

Sport fishing in Québec (including salmon fishing) - April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018 Fishing periods, catch limits and exceptions - Zone 7

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 7 -

Period	Species	Catch limit	Note
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	
June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	6 in all	
	muskellunge	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
May 19, 2017 to March 31, 2018	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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ➤ Angling only
April 28, 2017 to September 10, 2017	char	10 in all	
	cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all	
	landlocked salmon	3	➤ Angling only
	rainbow trout	no limit	
June 1, 2017 to August 31, 2017	atlantic salmon	1 small catch and kept or 3 captured and returned to the water as part of the quota is caught first	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ➤ Salmon fishing licence mandatory.
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"). ➤ Angling only

Period	Species	Catch limit	Note
April 28, 2017 to March 31, 2018	black crappie	30	
	other species	no limit	
	smelt	120	
	yellow perch	50	
December 26, 2017 to March 31, 2018	atlantic tomcod	no limit	► Angling only

Water bodies – Exceptions

lac Aylmer - between the first narrows situated at point 45°55'07" N., 71°22'41" W., upstream from Highway 112 bridge, and the point situated at the mouth of rivière Coleraine river, at point 45°56'35" N., 71°22'45" W.

May 19, 2017 to November 30, 2017	all species	same as the zone	
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lac Aylmer - between the south side of Highway 112 bridge up to the first narrows upstream, located at point 45°55'07" N., 71°22'41" W.

April 28, 2017 to November 30, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as Zone	
April 28, 2017 to March 31, 2018	char	10 in all	
	landlocked salmon	3	
	bass	6 in all	
	lake trout and splake trout	2 in all	► A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
	muskellunge	1 in all	
	pike	6 in all	
	walleye and sauger	6 in all	► A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ► Angling only

rivière Batiscan - between the Highway 138 bridge and the first pillar formed of rocks (46°33'06" N., 72°22'36" W.), located 6 km downstream of the Saint-Narcisse dam.

May 5, 2017 to March 31, 2018	pike	6 in all	
April 10, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	
	yellow perch	50	
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	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
	bass	6 in all	
	muskellunge	1 in all	
	sturgeon	1 in all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	atlantic salmon	same as the zone	
	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	
	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	

rivière Batiscan - the part between the first pillar made of rocks (46°33'06" N., 72°22'36" W.) located 6 km downstream of the dam and Saint-Narcisse (46°32' N., 72°25' W.).

May 12, 2017 to September 10, 2017	char	10 in all	
	trout	same as the zone	
May 12, 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	6 in all	▶ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ▶ Angling only
	bass	6 in all	
	muskellunge	1 in all	
	sturgeon	1 in all	▶ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	

rivière Bécancour - between lac William and lac Joseph.

June 16, 2017 to November 30, 2017	muskellunge	same as the zone	
	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 Bécancour - between the Savoie bridge and the CN bridge.

May 12, 2017 to September 10, 2017	char	10 in all	
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	
	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
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	
	muskellunge	1 in all	
	sturgeon	1 in all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	6 in all	
May 12, 2017 to September 10, 2017	trout	same as the zone	

rivière Bécancour - between lac William and lac À la Truite.

May 19, 2017 to November 30, 2017	atlantic salmon	same as the zone	
	landlocked salmon	same as the zone	
	other species	same as the zone	
	sturgeon	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 Chaudière - between Chutes de la Chaudière and the upstream side of the pylons (46°42'53" N., 71°16'55" W.) of the old Garneau bridge.

June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	1 in all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
June 15, 2017 to September 10, 2017	char	10 in all	
	landlocked salmon	3	
June 15, 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").
June 15, 2017 to March 31, 2018	black crappie	30	
	other species	same as zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Except salmon
	smelt	120	
	yellow perch	50	
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	
June 15, 2017 to August 31, 2017	atlantic salmon	same as the zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ➤ Salmon fishing licence mandatory.

rivière Coleraine - between the point situated at the mouth of Rivière Coleraine, at the point 45°56'35" N., 71°22'45" W., and the second railway bridge upstream situated at the point 45°56'57" N., 71°22'18" W.

