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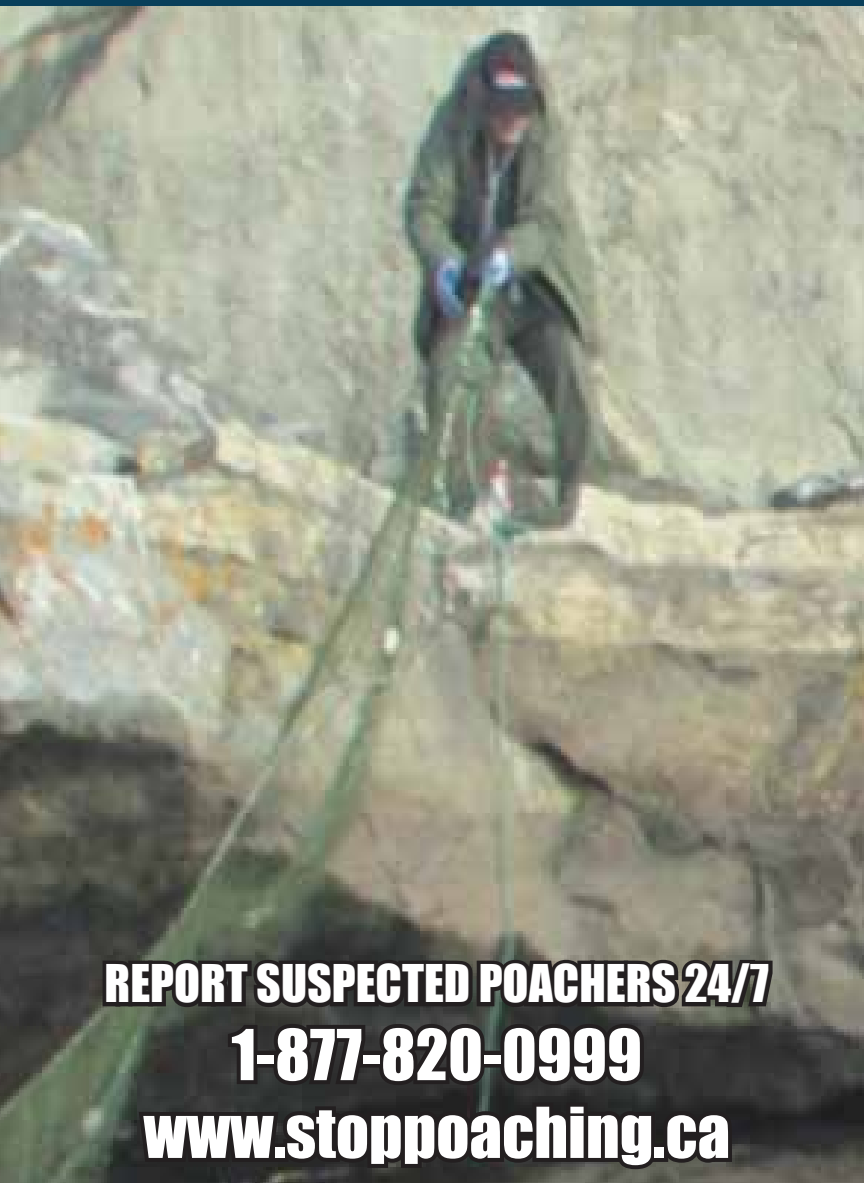


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**2013-2014 ANGLER'S GUIDE**

The Angler's Guide is published by Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO). It provides anglers with information on some of the regulations pertaining to salmon and trout angling in inland and coastal waters of Newfoundland and Labrador. It is recommended that anglers read the guide to become familiar with the regulations prior to fishing. Regulatory changes to management measures such as season dates, bag limits, river closures, and licence fees may occur following publication. The Angler's Guide is neither a legal document nor a complete collection of current applicable legislation; it is an abbreviated guide issued for the convenience of anglers. The *Fisheries Act* and Regulations, and the *Wildlife Act* and Regulations, should be consulted for interpreting and applying the law. If further clarification is required, please contact DFO or the provincial government offices listed on Page 4.

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# GENERAL

## GENERAL REGULATIONS

For these regulations, the following definitions apply:

**Angle or Angling:** Fishing, or attempting to fish, with a hook and a line with the line held in the hand, or with a hook, line and rod held in the hand. This includes casting and trolling.

**Hooks or Hooked:** means to be in possession of a hook and line with the line held in the hand, or a hook, line and rod with the rod held in the hand, when a fish takes the attached bait, lure, or artificial fly.

1. Salmon, trout and other sport fish may be taken in inland waters only by angling using hook and line. No person angling in any inland waters may use more than one rod and line at any time. The exception is winter trout angling where an angler can use a maximum of three lines through the ice. (See “Winter Trout Angling” on Page 16).
2. A resident can only angle in scheduled inland waters of the province with a valid inland fishery licence to take salmon. A resident who is the holder of an inland fishery licence for salmon can retain salmon and trout on their licence while angling in scheduled inland waters.
3. A resident of the province does not require an inland fishery licence to angle for trout.
4. Licence holders must carry their inland fishery licences (salmon or trout) at all times while angling.
5. There is no age restriction on possessing an inland fishing licence. However, a child up to and including 17 years of age cannot be part of an inland fishery family licence if he/she holds an individual inland fishery licence.
6. Children under 14 years of age shall not angle on any scheduled river unless accompanied by a person 17 years of age or older. The person 17 years of age or older does not require a license to accompany the angler, but may not fish without a license.
7. Angling on scheduled salmon rivers is permitted only between one hour before sunrise and one hour after sunset.
8. A single barbless hook must be used when angling on scheduled salmon rivers for salmon and trout.
9. On scheduled and non-scheduled waters, anglers must return to the water from which it was taken in a manner which causes the least harm, salmon fry, parr and smolt, or salmon less than 30 centimetres (12 inches), or ouananiche and rainbow trout less than 20 centimetres (8 inches).
10. Anglers fishing in inland waters in Newfoundland and Labrador are not permitted to catch and retain any salmon where the salmon measures more than 63 centimetres in length.
11. Anglers may not retain spent salmon, commonly called “slinks”.
12. Anglers may not retain salmon caught in coastal waters at any time, even if they have a valid inland fishery licence for salmon and tags.
13. For the purpose of retaining salmon, all non-scheduled inland waters in Newfoundland and Labrador are rated Class III with a season and daily retention limit of two fish. Only red tags may be used.
14. Any angler who “hooks” a salmon shall immediately affix and lock his or her own tag through the gills and mouth of the salmon and cut out and remove the month and day of capture, unless the salmon is released back into the water.

15. A licenced guide who “hooks” a fish (trout or salmon) while guiding non resident anglers and demonstrating the techniques of line casting to another angler shall release the fish back into the water.
16. No salmon or trout taken by angling may be retained alive.
17. Salmon or trout taken by angling may not be headed, filleted, canned or otherwise dealt with so as to make it impossible to readily determine the species, length, weight and number of the fish.
18. Angling is not permitted within 23 metres (25 yards) downstream from the lower entrance of any fishway, canal, obstacle or leap (falls).
19. Jigging, netting or purposely foul-catching sport fish in inland waters is prohibited. Accidentally foul-caught fish must be released.
20. No person shall obstruct the passage of fish through a fishway or canal.
21. No person shall willfully disturb or molest any fish or spawn.

## **NON-RESIDENTS**

**(Please see Guide Requirements in Annex 2)**

22. A non-resident shall not angle for trout in non-scheduled inland waters of the province without an inland fishery licence to take trout.
23. A non-resident can only angle in scheduled inland waters of the province with a valid inland fishery licence to take salmon.
24. A non-resident angling in scheduled inland waters with a valid salmon inland fishery licence shall not retain trout without possessing a valid non-resident inland fishery licence to take trout.
25. The trout bag limit for a family licence and an individual licence is the same. All fish caught shall be counted as the catch of the person to whom the licence is issued.

## **FAMILY LICENCES**

26. Family means a parent or parents and their children including adopted and foster children, and children for whom parents are guardian, a grandparent or grandparents and their grandchildren, and a person and his or her spouse or cohabiting partner, but does not include an individual person.
27. Inland fishery licences for salmon and trout are available as individual and/or family licences. However, no person shall apply for, be issued, or hold more than one inland fishery licence to angle for salmon or trout.
28. A family inland fishery licence (salmon or trout) may be issued to a parent, grandparent or guardian of a family and may include any child up to and including 17 years of age. However, a child up to and including 17 years of age cannot be part of an inland fishery family licence if he/she holds an individual inland fishery licence.
29. With the exception of the parent, grandparent or guardian, any person 18 years of age or older cannot participate in a family inland fishery licence.
30. Persons 17 years of age or under, angling on a family inland fishery licence (salmon or trout), must be accompanied and supervised by the parent, grandparent or guardian named in the inland fishery licence. The parent, grandparent or guardian must always carry the inland fishery licence while angling.
31. Parents, grandparents or guardians named on a family inland fishery licence (salmon or trout) may angle at the same time, with or without being accompanied by children.
32. Bag limit for a family licence and an individual licence is the same. All fish caught shall be counted as the catch of the person to whom the licence is issued.

## Important Telephone Numbers

### ANGLING LINE

*Recorded message for in-season river openings, closures and other recreational fishing information* (709) 772-4423

### Fisheries and Oceans Canada Area Offices

Eastern and Southern	(709) 772-5044
Central and Labrador	(709) 292-5170
Western	(709) 637-4332

### Fisheries and Oceans Canada Detachment Offices

*For information on season dates, bag limits, closed areas and other regulations*

Bay Roberts	(709) 786-3960	Springdale	(709) 673-5250
Placentia	(709) 227-5911	Stephenville	(709) 643-8000
Marystown	(709) 279-7863	Rocky Harbour	(709) 458-3082
Clarenville	(709) 466-8272	St. Anthony	(709) 454-3045
Twillingate	(709) 884-2411	Happy Valley-Goose Bay	(709) 896-6150

### Provincial Government Services Centres

*For information on obtaining resident and non-resident licences or for licence inquiries*

St. John's	(709) 729-3699	Grand Falls-Windsor	(709) 292-4348
Harbour Grace	(709) 945-3107	Corner Brook	(709) 637-2490
Clarenville	(709) 466-4060	St. Anthony	(709) 454-8833
Marystown	(709) 279-0837	Happy Valley-Goose Bay	(709) 896-5428
Grand Bank	(709) 832-1672		or (709) 896-5430
Gander	(709) 256-1420	Labrador City	(709) 944-5859

### Provincial Department of Environment and Conservation

*For information on trout and salmon licences and guide requirements or guide licences*

Wildlife Division	(709) 637-2010
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### Fish and Wildlife Enforcement Division

Inland Fish Enforcement Headquarters	(709) 637-2971	Toll-free 1-877-820-0999
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### Provincial Department of Natural Resources

#### Forestry and Agrifoods Agency Regional Offices

Gander	(709) 256-1460
Corner Brook	(709) 637-2409/637-2370
Happy Valley-Goose Bay, Labrador	(709) 896-2732

## Licence Fees: Salmon and Trout

Inland fishery licences are issued by the Department of Environment and Conservation, Wildlife Division. Licences may be obtained from commercial vendors, such as sporting good shops, service stations, and other areas throughout the province, or from the Provincial Government Service Centres listed above.

