Southeastern Ontario - Map B.

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# Southwestern Ontario (Map A) Division/Species Table



see Map A  
on Page 11

**Open Seasons (all dates inclusive) - Catch, Possession and Size Limits**  
**You MUST check the Exceptions on pages 15 to 18 for additional regulations on specific water bodies**

**FISHING LICENCE LIMITS:**  
 S Sport Fishing  
 C Conservation Fishing

SPECIES	Division 1	Division 2	Division 3	Division 4	Division 5
<b>Walleye &amp; Sauger</b> or any combination	Open all year S - six (6) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Jan. 1 to March 14 & 2nd Sat in May to Dec. 31 S - six (6) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Open all year S - six (6) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Jan. 1 to March 31 & 2nd Sat. in May to Dec. 31 S - six (6) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Jan. 1 to March 31 & 2nd Sat. in May to Dec. 31 S - six (6) in one day C - two (2) in one day
<b>Largemouth &amp; Smallmouth Bass</b> or any combination	Last Sat. in June to Dec. 31 S - six (6) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Last Sat. in June to Nov. 30 S - six (6) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Last Sat. in June to Nov. 30 S - six (6) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Last Sat. in June to Nov. 30 S - six (6) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Last Sat. in June to Nov. 30 S - six (6) in one day C - two (2) in one day
<b>Northern Pike</b>	Open all year S - six (6) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Open all year* S - six (6) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Open all year S - six (6) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Jan. 1 to March 31 & 2nd Sat. in May to Dec. 31 S - six (6) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Jan. 1 to March 31 & 2nd Sat. in May to Dec. 31 S - six (6) in one day C - two (2) in one day
<b>Muskellunge</b>	1st Sat. in June to Dec. 15 S - one (1) in one day C - zero (0) Size Limit: • minimum length of 112 cm (44 in.)	3rd Sat. in June to Dec. 15 S - one (1) in one day C - zero (0) Size Limit: • minimum length of 112 cm (44 in.)	1st Sat. in June to Dec. 15 S - one (1) in one day C - zero (0) Size Limit: • minimum length of 91 cm (36 in.)	1st Sat. in June to Dec. 15 S - one (1) in one day C - zero (0) Size Limit: • minimum length of 91 cm (36 in.)	<b>Closed all year</b>
<b>Yellow Perch</b>	Open all year S - fifty (50) in one day C - twenty-five (25) in one day	Open all year* S - fifty (50) in one day C - twenty-five (25) in one day	Open all year S - no limit C - no limit	Open all year S - no limit C - no limit Exception - Lake Couchiching and Lake Simcoe tributaries	Open all year S - fifty (50) in one day, possession limit of one-hundred (100) C - twenty-five (25) in one day, possession limit of fifty (50)
<b>Crappie</b>	Open all year S - no limit C - no limit	Open all year S - no limit C - no limit	Open all year S - no limit C - no limit	Open all year S - no limit C - no limit	Open all year S - no limit C - no limit
<b>Brook Trout<sup>†</sup></b>	Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 & Dec. 1 to Dec. 31 S - three (3) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 & Dec. 1 to Dec. 31 S - three (3) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Last Sat. in April to Sept. 30 S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Last Sat. in April to Sept. 30 S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Last Sat. in April to Sept. 30 S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day
<b>Brown Trout<sup>†</sup></b>	Open all year S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Open all year* S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Last Sat. in April to Sept. 30 S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Last Sat. in April to Sept. 30 S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Last Sat. in April to Sept. 30 S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day

SPECIES	Division 1	Division 2	Division 3	Division 4	Division 5
Rainbow Trout <sup>†</sup>	Open all year S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Open all year* S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Last Sat. in Apr. to Sept. 30 S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Last Sat. in Apr. to Sept. 30 S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Last Sat. in Apr. to Sept. 30 S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day
Lake Trout <sup>†</sup>	Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 & Dec. 1 to Dec. 31 S - three (3) in one day C - one (1) in one day	Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 S - two (2) in one day C - one (1) in one day	Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 S - two (2) in one day C - one (1) in one day	Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 S - two (2) in one day C - one (1) in one day	Jan. 1 to March 15 & 2nd Sat. in May to Sept. 30 S - two (2) in one day C - one (1) in one day
Splake <sup>†</sup>	Open all year* S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Open all year* S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Open all year* S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Open all year* S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Open all year* S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day
Pacific Salmon <sup>†</sup> (Chinook, Coho and Pink Salmon)	Open all year S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Open all year* S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Open all year S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Open all year S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day	Open all year S - five (5) in one day C - two (2) in one day
Atlantic Salmon <sup>†</sup>	Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 S - one (1) in one day C - zero (0)	Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 S - one (1) in one day C - zero (0)	Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 S - one (1) in one day C - zero (0)	Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 S - one (1) in one day C - zero (0)	Jan. 1 to Sept. 30 S - one (1) in one day C - zero (0)
Whitefish	Open all year S - twenty-five (25) in one day C - twelve (12) in one day	Open all year S - twenty-five (25) in one day C - twelve (12) in one day	Open all year S - twenty-five (25) in one day C - twelve (12) in one day	Open all year S - twenty-five (25) in one day C - twelve (12) in one day	Jan. 1 to March 15 & 2nd Sat. in May to Sept. 30 S - two (2) in one day C - two (2) in one day
Sturgeon	Open all year S - one (1) in one day C - zero (0)	Open all year S - one (1) in one day C - zero (0)	Jan. 1 to May 14 & June 15 to Dec. 31 S - one (1) in one day C - zero (0)	Jan. 1 to May 14 & June 15 to Dec. 31 S - one (1) in one day C - zero (0)	Jan. 1 to May 14 & June 15 to Dec. 31 S - one (1) in one day C - zero (0)

