Sport fishing in Québec
Fishing periods, limits and exceptions
(April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2027)

• To know the general rules for one fishing zone, consult the Fishing zones page.

• To know the changes that occur during the season, consult our News page.

• IMPORTANT: catch limits and fishing periods that apply in wildlife territories may differ from those mentioned here. In these cases, you will be informed on the spot.

Rules for the zone

Zone 12

Period	Species	Catch limit	Length limit	Engine	Note
April 1st, 2026 to April 15th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
April 1st, 2026 to March 31st, 2027	Black crappie	30			
	Copper redhorse	Fishing prohibited			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Striped bass	Fishing prohibited			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	no limit			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	In the waters within managed territories: 2 in all
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to March 31st, 2027	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	

June 15th, 2026 to November 30th	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to March 31st, 2027	Bass	6 in all			

Water bodies – Exceptions

Lake à la Truite - (46°14'33" N., 76°55'28" W.)(TNO de Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Antoine - (46°21'58" N., 76°58'51" W.)(TNO of Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			

April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Baptiste - (46°23'15" N., 77°08'12" W.)(TNO de Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 202	Bass	6 in all			

June 15th, 2026 to November 30th	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Branssat - (46°25'14" N., 77°02'24" W.)(TNO of Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	55 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Bresse - (46°30'51" N., 77°14'46" W.)(TNO de Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	

April 23rd, 2026	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Bruce - (46°43'41" N., 77°19'20" W.)(TNO of Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Brûlé - (46°56'38" N., 77°11'51" W.)(TNO of Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			

April 16th, 2026 to November 3	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Chavannes - (46°51'30" N., 77°08'52" W.)(TNO of Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	

June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Croucher - (46°57'05" N., 77°30'47" W.)(TNO de Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake de Coste - (46°31'46" N., 77°17'25" W.)(TNO de Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			

April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Duval - (46°18'32" N., 76°54'43" W.)(TNO of Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	55 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Gerland - (46°27'52" N., 77°04'00" W.)(TNO de Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Ingley - (46°36'59" N., 77°45'02" W.)(TNO of Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			

May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Lynch - (46°24'24" N., 77°05'25" W.)(TNO of Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	55 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Maniluve - (46°49'20" N., 77°08'04" W.)(TNO de Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			

April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Nagard - (46°21'35" N., 77°08'27" W.)(TNO de Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	

June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Nougon - (46°41'58" N., 77°29'56" W.)(TNO of Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Sudrie - (46°32'29" N., 77°17'05" W.)(TNO de Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	

April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

Lake Vaucour - (46°40'50" N., 77°35'26" W.)(TNO of Lac-Nilgaut)

April 16th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Black crappie	30			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
April 23rd, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	10 in all with at most 2 arctic char			
	Cutthroat trout and brown trout	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	1 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	3		Angling only	
	Rainbow trout	no limit			
May 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to October 31st, 2	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	
June 15th, 2026 to November 30th, 2026	Bass	6 in all			
	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all		Angling only	

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May 15th, 2026 to September 15th, 2026	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	same as the zone			
	Lake trout and splake trout	2 in all		Angling only	
	Pike	6 in all			
	Walleye and sauger	6 in all	Walleye: 37 cm to 53 cm inclusively OR 32 cm to 47 cm inclusively, Sauger: no length limit	Angling only	Map of walleye length limits.
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	same as the zone			
June 15th, 2026 to September 15t	Bass	6 in all			
	Sturgeon	1 in all		Angling only	