Licence Fees	Individual	Senior	Family
<b>Salmon</b>			
Resident	\$17.00	\$11.05	\$17.00
Non-resident	\$53.00		\$53.00
<b>Trout</b>			
Non-resident	\$8.00		\$8.00

**Note:** Licence fees for inland fishing licences do not include the vendor's processing fee of \$3.00 per licence and applicable 13% HST.

Fee for a resident aged 65 years and older \$11.05 plus H.S.T. (This fee does not apply to Resident Family Licence)

# SALMON

Management measures for recreational salmon fishing in Newfoundland and Labrador are developed in consultation with user groups and stakeholders; including anglers, outfitters, conservationists, Aboriginal groups and the provincial government. The Minister of Fisheries and Oceans Canada may make changes to management measures for conservation reasons.

## Season Dates 2013

ZONE	AREA	OPENS	CLOSES
Zones 3 - 8	Cape Bauld to Cape Race	June 1	Sept. 7
Zones 9 - 12	Cape Race to Cape Ray	June 1	Sept. 7
Zone 13	Cape Ray to Cape St. Gregory	June 1	Sept. 7
Zone 14A	Cape St. Gregory to Cape Bauld	June 1	Sept. 7
Zone 14B	L'Anse au Clair to Cape Charles	June 15	Sept. 15
Zones 1 and 2	Labrador North and East	June 15	Sept. 15
Fall Angling	Gander River, Exploits River, Humber River	Sept. 8	Oct. 7

**Note:** Some individual rivers may have different opening and closing dates. Check the watershed management plans section starting on Page 8 for details. For a complete description of Zones, see the map insert included in this guide.

## Fall Angling: September 8 – October 7, 2013

### Gander River, Exploits River and Humber River

- Catch-and-Release angling as follows:
  - main stem of Lower Exploits River, from Stoney Brook to river mouth;
  - main stem of Lower Humber River, from Boom Siding (outlet of Deer Lake) to lower end of Shellbird Island;
  - main stem of Gander River from outlet on Gander Lake to river mouth.
- Angling not permitted on any tributaries of these rivers;
- Daily catch-and-release bag limit of four salmon;
- Two small salmon (blue tags) retention permitted on the main stem of the Gander River from August 1 to October 7, 2013.

### DID YOU KNOW?

That a video on best practices for catch and release of Atlantic Salmon can be viewed in the online version of the Angler's Guide at: [www.nfl.dfo-mpo.gc.ca](http://www.nfl.dfo-mpo.gc.ca)



## Retention Limits

River Classification	Seasonal Limit	Tag Colours	Tag #
Class I	Six fish	Red, green, blue	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6
Class II	Four fish	Red, green	1, 2, 3, 4
Class III	Two fish	Red	1, 2
Class IV	Catch-and-release	N/A	N/A
Unclassified (Zones 1&2)	Four fish	Red, green	1, 2, 3, 4

Non-scheduled waters in insular Newfoundland and Labrador are considered Class III, with two-fish retention (red tags 1 and 2). In order to retain salmon angled in non-scheduled waters, you must possess a valid salmon inland fishery licence and affix red tags 1 and 2. Only small salmon may be retained in Zones 1 to 14B.

**See Annex 4 on Page 29 for additional Atlantic Salmon Management Measures.**

## Daily Retention

- Two fish on all Class I, II & III rivers and unscheduled rivers.
- Two fish in Zones 1 and 2.
- No salmon fry, parr, smolt or salmon less than 30 centimeters (12 inches) may be retained on scheduled or non-scheduled waters. Fish should be returned to the water in a manner which causes the least harm.

## Possession Limit

- Twice daily bag limit (where applicable).

## Catch-and-Release

### DAILY CATCH-AND-RELEASE LIMITS

- Catch-and-release limits are in addition to the retention limits.
- Four fish on Class I, II and III rivers and all rivers in Zones 1 and 2 (including unclassified rivers in Labrador).
- Two fish on Class IV rivers.
- Four fish in the fall catch-and-release fisheries on the Gander River, Exploits River and Humber River.

**Note:** An angler may catch-and-release salmon where permitted without a valid tag; however a valid salmon inland fishery licence is required for catch-and-release angling of salmon.



## Catch-and-Release Advice

### Practice safe and responsible release techniques to help ensure salmon survival.

Follow these procedures to minimize injury to fish:

- Barbless hooks must be used.
- Do not use a tailer.
- When using a landing net, use one with knotless mesh, as it is less harmful to fish scales, gills and eyes.
- A leader tip should be heavy enough to bring in large salmon quickly, or light enough to allow large salmon to break off.
- Move to a quiet water location.
- Bring the fish quickly into reach, or break it off after a couple of runs.
- Do not beach the salmon; keep the entire salmon underwater as much as possible.
- Handle the salmon gently; do not squeeze the fish and avoid touching the gills and eyes. Loss of scales and damage to the gills caused by pressure on the gills or by removal from the water are the most serious injuries a salmon can suffer.
- Remove the hook gently with pliers or with your thumb and forefinger. If the hook must be left in, cut the leader as close to it as possible.
- Support the fish under the belly, keeping it in an upright position, underwater and facing into the current.
- Measure your fish and have a photo taken. Remember to keep the fish in the water at all times and do not hold the fish vertically by the tail.
- Be patient. Give the fish as much time as it needs to recover and swim away on its own.
- Anglers should cease catch-and-release angling in extreme environmental conditions (low water levels and high water temperatures).

**Remember: Landing, reviving and releasing your fish as quickly as possible and following the above procedures will increase the chances of fish survival.**

## ANGLING LINE:

**Recorded message for in-season river openings, closures and other recreational fishing information**

**709-772-4423**

### DID YOU KNOW?

In addition to the 90 DFO contracted fishery guardians on the island there are 4 DFO fishery guardians in Labrador and 36 Aboriginal fishery guardians located throughout the province. Fishery guardians enforce the fishing rules and regulations affecting the rivers and ponds of Newfoundland and Labrador.

## Watershed Management Plans

Individual Watershed Management Plans have been developed to improve angling opportunities and to help meet conservation objectives by taking into consideration the health of individual river stocks. Regulations may affect bag limit, season length, fish length and limit of fish retained. **Unless otherwise stated, salmon season dates apply.**

EXPLOITS RIVER (ZONE 4)	
Classification	
Class I (six fish)	Main stem of Lower Exploits River, from Stoney Brook downstream to Exploits Bay: June 1 to September 7, 2013: red and green tags. August 1 to September 7, 2013: blue tags.
	September 8 to October 7, 2013: fall fishery; catch-and-release only. Fall angling not permitted on tributaries.
Class II (four fish)	Lower Exploits River tributaries below Grand Falls, including Stoney Brook, Little Rattling Brook, Great Rattling Brook, Three Brooks, and Greenwoods Brook.
Class III (two fish)	Mid-Exploits River and tributaries, from the Grand Falls fishway to Red Indian Lake dam, including Harpoon Brook, Badger Brook, Noel Paul's Brook, Little Red Indian Brook, Tom Joe Brook, West Brook/Sandy Brook.
Class IV (catch-and-release)	Exploits River Watershed above Red Indian Lake dam, including Victoria River, Mary March Brook, Lloyds River and all other tributary streams flowing into Red Indian Lake.
Special Management Section	
Main stem below Red Indian Lake Dam 25 metres below fishway, downstream to Abitibi-Bowater steel bridge	May 15–July 15, 2013: retention angling only for ouananiche. No retention of ouananiche 25 centimeters or less, or 35 centimeters or greater. No retention of Atlantic salmon.
	July 16–September 7, 2013: catch-and-release angling only for salmon and ouananiche.
	Anglers must possess a salmon angling licence. Salmon angling regulations for scheduled rivers apply.
Closed for the Season	
Exploits River main stem from Stoney Brook up to the Grand Falls dam.	
Exploits River main stem below the Bishops Falls dam: on the south side from dam down 200 metres to foot of rapids; on the north side from dam downstream to the hydro-electric generating station tailrace.	

**GANDER RIVER (ZONE 4)****Classification**

Class I (six fish)	June 1–September 7, 2013: main stem of the Lower Gander River; red and green tags; August 1–October 7, 2013: blue tags valid (includes fall fishery). Fall angling not permitted on tributaries.
Class II (four fish)	June 1–September 7, 2013: Northwest Gander River and tributary streams; two red and two green tags.
Class III (two fish)	All other tributaries of the Gander River Watershed, with the exception of the colonized areas*, two red tags.
<b>*Colonized areas</b> Class IV (catch-and-release)	All waters above Big Dead Wolf Falls, including Watchers and Caribou Brook on Big Dead Wolf River (tributary of the Southwest Gander), and all waters above Great Gull Falls on Great Gull River (tributary of Northwest Gander).

**Closed for the Season**

Salmon Brook tributary, from fishway, downstream 245 metres to Lily Pond.

Gander River from 30 metres below to five metres above where Salmon Brook flows into it at the high water mark.

**HUMBER RIVER (ZONE 13)****Classification**

Class I (six fish)	June 1–September 7, 2013, two red and two green tags valid.
	August 1–September 7, 2013, two blue tags valid.
	September 8–October 7, 2013: fall fishery, catch-and-release only on the Lower Humber River from Boom Siding to Shellbird Island. Fall angling not permitted on tributaries.
	June 1–July 31, 2013: Adies Lake open.

**Closed for the Season**

Humber River, from a line between Lundrigan's Wharf and Wild Cove Point, upstream to Ballam Bridge.

Humber River (Deer Lake): tailrace, from the Deer Lake Power Company power house to a point 25 metres west of Hinton Bridge (northwest) on the TCH and 25 metres east of the Hinton Bridge (northeast) on the TCH.

North Brook (Deer Lake), a tributary of Humber River.

All streams flowing into Adies Lake.

## SALMON

MAIN RIVER (SOP'S ARM) (ZONE 3)	
<b>Classification</b>	
Class II (four fish)	Main stem of Main River (Sop's Arm).
<b>Additional measures</b>	
Catch-and-release only on Sunshine Pool from 150 metres below to 300 metres above falls.	
Catch-and-release only on Northwest branch of Main River.	
<b>Closed for the Season</b>	
Section of Northwest branch of Main River 300 metres below to 300 metres above the falls at Wardens Pool.	
Angling not permitted within 23 metres (25 yards) downstream from any obstacle or leap (falls). This regulation applies to both Sunshine Pool and Wardens Pool.	

CONNE RIVER (ZONE 11)	
<b>Classification</b>	
Class III (two fish)	Open June 21, 2013 only if 425 salmon (total small and large) through counting fence by June 20, 2012.
	If opened June 21, river will close July 5–8, 2013 for an in-season review which will determine if angling will resume.
<b>Special Management Sections</b>	
Lower section of Conne River from top of Sandy Steady to river mouth limited to retention only.	
Retention and catch-and-release angling are permitted on the section of Conne River upstream from Sandy Steady, including tributaries.	
<b>Closed for the Season</b>	
Conne River, where Bernard's tributary empties into main stem.	
Downstream within 80 metres of the DFO counting fence wing on the west bank, 120 metres from wing on east bank, and upstream within 100 metres of counting fence trap.	

BAY ST. GEORGE SOUTH RIVERS (ZONE 13)	
Highland's River, Crabbe's River, Middle Barachois River, Robinson's River, Fischell's Brook	
<b>Classification</b>	
Class III (two fish)	Highland's River from TCH to river mouth, Crabbe's River, Robinson's River and Fischell's Brook.
	Daily retention has changed to two small salmon.
Class IV (catch-and-release)	Middle Barachois River.
<b>Additional measures</b>	
Salmon 60 centimetres or greater must be released on Robinson's River and Fischell's Brook.	
<b>Closed for the Season</b>	
Section of Crabbe's River, including Twelve Mile Pool, upstream to its source.	
Section of Barachois River, including Mine Pool, upstream to its source.	
Section of Robinson's River, including Chatter Pool, upstream to Big Falls at Mile 18.	
Highlands River, from TCH upstream to river source.	

