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Governor's Message

Welcome to Maryland's 2006-2007 sport fishing seasons!

From mountain streams to the waters of the Chesapeake Bay -- and all the ponds, lakes and rivers between -- recreational fishing is an important part of Maryland's culture, heritage and quality of life. Fishing is a wholesome, healthy activity that brings together friends and families, and is enjoyed by both the young and the young-at-heart. We are proud to offer a diverse array of high quality fishing opportunities for all.

Fishing in Maryland is affordable and accessible. More than 700,000 people fish each year in Maryland (not including children under 16) with an estimated annual impact of \$1 billion on our economy. The fact that more than a third of our anglers visit from out of state is further testimony to the value and quality of our fishing resources.



Our recreational anglers are also vital stewards of our natural and living resources, working in concert with resource managers to protect our waterways, fishery resources and aquatic ecosystems. Together, we are working to ensure recreational fishing will always remain a Maryland tradition.

Plut J. Ellip. Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. Governor

Secretary's Message

Greetings fellow anglers! Did you know that revenues from Maryland sport fishing licenses directly support our ability to monitor, maintain, and therefore manage healthy fish stocks?

Non-tidal license fees help DNR manage stocks in inland waters where success stories abound. Outstanding, self-sustaining trout fisheries are now enjoyed in the Savage, Youghiogheny and Gunpowder Rivers as well as the Potomac's North Branch year-round. Tremendous walleye and tiger muskie fishing draws anglers from all over the East Coast. Panfish, bass and more populate our many accessible lakes and ponds. And trout stamp revenues support production of nearly 500,000 rainbow and brown trout annually, which are stocked in streams across the state.

In turn, Bay Sport License sales fund programs that manage Bay species.

In addition to world-renowned striped bass fishing, the Chesapeake and its tidal tributaries offer Atlantic croaker, white perch, yellow perch, bluefish, weakfish, summer flounder and blue crab.

DNR is at the forefront of integrating resource management to sustain healthy waterways for healthy fish stocks across the state. This ecosystem-based approach is what makes fishing in Maryland fun, exciting and memorable!

Ron Franke C. Ronald Franks Secretary

License Fees

(NONTIDAL WATERS)
Resident of the State of Maryland\$10.50
Resident of the State of Maryland 5-Day\$7.50
Nonresident
(\$20.50 minimum or reciprocal for state of residence whichever is greater)
Nonresident 3-Day or 5-DayVariable
(3-Day/\$5.00 or 5-Day/\$7.50 minimum or reciprocal for state of residence
whichever is greater)
Resident and Nonresident
Blind PersonLicense Required, No Fee
Consolidated Senior Resident
Sport fishing License\$5.00
Allows a person 65 years of age or older to fish:
Allows a person of years of age of older to fish:
1. In nontidal waters of the State of Maryland
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Consolidated Senior Resident License)

Replacement License Fees		
Resident and Nonresident\$1	.00	
Trout Stamp\$1	.00	
Fishermen who lose their licenses may obtain a replacement		
license from any DNR Regional Service Center. (see page	36)	

Trout Stamp.......\$5.00 (Not required for persons under 16 years of age or

License Requirements

A person may not fish the nontidal waters of Maryland without first obtaining a license. No fee is charged for licenses issued to blind persons or to former prisoners of war. The license shall be valid from January 1 through December 31 of each calendar year. However, a person may fish for finfish without a license in Maryland's nontidal waters if the person is:

- 1. Under 16 years of age.
- A resident of Maryland on active duty with Armed Forces, on leave with official orders.
- A patient of a veterans hospital hospitalized for service connected disability (must secure a permit issued by a special service officer of the American Red Cross granted by the Department).
- 4. A patient under treatment by a State-approved mental health facility or an individual who attends or resides in a State-approved retardation facility engaged in an approved therapeutic program which involves fishing activities
- 5. A person who fishes in nontidal waters of the State on free fishing days designated by the Secretary.
- A person holding a current consolidated senior sport fishing license.

- Owners or tenants, spouses, children or the spouse of their children residing on the property may fish from their riparian shoreline on nontidal waters.
- A person holding a valid Virginia or West Virginia fishing license may fish in the nontidal waters of the Potomac River.
- 9. A person holding a valid Pennsylvania or Maryland fishing license may fish only the Youghiogheny and Conowingo Reservoirs by boat. Shores and tributaries within Maryland may be fished only by persons holding an appropriate Maryland fishing license.

A Trout Stamp Is Required

- For anyone 16 years of age or older to fish in a "special trout management area" or possess trout taken from nontidal waters. Maryland residents holding a valid Consolidated Senior Resident Sport fishing License are exempt.
- Trout stamps are not required to possess trout taken from privately owned lakes or ponds or licensed fee fishing lakes or ponds that are stocked with trout artificially propagated by, or purchased from, persons licensed by the State to sell fish.

Fishing Guide License

Types Available

NT – allows licensee to provide fishing guide services only in nontidal waters

NTT – allows licensee to provide fishing guide services in nontidal waters and designated tidal

L – allows licensee to provide fishing guide services (paddler and oar only) in all waters of the State.

Documents Required by Applicant

- 1. A valid freshwater angler's license; if applicable.
- 2. A valid Chesapeake Bay Sport fishing license; if applicable
- 3. Any necessary stamps issued by the Department;
- A valid license issued by the U.S. Coast Guard, if operating a vessel;
- A valid copy of a Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation Certificate (CPR); and
- A valid copy of an American Red Cross First Aid Certification or equivalent.

Requirements differ for each license type. Contact a DNR Service Center for fees, fishing locations and restrictions.

It is Unlawful

- 1. To use more than 3 rods at one time (except for ice fishing) or more than 2 hooks per line.
- To use more than 5 rods (hand held devices) or tip-ups for ice fishing.
- To cut a hole through the ice measuring more than ten (10) inches in any direction for the purpose of ice fishing.
- 4 Bait Fish
 - a. To use a seine that exceeds 6 feet in length or 4 feet in depth to catch bait fish.
 - To take or possess more than 35 bait fish per person in any day from nontidal waters of the State. (This does not apply to live bait dealers).
 - To take bait fish of any description from any Putand-Take Fishing Areas or Special Management Areas for Trout

5. Spear Gun

- a. To use a spear or spear gun within 100 yards of any private or public swimming areas, scuba diver's flag, other than that used by the spear fisherman, vessel in the water or human being without specific advance permission.
- To use a spear or spear gun in State owned ponds, lakes or Put-and-Take Fishing Areas or Special Management Areas for Trout.
- c. To shoot any trout, walleye, striped bass, striped bass hybrid, northern pike, large and smallmouth bass, muskellunge or tiger musky, with a spear gun and spear in the nontidal waters of the State.

6. To use a trotline:

- Except in the mainstem of the Potomac and Monocacy Rivers.
- b. In any waters during April, May and June.
- c. In any waters between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., E.S.T.
- d. Made of metallic material.
- e. Having more than 75 single hooks.
- f. More than 300 feet in length.
- g. Baited with scale bait.
- h. To catch walleye, smallmouth bass or largemouth bass.

- Not identified with a metal tag securely attached to it showing the name and address of the person operating it.
- j. Anchored from one shore to the other.
- 7. In Deer and Swan Creeks in Harford County:
 - a. For a person to catch or attempt to catch fish other than by hook and line only, attached to a pole or rod, with line held in hand, attended in a manner that the fish voluntarily takes bait or lure in its mouth.
 - b. For a person to possess or use minnows for bait while fishing.
- 8. Bush-bobs/bank poles
 - a. For anyone other than a resident to use bushbobs or bank poles.
 - b. For residents to use more than 25 bush-bobs or bank poles, or any bush-bobs or bank poles having more than 1 hook to a pole or bob.
 - To use bush-bobs or bank poles except in the mainstems of the Potomac and Monocacy Rivers within Carroll, Washington and Frederick counties.
 - d. To use bush-bobs or bank poles between sunrise and sunser.
 - e. To use bush-bobs or bank poles on any streams stocked with trout.

9. Dip net

- a. For anyone other than a resident to use a dip net in:
- the Susquehanna River in Cecil and Harford counties.
- 2. Allegany and Washington counties.
- the Monocacy and Potomac Rivers in Carroll and Frederick counties.
- To use a dip net from April 16 to December 31 inclusive.
- c. To use a dip net within 50 yards of the mouth of a tributary or the breast of any dam.
- d. To use a dip net in waters of the State stocked with trout.

(Landing nets used to land fish are not considered dip nets.)

Mind Your Stream Manners

- Use good manners on the stream today to ensure access to your favorite fishing spots tomorrow. If fishing on private land, remember you are a guest of the landowner.
- · Ask permission of the landowner before entering.
- Treat the area, including trees, shrubs, grass, fences, etc., with respect.
- When departing, leave the area as clean as you found it littering is unlawful as well as bad manners.
- Do not obstruct driveways, cattleways or fields, or dig in or drive over cleared or cultivated lands

 these actions are also unlawful.

Import of Fish for Stocking

The Fisheries Service is responsible for the protection and management of fish populations across the state. To prevent the introduction of fish that may compete with native or naturalized species, it is unlawful to introduce any fish species except bluegill, sunfish, golden shiner, fathead minnow, channel catfish, and bait fish on a hook for the purpose of angling without written approval of the Freshwater Fisheries Division.

In order to import fish to Maryland, out-of-state suppliers must be registered with the Department. Companies must comply with the Maryland Fish Health Requirements to ensure that aquaculture operations do not adversely impact wild stocks of fish. Please do not release aquarium fish to the wild

To obtain information pertaining to permits, please contact the Annapolis office at 410-260-8317.