**Note: Species NOT listed above (except for bait-fish) generally have a year round open season and no catch and possession limits although seasons and limits for other species may be in place in some areas. Check in the "Exceptions to the General Regulations" or with the local MNR office. For information on bait-fish restrictions, see page 5.**

**\*except Dec. 24**

### Size Limits

Unless otherwise stated, the length referred to is total length. (See page 4.)

Size restrictions listed above apply to both Sport Fishing and Conservation licences.

### Daily Catch and Possession Limits

Daily catch and possession limits will depend on the type of fishing licence you hold, the species and where they are caught and in some cases the size of fish.

The **catch** limit is the number of fish you are allowed to catch and keep in one day. The **possession** limit is the number you are allowed to have in your possession on hand, in cold storage, in transit, etc. Possession limits are the same as one day's catch limit except where otherwise specified.

**Shore Meals** - Fish caught that day and eaten are counted as part of your daily catch limit.

**† Catch and Possession Limits for Salmon and Trout COMBINED**  
(Not exceeding individual species limits where otherwise stated)

**S** • Div. 1 (Lake St. Clair, St. Clair River and Detroit River) & Div. 2 (Lake Erie): five (5) salmon and trout in one day, but not more than three (3) may be lake trout, brook trout, and splake combined. In Lake Huron (Div. 35), not more than two (2) may be rainbow trout.

• Divs. 3, 4, & 5: five (5) salmon and trout in one day, but not more than two (2) may be lake trout. Divs. 3 & 4, see General Areas Exceptions for rainbow trout in tributaries to Lake Huron and Georgian Bay and lake trout in tributaries to Lake Ontario.

**C** • Two (2) in one day but not more than one (1) may be lake trout. Lake Huron (Div. 35) not more than one (1) rainbow trout. Divs. 3 & 4, see General Areas Exceptions for rainbow trout in tributaries to Lake Huron and Georgian Bay.

# Southwestern Ontario

## General Notes

- The Talbot River and its tributaries and the Trent Canal System in Brock Twp., Durham Region and Ramara Twp., Simcoe County, are part of Div. 6.
- Sparrow Lake (Orillia and Morrison Twps.) is in Div. 4.
- The Niagara River upstream from Niagara Falls is in Div. 2.
- Severn River System in the Regional Municipality of Muskoka, including Gloucester Pool, is in Div. 4.
- Lake Simcoe is all of Div. 5. See exceptions for cisco (lake herring) season and limits.
- The Detroit River and St. Clair River are in Div. 1.

## Additional Fishing Opportunities

### YEAR-ROUND OPEN SEASON

Location	Div.
<b>Rainbow and Brown Trout</b>	
<b>Ausable River</b> - Bosanquet Twp. from Hwy. 21 bridge to Lake Huron at Port Franks (known as "The Cut"), (Lambton County).	3
<b>Bayfield River</b> - Goderich and Stanley Twps. from Hwy. 21 to Lake Huron (Huron County).	4
<b>Big Creek</b> - Delhi and Norfolk Twps. from Regional Road 21 to Long Point Bay of Lake Erie.	3
<b>Bighead River</b> - Town of Meaford from the Hwy. 26 bridge to Nottawasaga Bay (Georgian Bay) (Grey County).	4
<b>Black Creek</b> - City of Nanticoke from Hwy. 3 to Lake Erie.	3
<b>Bronte Creek</b> - Town of Oakville from Hwy. 2 to Lake Ontario.	4
<b>Coldwater River</b> - from County Road 19 downstream (north) to Georgian Bay (Simcoe County).	4
<b>Credit River and tributaries</b> - City of Mississauga from the south side of the Queen Elizabeth Way bridge downstream to Lake Ontario and from the north side of the Hwy. 5 (Dundas St.) bridge upstream to the south side of the Hwy. 403 bridge.	4
<b>Fifteen Mile Creek</b> - City of St. Catharines and town of Lincoln between the Queen Elizabeth Way and Lake Ontario.	3
<b>Forty Mile Creek</b> - Town of Grimsby between the Queen Elizabeth Way and Lake Ontario.	3
<b>Grindstone Creek</b> - City of Burlington from Hwy. 2 (Plains Road) to Hamilton Harbour of Lake Ontario - Regional Municipalities of Hamilton-Wentworth and Halton.	4
<b>Humber River</b> - City of Toronto between Eglinton Ave. and Lake Ontario.	4
<b>Lynn River</b> - Town of Port Dover and the City of Nanticoke from the Misner Dam to Lake Erie.	3
<b>Maitland River</b> - Colborne Twp. and the Town of Goderich from Hwy. 21 to Lake Huron (Huron County).	4
<b>North Thames River (main branch only)</b> - Middlesex County.	3
<b>Nottawasaga River</b> - from the Boyne River downstream (north) to Georgian Bay.	4
<b>Oakville Creek (Sixteen Mile Creek)</b> - Town of Oakville from Hwy. 2 to Lake Ontario.	4
<b>Penetangore River</b> - Town of Kincardine from Queen Street to Lake Huron (Bruce County).	4
<b>Pottawatomi River</b> - City of Owen Sound from the intersection of 15th Street West and 7th Avenue West to Georgian Bay (Grey County).	4
<b>Rondeau Bay</b> - Waters fronting Kent County.	3
<b>Rouge River</b> - City of Toronto between Hwy. 2 and Lake Ontario.	4
<b>Sauble River</b> - Amabel Twp., 440 m (1444 ft.) downstream from the lowest ledge of Sauble Falls to Lake Huron (Bruce County).	4
<b>Saugeen River</b> - Saugeen and Amabel Twps. from the cement abutments below Denny's Dam to Lake Huron (Bruce County).	4
<b>Sixteen Mile Creek</b> - Town of Lincoln between the Queen Elizabeth Way and Lake Ontario.	3
<b>Spencer Creek</b> - City of Hamilton from Hwy. 102 (Cootes Dr.) to Lake Ontario.	4
<b>Sydenham River</b> - City of Owen Sound from a point 177 m (581 ft.) downstream from the Mill Dam to Georgian Bay (Grey County).	4

