**FISHING REGULATIONS**

**SUMMARY**

**OPEN SEASONS**

**BANFF NATIONAL PARK (BNP)**

- Bow River: from Bow River outlet (southeast end of lake at trail crossing) to park boundary, including associated backwaters and oxbows. No fishing on the Bow River.
  - May 13 to August 15
  - Open Creek

- May 2 to September 4
  - Glacier Creek, its tributaries and associated lakes above the Spray Reservoir.
  - July 1 to October 31
  - All other waters.

**KOOTENAY NATIONAL PARK (KNP)**

- Year Round
  - Kicking Horse River - downstream from the confluence of Kicking Horse River and Yoho River to park boundary.
  - May 20 to September 4
  - All other waters except closed waters.

- Year Round
  - Lake Minnewanka (see July 1 to August 31).

**JASPER NATIONAL PARK (JNP)**

- Rivers and Streams
  - Year Round
  - Jasper River, Sunwapta River.
  - April 1 to September 4 and November 1 to March 31
  - Fiddle River, Medicine Lake.
  - May 20 to September 4
  - All other waters except closed waters.

**OPEN SEASONS**

**RIVERS**

- Athabasca River (Near the Athabasca River, bow fisherman management zone.)
  - Zone 1:
    - From 12 Mile Bridge (Km 22, Hwy 16 East) upstream to Athabasca Falls upstream.
    - From 12 Mile Bridge (Km 22, Hwy 16 East) upstream to Moab Lake Outlet bridge.
    - Zone 2: From 12 Mile Bridge (Km 22, Hwy 16 East) upstream to Athabasca Falls upstream.
  - July 1 to September 4
  - All other rivers and streams except closed waters.
  - Lakes
  - July 20 to September 4
  - Annette Lake, Beaver Lake, Dragon Lake, Long Lake, Limestone Lake, Moab Lake, Medicine Lake, Pyramid Lake (Hwy 93 south, Km 46), Pyramid Lake, Three Forks and Five in the Valley of the Five.
  - May 20 to October 1
  - Medicine Lake, Talbot Lake, Edna Lake.
  - July 1 to October 31
  - All other lakes except closed waters.

**CLOSED WATERS**

- That part of Amethyst Lake situated within a 180 m radius of a point in the middle of the outlet stream where it leaves Moab Lake.
- Any lead tackle (sinkers, jigs, lures and flies) under 50 grams.
- Any lead sinkers, jigs, lures, flies or chemical attractants.
- Barbless Hooks only may be used. See “Definitions”.
- Motor boats allowed on Middle and Upper Waterton Lakes only.

**WATERTON LAKES NATIONAL PARK (WLNP)**

- All rivers and streams.
- July 1 to October 31
- All lakes.

**GLACIER NATIONAL PARKS (MRGNP)**

- Mount Revelstoke and Mt. Robson National Parks.
- All rivers and streams.
- July 1 to September 4
- All lakes except closed waters.

**OPEN SEASONS**

- All other rivers and streams except closed waters.

**FISHING REGULATIONS**

- No fishing without a national park fishing permit.
- Footfish, excludng lampreys, and their eggs are not functional.
- Fish for one hour after sunset to one hour before sunrise.
- A line capable of catching more than one fish at one time.
- A fixed wire snaring device:
  - Cannot have a hook, and has no legal status.
  - More information is available from park wardens and park information centers.

**DEFINITIONS**

- Natural fish bait: you can only use lures made of feathers, fibers, rubber, wood, or metal, and no edible material, scented lures or chemical attractants are permitted.
- Barbless Hook: this includes a hook or barbs which are pressed against the shaft of the hook so that the barbs are not functional.

**OPEN SEASONS**

- Fish without a national park fishing permit.
- Fish with or without presence of 50 metres of park waters the following:
  - natural bait and chemical attractants;
  - any lead tackle (sinkers, jigs, lures and flies) under 50 grams;
- lakes with more than 2 gang hooks;
- a line capable of catching more than one fish at one time.
- A Fixed wire snaring device:
  - Cannot have a hook, and has no legal status.
  - More information is available from park wardens and park information centers.

**FISHING PERMITS**

- Anyone under the age of 16 may fish in the national parks without a permit if accompanied by a person 16 years of age or older. However, their catch is then included within the permitted holder’s daily limit. They may also purchase their own permit and be entitled to the full catch limit. When angling, it is unlawful to:
  - Allow your catch to spoil or to be wasted.
  - Leave a fishing line unattended.
  - Sell, trade or barter any fish caught.
  - Place live fish or fish eggs in any park water or transport their bodies or water inside (or outside) the park.
  - Place any food for fish in park waters.

- Book this brochure is not a complete list of methods to catch fish and has no legal status. More information is available from park wardens and park information centers.