**NORTHWEST RIVER, PORT BLANDFORD (ZONE 5)****Classification**

Class III (two fish)	Opening June 01, 2013. River will close on July 15, 2013.
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Catch-and-release angling not permitted for salmon greater than 30 centimetres and less than 63 centimetres.

A provincial inland fishery licence to take salmon is required to fish Northwest River. Anglers are also required to obtain a National Park salmon licence (no fee required). This licence is available from commercial vendors situated around the area of Terra Nova National Park.

A National Park fishing permit is required to fish for and retain trout in Terra Nova National Park, including Northwest River.

**Closed for the Season**

All portions of Northwest River outside the boundaries of Terra Nova National Park

**Note: Parks Canada is presently reviewing its licensing system and salmon tagging requirements. Please contact Terra Nova National Park in advance of the salmon fishing season for more information(709-533-2801).**

**COLINET RIVER (ZONE 9)****Classification**

Class III (two fish)	Colinet River.
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**RAGGED HARBOUR RIVER (ZONE 4)****Classification**

Class III (two fish)	Ragged Harbour River and tributary streams.
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**Closed for the Season**

Ragged Harbour River, from 61 metres below to six metres above dam at Lower Ragged Harbour River Falls.

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## BAY ST. GEORGE NORTH RIVERS (ZONE 13)

Flat Bay Brook, Little Barachois Brook, Southwest and Bottom Brooks, Harry's River

### Classification

Class III (two fish)	Retention angling permitted on Bottom Brook, Southwest Brook and Little Barachois Brook.
	June 1, 2013: main stem of Harry's River from Home Pool downstream to river mouth, and Flat Bay Brook open to retention angling. Rivers will open as Class III and may become Class II (seasonal limit of four salmon) if the July in-season review projects conservation requirements will be met.

### Additional measures

Catch-and-release angling only on George's Lake and Pinchgut Lake.

### Closed for the Season

Section of Little Barachois Brook, including Old Logger School, upstream to its source.

Southwest Brook, from Second Logging at Mile 19, upstream to its source.

Harry's River system above Home Pool, including Spruce Brook, Little George's, Pinchgut River, Meadows Brook, Stag Hill Brook and Gull Pond.

All tributaries of the main stem of Harry's River.

Any waters within 23 metres upstream or downstream of the counting facility at area known as Gale's Pit.

## TERRA NOVA RIVER (ZONE 5)

### Classification

Class III (two fish)	Unless specified as closed area or Class IV, Terra Nova River and tributary streams are Class III. This includes Maccles Brook, George's Brook and Butt's Brook.
	July 10– September 7, 2013: Starlight Pool and area from top of the Trench to Tobin's Pool on Terra Nova River. In-season review in July 2013 will determine if further adjustments are required.
Class IV (catch-and-release)	Morine's Pool, from a point 25 metres below The Bench to a point 100 metres above The Bench.
	The section of river from a point 25 metres above Island Pool, to a point 25 metres below Briffett's/Second Steady.
	The section of river from a point 25 metres below the upper fishway (identified by DFO signs), downstream to a point 800 metres below the upper fishway.
	Entire watershed above the DFO signs posted at the old Terra Nova Lake dam near where Terra Nova Lake runs into Terra Nova River. Excluding George's Brook and Butt's Brook, which are both Class III rivers.

### Closed for the Season

Terra Nova River, from old Terra Nova Lake dam (identified by DFO signs) to 25 metres below the upper fishway (identified by DFO signs).

## Closed for the Season

### SALMON RIVERS/SECTIONS CLOSED FOR THE SEASON

ZONE	CLOSED AREA
Zone 1	Makkovik Brook (Makkovik, Labrador).
	English River: 25 metres above and 25 metres below the counting fence.
Zone 2	Southwest Brook, Paradise River: from 25 metres above and below the counting fence.
	Sand Hill River: from 25 metres above and 60 metres below the counting fence.
	Dykes River (Muddy Bay Brook): 25 metres above and below the counting fence.
Zone 3	Northwest branch of Main River (Sop's Arm River): 300 metres below to 300 metres above falls at Wardens Pool.
	Main River (Sop's Arm River): Sunshine Pool and Warden's Pool, within 23 metres downstream from any obstacle or leap (falls).
Zone 4	Burlington River, from 120 metres below to 38 metres above bridge on Highway 413.
	Exploits River, from Stoney Brook up to the Grand Falls dam.
	Exploits River main stem below the Bishops Falls dam: on the south side from dam down 200 metres to foot of rapids; on the north side from dam downstream to the hydro-electric generating station tailrace.
	Campbellton River, from 25 metres below to 25 metres above bridge on Highway 340.
	Gander River, from 30 metres below to five metres above where Salmon Brook flows into Gander River high water mark.
	Salmon Brook, Gander River tributary, from fishway, downstream 245 metres to lily pond.
	Ragged Harbour River, from 61 metres below to six metres above dam at Lower Ragged Harbour River Falls.
	Deadman's Bay River, from 25 metres above first falls to 25 metres downstream from highway bridge.
Zone 5	Terra Nova River, from old Terra Nova Lake dam (identified by DFO signs) to 25 metres below the upper fishway (identified by DFO signs).
	Northwest River, Port Blandford, from Stick Pool to Cliff Pool.
	All portions of Northwest River outside boundaries of Terra Nova National Park.
Zone 6	Bellevue River, from lower end of the culvert on the TCH downstream to upper side of new bridge on Route 201.
	Shoal Harbour River from mouth of the dam/fishway to 25 metres above the water supply dam, as indicated by the DFO closure signs.
	Section of Salmon Cove River from the downstream side of the old bridge to 25 metres below the culvert that crosses the Cabot Highway.



ZONE	CLOSED AREA
Zone 7	North River (Conception Bay), from 50 metres above falls down to where Southern Stank Brook enters river.
	Goulds Brook, tributary to South River, Conception Bay, from the Retreat Centre up to Makinsons Highway bridge.
Zone 8	Witless Bay River, from the powerhouse to a point 25 metres downstream.
Zone 9	Northeast Brook, Trepassey.
	Northwest Brook, Trepassey, at Ladder Falls from top of falls to 25 metres downstream.
	Branch River, from the Route 100 causeway (Maurice's Meadow) over the river to a point 915 metres upstream.
	Portion of Salmonier River known as Metcalfe's Falls to a point 23 metres below the falls.
Zone 10	Salmonier River (Lamaline), from 168 metres on west side of upper part of bridge to bait and spinner signs, and 240 metres downstream to ocean on east side of upper part of the bridge.
	Northeast River, Placentia, from 30 metres below to 23 metres above fishway.
	Cape Rodger River, at top of the falls, as marked by DFO closure signs.
	Cape Rodger River, at Corner Pool, as marked by DFO closure signs.
Zone 11	Jigging Hole, as marked by DFO caution signs on Garnish River.
	Conne River, where Bernard's tributary empties into main stem.
	Conne River, 100 metres upstream from DFO counting fence trap, 80 metres downstream of the fence wing on the west bank of river, and 120 metres downstream of fence wing on east bank of river.
	Little River, Bay d'Espoir, from its mouth to Big Falls.
	Grand Bank Brook, from its mouth to the upstream side of the bridge on Marine Drive.
Zone 12	Burnt Island River from the Otter Rub to its source.
Zone 13	Great Codroy River from the mouth of Crooked Brook (Great Codroy River tributary) upstream to falls.
	Bullhouse Brook (Great Codroy River tributary) from upper side of bridge at the TCH, upstream to its source.
	Highlands River, from TCH upstream to river source.
	Section of Crabbe's River, including Twelve Mile Pool, upstream to its source.
	Section of Barachois River, including Mine Pool, upstream to its source.
	Section of Robinson's River, including Chatter Pool, upstream to Big Falls at Mile 18.
	Section of Little Barachois Brook, including Old Logger School, upstream to its source.

ZONE	CLOSED AREA
Zone 13	Southwest Brook, from Second Logging at Mile 19, upstream to its source.
	Harry's River system above Home Pool, including Spruce Brook, Little George's, Pinchgut River, Meadows Brook, Stag Hill Brook and Gull Pond, and all tributaries of the main stem of Harry's River.
	Harry's River within 23 meters upstream or downstream of the counting facility at Gallants.
	Cook's Brook.
	Corner Brook Stream and tributaries, from the falls at the gorge to the mouth.
	Humber River, from a line between Lundrigan's Wharf and Wild Cove Point, upstream to Ballam Bridge.
	Humber River (Deer Lake): tailrace, from the Deer Lake Power Company power house to a point 25 metres west of Hinton Bridge (northwest) on the TCH and 25 metres east of the Hinton Bridge (northeast) on the TCH.
	All streams flowing into Adies Lake.
	North Brook (Deer Lake), a tributary of Humber River.
	Blanche Brook and Warm Creek (Stephenville).
	Romaine's Brook, from Main Bridge to the headwaters.
	Western Brook Pond and tributaries in Gros Morne National Park and tributaries flowing into Western Brook Pond.
Zone 14A	Trout River.
	West River (St. Barbe).
	Deer Arm River, Gros Morne National Park, between Ten Mile Pond and Eastern Arm Pond, also known as Deer Arm Pond.
	Lomond Main River, from 23 metres below fish ladder entrance, up to outlet from Bonne Bay Big Pond.
	Kate's Feeder, from River of Ponds Lake to its source.
	Big Feeder Brook, from River of Ponds Lake to its source.
	Bound Brook, Belburns.
	Little Brook Ponds watershed: Goose Nest Brook and main stream, from its outflow from Little Brook Pond down to salt water.
	East River (Hawke's Bay), from 25 meters below bridge on Highway 430, upstream to 25 metres above falls.
	Manual's Feeder and Rose's Feeder (tributaries to St. Genevieve River).
	Parker's River (West Brook, Pistolet Bay), from highway bridge on route 430 downstream to river mouth, as posted by signs.

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# TROUT

**INCLUDES SPECKLED (BROOK) TROUT, BROWN TROUT, RAINBOW TROUT AND OUANANICHE**

There are no changes to the existing trout management plan for Labrador. The Minister of Fisheries and Oceans Canada reserves the right to make changes to the plan if conservation concerns warrant.