Location	Div.
<b>Rainbow and Brown Trout (continued)</b>	
<b>Telfer (Bothwell's) Creek</b> - Sydenham Twp. from the bridge on County Road 15 to Georgian Bay (Grey County).	4
<b>Thames River (main branch only)</b> - Elgin County and Middlesex County.	3
<b>Trout Pond of Waterford Ponds</b> - City of Nanticoke.	3
<b>Twelve Mile Creek</b> - City of St. Catharines between Lakeport Road and Lake Ontario.	3
<b>Twenty Mile Creek</b> - Town of Lincoln between the Queen Elizabeth Way and Lake Ontario.	3
<b>Young's (Ryerse) Creek</b> - City of Nanticoke formerly the Twp. of Woodhouse, from the downstream side of the lakeshore road bridge to the waters edge of Lake Erie at Port Ryerse.	3
<b>Atlantic Salmon</b>	
<b>Regional Municipality of Niagara</b> - all waters lying downstream of the Queen Elizabeth Way - minimum length of 63 cm (24.8 in.).	3
<b>Regional Municipalities of Hamilton-Wentworth (including Hamilton Harbour), Halton, Peel and City of Toronto</b> - all waters lying downstream of the Queen Elizabeth Way or Gardiner Expressway to Lake Ontario, excluding Highland Creek and the Rouge River - minimum length of 63 cm (24.8 in.).	4
<b>Highland Creek - City of Toronto</b> - downstream from the south side of the C.N.R. bridge to Lake Ontario - minimum length of 63 cm (24.8 in.).	4
<b>Rouge River - City of Toronto</b> - downstream from the south side of the C.N.R. bridge to Lake Ontario - minimum length of 63 cm (24.8 in.).	4
<b>Northern Pike</b>	
<b>Bayfield River</b> - Goderich and Stanley Twps. from Hwy. 21 to Lake Huron (Huron County).	4
<b>Maitland River</b> - Colborne Twp. and the Town of Goderich from Hwy. 21 to Lake Huron (Huron County).	4
<b>Sturgeon</b>	
<b>Bayfield River</b> - Goderich and Stanley Twps. from Hwy. 21 to Lake Huron (Huron County).	4
<b>Maitland River</b> - Colborne Twp. and the Town of Goderich from Hwy. 21 to Lake Huron (Huron County).	4
<b>Simcoe County</b> - all waters.	4
<b>Walleye and Sauger</b>	
<b>Bayfield River</b> - Goderich and Stanley Twps. from Hwy. 21 to Lake Huron (Huron County).	4
<b>Maitland River</b> - Colborne Twp. and the Town of Goderich from Hwy. 21 to Lake Huron (Huron County).	4
<b>Whitefish</b>	
<b>Bayfield River</b> - Goderich and Stanley Twps. from Hwy. 21 to Lake Huron (Huron County).	4
<b>Maitland River</b> - Colborne Twp. and the Town of Goderich from Hwy. 21 to Lake Huron (Huron County).	4

## EXTENDED FALL SEASON FOR RAINBOW AND BROWN TROUT

The normal open season (last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30) is extended to last Sat. in Apr. - Dec. 31 in:

Location	Div.	Location	Div.
<b>Bayfield River</b> - Goderich and Stanley Twps. from Hwy. 4 to Hwy. 21 (Huron County).	4	<b>Little Otter Creek</b> - East branch of Big Otter Creek, in Bayham Twp.	3
<b>Beaver River</b> - Collingwood Twp. from the Thornbury Dam to Georgian Bay (Grey County).	4	<b>Little Sauble River</b> - Bruce Twp. from Hwy. 21 to Lake Huron (Bruce County).	4
<b>Big Creek</b> - south of the Quance Dam to Regional Road 21 at Lynedoch.	3	<b>Maitland River</b> - Colborne, Goderich, Turnberry, East and West Wawanosh Twps. between County Road 4 and Hwy. 21 (Huron County).	4
<b>Bighead River</b> - St. Vincent Twp. (Grey County).	4	<b>Nine Mile (Lucknow) River</b> - Ashfield and West Wawanosh Twps. between County Road 86 and Lake Huron (Huron County).	4
<b>Big Otter Creek</b> - Bayham Twp. (Elgin County).	3	<b>North Creek</b> - Middleton Twp. downstream of Hwy. 3.	3
<b>Bronte Creek</b> - Town of Oakville between Hwy. 5 (Dundas St.) and the unopened road allowance at Rebecca Street.	4	<b>North River</b> - Matchedash Twp. from MacLaughlins Falls to Matchedash Bay (Georgian Bay) (Simcoe County).	4
<b>Grand River</b> - from 25 m (82 ft.) downstream of Wilkes Dam in the city Brantford, downstream to the edge of Lake Erie (see Exceptions for catch and possession limits).	3 & 4	<b>Sauble River</b> - Amabel Twp. from Sauble Falls to Lake Huron (Bruce County).	4
<b>Grand River</b> - between Paris and Brantford from a line across the Grand River in Paris at 100 m (328 ft.) downstream of the Hwy. 2 bridge downstream to the pedestrian and service bridge that crosses the Grand River on an angle upstream (west) of the Brant Conservation Area in the City of Brantford. <b>NOTE: catch and release only.</b>	4	<b>Saugeen River</b> - Arran, Amabel, Brant, Elderslie and Saugeen Twps. and in the Town of Walkerton and the Village of Paisley, between the Truax Dam (Walkerton) and the westerly edge of the abutments of Denny's Dam. (Bruce County).	4
<b>Hog Creek</b> - Tay Twp. from the C.P.R. bridge (Lot 9, Conc. 6) downstream (north) to Georgian Bay (Simcoe County).	4	<b>Sturgeon River and tributaries</b> - Tay and Oro-Medonte Twps. (Simcoe County) - including the mouth of the Sturgeon River at Georgian Bay.	4
<b>Humber River</b> - City of Toronto between Eglinton Ave. and Steeles Ave.	4	<b>Young's (Ryserse) Creek</b> - Twp. of Delhi and the City of Nanticoke, from the mill dam on Lot 23, Conc. III, Charlotteville Twp., to Lake Erie.	3

## Exceptions to the General Regulations (Southwestern Ontario)

### ALL DATES INCLUSIVE

General Areas of Southwestern Ontario (Map A)	Div.	Exceptions
All of the rivers and streams and their watersheds in the Twp. of Bosanquet and those portions of Sarnia, Plympton, and Warwick Twps. north of Hwy. #402 in Lambton County; and in Middlesex County including the entire Twps. of West Williams, East Williams and McGillivray.	3	Rainbow trout catch and possession limit of two (2), Conservation licence limit of one (1).
All of the rivers and streams and their watersheds flowing into Lake Huron and Georgian Bay in Bruce, Dufferin, Grey, Huron, Perth and Simcoe counties.	4	Rainbow trout catch and possession limit of two (2), Conservation licence limit of one (1).
All tributaries of Lake Ontario.	3 & 4	Atlantic salmon minimum length of 63 cm (24.8 in). Lake trout catch and possession limit of three (3).
All tributaries of Lake Ontario lying upstream of the Queen Elizabeth Way or Gardiner Expressway in the regional municipalities of Niagara, Hamilton-Wentworth (excluding Hamilton Harbour), Halton, Peel, York, Wellington County and the City of Toronto excluding Highland Creek and the Rouge River.	3 & 4	Atlantic salmon closed all year.
Bruce and Grey Counties (inland rivers/streams only) excluding: Little Sauble River - Bruce Twp. from Hwy. 21 to Lake Huron; Sauble River - Amabel Twp. from Sauble Falls to Lake Huron; Saugeen River - Arran, Amabel, Brant, Elderslie and Saugeen Twps.; in the Town of Walkerton and the Village of Paisley, between the Truax Dam (Walkerton) and the westerly edge of the abutments of Denny's Dam; Penetangore River - Town of Kincardine from Queen Street to Lake Huron; Sauble River - Amabel Twp., 440 m (1444 ft.) downstream from the lowest ledge of Sauble Falls to Lake Huron; Saugeen River - Saugeen and Amabel Twps. from the cement abutments below Denny's Dam to Lake Huron; Beaver River - Collingwood Twp. from the Thornbury Dam to Georgian Bay; Bighead River - St. Vincent Twp.; Bighead River - Town of Meaford from the Hwy. 26 bridge to Nottawasaga Bay (Georgian Bay); Keefer's Creek - Sydenham Twp. from the bridge on County Road 15 to Georgian Bay; Pottawatomi River - City of Owen Sound from the intersection of 15th Street West and 7th Avenue to Georgian Bay; Sydenham River - City of Owen Sound from a point 177 m (581 ft.) downstream from the Mill Dam to Georgian Bay and Telfer (Bothwell's) Creek - Sydenham Twp. from the bridge on County Road 15 to Georgian Bay.	4	Northern pike, walleye, sauger open from 2nd Sat. in May - Sept. 30. Largemouth and smallmouth bass open from last Sat. in June - Sept. 30. Muskellunge open from 1st Sat. in June - Sept. 30. Lake trout and splake, Pacific salmon, Atlantic salmon, sturgeon, whitefish and all other species not listed above open from last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30.
Elgin County.	3	Rainbow trout open from last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30.