- e. For nonresidents to fish in nontidal waters
 of the State with nets of any description.
 However, nonresidents may use a net
 commonly known as a landing net to land fish
 caught by hook and line.
- f. To use a dip net to fish for any trout species, walleye, striped bass, striped bass hybrid, northern pike, large and smallmouth bass, muskellunge, or muskellunge hybrids (including tiger musky).
- g. For anyone to use a baited dip net by attaching an attractant to the net material or frame.
- 10. For a nonresident to gig at any time.
- 11. To use a gig, gig iron, nets, seines, fish pots or other fishing rigs, except as provided for by law or regulation.
- 12. To snag fish with hooks.
- 13. To remove the head and tail of fish in possession while at the fishing location. The head and tail shall remain attached in such a manner as to permit identification of fish species and total length.
- 14. To use a trap to catch turtles unless the top portion is exposed above the surface of water to prevent mortality.
- 15. To disturb, take, destroy or possess any terrapin eggs.
- 16. For a person to catch snapping turtles from waters of the State by hook and line, trotline, bow and arrow, spear gig or iron or any device capable of piercing any part of the turtle at any time.
- 17. To use a bow and arrow:
 - a. to shoot or attempt to shoot any fish in a Put-and-Take Fishing Areas or Special Management Areas for Trout.
 - b. to shoot or attempt to shoot any fish in statecontrolled community ponds or lakes. However,

- the Department may permit the taking of carp with bow and arrow, if the angler first obtains a valid freshwater fishing license.
- 18. To trespass or fish any waters closed to the public for fishing by the Department.
- 19. To operate any vehicle on any lands owned or controlled by the Freshwater Fisheries Division without written permission from the Division except on those roads, lanes or areas which are open to automobile traffic or which are specifically marked by the Division.
- 20. To camp on lands owned and controlled by the Freshwater Fisheries Division except on designated sites or with written permission.
- 21. To swim in any State controlled lake except in designated areas.
- 22. To cut any brush, trees or shrubbery on the C&O Canal National Historical Park unless authorized by the National Park Service of the Federal Government.
- 23. Battie Mixon Fishing Hole
 - To fish in Battie Mixon Fishing Hole in Allegany County between the hours of one hour after sunset and one hour before sunrise.
 - To use boats propelled by gasoline or diesel power on the waters of Battie Mixon Fishing Hole (electric motors only).
- 24. To throw, dump, deposit, or cause to be thrown, dumped or deposited any trash, junk or other refuse upon any of the waters of this State.
- 25. To fish any streams or nontidal waters stocked with trout between the hours of 10:00 p.m. and 5:30 a.m. (This does not apply to freshwater impoundments of five acres or more.)
- 26. To cull trout. "replacing a trout in possession with another trout."

Marvland Nontidal Hook & Line Fishing Seasons

(Open Year-Round Except as noted)

Bass (Largemouth And Smallmouth In Aggregate)

Minimum Size: 12 inches or as provided for by special regulations.

Creel Limit: Daily and Possession: 5 daily; 10 possession; in aggregate.

Closed March 1 through June 15.

Catch and release is permitted during closed season.

WALLEYE

Minimum Size: 15 inches year round, and during January 1 through April 15 the minimum size is 15 inches with a maximum size of 20 inches, in the Potomac River mainstem approximately 0.5 miles upriver from Chain Bridge upstream to the spillway in Cumberland.

Creel Limit: Daily and Possession: 5

There is no closed season for the Walleve, except on Deep Creek Lake and the Youghiogheny River downstream of Route 42 bridge from March 1 through April 15.

CHAIN PICKEREL (Pike)

Minimum Size: 14 inches

Open Year Round

Creel Limit: Daily and Possession: 5

NORTHERN PIKE

Minimum Size: 30 inches

Open Year Round

Creel Limit: Daily and Possession: 2

MUSKELLUNGE AND HYBRID (Tiger Muskie)

Minimum Size: 36 inches

Open Year Round

Creel Limit: Daily and Possession: 1 in aggregate

HERRING

Minimum Size: None

Open Season: January 1 through June 5

Creel Limit: None

AMERICAN EEL

Minimum Size: 6 inches

Open Year Round

Creel Limit: Daily and Possession: 25

Eels may not be taken by gig in any Put-and-Take Trout Fishing Areas or Special Fisheries Management Areas for Trout.

STRIPED BASS (Rockfish And Hybrid Striped Bass)

Special Regulations - See page 13

YELLOW PERCH

Minimum Size: 9 inches

Open Year Round

Creel Limit: Daily and Possession: 5

No minimum size or creel if caught in nontidal lakes or ponds. (See page 13 for rivers, streams and tidal information.)

WHITE PERCH

Minimum Size: None

Open Year Round

Creel Limit: Daily and Possession: None

TROUT - STATEWIDE (All Species Of Trout)

Minimum Size: None – Except when otherwise noted

Creel Limit: Daily and Possession: 2 daily and possession, in aggregate. Except as provided for by special regulations.

TROUT - PUT-AND-TAKE AREAS (All Species Of Trout) Minimum Size: See stocking closures on page 14.

Creel Limit: Daily and Possession: 5 daily, in aggregate.

TROUT - ZERO CREEL AND POSSESSION LIMIT

Open Year Round - North Branch Potomac River from upper Potomac River Commission Wastewater Treatment Plant at Westernport downstream to Route 956 bridge at Pinto.

CRAPPIE

Minimum Size: None

Open Year Round

Creel Limit: Daily and Possession: 15 daily; 30 possession; in aggregate

CARP

Minimum Size: None

Open Year Round

Creel Limit: Daily and Possession: 15 daily; 30

possession; in aggregate

AMERICAN (WHITE) SHAD AND

HICKORY SHAD - NO OPEN SEASON

CHANNEL CATFISH

Minimum Size: None

Open Year Round

Creel Limit: Daily and Possession: 5 daily; 10 possession

Bait Restrictions for Madtoms

Creel Limit: Daily and Possession: 35 daily

SUNFISH, INCLUDING BLUEGILLS AND ROCK BASS

(Commonly known as Red Eye or Goggle-Eye)

Minimum Size: None

Creel Limit: Daily and Possession: 15 daily; 30 possession; in aggregate

SUCKERS

Minimum Size: None

Open Year Round

Creel Limit: Daily and Possession: 30 daily; 60 possession

BIVALVE/SHELLFISH (MUSSELS AND CLAMS) No Open Season

ALL OTHER FISH SPECIES have no size or creel limits and no closed season. Fish caught during closed season shall be returned to waters of the state immediately after being caught. Fish with size limits are measured from the tip of the nose to the end of the tail or caudal fin

Special Fishing Area, Youghiogheny Reservoir

All of that portion of the Youghiogheny Reservoir proper lying within Maryland defined by red posts along the Youghiogheny River, Mill Run, Buffalo Run and all that area downstream shall constitute the Special Youghiogheny Fishing Area and be governed by the following seasons, minimum size limits and creel limits. These laws and regulations have been set forth for 2006 – 2007 by the Pennsylvania Fish Commission in accordance with a reciprocal agreement between Maryland and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

ALL SPECIES OF TROUT AND SALMON

Regular Season: 8 a.m. the first Saturday after April 11 to midnight Labor Day.

Minimum Size: 7 inches / *Daily Limit:* 5 (combined species)

Extended Season: All approved trout waters and downstream plus lakes and ponds. January 1 through the last day of February, and the day after Labor Day through December 31. Minimum Size: 7 inches / Daily Limit: 3 (combined species)

BASS - LARGEMOUTH, SMALLMOUTH AND SPOTTED

Season: January 1 through midnight the day before opening day of regular trout season and November 1 through December 31.

Minimum Size: 15 inches / Daily Limit: 4 (combined species)

Season: The opening day of regular trout season through June 11.

No Harvest – Catch and immediate release only, no tournaments permitted.

Season: The first Saturday after June 11 through October 31.

Minimum Size: 12 inches / *Daily Limit:* 6 (combined species)

MUSKELLUNGE AND MUSKELLUNGE HYBRID

Season: January 1 through March 14, and the first Saturday through December 31.

Minimum Size: 30 inches / *Daily Limit:* 2 (combined species)

PICKEREL

Season: January 1 through March 14 and December 1 through December 31.

Minimum Size: 15 inches Daily Limit: 3

May 1 through November 30

Minimum Size: 15 inches Daily Limit: 6

PIKE NORTHERN AMUR

Season: January 1 through March 14 and the first Saturday in May through December 31.

Minimum Size: 24 inches / *Daily Limit:* 2 (combined species)

WALLEYF

Season: January 1 through March 14 and the first Saturday in May through December 31.

Minimum Size: 15 inches / Daily Limit: 6
SAUGER

Season: January 1 through March 14 and the first Saturday in May through December 31.

Minimum Size: 12 inches / Daily Limit: 6

AMERICAN SHAD

Open Year Round / Minimum Size: None **Daily Limit:** 6

HERRING AND GIZZARD SHAD

Open Year Round | Minimum Size: None *Daily Limit:* 50 (combine species)

STRIPED BASS AND STRIPED BASS/WHITE BASS HYBRID

Open Year Round

Minimum Size: 20 inches / *Daily Limit:* 2 (combined species)

SUNFISH, YELLOW PERCH, WHITE PERCH, CRAPPIES, CATFISH, ROCK BASS, SUCKERS, CARP

AND WHITE BASS

Open Year Round

Minimum Size: None

Daily Limit: 50 (combined species)

BAIT FISH, FISH BAIT (EXCEPT MUD BUGS)

Season: Open Year Round

Minimum Size: None / Daily Limit: 50 (combined species)

MUD BUGS (Dragonfly Nymphs)

Season: Open Year Round

Minimum Size: None / Daily Limit: Unlimited if taken from lakes, ponds, swamps and adjacent areas. 50 per day if taken from rivers and streams.

AMERICAN EEL (As Bait Fish)

Season: Open Year Round

Minimum Size: 6 inches to 8 inches

Daily Limit: 50

PADDLEFISH

Season: Closed Year Round

Special Fisheries Management Areas

Special Trout Management Areas

Catch and Return Trout Fishing Areas Limited to Artificial Fly Fishing Only

- 1. Special provisions in effect on these areas:
 - A person may not have any trout in possession while fishing in these areas. All trout which are caught shall be released and returned to the water.
 - b. A person may fish only with artificial flies and streamers constructed using natural and/or synthetic materials (which may include feathers, fur, hair, tinsel, thread, fiber, plastic, cork and rubber) on a single hook with the components wound on or about the hook. Weights or sinkers may be built into the fly or streamer or fixed on the leader. Specifically prohibited are the use of molded replicas of insects, earthworms, fish eggs, fish or any invertebrate or vertebrate either singly or in combination with other materials, or other lures commonly described as spinners, spoons, or plugs made of metal, plastic, wood, rubber or similar substance or a combination of these.
 - c. A person may fish only with conventional fly fishing tackle (fly rods, fly reels, and fly line with a maximum of 18 feet of leader or monofilament line attached). Any method of angling when the fly is cast directly from the reel is prohibited. The use of spinning, spincast, and casting reels is prohibited.
 - d. Except for artificial flies and streamers, a person may not use or possess any natural bait, bait fish, fish bait, scents or natural or synthetic devices capable of catching fish.

e. The open season is Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, inclusive.