## Trout Angling Zones

Newfoundland

**Zone 1:** Insular Newfoundland

Labrador

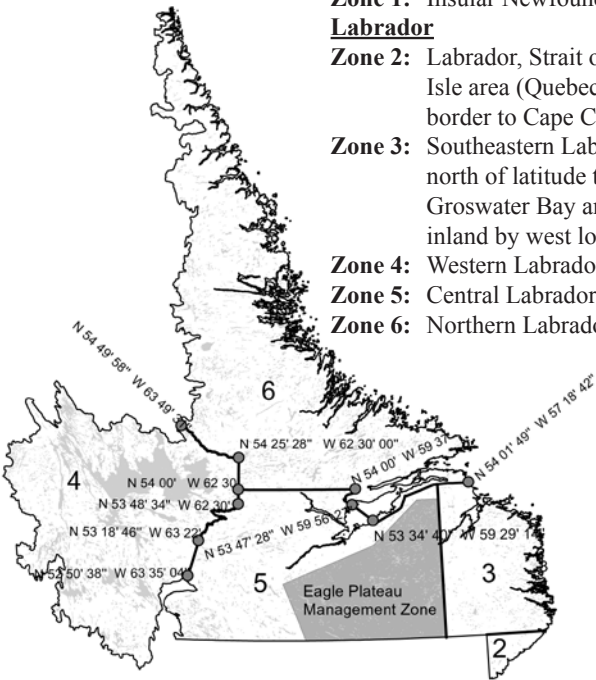
**Zone 2:** Labrador, Strait of Belle Isle area (Quebec-Labrador border to Cape Charles)

**Zone 3:** Southeastern Labrador, north of latitude to 52° to Groswater Bay and bounded inland by west longitude 58°

**Zone 4:** Western Labrador

**Zone 5:** Central Labrador

**Zone 6:** Northern Labrador



## Season Dates 2013–2014

ZONE	Winter Opens	Winter Closes	Summer Opens	Summer Closes
Zone 1	February 1	April 15	May 15	September 7
Zone 2	March 1	-	-	September 7
Zone 3	February 1	-	-	September 15
Zone 4	February 1	-	-	September 7
Zone 5	February 1	-	-	September 15
Zone 6	February 1	-	-	September 15

## Winter Trout Angling

**These conditions apply to winter angling for ALL species of trout:**

- Maximum of three separate lines each equipped with one hook per method while angling through the ice.
- All three lines must be closely and constantly attended to by the angler.
- Where open water is available during the winter angling season, anglers may angle with rod and line from shore or boat.

## Daily Bag/Possession Limit/Size Restrictions

Insular Newfoundland		
SPECIES	DAILY BAG LIMIT/SIZE RESTRICTIONS	POSSESSION LIMIT
Trout – Includes speckled trout, brown trout, rainbow and ouananiche	12 fish which can be a combination of any of the species (speckled, brown, rainbow, ouananiche) or 5 lbs (2.27 kg) round weight + 1 fish of any of those species, whichever is reached first. No rainbow or ouananiche less than 20 centimeters (8 inches) can be retained.	Twice the daily bag limit.
Arctic char	12 Arctic char, or 5 lbs round weight (2.27 kg) + 1 fish of that species, whichever limit is reached first.	Twice the daily bag limit.
Smelt	No limit.	No limit.

Labrador		
SPECIES	DAILY BAG LIMIT/SIZE RESTRICTIONS	POSSESSION LIMIT
Trout – Includes speckled trout and ouananiche	12 fish which can be a combination of any of the species (speckled or ouananiche) or 5 lbs (2.27 kg) round weight + 1 fish of any of those species, whichever is reached first. No ouananiche less than 20 centimeters (8 inches) can be retained.	Twice the daily bag limit.
Lake trout (Zone 2)	Two fish	Four fish
Lake trout (Zones 3-6)	Three fish	Three fish
Speckled trout in Eagle Plateau Management Zone, Chateau Pond and Gilbert's Lake.	6 fish or 2.5 lbs + 1 fish, whichever limit is reached first.	Equal to the daily bag limit.
Northern pike	Two fish.	Twice the daily bag limit.
Arctic char	Two fish.	Twice the daily bag limit.
Whitefish	No limit.	No limit.
Smelt	No limit.	No limit.

# RAINBOW TROUT

Rainbow trout waters include a group of ponds and connecting streams in the Bauline, Portugal Cove, Torbay and Green's Harbour areas.

Season dates vary for scheduled and unscheduled rainbow trout waters as outlined.

SCHEDULED RAINBOW TROUT WATERS	
BAULINE	Baird's Pond and tributary streams.
	Freshwater (Motion) Pond and tributary streams.
	Ocean (Long) Pond and tributary streams.
	Brock's Head Pond and tributary streams.
	Funnel Pond and tributary streams.
PORTUGAL COVE	Beachy Cove Pond and tributary streams.
	Clement's Pond and tributary streams.
	Hugh's Pond and tributary streams.
	Northeast Pond and tributary streams.
	Blast Hole Pond and tributary streams.
	Hogan's Pond and tributary streams.
	Mitchell's Pond and tributary streams.
	Oliver's Pond and tributary streams.
	Picco's Pond South (Neary's) and tributary streams.
	Western Round Pond and tributary streams.
TORBAY AREA/ MIDDLE COVE AREA	Gallows Cove Pond and tributary streams.
	Little Gallows Cove Pond and tributary streams.
GREEN'S HARBOUR AREA	Unnamed stream flowing between Scotch Pond and Green's Harbour.
	Scotch Pond and tributary streams.
	Coopers Pond, excluding stream from Black Duck Pond to Coopers Pond, and tributary streams.
	Cross Pond and tributary streams.
	Little Coopers Pond and tributary streams.

SEASON DATES FOR SCHEDULED WATERS	CONDITION
June 1–September 7, 2013	All species of trout may be retained in scheduled rainbow trout waters, Shoal Harbour River and Lower Shoal Harbour River as part of the daily bag limit.
September 8–October 7, 2013	Rainbow trout may be retained in scheduled rainbow trout waters, Shoal Harbour River: coastal water to a point 23 metres below dam.
Open to year-round angling	Northwest Brook, Bay d'Espoir, from the DFO caution signs to the hydro plant tail race. The daily bag limit does not apply.

SEASON DATES	NON-SCHEDULED RAINBOW TROUT WATERS	
Summer fishery: May 15, 2013 – September 7, 2013  Winter fishery: February 1, 2014 – April 15, 2014.	BAULINE	Bauline Rocky Pond.
		Three Corner Pond.
		Middle Three Island Pond.
		Great Pond.
		Three Island Pond.
		Goose Pond.
		Middle Pond.
		Axes Pond.
		Northwest Pond.
	TORBAY AREA/ MIDDLE COVE AREA	Jones Pond.

## BROWN TROUT

SEASON DATES	CONDITION
February 1 –October 7, 2013	<b>NON-SCHEDULED WATERS</b>
	Princeton Brook, Bonavista Bay: coastal waters to head Princeton Pond.
	Robin Hood Pond, Port Rexton: mouth up to Route 230.
	Colliers Bay River, Thornlea area: mouth to ½ kilometre upstream.
	Chapel Arm River, Trinity Bay: mouth to ½ kilometre upstream.
	Spread Eagle River, Trinity Bay: mouth to ½ kilometre upstream.
	South Dildo River, Trinity Bay: mouth upstream to upper side of bridge on Route 80.
	New Harbour River, Trinity Bay: mouth to ½ kilometre upstream.
	Hopeall River, Trinity Bay: mouth upstream to outlet from Cobner's Pond.
	Green's Harbour River, Trinity Bay: mouth to head of Scotch Pond.
	Whiteway River, Trinity Bay: mouth upstream to first pond.
	Heart's Delight River, Trinity Bay: mouth upstream to first pond.
	Heart's Content Brook, Trinity Bay: mouth upstream to first pond.
	Harry's Pond, on Salmon Cove River, Conception Bay.
	Island Pond Brook, Conception Bay: mouth to head of Rossiter's Pond.
	Shearstown River, Conception Bay: mouth to ½ kilometre upstream.
	North River, Conception Bay: from Newell's Road, downstream to bait-and-spinner signs near railway trestle.

BROWN TROUT	
February 1– October 7, 2013	South River, Conception Bay: from ‘the Motion’, down to bait-and-spinner signs near Route 70 highway.
	Avondale River, Conception Bay: mouth to power line.
	Indian Pond, Holyrood, Conception Bay: mouth to head of the pond.
	Colliers River, Conception Bay: mouth to ½ kilometre upstream.
	Seal Cove River, Conception Bay: mouth to head of Seal Cove Pond.
	Lower Gullies River, Conception Bay: mouth upstream to Conception Bay Highway.
	Kelligrews River, Conception Bay: mouth upstream to Conception Bay Highway.
	Manuels River, Conception Bay: mouth upstream to falls.
	Topsail River, Conception Bay: mouth upstream to culvert on Topsail Beach Road.
	Quidi Vidi River: harbour entrance upstream to the first falls.
	Waterford River: mouth upstream to where river exits Bowering Park.
	Stone Ducky Brook (Bay Bulls): mouth upstream to dam.
	Witless Bay River: mouth upstream to 25 metres below the power house.
	Cape Broyle River: mouth to one kilometre upstream.
	Mobile River: mouth upstream to power house.
	Aquaforte River: mouth to ½ kilometre upstream.
	Chance Cove River, Southern Shore: mouth to one kilometre upstream.
September 8–October 7, 2013	<b>SCHEDULED WATERS</b>
	Shoal Harbour River: coastal waters to a point 23 metres below dam.
	Salmon Cove River, Conception Bay: mouth to one kilometre upstream.
	North River, Conception Bay: mouth to one kilometre upstream.
	South River, Conception Bay: mouth to one kilometre upstream.
	Renews River: mouth to Southern Shore Highway.
	Biscay Bay River: mouth to Flat Rock Pool.
	Salmonier River: mouth to Vicker’s Road.
	Colinet River: mouth to The Whirlpool, head of Colinet Pond.
	North Harbour River, St. Mary’s Bay: mouth to spawning channel at SAEN road.
	Northeast Placentia River: mouth to 30 metres below the fishway.
	Southeast River, Placentia: mouth to ½ kilometre upstream.
	Come by Chance River: mouth to ½ kilometre upstream.
	Pipers Hole River: mouth to ½ kilometre upstream.



## BROWN TROUT

### ADDITIONAL MEASURES

Retention of brown trout permitted on these scheduled salmon rivers June 1–October 7. Only brown trout may be retained on these scheduled rivers from September 8–October 7.

Valid salmon licence required when angling for brown trout on scheduled salmon rivers at all times.

Barbless hooks required only on scheduled portions of rivers.

## Special Trout Management Areas

Season dates, bag limits, possession limits and length limits may vary in special trout management areas.

Unless otherwise specified, the daily bag limit for special management areas of insular Newfoundland is six trout or 2 lbs (0.9 kilograms) + one trout, whichever limit is reached first.

The possession limit is the daily bag limit.

### INDIAN BAY, MIDDLE BROOK WATERSHED AND NORTHWEST BROOK WATERSHED, INDIAN BAY (INCLUDING TRIBUTARY STREAMS AND CONNECTING PONDS)

Summer Season	Labour Day	Winter Season
May 15– August 8, 2013	August 30 - September 2, 2013	February 1–April 1, 2014

#### INDIAN BAY WATERSHED PONDS

Wings Pond	Moccasin Pond
Little Wings Pond	Four Mile Pond
Indian Bay Big Pond (No. 2)	Cyril Brown's Pond
Third Pond	Hungry Pond
Alleys Pond	Southern Pond
Little Bear Cave Pond	First Pond (No. 1)
Indian Bay Pond (Fourth Pond)	Back-up Pond
Skipper's Pond	Big Bear Cave Pond
Forky Pond	Thwart Pond
Fool's Pond	Harvey's Pond

#### MIDDLE BROOK WATERSHED PONDS

Rodney Pond	First Burnt Pond
Butt's Pond	Black Duck Pond
Square Pond	Second Burnt Pond
Pussells Pond	

#### NORTHWEST BROOK WATERSHED

Northwest Pond (Big Northwest)	Dam Pond
Spurrells Pond	

## TROUT

### SOUTHWEST POND WATERSHED (GREENSPOND AREA)

Summer Season	Winter Season
June 1–September 7, 2013	No winter angling.

