

Sport fishing in Québec (including salmon fishing) - April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018 Fishing periods, catch limits and exceptions - Zone 4

The “Zone Rules” table sets out the **fishing periods** and daily catch limits for fish species of interest to sport fishers in Québec, for the selected zone. There are many **exceptions** to these fishing periods and to the catch and length limits. For further details, please see the table entitled “**Bodies of Water – Exceptions**”.

For information on fishing periods for a specific body of water :

- First check to see if the body of water is mentioned in the exceptions to the zone fishing periods;
- If not, the periods shown in the “Zone Rules” table apply.

Need help ?

If this is the first time you are using the new tool, please read the instructions on the Fishing Periods and Catch Limits page (<http://www.mffp.gouv.qc.ca/english/publications/online/wildlife/fishing-regulations/fishing-periods.asp>)

Key

- The New icon indicates a new element introduced since the last fishing season ;
- The Salmon river icon indicates that the stretch of water has been designated as a salmon river.

Read the news releases (in French only: Actualités) posted after the publication of the « Sport fishing in Québec – Main rules » booklet to follow the late-breaking news concerning the sport fishing regulations.

Rules for the zone

Zone 4 -

Period	Species	Catch limit	Note
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	
June 16, 2017 to November 30, 2017	bass	6 in all	
	muskellunge	2	
May 19, 2017 to November 30, 2017	pike	6 in all	
	walleye and sauger	6 in all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ➤ Angling only
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	1 in all	
April 28, 2017 to September 10, 2017	char	10 in all	
	cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all	
	landlocked salmon	3	
	rainbow trout	10	
April 28, 2017 to September 4, 2017	lake trout and splake trout	2 in all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
April 28, 2017 to November 30, 2017	other species	no limit	
	smelt	120	
	yellow perch	50	

Water bodies – Exceptions

rivière Ashberham - between Petit lac Saint-François and Grand lac Saint-François.

rivière aux Bluets - from Grand lac Saint-François until the Highway 108 bridge (46°52'27" N., 71°00'58" W.).

rivière de l'Or - from Grand lac Saint-François until the Highway 267 bridge (46°01'26" N., 71°13'54" W.).

rivière aux Rats Musqués - from Grand lac Saint-François until the Highway 267 bridge (46°01'06" N., 71°53'55" W.).

rivière Coulombe - from the Highway 161 bridge at its mouth into lac Aylmer, including the small bay facing the mouth.

June 16, 2017 to November 30, 2017	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	
May 19, 2017 to September 4, 2017	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	► A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
May 19, 2017 to September 10, 2017	char	same as the zone	
	landlocked salmon	same as the zone	
	trout	same as the zone	
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	sturgeon	Fishing prohibited	
May 19, 2017 to November 30, 2017	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	► A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ► Angling only

lac Aylmer - the part comprised to the south of Highway 112 in Disraéli.

Clair -

Elgin -

lac Fortin - (46°07'08" N., 70°51'23" W.)

Louise -

McGill -

Moffatt -

Petit lac Vaseux -

April 28, 2017 to September 4, 2017	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	► A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	► A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ► Angling only

rivière Clinton - from its mouth to the upstream side of the bridge on Highway 212 (45°22'28" N., 70°57'30" W.).

rivière Victoria - from their source to their mouth.

rivière Chaudière - between the railway bridge and Mégantic dam (Lac Mégantic).

rivière Sauvage - from its mouth to the upstream side of the bridge on Route 108 (45°45'54" N., 71°05'50" W.).

rivière Felton - from its mouth to the upstream side of the bridge on Route 108 (45°44'04" N., 71°07'46" W.).

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Drolet -

June 16, 2017 to November 30, 2017	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	
May 19, 2017 to September 10, 2017	char	same as the zone	
	landlocked salmon	same as the zone	
	trout	same as the zone	
May 19, 2017 to September 4, 2017	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
May 19, 2017 to November 30, 2017	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ➤ Angling only

du Mont-Mégantic -

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lac Grand lac Saint-François - (including the parts of the lake included in Frontenac national park)

April 28, 2017 to September 4, 2017	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
	landlocked salmon 	same as the zone	
December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
➤ Angling only			

Louise-Gosford -

April 28, 2017 to September 10, 2017	char	same as the zone	
	lake trout	same as the zone	▶ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
	other species	same as the zone	
	trout	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	▶ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ▶ Angling only

Mégantic -

June 16, 2017 to November 30, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	
May 19, 2017 to November 30, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	pike	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	▶ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ▶ Angling only
April 28, 2017 to September 10, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	char	same as the zone	
	landlocked salmon	same as the zone	
	trout	same as the zone	
April 28, 2017 to September 4, 2017	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	▶ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
April 28, 2017 to November 30, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	

Oliviera -

April 28, 2017 to September 10, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	lake trout	same as the zone	➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ➤ Angling only

Petit lac Lambton -

June 16, 2017 to November 30, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	
May 19, 2017 to November 30, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	pike	same as the zone	
May 19, 2017 to November 30, 2017	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ➤ Angling only
May 19, 2017 to September 11, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	char	same as the zone	
	landlocked salmon	same as the zone	
	trout	same as the zone	
May 19, 2017 to September 5, 2017	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
May 19, 2017 to September 5, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	

lac Raquette - (St-Benoit-Labre, 46°06'43" N., 70°48'04" W.)

lac Sartigan - (Saint-Alfred, 46°08'56" N., 70°46'35" W.)

April 28, 2017 to September 4, 2017	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ➤ Angling only

Ruel -

December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	lake trout	same as the zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ➤ Angling only

rivière Saint-François - from the bridge on Highway 161 at Saint-Gérard to the downstream tip of the island which is located at coordinates 45°45'13" N., 71°24'30" W.

May 19, 2017 to November 30, 2017	lake trout	same as the zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ➤ Angling only
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Fishing with a spear while swimming is prohibited here. 		

rivière Saint-François - between Grand lac Saint-François and lac Aylmer.

May 19, 2017 to September 10, 2017	lake trout	same as the zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ➤ Angling only
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Fishing with a spear while swimming is prohibited here. 		

rivière Saint-François - from the Westbury's dam located at coordinates 45°29'51" N., 71°37'11" W. to the downstream tip of the island at coordinates 45°29'49" N., 71°37'25" W.

rivière Saint-François - from the East Angus' dam located at coordinates 45°28'56" N., 71°39'45" W. to the railroad bridge located at coordinates 45°29'04" N., 71°39'55" W.

June 16, 2017 to November 30, 2017	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	
May 19, 2017 to September 10, 2017	char	same as the zone	
	landlocked salmon	same as the zone	
	trout	same as the zone	
May 19, 2017 to September 4, 2017	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
May 19, 2017 to November 30, 2017	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ➤ Angling only

Parc national de Frontenac

parc national de Frontenac - except for the lakes: Grand lac Saint-François, lac à la Barbue, lac des Îles and lac des Ours.

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à la Barbue -

des Îles -

des Ours -

June 16, 2017 to October 9, 2017	bass	1 in all	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	
May 23, 2017 to October 9, 2017	other species	same as the zone	
	pike	1 in all	
	walleye and sauger	1 in all	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").▶ Angling only
June 15, 2017 to October 9, 2017	sturgeon	1 in all	
May 23, 2017 to September 4, 2017	char	same as the zone	
	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none">▶ Fishing from a boat or any other floating craft in the waters of the zec is prohibited.
	landlocked salmon	same as the zone	
	trout	same as the zone	