Waters of Southwestern Ontario (Map A)	Div.	Exceptions
Bayfield River - Goderich and Stanley Twps. from Hwy. 4 to Hwy. 21.	4	Northern pike, walleye and sauger open from 2nd Sat. in May - Dec. 31. Lake trout and splake open from last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30. Pacific salmon open from last Sat. in Apr. - Dec. 31. Atlantic salmon open from last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30. Sturgeon open from June 15 - Dec. 31. Whitefish open from last Sat. in Apr. - Dec. 31.
Bayfield River on upstream side of Hwy. 21 bridge in Huron County.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr.
Bayfield River Tributaries - Huron County.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before 1st Sat. in May & Oct. 1 - Dec. 31.
Beatty Saugeen River and tributaries - Normanby, Bentinck Twps. and that part of Egremont Twp. from Hwy. 6 upstream to the dams at Orchard Park.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from last Sat. in Apr. - May 31.
Beaverton River - Brock Twp., west of Hwy. 12/48.	5	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from 2nd Sat. in May - Fri. before last Sat. in June.
Bells Lake - Grey County.	4	Brook trout, brown trout and rainbow trout open from Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 and last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30.



Waters of Southwestern Ontario (Map A)	Div.	Exceptions
Big Creek - Delhi Twp., south of the Quance Dam to Regional Road 21 at Lynedoch.	3	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr.
Big Creek in the Twp. of Delhi lying southerly of the dam in the Hamlet of Teeterville to the Quance Dam in the Town of Delhi.	3	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr. & Oct. 1 - Dec. 31.
Bighead River Tributaries - Sydenham, St. Vincent and Holland Twps.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from last Sat. in Apr. - May 31.
Black River - Town of Georgina.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from 2nd Sat. in May - Fri. before last Sat. in June.
Boyne River and tributaries upstream (west) from the Earl Rowe Fishway.	4	Salmon (all species) open from last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30.
Boyne River - Tosoronto Twp., from the dam in Earl Rowe Provincial Park downstream (east) to the park boundary.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before 2nd Sat. in May & Sept. 16 - Dec. 31.
Bradley Creek - Yarmouth Twp., from the Elgin County Road 35 dam to Catfish Creek.	3	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Mar. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr.
Bronte Creek - City of Burlington and Flamborough Twp., from the C.P.R. track in the Village of Progreton downstream to Hwy. 5 (Dundas St.), including part of Limestone Creek upstream to Steeles Avenue in the Town of Milton.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr. & Sept. 30 - Dec. 31.
Bronte Creek - Town of Oakville from the northerly limit of Hwy. 2 to the south side of the Rebecca Street bridge.	4	Fish sanctuary - closed all year.
Chesley Lake - Amabel Twp.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Jan. 31 & Dec. 15 - Dec. 31.
Coldwater River and tributaries upstream (south) from County Road #19.	4	Salmon (all species) open from last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30.
Colpoy's Creek - Albemarle Twp., from the upper bridge on County Road 9 downstream to the mouth.	4	Fish sanctuary - closed all year.
Credit River - City of Mississauga, between the Q.E.W. and Hwy. 5 (Dundas St.).	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr. & Aug. 15 - Dec. 31.
Credit River and tributaries - from the south side of the Hwy. 403 bridge, City of Mississauga, upstream to the south side of the Britannia Road bridge in the Village of Streetsville.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr. & Aug. 15 - Dec. 31.
Credit River and tributaries - from the south side of the Britannia Road bridge in the Village of Streetsville, upstream to the south side of the Old Baseline Road bridge, Town of Caledon, regional municipalities of Peel and Halton, excluding Levi's Creek (43°37'N., 79°44'W.) and Fletchers Creek (43°37'N., 79°43'W.).	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr.
Credit River and tributaries - from the south side of the Old Baseline Road bridge, Town of Caledon, Regional Municipality of Peel, upstream to Hwy. 9.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr. and Oct. 1 - Dec. 31.
Credit River and tributaries - upstream of Old Baseline Road, Town of Caledon, Regional Municipality of Peel.	4	Rainbow trout, brook trout and brown trout catch and possession limit of zero (0). Artificial lures with a single-pointed barbless hook must be used. No live organic bait allowed.