### STAR LAKE

Summer Season	Winter Season
July 1–July 31, 2013	February 1–April 1, 2014

### ADIES LAKE

Summer Season	Winter Season
June 1–July 31, 2013	February 1–April 15, 2014

### 10 MILE LAKE AND ROUND LAKE (NORTHERN PENINSULA)

Summer Season	Winter Season
June 1–July 15, 2013	No winter angling.
Daily bag limit is two trout, the weight (or combined weight) of any fish retained cannot exceed 5 lbs (2.25 kg). Trout greater than 58 centimetres must be released.	
Special trout management area includes: 10 Mile Lake and Round Lake (Northern Peninsula) and all tributaries flowing in and out of 10 Mile Lake and Round Lake and the St. Genevieve River system.	

### JONATHAN'S BROOK WATERSHED (TRIBUTARY OF GANDER RIVER)

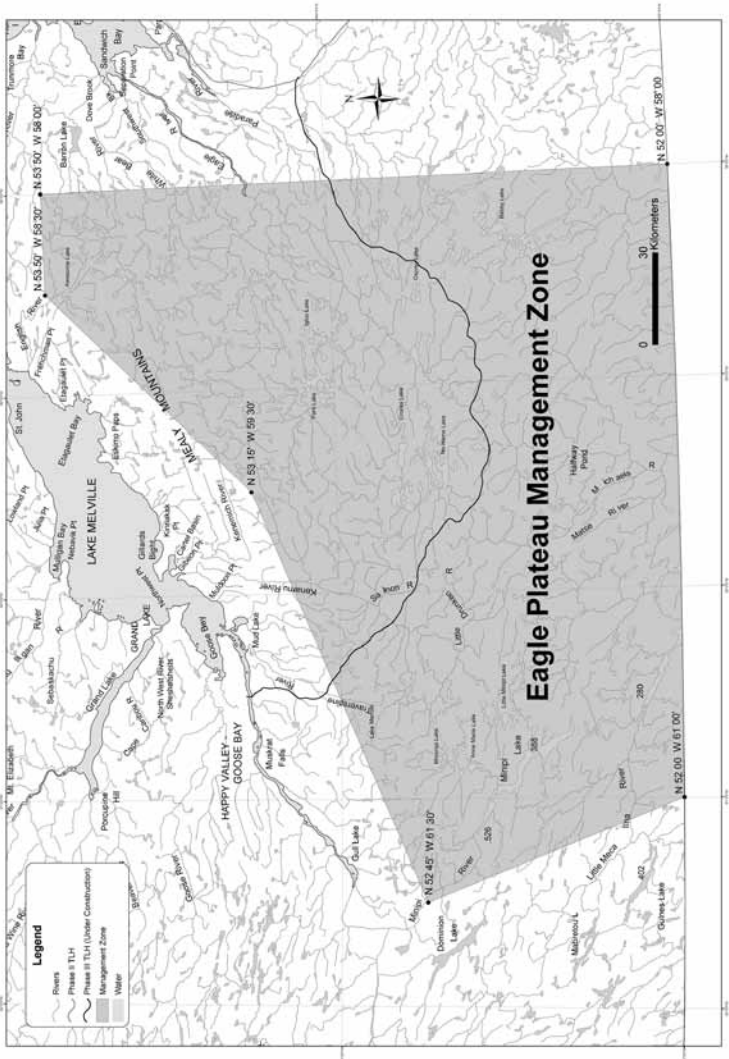
Season Dates	Minimum Size	Bag/Possession Limit
Angling dates: consistent with the trout angling dates in non-scheduled waters for insular Newfoundland and the salmon angling dates for the scheduled waters of this watershed.	<b>Speckled (brook) trout less than 23 centimetres must be released.</b>	Trout daily bag limit and possession limit are consistent with those of insular Newfoundland - (See Page 17 - Daily Bag limit.)
Special trout management area includes: Whitman's Pond, Jonathan's Park Pond, Big Jonathan's Pond, Lower Jonathan's Pond and all the waters running in and out of these ponds.		

### CHURCHILL RIVER DRAINAGE BASIN WATERSHED (LABRADOR)

Season	Minimum Size	
Refer to Zone Season Dates page 14	A minimum size limit of 60 centimetres for lake trout.	
Churchill River Drainage Basin Watershed is defined as:		
West Forebay	Winokapau Lake	Smallwood Reservoir
Sandgirt Lake	Lobstick Lake	Ossokmanuan Reservoir
Atikonak Lake	Ashuanipi Lake	Gabbro Lake
Sims Lake	Lake Joseph	Shabogamo Lake

## EAGLE PLATEAU MANAGEMENT ZONE (LABRADOR)

Season	Bag Limit
February 1–September 15, 2013	Bag limit for brook trout is 6 fish or 2.5 lbs (1.13 kg) + 1 fish, whichever is reached first. The possession limit is equal to the daily bag limit. See the map below.



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# SMELT

Smelt angling dates are consistent with trout angling dates in non-scheduled inland waters (See “Season Dates” on Page 14), with the exception of the following list of ponds. Only smelt may be retained when these ponds are closed to trout angling.

Date	Insular Newfoundland
January 15– September 7, 2013	Gambo Pond.
	Gander River seaward from the Gander Bay causeway.
	Southwest Pond, off the Greenspond highway.
	Horwood Pond (Notre Dame Bay).
	Southwest Pond, near Horwood.
	First Pond on the Campbellton River.
	Deer Lake.
	Fox Island River, as indicated by DFO caution signs.
	Little Codroy estuary, as indicated by DFO caution signs.
	Engine Hole, as indicated by DFO caution signs.
	Little Barasway, as indicated by DFO caution signs.
	Parsons Pond (Northern Peninsula).
	Portland Creek (Northern Peninsula, excluding Inner Pond).
	Maturin Pond, Long Harbour (Placentia Bay).
	Freshwater Pond (Burin Peninsula).
	Garnish Pond (Burin Peninsula).
	Clam Pond (Burin Peninsula).
	Salt Pond (Burin Peninsula).
	Lamaline Barasway (Burin Peninsula).
	Salt Water Pond, Boxey/Wreck Cove (Fortune Bay).
	Second Traverse Pond
	Northeast arm inside the Culls Harbour causeway and outside the Eastport causeway.
	North River (Conception Bay), from Newell’s Road downstream to bait-and-spinner signs near railway trestle.
	South River (Conception Bay): bait-and-spinner fishing sections of South River, including “Motion,” downstream to bait-and-spinner signs near route 70, Conception Bay Highway.
	Salmon Cove River (Conception Bay): Harry’s Pond and Salmon Cove, Big Pond (bait-and-spinner fishing areas only).
	Southwest Brook (Port Blandford), from bait and spinner signs seaward to old CN railway trestle.

DATE	LABRADOR
January 15– September 15, 2013	St. Charles River from bridge down to mouth.
	St. Lewis River: from Sand Banks down to mouth.
	Alexis River: from Soldier down to mouth.
	Saltwater Pond on Port Mernham Brook.
	Danes Pond (Alexis Bay).
	Salt Water Pond (Occasional Harbour).
	Salt Water Pond (White Bear Arm).
	Edwards Pond (Shoal Bay).
	Table Bay Pond.
<b>ADDITIONAL MEASURES</b>	
Smelt angling in non-scheduled inland waters is subject to the same gear limits as trout angling.	
There is no bag limit or possession limit for smelt.	
Smelt angling in coastal waters is permitted throughout the year.	

### **DFO Angling Enforcement Efforts for Salmon and Trout (NL)**

Getting out on a river or pond in pursuit of a salmon or trout is a highlight for many anglers in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Anglers have many rivers and ponds to choose from, and many have their favorites that they return to each year. Most anglers are respectful of the regulations, but not everyone plays by the rules. This is where fishery officers and fishery guardians, tasked with the responsibility for ensuring compliance and enforcement of recreational fisheries, get involved.

In 2012, approximately 70,000 hours were spent on salmon and trout enforcement. Additional compliance and enforcement efforts were provided by provincial and Aboriginal inland fisheries enforcement programs.

During the 2012 angling season, a total of 186 salmon and trout violations were detected as a result of DFO's enforcement efforts. These include charges laid, warnings, seizures from persons unknown (e.g. abandoned nets), and cases that are still under investigation. A total of 55 salmon nets, 122 salmon, 8 boats, 1 vehicle were seized.

DFO works closely with Crime Stoppers to encourage the public to report poaching and other illegal activity on the rivers. Callers are anonymous and tipsters can earn a cash reward if the tip leads to a conviction.

In 2012, Crime Stoppers Newfoundland and Labrador received 88 tips from the public about illegal fishing activity, of which 53 were directly related to salmon and trout. These tips are an invaluable source of information for fishery officers and guardians, and sometimes lead to charges being laid and convictions being handed down by the courts.

Crime Stoppers can be reached anonymously by calling: 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), by texting TIP190 + Message to 274637 (CRIMES), or by submitting a tip online at [www.nlcrimestoppers.com](http://www.nlcrimestoppers.com)

### Annex 1

## COASTAL WATERS AND INLAND WATERS

### Scheduled and Non-Scheduled

Newfoundland and Labrador waters are divided into categories and sub-categories, as follows:

- Coastal waters
- Inland waters:
  - scheduled salmon rivers
  - scheduled rainbow and brown trout waters
  - non-scheduled inland waters

**Coastal waters:** Marine waters outside the spring tide low water mark, except where DFO has caution signs on the shore of a river's estuary to close the estuary to commercial fisheries. These signs are located several metres to several kilometres seaward from the mouth of a river. Seaward of the signs is coastal waters; the area inside the signs is non-scheduled inland waters, even though it is a marine/salt water area. Angling is regulated by the season dates for non-scheduled inland waters.

*Anglers uncertain about where caution signs are placed at the mouth of the river, should contact the nearest DFO office listed on Page 4.*

**Inland waters:** All waters above spring tide low water mark and all waters inside of a line drawn between caution signs set out from the mouth of a river on the shores of its estuary. Inland waters include scheduled salmon rivers, scheduled rainbow trout waters, and non-scheduled inland waters.

**Scheduled salmon river:** Includes the main stem of a river including tidal waters at the mouth of a river inside DFO bait and spinner signs; the waters of any connected pond or lake within 90 metres of the river's entrance and outlet, or as indicated by DFO signs; in many cases, tributary streams; in a few cases, certain lakes and ponds. There are 186 scheduled salmon rivers in Newfoundland and Labrador. A complete list is contained in the map insert in this guide.

**Scheduled rainbow trout waters:** Includes a group of ponds and connecting streams in the Bauline, Portugal Cove, Torbay and Green's Harbour areas, which are listed in the rainbow trout section on Page 18.

**Scheduled and Non-Scheduled brown trout waters:** As described on Pages 19-20.

**Non-scheduled inland waters:** Inland waters not individually listed by name in the regulations; they include salt water areas inside of DFO caution signs.

## SALMON ANGLING IN NON-SCHEDULED INLAND WATERS

- All non-scheduled inland waters are Class III, with a seasonal and daily bag limit of two small salmon.
- Anglers must have a valid salmon licence and red tags to retain a salmon caught in non-scheduled inland waters.

## SALMON ANGLING IN COASTAL WATERS

- Anglers may angle for salmon year-round in coastal waters there is no closed season.
- A salmon angling licence is not required to angle for salmon in coastal waters.
- Retention of salmon in coastal waters is prohibited; catch-and-release only.
- Coastal waters include all marine waters outside DFO caution signs posted in the estuaries of some scheduled and non-scheduled salmon rivers, and outside the spring tide low-water mark in all other areas.