2. Areas subject to provisions of this section:

- a. Big Hunting Creek, Frederick County. All waters
 of Big Hunting Creek and its tributaries within
 Cunningham Falls State Park and Catoctin
 Mountain Park except Owens Creek, Little
 Hunting Creek, Cunningham Falls Lake and
 Frank Bentz Pond.
- b. Beaver Creek, Washington County. From the confluence with Black Rock Creek downstream approximately 1 mile to a red post located 0.1 mile above Beaver Creek Road
- Patuxent River, Montgomery and Howard
 Counties. From red bank posts located on both
 sides of the river, approximately 400 yards below
 Brighton Dam downstream to Mink Hollow

Catch and Return Trout Fishing Areas

Limited to Use of Artificial Lures Only

1. Special provisions in effect on these areas:

- a. A person may not have any trout in possession while fishing in these areas. All trout which are caught shall be released and returned to the water.
- b. A person may fish only with artificial lures, including artificial flies.
- c. The use or possession of any natural bait, bait fish, fish bait, scents, or any other devices capable of catching fish other than artificial lures and artificial flies (see definition on page 13) is prohibited.
- d. The open season is Jan. 1 through Dec. 31, inclusive.

Put 'em Back Alive

Use of barbless hooks is recommended in special fishery management areas and for those anglers that release some or all of the fish they catch. Although use of barbless hooks does not appear to significantly increase the chance of a released fish surviving, there are benefits. Barbless hooks are easier to remove, thereby reducing the amount of stress from handling when removing a hook. Injuries to fish which cause scarring and loss of mouth parts are also reduced. Barbless hooks also have the added advantage of being easier to remove from an angler's skin after an errant cast.

Because barbless hooks may not be available at tackle retailers, you can easily make your own by breaking, filing or pinching down the barbs on regular hooks. Give barbless hooks a try, ou may be surprised to find that you catch more fish.

2. Areas subject to provisions of this section:

- a. Patuxent River, Howard and Montgomery counties. The mainstem of the Patuxent River from the crossing of Maryland Route 97 upstream to the crossing of Maryland Route 27 and Cabin Branch from its confluence with the Patuxent River upstream to Hipsleys Mill Road.
- Morgan Run, Carroll County. From bridge on London Bridges Road upstream to bridge on Maryland Route 97.
- c. Paint Branch and tributaries, Montgomery County. Upstream of Fairland Road.
- d. Gunpowder Falls, Baltimore County. Mainstem from Prettyboy Reservoir Dam downstream to Bluemount Road
- e. North Branch Potomac River from the mouth of unnamed tributary at Bench Mark 1218 on the Westernport U.S.G.S. Quadrangle downstream approximately 0.75 mile to a red post, located approximately 100 yards above the upstream concrete abutments at Barnum, West Virginia, and from a red post located below a pool known as Blue Hole, approximately 1/3 mile upstream of Bench Mark 1110 on the Westernport U.S.G.S. Quadrangle, downstream approximately 4 miles to the confluence of Piney Swamp Run.
- f. Youghiogheny River, Garrett County. Mainstem beginning at a red post approximately 100 yards upstream of the Deep Creek Lake tailrace and extending downstream 4 miles to the Sang Run Bridge.
- g. Little Hunting Creek, Frederick County. Mainstem from a red post located approximately 0.25 mile downstream of Route 806, upstream approximately 1 mile to the upper boundary of Cunningham Falls State Park Manor Area.

Trophy Trout Fishing Areas

Limited to Use of Artificial Lures Only

- 1. The following provisions apply to this area:
 - a. Open Season There is no closed season.
 - b. Creel Limit (all species of trout) in aggregate 2 Daily / 2 Possession.
 - Minimum Size Brook Trout is 12 inches;
 Brown Trout is 18 inches; and for all other species of trout there is no minimum size.
 - d. A person may not have in possession any trout smaller than the minimum size limit in effect for this area.
 - e. A person may fish only with artificial lures, including artificial flies. Treble hooks are prohibited. Each artificial lure is restricted to a single hook with a single hook point.

- f. Except for artificial lures and artificial flies, a person may not possess or use any natural bait, fish bait, bait fish, scents, or natural or synthetic device capable of catching fish while fishing in this area.
- 2. Area subject to these provisions:
 - Savage River mainstem from its mouth upstream for a distance of approximately 2.7 miles to the lower suspension bridge (Allegany Bridge).

Trophy Trout Fishing Areas

Limited to Use of Artificial Flies Only

- 1. The following provisions apply to this area:
 - a. Open Season there is no closed season.
 - b. Creel Limit (all species of trout) in aggregate -
 - 2 Daily / 2 Possession.
 - Minimum Size Brook Trout is 12 inches;
 Brown Trout is 18 inches; and for all other species of trout there is no minimum size.
 - d. A person may fish only with artificial flies and streamers.
 - e. The use or possession of any natural bait, bait fish, fish bait, scents, or natural or synthetic devices capable of catching fish other than artificial flies is prohibited in this area.
 - f. A person may not have in possession any trout smaller than the minimum size limit in effect for this area
 - g. A person may fish only with convential fly fishing tackle. Casting the fly directly from the reel, spinning and spin casting tackle and casting reels are prohibited.
- 2. Area subject to these provisions:
 - a. Savage River mainstem from the Savage River Reservoir Dam downstream to the lower suspension bridge (Allegany Bridge).

Delayed Harvest Trout Fishing Areas

- 1. Special requirements in effect for these areas:
 - a. From June 16 through September 30 the daily creel limit and possession limit is two trout (all species of trout in aggregate). During this period no special bait, lure or tackle restrictions are in effect.
 - b. From October 1 through June 15 a person may not keep or have any trout in possession while fishing in these areas. A person may fish only with artificial lures, including artificial flies and streamers. The use or possession of any natural bait, bait fish, fish bait, scents or natural or synthetic devices capable of catching fish other than artificial lures is prohibited.

- 2. Areas subject to the provision of this section:
 - Casselman River mainstem. From the southside of the Interstate Route 68 eastbound bridge downstream to the Pennsylvania State Line.
 - b. Town Creek mainstem. That portion of Town
 Creek lying within Green Ridge State Forest
 from a red post located approximately 0.75 miles
 downstream of the upper ford on Lower Town
 Creek Road, just south of the Wagner Road
 intersection, downstream to a red post located
 just upstream of the lower ford on Lower Town
 Creek Road (Mallory Place); and from a red
 post located approximately 0.5 mile downstream
 of Maniford Road to a red post located
 approximately 1.75 miles downstream (Bull Ring
 Rapch)
 - c. North Branch Potomac River mainstem. That portion of the North Branch Potomac River from the lowermost boundary of the Potomac State Forest near Lostland Run to the uppermost boundary of the Potomac State Forest at Wallman.
 - Middle Patuxent River in Howard County, from Route 29 downstream approximately 2.0 miles to Murray Hill Road.
 - e. Savage River mainstem above Savage River Reservoir from Poplar Lick Run upstream to Merrill Bridge at Westernport Road.

Trout Fishing Areas

Limited to Fishing by Persons Under Sixteen Years of Age, Sixty-Five Years Old or Older and Blind Persons

- 1. Special provisions in effect on these areas:
 - a. Fishing in these areas are limited to persons under 16 years old, persons 65 years old and older and blind persons.
 - b. All regulations which apply to Put-and-Take
 Trout Fishing Areas, shall apply to these special
 trout management areas.
- 2. Areas subject to provisions of this section:
 - Jones Falls, Baltimore County. That portion of Jones Falls and tributaries above Stevenson Road to their source.
 - b. Laurel Run (Moscow) Allegany County.
 - c. Avalon Pond, Baltimore County.
 - d. Pangborn Pond, Washington County.
 - e. Rising Sun Pond, Cecil County. Restrictions for 16, 65, Blind in effect from March 1 through May 15. On May 16, the area returns to limited harvest with no age restriction.
 - f. Lion's Park Pond, (Frostburg) Allegany County.

Youth and Blind Fishing Areas

- The following special regulations are in effect on these areas:
 - Fishing in these areas is limited to persons under 16 years old and blind persons.
 - b. Regulations which apply to Put-and-Take Trout Fishing Areas shall apply to these areas.
- 2. Areas subject to provisions of this section:
 - a. Carroll Creek, Frederick County, from a red post located 300 yards upstream of Baughmans Lane, downstream to the dam at College Avenue.
 - b. George's Creek, Allegany County, from upper extent of Town Park in Westernport downstream approximately one mile to Washington Street Bridge near confluence of George's Creek with North Branch Potomac River.
 - c. Glades Park Pond, Garrett County, on Liberty Street in Oakland.
 - d. Little Tonoloway Creek within Weidmeyer Park in Hancock.
 - Little Antietam Creek, Washington County, at Keedysville, from Coffman Farms Road downstream to Route 34.

Put-and-Take/Catch-and-Return Trout Fishing Area

- 1. Special requirements in effect for these areas:
 - a. From March 1 through May 31 the daily creel limit and possession limit is 5 trout, all species in aggregate. During this period no special bait, lure, or tackle restrictions are in effect. The stream is subject to 1 and 4 Put-and-Take stream closure dates.
 - b. From June 1 through the last day of February, a person may not keep or have any trout in possession while fishing in these areas. Except for artificial lures, a person may not possess or use any natural bait, bait fish, fish bait, scents, or natural or synthetic devices capable of catching fish.
- 2. The area subject to the provisions of this section is:
 - a. Owens Creek, Frederick County. Mainstem from Raven Rock Road downstream to Roddy Road.