Detroit River.	1	Walleye catch and possession limit of four (4) from Mar. 1 - Apr. 30 in 2005. Sturgeon catch and possession limit of zero (0).
Eugenia Lake - Grey County.	4	Brook trout, brown trout and rainbow trout open from Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 and last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30.
Fisher's Creek - Delhi Twp.	3	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr. & Oct. 1 - Dec. 31.
Galt Creek upstream from the boundary of North Dumfries and Puslinch Twps., including Aberfoyle Creek.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before the last Sat. in Apr. & Oct. 1 - Dec. 31.
Gleason Brook - Keppel Twp., from the bridge on County Road 26 to the mouth.	4	Fish sanctuary - closed all year.
Grand River: - between the West Garafraxa 2nd Line and Scotland Street in the Town of Fergus; - between Tower Street in the Town of Fergus and the Bissell Dam in Nichol Twp.; - between 100 m (328 ft.) downstream of a bridge located at the southern boundary of the Elora Gorge Conservation Area and a point 100 m (328 ft.) upstream of Pilkington 8th Line in Pilkington Twp.; - between 100 m (328 ft.) downstream of Pilkington 8th Line bridge and 100 m (328 ft.) upstream of Pilkington Twp. and Woolwich Twp. boundary line; - between 100 m (328 ft.) downstream of Pilkington Twp. and Woolwich Twp. boundary line and 100 m (328 ft.) upstream of Hwy. 86 bridge.	4	Artificial lures with a single barbless hook must be used. Rainbow, brown, or brook trout catch and possession limit of zero (0).
Grand River and its tributaries downstream of the Onondaga and Tuscarora Twps. line to Lake Erie.	3	Walleye open from Jan. 1 - Mar. 14 & 2nd Sat. in May - Dec. 31. Northern pike open from Jan. 1 - last day in Feb. & 2nd Sat. in May - Dec. 31.
Grand River - between the former town of Paris (City of Brant County) and Brantford from a line across the Grand River in Paris at 100 m (328 ft.) downstream of the Hwy. 2 bridge downstream to the pedestrian and service bridge that crosses the Grand River on an angle upstream (west) of the Brant Conservation Area in the City of Brantford.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Mar. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr. Brown and rainbow trout, walleye, northern pike and smallmouth bass, catch and possession limit of zero (0), catch and release only. Artificial lures with a barbless hook must be used.
Grand River - from 25 m (82 ft.) downstream of Wilkes Dam in the City of Brantford to the edge of Lake Erie.	3 & 4	Rainbow and brown trout, open between Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, catch and possession limit of one (1), Conservation licence limit of zero (0). Between Oct. 1 - Dec. 31 combined catch and possession limit for salmon and trout five (5), not more than one (1) of which is a rainbow or brown trout; combined Conservation licence limit of two (2), zero (0) may be rainbow or brown trout.
Grand River - from the Penman Dam downstream to the William Street Bridge in the former town of Paris (City of Brant County).	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Oct. 1 - Nov. 30.
Grand River - from the water's edge of Lake Erie upstream to the dam in the Town of Caledonia Haldimand County.	3	Walleye catch and possession limit of four (4).
Grindstone Creek - Flamborough Twp. and City of Burlington, Waterdown Road to Hwy. 2 (Plains Road).	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr. & Sept. 30 - Dec. 31.
Gully Creek and tributaries - Goderich Twp.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before 1st Sat. in May & Oct. 1 - Dec. 31.
Highland Creek - City of Toronto - upstream of the south side of the C.N.R. bridge.	4	Atlantic salmon closed all year.
Humber River and tributaries upstream from Eglinton Ave.	4	Brook trout and brown trout catch and possession limit of two (2), Conservation licence limit of one (1). Aggregate catch limit for brook trout, brown trout, lake trout, Pacific salmon, rainbow trout and splake is five (5), not more than two (2) are brook trout or brown trout in the aggregate. Aggregate Conservation licence limit of two (2), not more than one (1) lake trout, and not more than (1) brook trout or brown trout in the aggregate.
Humber River and tributaries upstream of Steeles Ave. - City of Toronto, Regional Municipalities of York and Peel and Counties of Dufferin and Simcoe.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr. & Oct. 1 - Dec. 31.
Indian Brook and tributaries - Collingwood Twp.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from last Sat. in Apr. - May 31.