## TROUT ANGLING IN COASTAL WATERS

- Anglers may angle for trout year-round in coastal waters; there is no closed season.
- All other trout angling regulations apply in coastal waters, including daily bag limit and possession limit (See Page 16).
- No licence or guide requirements.
- No bag limit for rainbow trout on south and west coasts of Newfoundland and Labrador, including the Bay d’Espoir area. See daily bag limit on Page 17.
- Conditions apply to resident and non-resident anglers.

## Annex 2

### GUIDE REQUIREMENTS

**For these regulations, the following definitions apply:**

**Resident:** Any Canadian citizen residing in the province six consecutive months or more, or any person residing in the province 12 consecutive months or more, or a member of the RCMP or Canadian Armed Forces stationed in the province (no minimum time), or a member of the RCMP or Canadian Armed Forces who was born in the province, but is stationed elsewhere and is visiting the province.

**Direct Relative:** Father, mother, grandparent, sister, brother, son, daughter, grandchild or in-law, who is a resident of the province.

**Provincial Highway:** A public highway maintained by the Department of Works, Services and Transportation designated by a route number.

**Co-operative Camp:** Any VIP camp, military camp or non-commercial private club in existence since May 18, 1990 and is used for the purpose of sport fishing and hunting.



**Outfitter:** The owner or operator of a camp site, lodge, cabin and/or related facilities licenced under the Tourist Establishment Regulations (1994) and constructed and used solely as a base for outfitting operations for sport fishing and/or hunting and related activities.

### **1. Island of Newfoundland; South of 52°N Labrador**

- A non-resident shall not angle scheduled salmon waters unless accompanied by a licenced guide or by a direct relative who is a resident.
- A non-resident may angle unaccompanied on non-scheduled waters within 800 metres of a provincial highway; beyond that point an angler must be accompanied by a licenced guide or direct relative who is a resident.

### **2. North of 52°N Labrador**

- A non-resident shall not angle for any species of fish in any inland waters without engaging the services of an outfitter except that :
  - (a) a non-resident who is the guest of a co-operative camp may angle in the waters adjacent to those camps if accompanied by a licensed guide;
  - (b) a non-resident who is accompanied by a direct relative who is a resident may angle in any inland water north of 52° north latitude; and
  - (c) in waters set out in Schedule I of the Newfoundland and Labrador Fishery Regulations (Canada ), a non-resident licensed to fish for salmon may fish within 800 metres upstream and 800 metres downstream to a bridge on a provincial highway if accompanied by a licensed guide.
- A non-resident may angle in any inland water within 800 metres of a provincial highway, other than waters set out in Schedule I of the Newfoundland and Labrador Fishery Regulations (Canada), without using the services of an outfitter or without being accompanied by a licensed guide or a direct relative.
- A non-resident who is a paying guest of a commercial tourist establishment licensed under the Tourist Establishment Regulations enacted under the Tourist Establishments Act may angle for fish in inland waters beyond 800 meters of a provincial highway provided that he or she
  - (a) returns to that tourist establishment each night;
  - (b) utilizes the services of a licensed guide; and
  - (c) does not fish within 2 kilometres, or a distance which the minister may establish, of an existing licensed outfitter camp site, lodge, cabin and related facilities.
- A non-resident who is a guest of a resident of the province at a cottage located in Labrador may angle for fish in inland waters provided that he or she
  - (a) fishes in waters adjacent to that cottage;
  - (b) is accompanied by a licensed guide; and
  - (c) a fee is not charged and remuneration is not paid for the guide service or for lodging, accommodations or meals at that cottage.

#### **\*Note:**

A licensed guide, while employed as a licensed guide, shall not angle for salmon or trout in inland waters but a licensed guide may, within reasonable limits, demonstrate the techniques of line casting and hooking of fish to an angler by whom he or she is accompanied. A licensed guide who hooks a fish while demonstrating the techniques of line casting to the angler by whom he or she is accompanied shall release the fish back into the water.

## Annex 3

### NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR WILD LIFE REGULATIONS - DISABLED ANGLER PROGRAM

“Disabled angler” means a person who is permanently legally blind, or permanently mobility impaired, and who holds an inland fishery licence, river specific inland fishery licence or a family inland fishery licence.

“Designated angler” means a person who holds an inland fishery licence, river specific inland fishery licence or a family inland fishery licence and is designated by a disabled angler to angle and retain a species of fish that the disabled angler is permitted by law to catch and retain.

A disabled angler may specify one designated angler to angle and retain the species set out in the disabled angler’s licence, in the area permitted and within the bag limits set by law.

A designated angler shall:

- keep within 100 metres of the disabled angler, except when in pursuit of a fish that has been hooked for the disabled angler;
- possess the licence and tags of the disabled angler while angling for that disabled angler; and
- immediately affix and lock a tag to a salmon caught for the disabled angler and cut and remove the month and date of capture

Where a designated angler retains and tags a salmon, the disabled angler shall immediately take possession of and retain the salmon.

To become eligible, persons must first complete an application form for the Disabled Hunter/Angler Program. For more information, please contact the Department of Environment and Conservation Wildlife Division at (709)637-2025 or visit <http://www.env.gov.nl.ca/env/wildlife/angling/index.html>

## Annex 4

### SALMON MANAGEMENT MEASURES

#### RIVER CLASSIFICATIONS

Scheduled salmon rivers in Salmon Angling Zones 3 to 14A (Insular Newfoundland) and most rivers in Zones 2 and 14B in Labrador have been rated Class I, Class II, Class III or Class IV. Ratings are based on a number of factors, including salmon population, spawner returns, river size, angling pressure and remoteness of the river. Bag limits and use of tags are determined by river class.

### TAG USE

- Six color-coded and individually numbered tags are issued with a licence as follows: red tags are 1 and 2; green tags are 3 and 4; blue tags are 5 and 6. The licence number is stamped on each tag.
- Red tags are used to tag fish on Class I, Class II and Class III rivers. Green tags are used to tag fish on Class I and Class II rivers. Blue tags are used to tag fish only on Class I rivers. No fish may be retained on Class IV rivers.
- Tags must be immediately and securely locked through the gills and mouth of retained salmon, and the month and day must immediately be clearly cut out and removed from the vinyl portion of the tag.

### BARBLESS HOOKS

An artificial fly must be used for salmon and trout angling on scheduled salmon waters throughout Newfoundland and Labrador. Only one hook may be used at a time. Regulations describe an artificial fly as a single barbless hook dressed with materials to attract fish. It is not baited, does not have a weight attached to sink it, and does not have a spinner or similar device attached. A barbed hook may be made barbless by cutting or filing off the barb or by pinching the barb flat so that it is in complete contact with the shaft of the hook.

### ENVIRONMENTAL PROTOCOLS

Specific environmental protocols previously in place to determine whether river systems would close due to poor environmental conditions have been set aside for 2013. DFO will continue to take action when extreme environmental conditions (very low water levels and high water temperatures) warrant a closure.

## Annex 5

### SALMON ANGLING LOG

DFO scientists require catch-and-effort information to develop an understanding of our salmon stocks and the impact angling has on the resource. The salmon angling log is DFO's primary source of catch-and-effort information in the recreational salmon fishery. For best research results, DFO needs log returns from at least 90% of anglers, and the information on each log should be as detailed as possible.

- Anglers who purchased a salmon licence are asked to:
  - Complete and return the salmon angling log as soon as possible after the season closes.
  - If you did not angle, indicate "no angling."
  - If you angled but were unsuccessful, record your daily angling activity.
  - Record angling activity at the end of each day.
  - Record river names or approximate location of river fished.
  - If there is inadequate space to complete your log, record additional information on a separate sheet and submit it with the card.

**To submit your log:**

- Mail it to the address provided on the card.
- Telephone: (709) 772-4402 or (709) 772-4518
- Submit online at [www.nfl.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/angling](http://www.nfl.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/angling)  
Select “Salmon Angling Log” from the menu.

The Salmonid Association of Eastern Newfoundland (SAEN) supports the wise management and conservation of our fisheries resources for future generations. SAEN reminds anglers to return their angling log. As an incentive, and in co-operation with the Province and DFO, SAEN is offering \$500 in prizes, including a salmon rod, framed classic salmon fly, SAEN shirts and packages of salmon flies. Anglers who return their log will have their names entered for the draw.

For more information, please contact SAEN:  
(709) 722-9300  
[www.saen.org](http://www.saen.org)

**2012 WINNER . . .**

*Ronald Sheppard of Bishop's Falls, (right) was the first prize winner in the 2012 angling log return draw. Leon King, Area Director, Central and Labrador, presented him with a rod donated by SAEN. Second prize went to Alonzo Turpin of Badger, NL and the third prize winner was Robert Brake of CBS.*

### FISHING IN NATIONAL PARKS

Special licences are required to fish inland waters in National Parks. These may be obtained from park administrative offices. Anglers should check with park officials on regulations that may apply within National Parks.

**Terra Nova National Park.....(709) 533-2801**  
**Gros Morne National Park.....(709) 458-2417**

### RETURNING SCIENTIFIC TAGS

Scientists tag salmon to learn more about their migration patterns and population size. Tags are usually located at the base of the dorsal (back) fin. A reward of \$10 is paid for tags returned with the appropriate information.

#### When retaining a salmon:

- Promptly return the tag to DFO at the address on the tag; **do not** wait until you return your angling log.
- Include the following information with the returned tag:
  - Date and location of capture (note that the fish was retained)
  - Fork length, whole weight, sex of fish and scale sample
  - Your name and mailing address

#### When releasing a salmon:

- Leave the tag on the fish, but record the number
- Communicate the number promptly to DFO, along with the date and location of release (note that the fish was released, and include your name and mailing address)

**For further information, please call (709) 772-4518.**



#### Law Enforcement Torch Run for Special Olympics Newfoundland and Labrador

To find out how you can get involved or contribute, please contact any of the Enforcement Departments and agencies below in your local area:

Royal Canadian Mounted Police  
Newfoundland & Labrador Corrections Services  
Canadian Military Police  
Department of Fish & Wildlife  
Service NL

Fisheries and Oceans Canada  
Royal Newfoundland Constabulary  
Memorial University Campus Enforcement  
Canadian Border Services Agency

**Special Olympics**  
*Newfoundland & Labrador*





### Conservation Highlights:

## Newfoundland & Labrador

The Atlantic Salmon Conservation Foundation (ASCF) is a non-profit organization established through a one-time grant of \$30 million from the Government of Canada. Interest income generated by this trust fund supports projects and activities contributing to conservation of wild Atlantic salmon and salmon habitat.

The Foundation helps achieve healthy and sustainable wild Atlantic salmon stocks in Atlantic

Canada and Quebec through active working partnerships among volunteer conservation groups, Aboriginal organizations, governments, and others.