June 16, 2017 to November 30, 2017	bass	6 in all	
	muskellunge	1 in all	
May 19, 2017 to November 30, 2017	other species	same as the zone	
	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
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	sturgeon	Fishing prohibited	
May 19, 2017 to September 17, 2017	char	10 in all	
	landlocked salmon	3	
May 19, 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").

lac de l'Est - (Garthby township)

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 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	landlocked salmon	3	
June 16, 2017 to November 30, 2017	bass	6 in all	
	muskellunge	1 in all	
May 19, 2017 to March 31, 2018	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
April 28, 2017 to March 31, 2018	char	10 in all	
	other species	same as the zone	
	trout	same as the zone	

rivière du Chêne - between the downstream side of the Highway 226 bridge and the upstream side of the Highway 132 bridge.

April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	atlantic tomcod	Fishing prohibited	
	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	
June 16, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	1 in all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
June 16, 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").
June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	6 in all	
	char	10 in all	
	landlocked salmon	3	
	muskellunge	1 in all	
	other species	same as the zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Except stripped bass
	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

rivière du Loup - between the Highway 138 bridge and the Masson bridge.

rivière Maskinongé - between the Highway 138 bridge upstream and the dam of the village of Saint-Joseph-de-Maskinongé.

May 12, 2017 to September 10, 2017	char	10 in all	
	trout	same as the zone	
	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
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	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").
	other species	same as the zone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Except stripped bass
	bass	6 in all	
	sturgeon	1 in all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	

lac Joseph - (Inverness township)

June 16, 2017 to November 30, 2017	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	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
May 19, 2017 to November 30, 2017	pike	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
April 28, 2017 to November 30, 2017	other species	same as the zone	

Les Trois Lacs -

May 19, 2017 to November 30, 2017	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
April 28, 2017 to March 31, 2018	char	10 in all	
	landlocked salmon	3	
	trout	same as the zone	
	other species	same as the zone	

rivière Nicolet Sud-Ouest - between the first bridge downstream of lac Les Trois Lacs, at Shipton, and the downstream side of the Highway 255 bridge at Wotton, with the exception of lac Les Trois Lacs.

rivière Nicolet Centre - between its mouth and the downstream side of the Highway 216 bridge at Wotton.

June 16, 2017 to September 17, 2017	bass	6 in all	
May 19, 2017 to September 17, 2017	other species	same as the zone	

rivière Rivière Pot-au-Beurre (baie de Lavallière) - The part of the river and its tributaries bounded to the south by the portion of Route 132 between the Richelieu and Yamaska, north-west of the St. Lawrence River and on the east by the Yamaska River.

April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	yellow perch	Fishing prohibited	
June 16, 2017 to October 31, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	6 in all	
	muskellunge	1 in all	
May 5, 2017 to October 31, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	pike	6 in all	
May 12, 2017 to October 31, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	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
	sturgeon	1 in all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
April 1, 2017 to October 31, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	

fleuve Saint Laurent (sector not located in communal wildlife area of lac Saint-Pierre) - between a line joining a point 50 m downstream of Batiscan wharf on the north shore, and a point situated 50 m downstream of Saint-Pierre-les-Becquets wharf on the south shore and the downstream side of Laviolette bridge, as well as the parts of the rivers located between highways 132 and 138.

May 5, 2017 to March 31, 2018	pike	6 in all	
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	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
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	yellow perch	Fishing prohibited	
June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	6 in all	
	muskellunge	1 in all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	1 in all	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	
April 28, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	

fleuve Saint Laurent (sector not located in communal wildlife area of lac Saint-Pierre) - between the downstream side of Pierre-Laporte bridge and a line joining a point situated 50 m downstream of Batiscan wharf on the north shore, and a point situated 50 m downstream of Saint-Pierre-les-Becquets wharf on the south shore, as well as the parts of rivers situated between highways 132 and 138. * Note : The following rivers are part of fleuve Saint-Laurent: Bélisle and Grand Bras, downstream of the Highway 138 bridge; Cap Rouge, downstream of the Rue Saint-Félix bridge; Jacques-Cartier and Portneuf, downstream of the CN bridge.

May 5, 2017 to March 31, 2018	pike	6 in all	
June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	muskellunge	1	
	► A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").		
April 10, 2017 to March 31, 2018	yellow perch	50	
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	walleye and sauger	6 in all	► A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ► Angling only
April 10, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	
June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	6 in all	
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	1 in all	► A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	

rivière Saint-Maurice - Between Pointe à Poulin (Golf Club Ki-8-EB, 46°23'9" N, 72° 36'43" W) and the third transmission line (46°25'5" N), 72° 43'29" W.) located 2.1 km downstream from the La Gabelle dam.

