

# Sport fishing in Québec (including salmon fishing) - April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018 Fishing periods, catch limits and exceptions - Zone 8

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 8 -

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	• ).
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	• ). • Angling only
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	1 in all	• ).
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	atlantic salmon	2 or 3 small caught and released water	• ). • Salmon fishing licence mandatory.
	black crappie	30	
	char	10 in all	
	cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all	
	lake trout and splake trout	2 in all	• ).
	landlocked salmon	3	
	other species	no limit	
	rainbow trout	10	• For the Saint-Lawrence river part of the area, there is no catch limit for rainbow trout.
	shad	5	

## Water bodies – Exceptions

**rivière aux Brochets** - between the Notre-Dame-de-Stanbridge dam and the mouth of ruiseau Ewing situated downstream of the Highway 133 bridge in the municipality of Saint-Pierre-de-Véronne-à-Pike-River.

July 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	• ).
	other species	same as the zone	
	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**rivière aux Brochets** - from the mouth of brook Ewing situated downstream of the Highway 133 bridge in the municipality of Saint- Pierre-de-Véronne-à-Pike-River up to its outlet in Missisquoi bay.

June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	• ).
	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**rivière Chibouet** - between its mouth and a point 200 m upstream.

June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	• ).
	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**rivière de l'Achigan** - between the railway bridge downstream of Gosselin Road (45°51'62" N., 73°28'25" W.) and the dam upstream of Route 341 to the Epiphany (45°50'48" N., 73°29'37" W.).

**rivière L'Assomption** - between the first sill downstream of Chutes à Morin in Joliette (45°59'49" N., 73°25'06" W.) and the power transmission line downstream (45°58'37" N., 73°22'45" W.).

**rivière Ouareau** - between Crabtree dam (45°57'56" N., 73°28'03" W.) and its confluence with rivière l'Assomption in Saint-Paul (45°56'25" N., 73°24'26" W.).

**rivière Châteauguay** -

- between the dam upstream of Châteauguay and its extension to the north shore and the first bridge downstream of this dam;
- between the Sainte-Martine dam and the mouth of the rivière Esturgeon.

July 1, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
July 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	• ).
	other species	same as the zone	• Except stripped bass
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**lac des Deux Montagnes -**

- the part formed by Carillon bay, north of a straight line running from Aux Roches point to the ruisseau Portage;
- The part formed by Fer-à-Cheval bay, west of a straight line running from the eastern tip of Carillon island to the eastern tip of Paquin island.

July 1, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	1 in all	• ).
July 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	• ).
	muskellunge	same as the zone	• ).
	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**rivière des Mille Îles -**

- from the CP bridge downstream of the Highway 25 bridge up to its confluence with the rivière Des Prairies;
- the part between the CPR bridge downstream from the bridge of Highway 25 to its confluence with the St. Lawrence River.

April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	redhorse	Fishing prohibited	
	sucker	Fishing prohibited	
	other species	same as the zone	• ). • Except stripped bass
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	muskellunge	same as the zone	• ).
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	• ).

**rivière des Mille Îles -** between the Highway 25 bridge and the CP bridge downstream.

July 1, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
July 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	• ).
	muskellunge	same as the zone	• ).
	other species	same as the zone	• ). • Except stripped bass
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	redhorse	Fishing prohibited	
	sucker	Fishing prohibited	

**rivière des Outaouais -**

- Between a point 180 m upstream of the CN bridge at Dorion and a straight line running from the southern tip of Petite île Besner to Pointe aux Chênes;
- between a point 325 m upstream of the railway bridge at Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue and a line parallel to the Highway 20 bridge via the southern end of the pier at the lock canal (comprising part of the river known as "chenal Proulx" or "Stocker brook").

April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	redhorse	Fishing prohibited	
	sucker	Fishing prohibited	
June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	• ).
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	• ).
	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**rivière des Outaouais** - between the Carillon dam and the power line situated 4 km downstream of this dam (45°32'19" N., 74°21'08" W.).

June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	• ).
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	• ).
	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**rivière des Outaouais** - between the Highway 40 bridge (Île aux Tourtes bridge) and lac Saint-Louis, except for the following sectors :

- between a point 180 m upstream of the CN bridge at Dorion and a straight line running from the southern tip of Petite île Besner to Pointe aux Chênes;
- between a point 325 m upstream of the railway bridge at Sainte-Anne-de-Bellevue and a line parallel to the Highway 20 bridge via the southern end of the pier at the lock canal (comprising part of the river known as “chenal Proulx” or “Stocker brook”).

April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	redhorse	Fishing prohibited	
	sucker	Fishing prohibited	
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	• ).
	other species	same as the zone	• ).

**rivière des Prairies** - between the Hydro Québec dam and the part downstream from Pie-IX bridge, including the southern arm up to Des Moulins dam.

June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	• ).
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	redhorse	Fishing prohibited	
	sucker	Fishing prohibited	
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	• ).
	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**rivière des Prairies** - between the part downstream of the Pie-IX bridge and its confluence with rivière des Milles-Îles.

April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	redhorse	Fishing prohibited	
	sucker	Fishing prohibited	
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	• ).
	other species	same as the zone	• ).
June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	• ).
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**du Mont-Saint-Bruno** -

April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	all species	Fishing prohibited	
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**rivière l'Acadie** - between the Highway 112 bridge and the Highway 104 bridge.