Each year the Foundation calls for funding proposals for innovative, on-the-ground conservation projects focused on wild Atlantic salmon and its habitat carried-out by community groups. To learn about the Foundation and how to apply for funding please go to our website:

[www.salmonconservation.ca](http://www.salmonconservation.ca)



**Newfoundland & Labrador Projects funded by the ASCF:** The ASCF has awarded project funding to conservation partners in Newfoundland & Labrador each year since 2008. Conservation projects funded in 2012 included:

#### **Exploits River tributaries restoration**

Environmental Resources Management Association.  
Amount: \$18,000

#### **Rattling Brook restoration project**

Norris Arm and Area Economic Development Committee.  
Amount: \$35,000

#### **Labrador trap net research demonstration project**

Nunatukavut Community Council Labrador & Salmonid Council of Newfoundland and Labrador.  
Amount: \$8,600

*Photo credit: Norris Arm and Area Economic Development Committee*

## Annex 6

### SALMON RIVER CATCH DATA

The map insert in this guide includes rivers numbered 1 to 186, starting in northern Labrador and proceeding southerly and clockwise around the province's coastline by salmon angling zone. The following table reflects the 2012 preliminary catch data. Catch indicates small and large, retained and released. CPUE indicates catch-per-unit-of-effort (effort in rod days).

Zone	Rods	Catch	CPUE
Zone 1: Rivers 1 to 9			
1. Flowers River	433	978	2.26
2. Hunt River	No data		
3. Adlatok River	82	69	0.84
4. Ujutok River	No data		
5. Little Bay River	No data		
6. Big River	280	872	3.11
7. Michael's River	40	26	.65
8. Tom Luscombe River	166	207	1.25
9. Double Mer River	No data		
Zone 2: Rivers 10 to 16 and 178 to 186			
10. Eagle River	1212	1890	1.56
11. Sand Hill River	566	1017	1.80
12. Reid's Pond Brook	19	25	1.32
13. Hawke River	546	932	1.71
14. Gilbert River	No data		
15. Shinney's Water	66	19	0.29
16. Trout River (St. Mary's River)	264	149	0.56
178. St. Charles River	235	63	0.27
179. St. Lewis River	179	142	0.79
180. Port Marnham Brook	28	0	0.00
181. Alexis River	47	21	0.45
182. Black Bear River	No data		
183. Paradise River	160	187	1.17
184. White Bear River	122	50	0.41
185. Dykes River	9	0	0.00
186. North River	94	83	0.88

Zone	Rods	Catch	CPUE
<b>Zone 3: Rivers 17 to 34</b>			
17. Western Brook (Hare Bay)	226	119	0.53
18. Salmon River (Ariege) (Hare Bay)	4265	2545	0.60
19. East Brook (Easter Brook)	19	0	0.00
20. Northeast Brook (Chimney Bay)	207	71	0.34
21. Beaver Brook (Western Brook)	593	267	0.45
22. Northwest Brook (Canada Bay)	38	0	0.00
23. Cloud River	19	10	0.53
24. Souffletts River	94	165	1.76
25. Little Harbour Deep River	No data		
26. Coney Arm River	38	24	0.63
27. Main River (Sop's Arm)	1770	1242	0.70
28. Hampden River	38	19	0.50
29. Wild Cove Brook (White Bay)	No data		
30. Western Arm Brook (White Bay)	No data		
31. Middle Arm Brook	9	5	0.56
32. Southern Arm Brook	No data		
33. BaieVerte River	38	5	0.13
34. Woodstock Brook (Pacquet Brook)	9	5	0.56
<b>Zone 4: Rivers 35 to 54</b>			
35. Burlington River	75	15	0.20
36. Indian Brook (Indian River)	2881	1285	0.45
37. West River (Riverhead Brook)	621	277	0.45
38. South Brook	734	531	0.72
39. Tommy's Arm River	377	145	0.38
40. Northwest Arm Brook	No data		
41. West Arm Brook (Western Arm)	424	172	0.41
42. New Bay River (Pt. Leamington)	1478	508	0.34
43. Charles Brook	56	19	0.34
44. Northern Arm Brook	339	69	0.20
45. Peter's River	66	24	0.36
46. Exploits River	20968	9133	0.44
47. Rattling Brook	56	15	0.27
48. Campbellton River	1845	648	0.35
49. Dog Bay Rivers (Horwood River)	471	236	0.50



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Zone	Rods	Catch	CPUE
50. Gander River	16552	5234	0.32
51. Ragged Harbour River	461	106	0.23
52. Anchor Brook	122	19	0.16
53. Deadman's Brook	113	25	0.22
54. Windmill Brook	461	62	0.13
<b>Zone 5: Rivers 55 to 65</b>			
55. Northwest Brook (Indian Bay)	19	0	0.00
56. Indian Bay Brook	2118	1174	0.55
57. Northwest Brook, Trinity	No data		
58. Traverse Brook	772	576	0.75
59. Middle Brook (Gambo)	1601	555	0.35
60. Gambo Brook	2109	878	0.42
61. Northwest Brook, Alexander Bay	56	5	0.09
62. Terra Nova River	2090	789	0.38
63. Northwest River (Port Blandford)	113	15	0.13
64. Salmon Brook (Port Blandford)	No data		
65. Southwest Brook (Port Blandford)	235	98	0.42
<b>Zone 6: Rivers 66 to 71</b>			
66. Salmon Cove River (Champneys)	330	62	0.19
67. Trouty River	160	11	0.07
68. Pope's Harbour River	273	47	0.17
69. Shoal Harbour River	414	66	0.16
70. Deer Harbour River	No data		
71. Bellevue Brook	508	29	0.06
<b>Zone 7: Rivers 72 to 75</b>			
72. Salmon Cove River	75	18	0.24
73. North River	56	10	0.18
74. South River	No data		
75. North Arm River (Holyrood)	85	18	0.21
<b>Zone 8: River 76</b>			
76. Renews River	443	167	0.38
<b>Zone 9: Rivers 77 to 87</b>			
77. Biscay Bay River	424	200	0.47
78. Northeast Brook (Trepassey)	Closed to angling		
79. Northwest Brook (Trepassey)	292	24	0.08
80. Peter's River (St. Mary's Bay)	85	30	0.35
81. Salmonier River	2269	447	0.20

Zone	Rods	Catch	CPUE
82. Colinet River	791	96	0.12
83. Rocky River	0	0	0.00
84. North Harbour R (St. Mary's Bay)	339	110	0.32
85. Little Salmonier River (St. Mary's Bay)	188	104	0.55
86. Big Barachois Brook (St. Mary's Bay)	292	92	0.32
87. Branch River	311	231	0.74
<b>Zone 10: Rivers 88 to 107</b>			
88. Great Barasway Brook (Placentia Bay)	38	11	0.29
89. South East River (Placentia)	1271	202	0.16
90. Northeast River (Placentia)	904	190	0.21
91. Come-by-Chance River	433	298	0.69
92. Watson's Brook	No data		
93. North Harbour River	452	155	0.34
94. Black River	169	66	0.39
95. Piper's Hole River	2316	891	0.38
96. Nonsuch Brook	No data		
97. Cape Roger River	527	378	0.72
98. Bay de l'Eau River	1036	458	0.44
99. Red Harbour River	47	19	0.40
100. West Brook (NW Arm)	56	16	0.29
101. Tides Brook	282	57	0.20
102. Salmonier River, Burin	132	19	0.14
103. Little St. Lawrence River	38	16	0.42
104. Lawn River	113	69	0.61
105. Taylor's Bay River	No data		
106. Salmonier River (Lamaline)	56	10	0.18
107. Piercey's Brook	19	0	0.00
<b>Zone 11: Rivers 108 to 126</b>			
108. Grand Bank Brook	94	10	0.11
109. Garnish River	217	99	0.46
110. Long Harbour River (Fortune Bay)	292	153	0.52
111. Bay du Nord River	151	86	0.57
112. Simmons Brook	85	72	0.85
113. South West Brook	38	0	0.00
114. Old Bay Brook (Bay de l'Eau)	28	6	0.21
115. Taylor's Bay Brook	9	0	0.00

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Zone	Rods	Catch	CPUE
116. Conne River	989	646	0.65
117. Long Reach Brook	38	0	0.00
118. Alan's Cove Brook	19	0	0.00
119. Bottom Brook	75	16	0.21
120. Dollard Brook	264	80	0.30
121. Grey River	876	329	0.38
122. White Bear River	1158	236	0.20
123. Bay de Loup Brook	47	0	0.00
124. King's Harbour Brook	28	0	0.00
125. Grandy Brook	923	296	0.32
126. Cinq Cerf River	19	0	0.00
Zone 12: Rivers 127 to 134			
127. East Bay Brook, La Poile	No data		
128. La Poile River (North Bay)	508	73	0.14
129. Farmers Brook (Farmers Arm)	28	15	0.54
130. Garia Brook (River)	113	72	0.64
131. Burnt Island River	282	105	0.37
132. Isle aux Morts River	556	285	0.51
133. Grand Bay River	122	77	0.63
134. North West Brook	No data		
Zone 13: Rivers 135 to 152			
135. Bear Cove River	9	0	0.00
136. Little Codroy River	273	58	0.21
137. Great Codroy River	4359	1586	0.36
138. Highlands River	179	13	0.07
139. Crabbe's Brook	989	176	0.18
140. Middle Barachois Brook	28	19	0.68
141. Robinson's River	1864	736	0.39
142. Fischell's River	612	399	0.65
143. Flat Bay Brook	2476	602	0.24
144. Little Barachois Brook	320	174	0.54
145. Southwest and Bottom Brooks	2806	626	0.22
146. Harry's River	2994	542	0.18
147. Fox Island River	94	6	0.06
148. Serpentine River	932	343	0.37
149. Cook's Brook	Closed to angling		
150. Humber River	18784	5150	0.27

Zone	Rods	Catch	CPUE
151. Hughes Brook	No data		
152. Goose Arm Brook	282	77	0.27
<b>Zone 14A: Rivers 153 to 174</b>			
153. Trout River	160	19	0.12
154. Lomond River	2938	798	0.27
155. Deer Brook	829	282	0.34
156. Western Brook	No data		
157. Parsons Pond River	179	77	0.43
158. Portland Creek	1968	643	0.33
160. River of Ponds	2260	1282	0.57
161. Little Brook Pond	132	48	0.36
162. Torrent River	1968	919	0.47
163. East River (Big East River)	1064	760	0.71
164. Castor River	2344	1939	0.83
165. St. Genevieve River	1309	765	0.58
166. West River, St. Barbe	Closed to angling		
167. East River (Eastern Arm Brook)	56	29	0.52
168. Big Brook	47	30	0.64
169. Watts Bight Brook	132	54	0.41
170. Pincen's Brook	47	10	0.21
171. Parker's River (West Brook), Pistolet Bay	75	67	0.89
172. Bartlett's River	75	20	0.27
173. Upper Brook	132	10	0.08
174. East River, Pistolet Bay	9	0	0.00
<b>Zone 14B: Rivers 175 to 177</b>			
175. Forteau River	377	274	0.73
176. L'anse au Loup River	No data		
177. Pinware River	1968	1182	0.60

## ANGLING LINE:

Recorded message for in-season river openings,  
closures and other recreational fishing information

**709-772-4423**

The Angler's Guide is available at:

**[www.nfl.dfo-mpo.gc.ca](http://www.nfl.dfo-mpo.gc.ca)**

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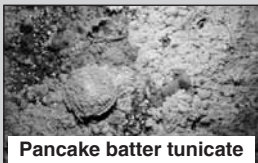
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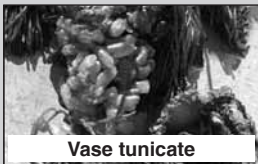
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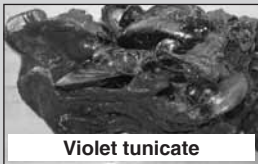
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Green crab



Violet tunicate



Oyster thief seaweed

# STOP THE INVASION

Aquatic Invasive Species are non-native animal or plant species that can attach themselves to boats and hide in fishing gear. They then invade new habitats, threatening local fisheries and aquaculture industries.