Special Bass Management Areas

Trophy Largemouth Bass and Smallmouth Bass Fishing Areas

 The following special regulations are in effect on these areas during the open season for largemouth and smallmouth bass:

- A person may possess 5 bass (largemouth and smallmouth bass in aggregate) per day while fishing in these areas.
- A person may not possess any largemouth bass or smallmouth bass from 11 inches up to, but not including 15 inches total length while fishing in these areas
- A person may possess one largemouth or smallmouth bass per day, 15 inches or over, as part of the 5 bass per day limit, in these areas.
- 2. The areas subject to these provisions are:
 - a. Blair Valley Lake, Washington County.
 - b. Centennial Lake, Howard County.
 - All ponds located within the Chesapeake Ranch Estates, Calvert County.
 - d. Johnson Pond, Wicomico County.
 - e. Leonard Mill Pond, Wicomico County.
 - f. Little Seneca Lake, Montgomery County.
 - g. All ponds located within the Patuxent Naval Air Test Center, St. Mary's County.
 - h. St. Mary's Lake, Route 5, St. Mary's County.

Catch-and-Return Bass Fishing Areas

- 1. Special provisions in effect for Catch-and-Return bass areas are that a person:
 - a. who catches a largemouth or smallmouth bass shall immediately release that bass in the water where it was caught.
 - may not possess largemouth or smallmouth bass while on the water within the designated Catchand-Return areas.
- 2. The areas subject to these provisions are:
 - a. Potomac River from Dam No. 2 (Seneca Breaks) upstream to the mouth of the Monocacy River;
 - Monocacy River from the Potomac River upstream to Buckeystown Dam.

Leave No Trace

Outdoor Ethics

Take your trash and that of others with you.

Pack it in - Pack it out.

Do not dispose of unused

bait on or near the water and clean your fish at home. Be considerate of others and their outdoor experience. Avoid impacting stream banks and lake sides. Know your local and state fishing regulations.

- North Branch Potomac River, from the spillway in Cumberland upstream approximately 25 miles to Route 220 bridge at Keyser, West Virginia.
- d. Patapsco River from Interstate 70 downstream to Route 144 (Frederick Road).
- e. Wheatley Lake, Charles County.

Maximum Size Bass Fishing Area

- 1. Special requirements in effect in this area:
 - a. A person may possess five bass under 12 inches in total length (largemouth and smallmouth in aggregate) per day while fishing in this area.
 - b. All bass 12 inches in total length and longer shall be returned immediately to the water.
- 2. The areas subject to these provisions are:
 - a. Potomac River from Dam No. 3 to Dam 4.

Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass Tidal Regulations

- 1. The following provisions shall apply to the tidal waters of Maryland.
 - a. An individual may not catch largemouth or smallmouth bass in any manner in the tidal waters of Maryland except with rod or hook and line using natural or artificial baits.
 - An individual shall immediately return unharmed to the water any largemouth or smallmouth bass caught in a net, seine or other devices while engaged in fishing.
 - An individual may not sell, offer to buy or sell, expose for sale, or purchase any largemouth or smallmouth bass.
 - d. An individual may not possess any largemouth or smallmouth bass while fishing on the Pocomoke River and its tributaries from July 15 through August 31.
 - e. Minimum Size: March 1 through June 15 15 inches and from June 16 through the end of February 12 inches.
 Creel Limit: 5 per day, year round.

Special Management – All Species

Limited Harvest Fishing Areas

- 1. The following special requirements are in effect in these areas:
 - a. A person may possess not more than 10 fish, only one of which can be a largemouth bass, while fishing in these areas.
 - b. If these areas are also on the put-and-take trout

Definitions

The following definitions are included as a guide to the angler in interpreting freshwater fishing regulations contained in this booklet. They are not necessarily all inclusive, but are intended to assist the angler.

Artificial Fly – A lure constructed by winding natural or synthetic material such as feathers, fur, hair, tinsel, thread, plastic, cork, or rubber on or about the hook, and designed to be cast by means of a fly rod.

Artificial Lure – Following is a partial list of items considered artificial lures: spinners, spoons, plugs and molded facsimiles of worms, insects and fish. For the purposes of these regulations, artificial flies and streamers are considered to be artificial lures.

Bait – Any item that emits an odor or scent such as worms, minnows, crayfish, insects, doughballs, corn, cheese, bread, meat and marshmallows. The addition of any scent to an artificial lure or fly to make it smell like bait. makes it bait.

fishing list, up to 5 fish of the 10 fish limit may be trout species.

- A person may possess one largemouth bass per day not to exceed 15 inches maximum size while fishing in these areas.
- 2. The areas subject to these provisions are:
 - a. Allens Pond, Prince George's County.
 - Bowie Town Center Pond, Prince George's County.
 - c. Cosca Lake, Prince George's County.
 - d. Farm Museum Pond, Carroll County.
 - e. Greenbelt Lake, Prince George's County.
 - f. Hughesville Pond, Charles County.
 - g. Hutchins Pond, Calvert County.
 - h. Lake Artemesia, Prince George's County.
 - All ponds located within the Merkle Wildlife Management areas, Prince George's County.
 - j. Milltown Landing Pond, Prince George's County.
 - k. Myrtle Grove Pond, Charles County.
 - l. Pemberton Pond, Wicomico County.
 - m. Rising Sun Pond, Cecil County.
 - n. Roberts Field Pond, Carroll County.
 - Taneytown Rod & Gun Club Pond, Carroll County.
 - p. Tucker Pond, Prince George's County.
 - q. Westminster Community Pond, Carroll County.
 - r. South Germantown Park Pond, Montgomery
 County, in South Germantown Park off Schaeffer
 Road.

Impoundments Limited to Catch-and-Return Fishing

- 1. The following provisions shall apply to these areas:
 - a. A person may not possess any fish caught from these areas or have any fish in possession in

- these areas. All fish caught shall be released and returned to the water.
- 2. The areas subject to these provisions are:
 - a. Lake Hashawha, Carroll County.
 - b. Upper John Owings Pond, Carroll County.
 - c. Waterworks Park, Annapolis, Anne Arundel County.
 - d. Governor's Bridge Natural Area Pond (old Izaak Walton Pond), off Governor Bridge Road, Prince George's County.

Yellow Perch Regulations

- Yellow Perch cannot be harvested from the following nontidal or tidal rivers and/or watersheds:
 - a. Magothy River b. Nanticoke River
 - c. Patapsco River
- d. Severn River
- e. South River
- f. West River
- 2. Creel Limit 5 in possession per person per day from the waters of the State.
- Tidal and Nontidal Minimum Size: 9 inches NOTE: There is no minimum size or creel limits for yellow perch caught in reservoirs, lakes, ponds or freshwater impoundments.

Nontidal Striped Bass

Striped bass and hybrid striped bass in nontidal waters may be taken only from Liberty Reservoir, Piney Run Reservoir, Triadelphia Reservoir, Conowingo Reservoir and Rocky Gorge Reservoir

Open Season: No closed season

Minimum Size: 18 inches

Creel Limit: 2 striped bass/striped bass hybrid per day, only one of which may be over 30 inches.

2006-2007 Put-and-Take Trout Fishing Areas

Put-and Take Trout Fishing Areas are closed to all fishing from 10.00 p.m. of the first date, to 5:30 a.m. of the second date, during each of the closure periods listed in the following schedule.

Closure Schedule		Road; and from Cromwell Bridge downstream to
2006	2007	the Interstate Route 95 bridge
0 – No Closure	0 – No Closure	Gwynn Oak Park Pond0
1 - March 5 to March 25	1 - March 11 to March 31	Gwynnbrook Pond2
2 - March 19 to March 25	2 - March 25 to March 31	Gwynns Falls – mainstem below Route 140 0
3 – April 9 to April 15	3 – April 15 to April 21	Herring Run – mainstem 0
4 – April 16 to April 22	4 – April 22 to April 28	Jones Falls – mainstem below Lake Roland 0
	•	Liberty Reservoir 0
Fishing Hours		Little Falls – mainstem from Wiseburg Road
From 5:30 a.m. to 10:00	p.m., except as provided	upstream to Valley Mill Road
for by special regulation	or where more restrictive	Little Gunpowder Falls – mainstem from Jericho
fishing hours are posted.		Road upstream to Route 165
Creel Limit		Patapsco River – mainstem from the B&O Viaduct
(all species of trout in aggr	regate) – 5 daily /5 in	upstream to Blodes Dam
possession		Prettyboy Reservoir0
Minimum Size		Stansbury Park Pond
(all species of trout) - No	minimum size restriction	CALVERT AND CHARLES COUNTIES
The following areas are	subject to	Calvert Cliffs Pond 0
these regulations:		Hughesville Pond0
ALLEGANY COUNTY		Hutchins Pond0
Battie Mixon Ponds	0	Myrtle Grove Wildlife Management area
Cotton Cove Pond in Lio	n's Park Glendenning	- all ponds 0
Recreational Complex as	t Frostburg2	Wheatley Lake 0
Dans Mountain Pond	0	CAROLINE AND QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTIES
Evitts Creek - mainstem u	apstream of Interstate	Tuckahoe Creek and impoundments above
Route 68		abandoned stone railroad bridge upstream of
Evitts Creek Ponds	0	Route 404 0
Fifteen Mile Creek Waters	shed 1, 4	CARROLL COUNTY
Flintstone Creek Watersho	ed 1, 3	Beaver Run – upstream of Route 91
Georges Creek – mainstem f	rom the upper extent of Town	Farm Museum Pond
Park in Westernport upstre	am to Neff Run1, 3	Liberty Reservoir0
Jennings Run – mainstem	downstream of the	South Branch Patapsco River - mainstem from West
confluence of North Jen	nings Run 2, 3	Friendship Road (Howard County side) and Main
Lake Habeeb (Rocky Gap	Lake) 0	Street (Carroll County side) at Sykesville
North Jennings Run Wate	ershed 1, 3	downstream to its confluence with the North
Orchard Pond	0	Branch Patapsco River
White Sulfur Pond	0	Piney Run – mainstem downstream from
Wills Creek – mainstem u	pstream of the confluence	Arrington Road
of Braddock Run		Piney Run Reservoir 0
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY		Taneytown Rod and Gun Pond 0
	0	Westminster Pond
Severn Run – mainstem u	pstream of Route 3 1, 4	CECIL COUNTY
BALTIMORE COUNTY AND	BALTIMORE CITY	Big Elk Creek – mainstem from the bridge at Route
Gunpowder Falls – mains	*	277 upstream to the Pennsylvania State Line 1,4
located 1.6 miles downs	tream of Corbett Road	Howards Pond0
downstream to the hike		Principio Creek - mainstem upstream of Route 7 1, 4
approximately one mile	downstream of Phoenix	