May 12, 2017 to September 10, 2017	char	10 in all	
	landlocked salmon	3	
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	➤ Except striped bass
	walleye and sauger	6 in all	➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ➤ Angling only
June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	6 in all	
	muskellunge	1	
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	1 in all	➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	

rivière Saint-Maurice - between Highway 138 bridge upstream and Poulin point.

May 5, 2017 to March 31, 2018	pike	6 in all	
	yellow perch	50	
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	walleye and sauger	6 in all	➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ➤ Angling only
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	
June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	6 in all	
	muskellunge	1	
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	1 in all	➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	

William -

April 28, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	
June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	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
May 19, 2017 to March 31, 2018	pike	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

Aire faunique communautaire du lac Saint-Pierre (voir aussi zone 8)

fleuve Saint Laurent (communal wildlife area of lac Saint-Pierre) - between the western boundary of Zone 7 and the downstream side of Laviolette bridge (including lac Saint-Pierre and its archipelago) up to the high water line.

rivière Maskinongé (communal wildlife area of lac Saint-Pierre) - from its mouth in Fleuve Saint-Laurent to the downstream side of the Highway 138 bridges.

rivière du Loup (communal wildlife area of lac Saint-Pierre) - from its mouth in Fleuve Saint-Laurent to the downstream side of the Highway 138 bridges.

rivière Nicolet (communal wildlife area of lac Saint-Pierre) - from its mouth in Fleuve Saint-Laurent to the downstream side of the Highway 132 bridges.

rivière Saint-François (communal wildlife area of lac Saint-Pierre) - from its mouth in Fleuve Saint-Laurent to the downstream side of the Highway 132 bridges.

rivière Yamaska (communal wildlife area of lac Saint-Pierre) - from its mouth in Fleuve Saint-Laurent to the downstream side of the Highway 132 bridges.

May 5, 2017 to October 31, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	pike	6 in all	
May 12, 2017 to October 31, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	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
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	yellow perch	Fishing prohibited	

April 1, 2017 to October 31, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	➤ Except striped bass
June 16, 2017 to October 31, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	6 in all	
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	1 in all	➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
June 16, 2017 to October 31, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	muskellunge	1	➤ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	

fleuve Saint Laurent (communal wildlife area of lac Saint-Pierre) - Petit barrage sector between île Ronde and île Madame, between a line perpendicular to île Madame (46°04'51,1" N., 73°05'15,6" W.) and joining the southwestern tip of île Ronde (46°04'39,3" N., 73°04'58,2" W.) and a line perpendicular to île Madame (46°05'26,7" N., 73°04'38,5" W.) which passes via the yellow buoy (46°05'23,6" N., 73°04'30,7" W.) indicating the presence of the dam and which then joins the northwestern shore of île Ronde (46°05'20,9" N., 73°04'24,3" W.).

fleuve Saint Laurent (communal wildlife area of lac Saint-Pierre) - Chenail aux Corbeaux sector, between the line linking the southwestern tip of île à la Pierre (46°04'42,6" N., 73°01'49,2" W.) to the southwestern tip of île de Grâce (46°04'18,4" N., 73°02'22,9" W.) and a line perpendicular to île à la Pierre situated 1 km downstream of its southwestern tip (46°04'57,2" N., 73°01'35,1" W.) and joining île de Grâce (46°05'00,8" N., 73°01'40,1" W.).

fleuve Saint Laurent (communal wildlife area of lac Saint-Pierre) - Grand barrage sector between île Ronde and île de Grâce, between a line linking the southwestern tips of île de Grâce (46°04'10,3" N., 73°03'51,0" W.) and of île Ronde (46°04'39,3" N., 73°04'58,2" W.) and a line perpendicular to île de Grâce (46°04'52,8" N., 73°03'34,3" W.) which passes via the yellow buoy (46°05'00" N., 73°03'54,9" W.) indicating the presence of the dam and which then joins the southeastern shore of île Ronde. (46°05'06,7" N., 73°04'13,8" W.).

June 16, 2017 to October 31, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	6 in all	▶ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").
	muskellunge	1	
May 26, 2017 to October 31, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	▶ Except stripped bass
	walleye and sauger	6 in all	▶ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits"). ▶ Angling only
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	
	yellow perch	Fishing prohibited	
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	1 in all	▶ A length limit may apply for this species (See "Catch, possession and length limits").