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Indian River - Sarawak Twp.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from last Sat. in Apr. - May 31.
Irish Lake - Grey County.	4	Brook trout, brown trout and rainbow trout open from Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 & last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30.
Judges Creek and tributaries - Eastnor Twp.	4	Rainbow trout open from June 1 - Sept. 30.
Keefer's Creek between the waters edge of Owen Sound and Slattery Mills Falls - Sydenham Twp.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from last Sat. in Apr. - May 31.
Lafontaine Creek and tributaries (44°43'03"N., 80°01'08"W.) - Tiny Twp.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr.
Lake Couchiching and tributaries to Lake Simcoe in Simcoe County and the Regional Municipalities of York and Durham in Div. 4 and the waters of the Talbot River, its tributaries and the Trent Canal System in Brock and Ramara Twps. (Div. 6).	4 & 6	Yellow perch catch limit of fifty (50), possession limit of one hundred (100), Conservation licence catch limit of twenty-five (25), possession limit of fifty (50). <b>Muskellunge closed all year.</b>
Lake Erie.	2	A person who is angling from a boat may use two (2) lines in the waters of Lake Erie, except in Rondeau Bay and the Inner Bay of Long Point Bay.
Lake Erie - all of the Ontario portion east of a straight line drawn from the north shore to the International Boundary Line at longitude 80°25'00"W. to the Peace Bridge at Fort Erie, including Long Point Bay.	2	Walleye catch and possession limit of four (4), Conservation licence limit of two (2).
Lake Erie - Town of Fort Erie (MacDonald Drive).	2	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from June 1 - July 15.
Lake Erie (Cassaday Point) - City of Port Colborne.	2	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from June 1 - July 15.
Lake Erie (Gravelly Bay) - from breakwall on east side of Welland Canal to a marine buoy 500 m (1640 ft.) east then north to the water's edge between Lots 24 & 25, Conc. 1 in the City of Port Colborne.	2	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from June 1 - July 15.
Lake Erie (Gravelly Bay) - from Sugar Loaf Point to H. Knoll Lakeview park in the City of Port Colborne.	2	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from June 1 - July 15.
Lake Erie (eastern portion of the inner bay of Long Point Bay) - Delhi and Norfolk Twps.	2	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from May 15 - Fri. before last Sat. in June.
Lake Huron.	35	See Map C.
Lake Ontario.	8	See Map B.
Lake Simcoe.	5	Cisco (Lake herring) closed all year.
Little Sauble River and tributaries - Bruce Twp., all waters upstream of a line drawn across the river at a point 180 m (590 ft.) upstream from the foot bridge in Inverhuron Provincial Park.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from last Sat. in Apr. - May 31.
Maitland River - Colborne, Goderich, Turnberry, East and West Wawanosh Twps. between County Road 4 and Hwy. 21 (Huron County).	4	Northern pike, walleye and sauger open from 2nd Sat. in May - Dec. 31. Lake trout and splake open from last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30. Pacific salmon open from last Sat. in Apr. - Dec. 31. Atlantic salmon open from last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30. Sturgeon open from June 15 - Dec. 31. Whitefish open from last Sat. in Apr. - Dec. 31. Other species not listed, except brook trout, largemouth and smallmouth bass open from last Sat. in Apr. - Dec. 31.
Maitland River - Colborne and Goderich Twps. extending 550 m (1,804 ft.) downstream from Falls Reserve Waterfall to the first natural waterfall.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Sept. 15 - Oct. 31 - from one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise.
Maitland River in Huron County between the bridge on Hwy. 21 and the bridge on County Rd. 4.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr.
Maitland River tributaries - Huron County between bridges on Hwy. 21 and County Rd. 4.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before 1st Sat. in May & Oct. 1 - Dec. 31.
Maitland River tributaries upstream of County Road 4 excluding Main Maitland, Little Maitland, Middle Maitland, and South Maitland channels.	4	Rainbow, brook and brown trout open from 1st Sat. in May - Sept. 30.
Meux Creek in Neustadt Village - Normanby Twp., from dam face to South Saugeen River.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from last Sat. in Apr. - May 31.
Mill Creek and tributaries - Euphrasia, Collingwood and Osprey Twps.	4	Rainbow trout open from June 1 - Sept. 30.
Nafel's Creek and tributaries - Huron County.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before 1st Sat. in May & Oct. 1 - Dec. 31.
Niagara River - within Division 2, from the Peace Bridge to Niagara Falls.	2	Sturgeon closed all year.
Nine Mile (Lucknow) River - Ashfield and West Wawanosh Twps. between County Road 86 and Lake Huron.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr. Northern pike, walleye and sauger open from 2nd Sat. in May - Dec. 31. Lake trout and splake open from last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30. Pacific salmon open from last Sat. in Apr. - Dec. 31. Atlantic salmon open from last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30. Sturgeon open from June 15 - Dec. 31. Whitefish open from last Sat. in Apr. - Dec. 31. All other species not listed here except largemouth and smallmouth bass and brook trout open from last Sat. in Apr. - Dec. 31.
Nine Mile River tributaries - Huron County, Hwy. 86 downstream to Lake Huron.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before 1st Sat. in May & Oct. 1 - Dec. 31.
Nine Mile River - 100 m (328 ft.) above Port Albert Fishway - Ashfield Twp.	4	Fish sanctuary - closed all year.
Normandale (Potters) Creek - Delhi Twp.	3	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr. & Oct. 1 - Dec. 31.
North Creek - Delhi Twp., south of Hwy. 3.	3	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr.
North River - Tay and Matchedash Twps.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Apr. 1 - Fri. before 2nd Sat. in May.
Nottawasaga River and tributaries upstream (west) of County Road #50.	4	Salmon (all species) open from the last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30.
Nottawasaga River - Essa Twp.; waters lying within Lot 1, Conc. V, from Hwy. 89 above Nicholson Dam downstream to near the confluence of the Boyne River.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before 2nd Sat. in May & Sept. 16 - Dec. 31.
Orchard Creek (Centreville Creek) and tributaries in St. Vincent Twp.	4	Rainbow trout open from June 1 to Sept. 30.
Park Head Creek in Amabel Twp. from the confluence of Park Head Creek with the Sauble River upstream to Hwy. #6.	4	Rainbow trout open from June 1 to Sept. 30.
Pepperlaw Brook - Town of Georgina.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from 2nd Sat. in May - Fri. before last Sat. in June.
Pine River and tributaries upstream (west) of the Nottawasaga River.	4	Salmon (all species) open from last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30.
Pinery Park Pond - Bosanquet Twp., Lambton County.	3	Brook, brown and rainbow trout open from Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 & last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 15.
Pottawatomi River and Maxwell Creek - City of Owen Sound and Derby Twp. from the intersection of 15th Street West and 7th Avenue West upstream to the base of the escarpment.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from last Sat. in Apr. - May 31 & Sept. 1 - Sept. 30.
Pretty River and tributaries - Town of Collingwood and Nottawasaga Twp.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr. & Oct. 1 - Dec. 31.