FREDERICK COUNTY	upstream to Poplar Lick
Cunningham Falls Lake2	Snowy Creek mainstem 0
Fishing Creek – left fork (also known as Steep Creek)	Youghiogheny River - mainstem upstream of the
above the confluence with Little Fishing Creek	junction of Muddy Creek and from the bridge at
upstream of Fishing Creek Reservoir	Interstate 68 downstream 2 miles to red posts 0
Frank Bentz Pond2	HARFORD COUNTY
Friends Creek Watershed	Deer Creek - mainstem from 1 mile south of Rocks
Hamburg Pond2	State Park upstream to the bridge at Route 23 1, 3
Middle Creek – mainstem from the Route 17 bridge	Forest Hill Pond
near the junction of Bittle Road upstream to the	Little Gunpowder Falls – mainstem from Jericho
confluence of Spruce Run	Road upstream to Route 165
Middletown Pond 0	HOWARD COUNTY, MONTGOMERY COUNTY
Owens Creek – mainstem from Raven Rock Road	AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY
downstream to Roddy Road (see page 27) 1, 4	Allen's Pond0
Rainbow Lake	Centennial Lake 0
Urbana Lake0	Cosca Lake0
Whiskey Springs Pond	Elkhorn Lake0
Whittier Lake 0	Great Seneca Creek – from Route 28 upstream to
Woodsboro Community Pond0	Route 355
GARRETT COUNTY	Greenbelt Lake0
Accident Pond	Izaak Walton Pond
Bear Creek – mainstem	Lake Artemesia 0
Broadford Lake0	Lake Needwood0
Deep Creek Lake 0	Laurel Lakes0
Herrington Creek – mainstem	Martin Luther King, Jr. Park Pond 2
Herrington Lake	Melwood Pond 0
Jennings Randolph Lake 0	Northwest Branch Watershed – upstream of
Little Youghiogheny River – mainstem from Route 219	Route 410 to Norwood Road 2
downstream to the Youghiogheny River1, 4	Patuxent River – mainstem from base of
Mill Run – mainstem downstream of Frazee Rd 1, 4	Rocky Gorge Reservoir Dam in Laurel downstream
Muddy Creek – mainstem 1, 4	to the B&O Railroad crossing
New Germany Lake 1	Pine Lake2
North Branch Potomac River mainstem – from	Schoolhouse Pond
Jennings Randolph Lake upstream approximately 6	South Branch Patapsco River - mainstem from
miles to the lower boundary of the Potomac State	West Friendship Road (Howard County side)
Forest; from the uppermost boundary of Potomac	and Main Street (Carroll County side) at Sykesville
State Forest at Wallman upstream approximately	downstream to its confluence with the North
8.5 miles to the bridge at Old Wilson Road; from	Branch Patapsco River
a red post located approximately 100 yards above	South Germantown Park Pond – in South
the upstream concrete abutments at Barnum, West	Germantown Park off Schaeffer Road 0
Virginia downstream to a red post located below a	Tucker Pond0
pool known as Blue Hole, approximately 1/3 mile	WASHINGTON COUNTY
upstream of Bench Mark 1110 on the Westernport	Antietam Creek – mainstem from upstream
U.S.G.S. Quadrangle, and from Piney Swamp	boundary of Devil's Backbone Park to the mouth
Run downstream to the upper Potomac River	of Beaver Creek
Commission Wastewater Treatment Plant discharge	Beaver Creek – from the downstream side of the
in Westernport	bridges on the farm lane located below the Albert
Piney Reservoir	Powell Trout Hatchery fence downstream to Black
Sand Run Watershed 0	Rock Creek, and from Beaver Creek Road
Savage Reservoir	downstream to the confluence with Antietam
Savage River – mainstem from Savage Reservoir	Creek

Big Pool	2
Blairs Valley Lake	2
Greenbriar Lake	2
Indian Springs Pond	2
Israel Creek	0
Licking Creek Mainstem	1, 3
Sharpsburg Community Pond	0
Sideling Hill Creek Watershed	1, 4
VICOMICO COUNTY	
Beaverdam Creek - in Salisbury from	
Schumaker Dam downstream to the	
bridge crossing at Memorial Plaza Road .	0
WORCESTER COUNTY	
Shad Landing Pond	0

Dividing Lines

Tidal and Nontidal Waters

The following are boundaries designated as official dividing lines for tidal and nontidal waters. These boundary lines are for the purpose of delineating those areas in which nontidal fishing licenses or Chesapeake Bay Sport fishing licenses are required and tidal or nontidal fishing regulations apply, and have no other legal significance.

HARFORD COUNTY

Bynum Run – Old Philadelphia Road Bridge on Maryland Route 7

Deer Creek – railroad bridge located at the mouth of Deer Creek

James Run – Old Philadelphia Road Bridge on Maryland Route 7

Winter's Run – dam located one half mile south of Maryland Route 7, the Old Philadelphia Road.

BALTIMORE COUNTY

Big Gunpowder Falls – three-fourths of a mile south of Maryland Route 7, the Old Philadelphia Road at the B&O Railroad Bridge

Little Gunpowder Falls – three-fourths of a mile south of Maryland Route 7, the Old Philadelphia Road at the B&O Railroad Bridge

Stemmers Run – Golden Ring Road Bridge

BALTIMORE AND HOWARD COUNTIES

Patapsco River – B&O viaduct at Relay

ANNE ARUNDEL AND PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTIES

Anacostia River – Northeast Branch Bridge at northbound lane of Alternate Route 1 Bladensburg Road, Northwest Branch Bridge at southbound lane of Rhode Island Avenue

Furnace Branch - Maryland Route 2

Patuxent River

Mainstem: bridge on Maryland Route 214

Lyons Creek: Maryland Route 4

Stocketts Run: confluence with the river

Rock Run: confluence with the river

Ferry Branch: confluence with the river

Magothy River - Catherine Avenue

Marley Creek - Maryland Route 10

Severn River - bridge on Maryland Route 3

South River and its tributaries -

North River: Rutland Road

Bacon Ridge Branch: Chesterfield Road

Beards Creek: Maryland Route 214

Broad Creek: Harry S. Truman Parkway

CHARLES, MONTGOMERY AND

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTIES

Henson Run - bridge on Old Broad Creek Road

Hoghole Run – Maryland Route 6

Mattawoman Creek - bridge on Maryland Route 225

Nanjemoy Creek

Mainstem: Maryland Route 6

Mill Run (Burgess Creek): Maryland Route 6

Hill Top Fork: Maryland Route 6

Wards Run: Maryland Route 6

Oxen Creek (Run) - Maryland Route 210

Patuxent River

Swanson Creek: Maryland Route 381

Mataponi Creek: St. Thomas Church Road

Spice Creek: Maryland Route 382, Croom Road

Full Mill Branch: Maryland Route 382, Croom Road Black Swamp Creek: Maryland Route 382,

Croom Road

Piscataway Creek – bridge on Maryland Route 224 (Livingston Road)

Pomonkey Creek - Fenwick Road

Port Tobacco Creek - bridge on Maryland Route 6

Potomac River - Little Falls at man-made dam

Western Branch - bridge on Maryland Route 4

Wicomico River – Allens Fresh, bridge on Maryland Route 234

KENT AND QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTIES

Chester River – 500 yards upstream from the Pennsylvania Railroad Bridge at Millington at the point where the CypressBranch empties into the Chester River

Herring Branch - Maryland Route 299

Morgan Creek – Wallis Road

Red Lion Branch - at its confluence with the

Chester River

Sassafras River - Maryland Route 299

Unicorn Branch – U.S. Geological Survey weir just east of Maryland Route 313

Wye East River - Wye Mills Lake Dam

CAROLINE COUNTY	St. Leonard's Creek – Parran Road
Chapel Branch – Maryland Route 313 near Piney	SUSQUEHANNA RIVER
Grove Church	Conowingo Dam – at U.S. Route 1
Choptank River – bypass on Maryland Route 313 on	CECIL COUNTY
the outskirts of Greensboro	Big Elk Creek – Maryland Route 213
Fowling Creek – wooden bridge on Stratum Road	Bohemia River – Telegraph Road
about one mile below Maryland Route 16	Happy Valley Branch – confluence with
Hunting Creek – Maryland Route 331	Susquehanna River
Marshy Hope Creek – at its confluence with	Little Elk Creek – U.S. Route 40
Faulkner Branch	Mill Creek – Old Elk Neck Road
Mill Creek – Maryland Route 16	North East River – Maryland Route 7
Tuckahoe Creek – abandoned stone railroad bridge	Octoraro Creek – bridge on U.S. Route 222
upstream of Maryland Route 404	Principio Creek – Amtrack crossing below
Watt's Creek – bridge on American Legion Road	Maryland Route 7
WICOMICO AND WORCESTER COUNTIES	Rock Run - confluence with the Susquehanna River
Beaverdam Creek – dam just upstream of U.S. Route	Dorchester County
13 (Business)	Chicamicomico River – U.S. Route 50
Nassawango Creek – Furnace Road	Transquaking River – dam at Higgins Mill Pond
Pocomoke River - bridge on Whiton Crossing, three	MARYLAND – PENNSYLVANIA DIVIDING LINE
miles south of Powellville	Cecil County – Railroad Tunnel White Marker
Wicomico River – at Isabella Street in Salisbury	Harford County – Michaels Run
St. Mary's County	
Buds Creek – Maryland Route 234	Lakes And Ponds Open
Chaptico Run – Chaptico Bridge on Maryland Route	To Public Fishing
234	Boats on Ponds and Lakes
Dynard Run – Maryland Route 242	The use of boats and/or motors on ponds and lakes is
Eastern Branch – Maryland Route 5	subject to local restrictions. Consult with local authorities
Gilbert Swamp Run – Maryland Route 234	before making your trip. Refer to the spring stocking
Great Mills Run – bridge on Maryland Route 5	schedule to determine which impoundments are stocked
McIntosh Run – Maryland Route 5	with trout. Contact Freshwater Fisheries Division for a
Park Hall Run – Maryland Route 5	detailed guide listing Maryland piers and ramps locations.
St. Clements Creek Creek – Maryland Route 234	% Designator la catione with heat name facilities
bridge at town of Clements	Designates locations with boat ramp facilities.
Tomakokin Creek – Maryland Route 470	Name of Property Acreage
Town Run – bridge on Maryland Route 5	ALLEGANY COUNTY
CALVERT COUNTY	Battie Mixon Fishing Hole – Maryland Route 51; at
Battle Creek – bridge about two miles east of Bowens	Oldtown
(Sixes Road)	Cotton Cove Pond - Lion's Park Glendenng
Fishing Creek – one and one-half miles upstream from	Recreational Complex in Frostburg1
the mouth of the creek at Chesapeake Beach	Dan's Mountain Pond – Maryland Route 36; two miles
Hall's Creek – bridge on Maryland Route 4	east of Lonaconing1
Helen Creek – Mill Branch Road, near Solomons	Evitts Creek Community Ponds – I-68, Exit 46; four
Hunting Creek – bridge on Maryland Route 263 about	miles east of Cumberland4
100 yards west of Maryland Route 4	Lions Park Pond - Frostbourg1
Island Creek – Ross Road, near Brooms Island	Orchard Pond – Maryland Route 51; Green Ridge State
Lyon's Creek – bridge on Maryland Route 4	Forest
Mills Creek – Maryland Route 760	S Rocky Gap Lake (Lake Habeeb) – I-68, Exit 50;
Parker's Creek – Maryland Route 765	five miles northwest of Flintstone