## You can help stop the invasion by following the three Rs:

### RECOGNIZE

- Learn about aquatic invasive species and how to recognize them

### REMOVE

- Clean aquatic plants and animals from your boat's hull and motor, and dispose of them in proper garbage and compost containers
- Wash your boat and gear and drain all waste on land
- Rinse and dry your boat and gear between locations
- Use anti-fouling paint on your boat to prevent invaders

### REPORT

- Report all sightings of invasive species to DFO at:  
**1-866-266-6603** or  
**info@dfo-mpo.gc.ca**

For more information visit  
[www.nfl.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/AIS-EAE](http://www.nfl.dfo-mpo.gc.ca/AIS-EAE)

## Fish Habitat and All-Terrain Vehicles

Every year, an increasing number of people in Newfoundland and Labrador are enjoying the use of all-terrain vehicles (ATVs) whether it's to explore the outdoors, haul a load of wood, carry gear to the cabin or travel to a favourite hunting or fishing spot. An ATV is a great way to travel, but operators should be aware of the potential impacts they can have on the environment.

Throughout our province, ATV operators encounter various types of fish habitat, such as streams, rivers, ponds, wetlands, and beaches. In fact, some people may be operating their ATVs through or near these areas without considering that it may be important habitat for many fish species.

In Newfoundland and Labrador's rivers and streams, brook trout and salmon spawn in the changeover area between riffles and pools. **Riffles** are relatively shallow areas with moderate flows and a mainly gravel, cobble bottom. Some boulders may also be present, which break the surface. **Pools** are deeper and have slower flows.

### Impacts to Fish Habitat

Driving an ATV along riverbanks and across rivers and streams can harm fish habitat by damaging the banks or bottom of the river or stream causing a sedimentation event that could result in:

- Reduced water quality and clarity
- Smothering of developing fish eggs, and spawning and rearing habitats
- Reduction of available food
- Crushing of fish eggs and fry
- Loss of vegetation that provides shelter

### Below are some fish friendly practices to keep in mind while riding your ATV

A good rule of thumb for ATV riders, as well as operators of any offroad vehicles, is to stay out of the water.

- Steer clear of wetlands, shorelines and waterbodies
- Avoid driving your ATV along beaches and streambanks
- Stick to established hard roads and trails
- Cross streams at bridges only
- Choose a large anchor tree when using a winch so that it can withstand the pull

If you must cross a stream because of an emergency or safety concern please:

- Cross where the approach is stable and has a low slope
- Cross at right angles to the stream
- Cross where the streambed is made of bedrock or large rubble
- Reduce your speed when crossing
- Avoid areas with vegetated, silty or sandy bottoms
- Keep your ATV in good repair, free of mud, oil and other harmful substances that could impair water quality

Fish habitat – both freshwater and marine – is protected under Canada's *Fisheries Act*. For inquiries about fish habitat please contact (709) 772-2443. If you notice an activity that is harmful to fish habitat please contact the nearest DFO Conservation and Protection office, listed on page 4.

## Use extreme caution in water near hydroelectric facilities



During the fishing season on the Exploits River, Nalcor Energy advise anglers to pay particular attention to the water levels in the vicinity of hydroelectric facilities at Millertown Dam, and the Grand Falls–Windsor and Bishop’s Falls generating stations.

Anglers are asked to please use extreme caution in these areas as water levels can change quickly without prior notice, which can create an unsafe condition for anyone in the immediate area.

[nalcorenergy.com](http://nalcorenergy.com)



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## BOATING SAFETY INFORMATION

### **Ensure your pleasure craft has what is needed for a safe trip:**

- Are there enough flotation devices of appropriate size for everyone on board? If you've made the initial investment to purchase and carry them, why not go a step further and wear one. A personal flotation device is the primary means of surviving an unexpected fall overboard, and will help to keep you afloat and warmer until help arrives.
- Is all of the required equipment in good working order? Are the batteries in the watertight flashlight working? Check to make sure flares have not expired.
- Do you have ample reserves of fuel for the trip? Do you have room to take extra fuel and spare engine parts?
- Is your VHF radio working properly?
- Do you have a first aid kit, basic tools and spare parts?

### **Take a minute to consider your safety preparedness:**

- Have you checked the weather forecast?
- What are the local hazards in the area you are heading?
- Guests should be told where the safety equipment is kept and how to use it. Check to see if anyone is competent to stand in as operator if you become ill or incapacitated.
- File a sail plan with a responsible person to let them know where you are going and when you'll be back. Instruct them to call a Marine Communications and Traffic Services Center if you are overdue. All boaters are encouraged to file a sail plan before heading out, even if it is just for an hour or two.

These are just a few things to consider before setting out. To be properly prepared, take a boating safety course.

Detailed boating safety information is available from Transport Canada's Office of Boating Safety at [www.boatingsafety.gc.ca](http://www.boatingsafety.gc.ca) or phone 1-800-230-3693.

## SAFE BOATING MESSAGES

1. Don't stand up in your boat — stand out by wearing a brightly coloured PFD
2. Do not consume alcohol or use it for treatment of hypothermia.
3. You don't have to fall in the water to suffer from hypothermia. Wear layers of light, warm clothing to protect yourself.
4. Shivering is one of the earliest signs of hypothermia
5. If you are, or your buddy is, showing signs of hypothermia, add heat slowly and gently to increase body temperature.

## Atlantic Salmon



**Name:**  
Atlantic salmon  
(*Salmo salar*)

**Where you might see it:**  
Are seen throughout rivers in all parts of Newfoundland and southern half of Labrador in freshwater and along entire coast of NL in the marine environment

**Notes:**

Vary tremendously in colour depending on the time of the year, location and stage of development. The Atlantic salmon, 'the silver leaper', has been called the king of fish, due primarily to their spectacular ability to clear seemingly insurmountable obstacles.

**Size:**  
Adult salmon can measure up to 150cm and weigh up to 39 kg

**Threats:**  
Low marine survival

**Diet:**  
Juveniles start with tiny invertebrates (e.g. blackflies, mayflies). Adults feed on arctic squid, sand eels and amphipods.

**Habitat:**

Atlantic salmon are distributed throughout the North Atlantic region of the northern hemisphere, they can travel between freshwater and the marine environment can but spawn only in freshwater.

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# SALMOMETER

## HOW BIG WAS THAT FISH?

The Atlantic Salmon Federation has devised a length/weight table, called a Salmometer. It enables the angler to estimate the weight of the salmon once its length has been measured. (In catch-and-release angling it is not advisable to weigh the fish; there is too great a danger of fatally injuring the fish.)

The length of the fish must be measured from the tip of the nose to the fork of the tail. Look up the length in the Salmometer, given in both inches and centimetres, to determine the weight, in pounds and kilograms, immediately to the right.

Length and weight data from different river systems were used to prepare the Salmometer. Salmon from other rivers may differ somewhat in shape, so the precise weight of your salmon may be slightly higher or lower than the figure given in the Salmometer.

in. / cm	lb. / kg	in. / cm	lb. / kg
19.0 / 48.3	2.7 / 1.22	36.0 / 91.4	18.2 / 8.26
19.5 / 49.5	2.9 / 1.32	36.5 / 92.7	19.0 / 8.62
20.0 / 50.8	3.1 / 1.41	37.0 / 94.0	19.7 / 8.94
21.0 / 53.3	3.4 / 1.54	38.0 / 96.5	21.2 / 9.62
21.5 / 54.6	3.8 / 1.72	38.5 / 97.8	22.0 / 9.98
22.0 / 55.9	4.2 / 1.91	39.0 / 99.1	22.7 / 10.30
22.5 / 57.2	4.6 / 2.09	39.5 / 100.3	23.5 / 10.66
23.0 / 58.4	5.0 / 2.27	40.0 / 101.6	24.2 / 10.98
23.5 / 59.7	5.4 / 2.45	40.5 / 102.9	25.0 / 11.34
24.0 / 61.0	5.8 / 2.63	41.0 / 104.1	25.7 / 11.66
24.5 / 62.2	6.2 / 2.81	41.5 / 105.4	26.5 / 12.02
25.0 / 63.5	6.6 / 3.00	42.0 / 106.7	27.2 / 12.34
25.5 / 64.8	7.0 / 3.18	42.5 / 108.0	28.0 / 12.70
26.0 / 66.0	7.4 / 3.36	43.0 / 109.2	28.7 / 13.02
26.5 / 67.3	7.8 / 3.54	43.5 / 110.5	29.5 / 13.38
27.0 / 68.6	8.2 / 3.72	44.0 / 111.8	30.3 / 13.74
27.5 / 69.9	8.6 / 3.90	44.5 / 113.0	31.0 / 14.06
28.0 / 71.1	9.0 / 4.08	45.0 / 114.3	31.8 / 14.42
28.5 / 72.4	9.4 / 4.27	45.5 / 115.6	32.5 / 14.74
29.0 / 73.7	9.8 / 4.45	46.0 / 116.8	33.3 / 15.10
29.5 / 74.9	10.3 / 4.67	46.5 / 118.1	34.0 / 15.42
30.0 / 76.2	10.7 / 4.85	47.0 / 119.4	34.8 / 15.79
30.5 / 77.5	11.1 / 5.03	47.5 / 120.7	35.5 / 16.10
31.0 / 78.7	11.6 / 5.26	48.0 / 121.9	36.3 / 16.47
31.5 / 80.0	12.0 / 5.44	48.5 / 123.2	37.0 / 16.78
32.0 / 81.3	12.4 / 5.62	49.0 / 124.5	37.8 / 17.15
32.5 / 82.6	13.0 / 5.90	49.5 / 125.7	38.5 / 17.46
33.0 / 83.8	13.7 / 6.21	50.0 / 127.0	39.3 / 17.83
33.5 / 85.1	14.5 / 6.58	50.5 / 128.3	40.0 / 18.14
34.0 / 86.4	15.2 / 6.90	51.0 / 129.5	40.8 / 18.51
34.5 / 87.6	16.0 / 7.26	51.5 / 130.8	41.5 / 18.82
35.0 / 88.9	16.7 / 7.58	52.0 / 132.1	42.3 / 19.19
35.5 / 90.2	17.5 / 7.94	52.5 / 133.4	43.0 / 19.50



# CONSERVATION & PROTECTION



## Do you have questions or concerns? Contact Fisheries and Oceans Canada Newfoundland and Labrador Region

### Area Offices

Eastern and Southern	(709) 772-5044
Central and Labrador	(709) 292-5170
Western	(709) 637-4332

### Detachment Offices

Bay Roberts	(709) 786-3960
Placentia	(709) 227-5911
Marystown	(709) 279-7863
Clareville	(709) 466-8272
Twillingate	(709) 884-2411
Springdale	(709) 673-5250
Stephenville	(709) 643-8000
Rocky Harbour	(709) 458-3082
St. Anthony	(709) 454-3076
Happy Valley-Goose Bay	(709) 896-6150

**Report Poaching Activity to Crime Stoppers  
1-800-222-TIPS (8477)**



**Poachers value your silence.**  
**Don't support them. Report them.**

Every time poachers take salmon they are stealing from our community. Poaching is illegal. Help put a stop to this crime. Protecting and preserving our fish is everyone's responsibility.

**Contact Crime Stoppers anonymously.**  
**1-800-222-TIPS (8477)**

[www.nlcrimestoppers.com](http://www.nlcrimestoppers.com)  
Text: TIP190 + message to 274637 (CRIMES)



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