**rivière Beaudette** - upstream of the Highway 20 bridge.

July 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	all species	same as the zone	• ).
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**rivière Noire** - between the Père Tarte dam in Saint-Ephrem d'Upton and the Émileville dam.

**rivière Noire** - between the eastern tip of the island downstream of Saint-Pie up to its confluence with the rivière Yamaska.

April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	redhorse	Fishing prohibited	
	sucker	Fishing prohibited	
	other species	same as the zone	• ).
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**rivière Noire** - between the Émileville dam and the eastern tip of the island downstream of Saint- Pie.

June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	redhorse	Fishing prohibited	
	sucker	Fishing prohibited	
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	lake trout and splake trout	same as the zone	• ).
	other species	same as the zone	
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ).

**rivière Richelieu** - between an imaginary line running from Chambly fort to the opposite bank, which follows over a distance of 50 m the northwestern tip of the islands downstream of the rapids and the upstream side of the power line that crosses Chambly rapids (Sectors B and C of the Pierre-Étienne Fortin reserve).

June 16, 2017 to June 19, 2017 July 21, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	
June 15, 2017 to June 19, 2017 July 21, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	redhorse	Fishing prohibited	
	sucker	Fishing prohibited	
May 12, 2017 to June 19, 2017 July 21, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	• ).
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**rivière Richelieu** - between the upstream side of the power line that crosses Chambly rapids and the Chambly dam. (Sector A of the Pierre-Étienne Fortin reserve).

June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	redhorse	Fishing prohibited	
	sucker	Fishing prohibited	
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	• ).
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**rivière Richelieu** - between the downstream side of the bridge of Highway 30 and a line drawn from Chambly fort and extending to the opposite shore, while running alongside at a distance of 50 m the northwestern tip of the islands located downstream of the rapids (45°27'20" N., 73°16'30" W.).

April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	redhorse	Fishing prohibited	
	sucker	Fishing prohibited	
	other species	same as the zone	• ).
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only



**rivière Rigaud** - between the Highway 40 bridge and the dam upstream of the city of Rigaud.

June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	• ).
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**Saint-François** -

April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	
	sturgeon	Fishing prohibited	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	• ).
	other species	same as the zone	• ). • Except stripped bass
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**rivière Saint-Jean** - its mouth in the fleuve Saint-Laurent (45°52'23" N., 73°16'56" W.) and chemin Joliette in Lanoraie (45°58'21" N., 73°15'09" W.), including rivière Saint-Antoine, as well as the other tributaries of rivière Saint-Jean.

July 1, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	redhorse	Fishing prohibited	
	sucker	Fishing prohibited	
July 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	• ).
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**fleuve Saint-Laurent (sector not located in Communal wildlife area of lac Saint-Pierre)** - between the downstream side of the Beauharnois and Pointe-des-Cascades dams and the downhill side of the power transmission lines of the Hydro-Québec hydroelectric station in Tracy.

**Saint-Louis** -

April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	redhorse	Fishing prohibited	
	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	
	sucker	Fishing prohibited	
	other species	same as the zone	• ).
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**rivière Yamaska** - at Farnham, between the footbridge dam and the Highway 10 bridge.

**rivière Yamaska** - at Saint-Hyacinthe, between the T.D. Bouchard power station and the Concorde Avenue bridge.

**rivière Yamaska** - between a point 1 km upstream of the bridge at Saint-Hugues and a point 1 km downstream of the same bridge.

June 16, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	same as the zone	
	muskellunge	same as the zone	
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
May 12, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	• ).
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

**rivière Yamaska** - from the Highway 10 bridge to the T.D. Bouchard power station in Saint-Hyacinthe.

April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	redhorse	Fishing prohibited	
	sucker	Fishing prohibited	
	other species	same as the zone	• ).
	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only

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**fleuve Saint-Laurent (Communal wildlife area of lac Saint-Pierre)** - between the eastern boundary of Zone 8 and the downstream side of the power transmission lines of the Hydro-Québec hydroelectric station in Tracy, up to the high water line.

**rivière Richelieu (Communal wildlife area of lac Saint-Pierre)** - from its mouth in the fleuve Saint-Laurent to the Highway 30 bridge.

April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	redhorse	Fishing prohibited	
	sucker	Fishing prohibited	
June 16, 2017 to October 31, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	bass	6 in all	
	muskellunge	1	• ).
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"> <li>• ).</li> <li>• Angling only</li> </ul>
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	yellow perch	Fishing prohibited	
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	1 in all	• ).
April 1, 2017 to October 31, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	• Except stripped bass
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	

**fleuve Saint-Laurent (Communal wildlife area of lac Saint-Pierre) -**

- the party zone 8 the following 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) -**

- the party zone 8 the following sector: 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) -**

- the party zone 8 the following sector: 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.

June 16, 2017 to October 31, 2017	bass	same as the zone	
December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	muskellunge	same as the zone	• ).
May 26, 2017 to October 31, 2017	pike	same as the zone	
December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	walleye and sauger	same as the zone	• ). • Angling only
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	yellow perch	Fishing prohibited	
May 26, 2017 to October 31, 2017 December 20, 2017 to March 31, 2018	other species	same as the zone	• ). • Except stripped bass
June 15, 2017 to October 31, 2017	sturgeon	same as the zone	• ).
April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018	striped bass	Fishing prohibited	