White Sulphur Community Pond - I-68, Exit 62; Green Ridge State Forest, 12 miles east of Flintstone1

Quaker Swamp - Maryland Routes 2/4 St. Johns Creek - Maryland Route 4

Plum Point Creek - bridge on Maryland Route 263

ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY	Route 273 in Rising Sun
Friendship Park Pond – Route 778, Friendship1	∜ Stemmers Lake – Stemmers Run Road at Maryland
Friendship Pond – Maryland Route 170 1	Route 282 - (telephone 410-836-4557 for
Lake Waterford – Route 648 near Severna Park 11	permission)90
Patuxent Ponds – Patuxent Road near Conoways 3.2	CHARLES COUNTY
Waterworks Park – by permit only 1.5	∜ Gilbert Run Park (Wheatley Lake) – Maryland Route (
BALTIMORE COUNTY	east of Olivers Shop
Avalon Pond – within Patapsco Valley State Park, Glen	Hughesville Community Pond – Maryland Route 5 at
Artney Area (entrance on South Street off Maryland	Hughesville1
Route 1)1	∜ Myrtle Grove Lake – Maryland Route 225
Gwynbrook Community Pond – off U.S. Route 140;	near Ripley23
near Owings Mills	DORCHESTER COUNTY
Hillcrest Pond – Maryland Route 144 at Lansdowne4	Galestown Lake – Galestown Road east of Maryland
⁵ Lake Roland − Maryland Route 139; Baltimore 98.2	Route 31315
∜ Liberty Reservoir – Maryland Route 26 near Ward's	FREDERICK COUNTY
Chapel	Brunswick Community Pond – U.S. Route
⁸ √ Loch Raven Reservoir – Maryland Route 146; Dulaney	79 at Brunswick1
Valley Road2400	³ Cunningham Falls Lake – Maryland Route 77 west of
⁸ √ Prettyboy Reservoir – off Maryland Route 25 and U.S.	Thurmont
Route 111, Beckleysville Road1500	Emmitsburg Reservoir (Rainbow Lake) –
Calvert County	Hampton Valley Road; near Emmitsburg
Calvert Cliffs Park Pond – Route 4, near Lusby1	Frank Bentz Memorial Pond – Maryland
Hutchins Pond – off Mt. Harmony Road,	Route 77 west of Thurmont
off Route 2, near Sunderland	Gambrill's Community Pond – U.S. Route
CAROLINE COUNTY	40 near Frederick1
Chambers Lake – Maryland Route 306 in	Libertytown Community Pond – Maryland
Federalsburg6	Route 75 at Libertytown1
3 Smithville Lake – U.S. Route 404 east to	Urbana Community Pond – Dixon Road
Noble Road40	off Route 80 at Urbana
CARROLL COUNTY	GARRETT COUNTY
Bennett Cerf Pond – off Maryland Route 27 within	Accident Community Pond – U.S. Route 219;
Random House Industrial Park1	Accident
Farm Museum Pond – west of Maryland Route 32; near	⁵y Broadford Lake – Maryland Route 135
Westminster	at Mt. Lake Park230
Lake Hashawha – off Rinehart Road1	³y Deep Creek Lake – U.S. Route 219, McHenry 3900
Liberty Reservoir – Route 26 near Wards Chapel 3,100	∜ Herrington Manor Lake – U.S. Route 219;
North Carroll Community Pond – Maryland Route 30	five miles north of Oakland
at Manchester	⁵y New Germany Lake – I-68, Exit 22; six miles south of
⁵y Piney Run Reservoir – Maryland Route 32 near	Grantsville
Eldersburg	Piney Reservoir – U.S. Route 40 Alt.; north on
Taneytown Rod & Gun Club – east of Taneytown,	Piney Run Road; east of Grantsville
north of Route 1402	Pleasant Valley Lake – Maryland Route 495;
Upper John Owings – John Owings Road 0.5	twelve miles south of Grantsville
Westminster Community Pond – U.S. Route 140 at	∜ Jennings Randolph Lake – Maryland Route 135; south
Westminster	on Mt. Zion Road; five miles from Kitzmiller on We
CECIL COUNTY	Virginia Route 46952
% Conowingo Reservoir – U.S. Route 1	∜ Savage Reservoir – Maryland Route 135 on Savage
at Conowingo	River Road
Elkton Community Pond – Maryland Route 281	∜ Youghiogheny Reservoir – Maryland Route 42;
east of Maryland Route 213 1.3	two miles north of Friendsville
Rising Sun Community Pond – Maryland	two fines north of thenesyme

HARFORD COUNTY
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Forest Branch Park - Joppatowne,
Foster Branch Road1
Forest Hill Community Pond – Maryland Route 23 at
Forest Hill 1.3
HOWARD COUNTY
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Lake Elkhorn – Columbia
Guilford Park Pond – Maryland Route 32
off Interstate 95
Lake Kittamaqundi – Columbia31
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KENT COUNTY
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Pine Lake - Maryland Route 97 near Wheaton5
Triadelphia Reservoir – off Maryland Route 650 near
Brighton 800
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in University Hills Park1
Greenbelt Lake – off Crescent Road in
Greenbelt Park
Lake Artemesia – Branchville Road,
Berwyn Heights38
Laurel Lake - Route 1 and Cherry Lane, Laurel 11
Melwood Community Pond – Maryland Route 223,
Woodvard Road between Maryland Routes 4 and 5,, 1.3

Hellbender

Please Do Not Kill - Help Save One Of Maryland's Endangered Species

The hellbender is a large, dark aquatic salamander that lives for more than 30 years and may grow to over two feet long. Hellbenders do not have a poisonous bite, but are difficult to handle because they are covered with a coating of protective slime. To release a hellbender, cut the line as close to the hook as possible. If you have seen or caught a hellbender we would like to hear from you.

Please telephone Heritage and Biodiversity Conservation Programs at 410-260-8540.



Merkle Ponds – Merkle Wildlife Sanctuary,
off Fenno Road2
Milltown Landing Pond – Patuxent River Park,
off Milltown Landing Road1
Schoolhouse Pond – across from County
Administration Building in Upper Marlboro4
Tucker Pond – Tucker Road near Oxon Hill 1.4
QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY
∜ Unicorn Lake – Maryland Route 313 south
of Millington45
³ Wye Mills Community Lake – Maryland Route 662
south of U.S. Route 5050
ST. MARY'S COUNTY
∜ St. Mary's Lake – Maryland Route 5, Calloway 250
WASHINGTON COUNTY
Big Pool – I-70, exit 12; Maryland Route 56;
east of Fort Frederick State Park
Blairs Valley Lake – Blairs Valley Road north
from Clearspring
Ŋ Brownsville Community Pond –
Maryland Route 67 at Brownsville 1.2
∜ Greenbrier Lake – Greenbrier State Park,
U.S. Route 40 near Hagerstown
Indian Springs Community Pond – Maryland Route
56; eight miles west of Clearspring 1.3
Little Pool – off Maryland Route 615;
east of Hancock
WICOMICO COUNTY
∀ Johnsons Lake – Isabella Street at U.S. Route 50 to
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Information, Permits, Bait Restriction and River Flow Information

Anne Arundel County

Waterwork Park – fishing by permit only (410) 263-7959

Baltimore City Reservoirs

For Prettyboy and Liberty (boat permits required) information, rules, and regulations, call Watershed Control Division (410) 795-6150. Loch Raven Fishing Center (410) 887-7692.

Washington Suburban

Sanitary Commission Lakes

Triadelphia and Rocky Gorge fishing by permit only. For permits, rules and regulations call Brighton, Maryland (301) 774-9124.

River Flow Information

- 1. North Branch Potomac and Savage River Flows 410-962-7687 or email:
- webmaster@nab02.nab-wc.usace.army.mil
- Potomac River Flows at Hagerstown 301-223-6377
- 3. U.S. Geological Survey Flow Information on the internet at md.usgs.gov
- 4. Yougiogheny River white water release schedule 315-413-2823 or email: www.deepcreekhydro.com

Potomac River Regulations And Safety Tips

A person aboard a vessel, raft or tube shall wear a U.S. Coast Guard Approved Type I, II, III or V personal flotation device (PFD) at all times while underway on the upper Potomac River, during the period beginning at 12:01 a.m. each November 15, and ending at 12 midnight each succeeding May 15.

- 1. ALWAYS wear an approved personal flotation device while using the Potomac.
- Leave a float plan with someone at home describing where you are going, who you're with and when you expect to return.
- REMEMBER the river currents are strong and unpredictable, especially after heavy rains.
- 4. Wading should NOT be attempted when the river levels exceed the normal level.
- Know the weather predictions for the area. Keep an AM radio handy for the latest updates.

Chesapeake Bay Sport Fishing

Chesapeake Bay Sport Fishing Licenses For 2006-2007

Resident	\$9.00
Non-Resident	\$14.00
Consolidated Senior Resident	
Sport Fishing License	\$5.00
Persons at least 65 years old may fish.	

1. In nontidal waters of the state.

- 2. For trout in nontidal waters.