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Pretty River and tributaries - Collingwood and Osprey Twps.	4	Rainbow trout open from June 1 - Sept. 30.
Rouge River - City of Toronto - upstream of the south side of the C.N.R. bridge.	4	Atlantic salmon closed all year.
Sangs Creek and tributaries - Arran Twp.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from last Sat. in Apr. - May 31.
Saugeen River - Amabel and Saugeen Twps., Denny's Dam to the concrete abutments downstream.	4	Fish sanctuary - closed to night fishing Oct. 1 - Oct. 31 (one-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise).
Saugeen River - Brant Twp., from dam face of Maple Hill Dam to 300 m (984 ft.) downstream including Hydro Electric Power Channel.	4	Fish sanctuary - closed all year.
Severn River - Severn Twp.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Apr. 1 - Fri. before 2nd Sat. in May.
Sheldon Creek and tributaries upstream (west) of County Road #50.	4	Salmon (all species) open from last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30.
Silver Creek and tributaries - Town of Collingwood and Nottawasaga Twp.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr.
Silver Creek and tributaries - Town of Collingwood, Collingwood and Nottawasaga Twps.	4	Rainbow trout open from June 1 - Sept. 30.
Spencer Creek (Valen's Reservoir) - Flamborough Twp.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Apr. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in June.
Stoney Creek - Delhi Twp., south of Hwy. 3 to Big Creek.	3	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr.
Sturgeon River - Tay and Oro-Medonte Twps. upstream (south) of the lamprey barrier.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr.
Sydenham River - Artificial Spawning Channels Nos. 1 and 2 - Derby Twp.	4	Fish sanctuary - closed all year.
Sydenham River - City of Owen Sound and Derby Twp., from Inglis Falls to Mill Dam, excluding Artificial Spawning Channels Nos. 1 and 2.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from last Sat. in Apr. - May 31.
Sydenham River - City of Owen Sound and Derby Twp. - from the base of Inglis Falls downstream to a line drawn due east from the north end of the Chinese or Rainbow Bridge to the permanent steel post marker affixed to the shore in Harrison Park.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Sept. 1 - Sept. 30.
Sydenham River - City of Owen Sound, from the Mill Dam to a point 177 m (581 ft.) downstream.	4	Fish sanctuary - closed all year.
Telfer (Bothwell's) Creek - Sydenham Twp (Grey County).	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from last Sat. in Apr. - May 31.
Thames River - Elgin, Kent, and Middlesex Counties; Chatham to Middlesmiss Bridge.	3	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Mar. 15 - Apr. 15.
Thames River and its tributaries - from the waters edge of Lake St. Clair to the Springbank Park Dam in the City of London.	3	Walleye catch and possession limit of six (6), only one (1) greater than 46 cm (18.1 in.) in length, Conservation licence limit of two (2), only one (1) greater than 46 cm (18.1 in.) in length.
Thames River - between the dam at Gordon Pittock Reservoir and the bridge at Hwy. 59.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Mar. 15 - Fri. before 2nd Sat. in May.
Tug Channel and unnamed channel - between Little Lake and Georgian Bay - Tay and Georgian Bay Twps.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Apr. 1 - Fri. before 2nd Sat. in May.
Whiteman's Creek and tributaries from the East Quarter Town Line Road downstream to the edge of the Grand River.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Oct. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr.
Whiteman's (Horner) Creek - between Robinson Road and Cleaver Sideroad - Brantford Twp.	4	Catch and possession limit of five (5) salmon and trout, but not more than one (1) rainbow or brown trout. Brown trout and rainbow trout minimum length of 50 cm (19.7 in.). Artificial lures with a barbless hook must be used.
Wilcox Lake - Grey County.	4	Brook, brown & rainbow trout open from Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 and last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30.
Wilder Lake - Grey County.	4	Brook, brown & rainbow trout open from Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 and last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30.
Williams Lake - Grey County.	4	Brook, brown & rainbow trout open from Jan. 1 - Mar. 31 and last Sat. in Apr. - Sept. 30.
Willow Creek - St. Edmunds Twp.	4	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from last Sat. in Apr. - Fri. before 2nd Sat. in May.
Young's (Ryerse) Creek - Delhi Twp. and the City of Nanticoke, between the dam on Lot 23, Conc. III in the former Twp. of Charlotteville and the downstream side of the bridge on the Lakeshore Road at Port Ryerse.	3	Fish sanctuary - no fishing from Jan. 1 - Fri. before last Sat. in Apr.

## RECREATIONAL FISHING REGULATIONS

**O**ntario's recreational fishing regulations have become complex over the past few decades. This makes the regulations very difficult to understand and a potential barrier to new anglers. To address this matter, the Ministry of Natural Resources has embarked on an initiative to simplify recreational fishing regulations and provide enhanced fishing opportunities across the province.

Over the next two years, the ministry will also be reviewing the fishing division boundaries and preparing guidelines for managing all the major recreational fish species in the province.

You will notice that the fishing regulation summary now covers two years, 2005 and 2006. This will assist us in preparing the new fishing divisions and streamlining the regulations in time for the 2007 summary. Please help reduce the environmental impact of printing this summary by keeping your copy until a new one is available in 2007.