3. In the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries.

Resident or Non-Resident	
Blind Persons	.NO FEE
Short Term License	\$6.00
Valid for 5 consecutive days from date issued.	

Consolidated Bay Sport Boat License

For a resident or non-resident boat, that is not for hire. to fish and crab the tidal waters of the Chesapeake Bay and tributaries\$40.00

- 1. Persons fishing aboard licensed boats do not need a license.
- 2. A complimentary Chesapeake Bay Sport Fishing License is issued to the boat owner who purchases this license.

Reciprocal Licenses

The Commonwealth of Virginia, the State of Maryland and the Potomac River Fisheries Commission will honor a valid recreational fishing license issued by any of these jurisdictions for use in their tidal waters or tidal saltwaters:

Chesapeake Bay - any portion of the Chesapeake Bay, or any of the saltwater/tidal tributaries.

Potomac River - any portion of the mainstem of the Potomac River downstream of the I-95 Woodrow Wilson Bridge including saltwater/tidal tributaries of Maryland and Virginia.

Recreational fishermen entering the waters of each jurisdiction are subject to all laws and regulations of that jurisdiction.

A Person May Fish for Finfish without a License in the Chesapeake Bay and its Tributaries if you

- 1. are less than 16 years of age.
- 2. possess a valid commercial Tidal Fish License.
- 3. fish from private property as an owner, family member

- of an owner, or a non-paying guest of an owner.
- 4. fish a hook and line (rod and reel) from a public bridge or pier which has been designated by the Department as a free fishing area.
- 5. are a resident or non-resident fishing from a licensed charter boat.
- 6. are a resident of Maryland, on active duty with the Armed Forces, on leave with official leave orders.
- 7. fish on a free fishing day designated by the Secretary of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources.

It Shall Be Lawful

- 1. between June 15 and December 31 of each year, for an individual to take or shoot fish, within specific seasons and limits established by the Department, with a spear gun and spear.
- 2. to take or shoot carp, garfish, skate, bull fish, shark, ovster toads, or swelling toads (blowfish), American eel, sea lamprey, stingrays or other ray fish with a spear gun or spear at any time.
- 3. to use a seine up to 50 feet in length and 5 feet wide to obtain bait minnows.
- 4. to use a cast net in Chesapeake Bay and tributaries where nets are permitted.
- 5. to keep any size white perch if caught by hook and
- 6. to use an "umbrella rig" that has no more than 2 hooks or 2 sets of hooks

It Shall Be Unlawful

- 1. to have in one's possession aboard any boat on the tidal waters of Maryland any striped bass CUT UP or FILLETED during the open or closed season for striped bass. Striped bass must be landed whole.
- 2. to have in one's possession aboard any boat on the tidal waters of Maryland more than 15 pounds of any fish CUT UP upon which a size or weight limit is prescribed by law or regulations.
- 3. to have in one's possession American or hickory shad.
- 4. to use more than 2 hooks or 2 sets of hooks for each rod or line. Artificial lures or plugs with multiple hooks are considered 1 set of hooks.
- 5. for a person to use eel as bait during the spring recreational striped bass season.
- 6. to cull striped bass during open seasons.
- 7. to possess striped bass from 12 Midnight to 5 AM while fishing on the tidal waters of the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries.
- 8. to use a gaff to land striped bass.

 to fish for striped bass by any means or practice catchand-release of striped bass in designated spawning areas of rivers from March 1 through May 31.

10. to intentionally snag a fish.

- 11. to use a dip net in the Susquehanna River above the mouth of Deer Creek except to land a fish caught by hook and line.
- 12. to operate a boat within the area 400 yards below or 400 yards above the Conowingo Dam.

Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass Regulations

- An individual may not catch largemouth or smallmouth bass in any manner in the tidal waters of Maryland except with rod or hook and line using natural or artificial baits.
- Any largemouth or smallmouth bass caught in a net or seine must be immediately returned unharmed to the water.
- An individual may not sell, offer to buy or sell, expose for sale, or purchase any largemouth or smallmouth bass.
- An individual may not possess any largemouth or smallmouth bass while fishing on the Pocomoke River and its tributaries from July 15 through August 31.

Legal Size Of Certain Fish

Creel, minimum size and seasons subject to change

CROAKER (HARDHEAD)

Minimum Size: 9"

Creel Limit: 25 per person per day

BLUEFISH

Minimum Size: 8"

Creel Limit: 10 per person per day

CHAIN PICKEREL (PIKE)

Minimum Size: 14"

Creel Limit: 10 per person per day Closed Season: March 15 – April 30

CHANNEL CATFISH (EXCEPT BULLHEADS)

Minimum Size: 10"

LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS

Minimum Size: 12"

15" March 1 thru June 15

Creel Limit: 5 per person per day

Open Year-Round

Note Above: Pocomoke River regulations for

Large and Smallmouth Bass.

BLACK DRUM

Minimum Size: 16"

Creel Limit: 1 per person per day

Daily Catch Limit: 6 per boat

SPOTTED SEATROUT

Minimum Size: 14"

Creel Limit: 10 per person per day

RED DRUM (CHANNEL BASS)

Minimum Size: 18" – 27" minimum

Creel Limit: 1 per person per day

WEAKFISH

Minimum Size: 13" minimum

Creel Limit: 8 per person per day

WHITE PERCH

Minimum Size: None if caught with hook & line

FLOUNDER

Chesapeake Bay and its Tributaries

Minimum Size: 15"

Creel Limit: 2 per person per day

(subject to change)

BLACK SEA BASS

Minimum Size: 12"

Creel Limit: 25 per person per day

Closed Seasons:

December 1 - December 31

SPANISH MACKEREL

Minimum Size: 14"

Creel Limit: 15 per person per day

YELLOW PERCH

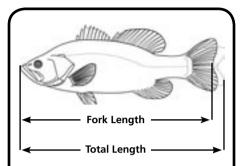
Minimum Size: 9"

Creel Limit: 5 per person per day

Closed Areas:

Magothy, Nanticoke, Patapsco, Severn, South

and West Rivers



Fish with a minimum size requirement should be measured from the tip of the nose to the end of the tail or caudal fin as indicated above. Fish should be placed on a flat surface with a measuring device beneath its body to get an accurate measurement.

2006 Striped Bass Seasons

Creel, minimum size and seasons subject to change

Susquehanna Flats Only

CATCH & RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1 THRU WEDNESDAY, MAY 3
Fishing Location

Upstream of a line drawn drawn from Sandy P
Point to Turkey Point and downstream from
the lower railroad bridge near Perry Point,
and the Northeast River.

(Circle hooks required when fishing with baited hooks with a gap larger than 1/2 inch.)

Spring Seasons

SATURDAY, APRIL 15 THRU MONDAY, MAY 15 Creel Limit And Size

One striped bass per person per day 33 inches minimum – no maximum.

Fishing Location

Chesapeake Bay from Brewerton Channel to the Maryland-Virginia Line. Excluding all bays, sounds, tributaries, creeks and rivers, except Tangier Sound and Pocomoke Sound.

TUESDAY, MAY 16 THRU WEDNESDAY, MAY 31 Creel Limit And Size

Two striped bass per person per day 18 inches to 28 inches total length OR 1 striped bass per person per day 18 inches to 28 inches and 1 striped bass larger than 28 inches.

Fishing Location

Chesapeake Bay downstream of a line drawn from the south corner of the Hart-Miller Island Dike to the end of Maryland Route 21 at Tolchester and south to the Maryland-Virginia Line. Excluding all bays, sounds, tributaries, creeks and rivers.

EXCEPT: Tangier Sound and Pocomoke Sound; Chester River and its tributaries downstream of a line drawn from Hail Point to Long Point to Ferry Point; Patuxent River and its tributaries downstream of a line drawn from Point Patience to the west point of land at the entrance of Little Kingston Creek; and Choptank River and its tributaries downstream of a line drawn from Holland Point to a point of land at the west entrance of Chapel Creek.

Summer/Fall Seasons

THURSDAY, JUNE 1 THRU FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15 Creel Limit And Size:

Two striped bass per person per day 18 inches to 28 inches total length OR one striped bass per person per day 18 inches to 28 inches and 1 striped bass larger than 28 inches.

Fishing Location

Maryland's Chesapeake Bay and its tributraries

Chesapeake Bay Crab Facts

CRAB SEASON: APRIL 1 TO DECEMBER 15
MINIMUM SIZE:

MALE HARD CRAB

5 inches from April 1 to July 14 5 1/4 inches from July 15 to December 15

PEELER CRAB

3 1/4 inches from April 1 to July 14

3 1/2 inches from July 15 to December 15

SOFT CRAB

3 1/2 inches from April 1 to December 15

MATURE FEMALE CRAB

No minimum size

Recreational Crab License Fees For The Chesapeake Bay And Its Tributaries

Maryland Resident\$5.00

Non-Resident	\$10.00
Maryland Resident who possesses a Ch	nesapeake Bay
Sport Fishing License or a Resident Co	nsolidated
Senior Sport Fishing License	\$2.00
Recreational Crab Boat License	\$15.00
Consolidated Chesapeake Bay Sport Boa	t License for
Maryland Resident or Nonresident*	\$40.00
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An individual under 16 years of age may crab without a license in the Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries and is restricted to the same limits as an unlicensed crabber. *One individual complimentary crabbing license will also be issued.

Time Restrictions For Rivers, Creeks And Tributaries

April and October through December 15

One half hour after sunrise to sunset.

May through September

One half hour before sunrise to sunset No Crabbing on Wednesdays except from private piers.

Maps are available on DNR's web site: www.dnr.maryland.gov/fisheries/

Time Restrictions For The Chesapeake Bay

April and October through December 15

One half hour after sunrise to 5:00 p.m.

May through September

One half hour before sunrise to 5:00 p.m.

No Crabbing on Wednesdays except from private piers.

Recreational crabbing of all types is permitted on

Wednesdays that fall on or immediately precede a state
or federal holiday.

It Shall be Lawful for a Recreational Crabber with a License to Use

- up to 1,200 feet per boat of baited trotline, with a float of the same color, size, and shape attached to each end; and
- more than 10 but not more than 30 or a combination of 30 collapsible crab traps or crab net rings per boat; and
- 3. dip nets and any number of handlines; and
- 4. not more than 10 eel pots for catching your own crabbing bait.

Daily Catch Limit:

Unlicensed Boat – An individual recreational crab licensee: 1 bushel of hard crabs and 2 dozen peeler or soft crabs. If there are at least 2 individual recreational crab licensees aboard the unlicensed boat: 2 bushels of hard crabs and 4 dozen peeler or soft crabs per boat.

Licensed Boat – Consolidated Chesapeake Bay Sport Boat License or a Chesapeake Bay Recreational Crab Boat License allows unlicensed crabbers: 1 bushel of hard crabs and 2 dozen peeler or soft crabs. If there are at least 2 individuals with a recreational crab license on the licensed boat: 2 bushels of hard crab and 2 dozen peeler or soft crabs per boat.

See Time Restrictions

It Shall be Lawful for a Recreational Crabber without a License

- To crab 24-hours-a-day, seven days a week from docks, piers, bridges, boats and shorelines using dip nets and any number of handlines.
- 2. to set a maximum of 2 crab pots at their property per privately owned pier:
 - a. attached by rope or line to the property or a privately owned pier or dock; or
 - b. attached to a pole in front of their property, not more than 100 yards from the shore and marked

with a sign not less than 6 inches in height indicating the owner's name and address; and c. are required by law to have 2 cull rings, one measuring at least 2 3/16-inches and one at least 2 5/16-inches located in the exterior side panel or the top panel of the pot; and

d. are required by law to have a "turtle reduction device" attached to each entrance or funnel in the lower chamber constructed of wire or plastic, rectangle in shape with dimension not larger than 1 3/4-inches by 4 3/4-inches.

Daily Catch Limit:

Two dozen hard crabs and 1 dozen peeler or soft crabs per person. (Catch limits may vary if property owner or an individual is licensed.)

Time Restriction: None

- 3. To crab from docks, piers, bridges, and shorelines using:
 - a. not more than 10 or a combination of 10 collapsible crab traps or crab net rings per person; and

b. any number of handlines or dip nets.

Daily Catch Limit: 2 dozen hard crabs and 1 dozen peeler or soft crabs per person.

See Time Restrictions

- 4. To crab from from an unlicensed boat without any individual recreational crabbing license using:
 - a. not more than 10 or a combination of 10 collapsible crab traps or crab net rings per person;
 and

b. any number of handlines or dip nets.

Daily Catch Limit:

Four dozen hard crabs and 1 dozen peeler or soft crabs per boat.

See Time Restrictions

It Shall Be Unlawful For A Recreational Crabber

- 1. To sell crabs without a commercial license.
- 2. To possess an egg-bearing (sponge) crab.
- To set, place or fish crabbing gear prior to or after the prescribed time restrictions.
- 4. To set or fish a trotline or collapsible traps within 100 feet of a trotline.
- 5. To fish crab pots which belong to another person which is a Criminal Offense.
- 6. To fish eel pots without a license.

NOTE: Collapsible crab traps or crab net rings which are not attached to a pier, wharf, or boat must be marked with a buoy bearing the name of the owner.

Maryland's Coastal Bays, Tributaries and Atlantic Ocean Sport Fishing

Recreational Crab Facts

Crab Season: April 1 to December 31 SIZE: (measure from tip to tip of spikes)

Male Hard Crab

5 inches from April 1 to December 31 Soft Crab

3 1/2 inches from April 1 to December 31 Peeler Crab

3 1/4 inches from April 1 to July 14

3 1/2 inches from July 15 to December 31

Mature Female Crab

No size

License Requirement: None

It Shall Be Lawful

- To crab in the Coastal Bay's of Maryland's Atlantic Ocean and their tributaries using:
 - a. not more than 600 feet of baited trotline, with float of the same color, size and shape attached to each end; or
 - b. not more than two 600-foot trotlines if 2 or more persons are in the boat; or
 - c. dip nets and any number of handlines; and
 - d. not more than 10 or a combination of 10 collapsible crab traps or crab net rings per person from docks, piers, bridges, boats or shoreline; or
 - e. not more than 25 or a combination of 25 collapsible crab traps or crab net rings, if two or more persons are in a boat.
- 2. **For waterfront property owners** to set a maximum of 2 crab pots at their property:
 - a. attached by rope or line to the property or a privately owned pier or dock; or
 - attached to a pole in front of their property, not more than 100 yards from the shore and marked with a sign not less than 6 inches in height indicating the owner's name and address; and
 - are required by law to have one 2 5/16-inches cull ring on a side panel of the upper compartment and one 2 5/16-inches cull ring on the lower compartment; and
 - d. are required by law to have a "turtle reduction device" attached to each entrance or funnel in the lower chamber constructed of wire or plastic, rectangle in shape with dimension not larger than 1 3/4-inches by 4 3/4-inches.

No time restriction:

Daily Possession and Catch Limit:

One bushel hard crabs per person, but not more than

two bushels if two or more persons are on a boat.

It Shall be Unlawful:

- To possess a daily catch limit of more than 250 hard shell clams per person per day. Clams must measure 1° thick.
- 2. To have in one's possession American or hickory shad.
- 3. To cull striped bass.

Legal Size of Certain Coastal Bays Fish

Creel, size and seasons subject to change

STRIPED BASS (ROCKFISH)

Minumum Size: 28 inches

Creel Limit: 2 per person per day

no closed season
CROAKER (HARDHEAD)

Minumum Size: 9 inches

Creel Limit: 25 per person per day

BLUEFISH

Minumum Size: 8 inches

Creel Limit: 10 per person per day

BLACK DRUM

Minumum Size: 16 inches

Creel Limit: 1 per person per day

SPOTTED SEATROUT

Minumum Size: 14 inches

Creel Limit: 10 per person per day

RED DRUM (CHANNEL BASS)

Minumum Size: 18" min. – 27" max.

Creel Limit: 1 per person per day

TAUTOG

Minumum Size: 14 inches

Creel Limit: 5 per person per day

Closed Season: December 1 - December 31

WEAKFISH

Minumum Size: 13 inches

Creel Limit: 8 per person per day

FLOUNDER

Minumum Size: 15 1/2 inches

Creel Limit: 4 per person per day

SCUP (PORGY)

Minumum Size: 8 inches

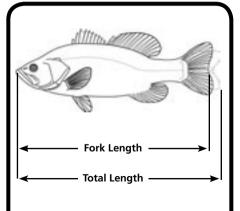
Creel Limit: 50 per person per day

BLACK SEA BASS

Minumum Size: 12 inches

Creel Limit: 25 per person per day

No Closed Season



Fish with a minimum size requirement should be measured from the tip of the nose to the end of the tail or caudal fin as indicated above. Fish should be placed on a flat surface with a measuring device beneath its body to get an accurate measurement.

If you are returning fish to the water

- Never let it flap on the ground. Hold fish with a wet hand or wet rag (never dry) and gently remove hook.
- 2. Never keep fish out of the water for more than about 15 seconds. Many fish that appear to swim away eventually die. Fish out of water for longer periods of time can sometimes be revived by moving the fish forward and backward in the water to allow oxygen flow through the gills.
- Anglers should use circle hooks to minimize damage to fish. They are no less effective in keeping fish on the line. Always have pliers handy for deep-set hooks and leave hooks in fish that have swallowed them rather than ripping out their stomachs.

Catch a Poacher...

"Poaching" deprives the public of the opportunity to use and enjoy Maryland's natural resources. Preserving our natural resources for our present and future enjoyment is everyone's responsibility.

It's Illegal

Taking sportfish or game out of season • Taking of banned sportfish or non-game wildlife

• Exceeding creel or bag limit (legal quantity in possession) • Taking game or sportfish with illegal methods or equipment • Taking sportfish or game outside of established hours • Taking fox outside of prescribed open season

Reward

Citizens who supply the Natural Resources Police will receive cash rewards for the information leading to the arrest and conviction of a violator. Be specific in the description of individuals. When possible, give name, addresses and vehicle descriptions. The anonymity of the information/caller is guaranteed.

Report a Poacher

This is a cooperative program of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, Maryland Association of Wildlife Conservation, Hunting and Sport Fishing Associations, and citizens of Maryland. For additional information on the Catch-A-Poacher program, or to make a tax-deductible contribution to the reward fund contact:

CALL TOLL-FREE: 800-635-6124

THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
CATCH-A-POACHER PROGRAM
Tawes State Office Building, Annapolis, MD 21401

2006 Chesapeake Bay Tide Tables

Chesapeake Bay Tide Corrections

ides are always of importance to anglers and boaters. Weather has an effect on tides, so bear this in mind when using these times for tides. Chesapeake Bay and Atlantic Coast are now corrected for the one estimated tides. Base time Baltimore (Fort McHenry) The program used to develop the high and low predictions for Maryland's Chesapeake Bay Tide Key daily average for high and low (1) hour Daylight Saving Time (DST) in this publication

Correction Example:

June 14 Morning high tides (9:41a - 1:30 = 8:11p)at Kent Narrows nn - Noon

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North Point..... Sandy Point..... Poole's Island..... Port Deposit..... Ft. McHenry **Western Shore** Havre de Grace.

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These tides corrections were adopted and corrected by National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration NOAA) to Baltimore's nigh and low tides.

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2006 Ocean City Maryland Tide Tables Daily average for high and low tides. • Base time: Sandy Hook, N.J.

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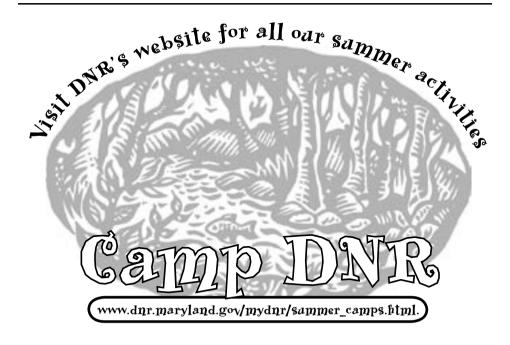
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Unicorn Lake and Hatchery - Box 326
Millington, Md 21651 – 410-928-3643
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Southern Area Office 4 – Waldorf	301-645-0062
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MDE Fish Consumption Advisories

The Maryland Department of the Environment has issued revised fish consumption advisories recently. These advisories recommend limits to comsumption of a number of species of recreationally caught fish from potentially contaminated areas, particularly for children and women who are or may become pregnant. Please contact the MDE web site at www.mde. maryland.gov for more information or call 410-537-3906.