Sport fishing in Québec Fishing periods, limits and exceptions

(April 1, 2025 to March 31, 2026)

- 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

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Period	Species	Catch limit	Length limit	Engine	Note
April 1st, 2025 to March 31st,	American eel	Fishing prohibited			
2026	Black crappie	30			
	Lake whitefish	12			
	Rainbow smelt	120			
	Striped bass	Fishing prohibited			
	Sturgeon	Fishing prohibited			
	Yellow perch	50			
	Other species	no limit			
April 25th, 2025 to September 30th, 2025	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	5 in all			
	Lake trout and splake trout	2 in all	45 cm or more	Angling only	
	Landlocked salmon	1		Angling only	
	Trout (brown trout, cutthroat trout and rainbow trout)	5 in all			
May 16th, 2025 to June 15th, 2025	Walleye and sauger	5 in all	40 cm and less		
May 16th, 2025 to March 31st, 2026	Pike	6 in all			
June 16th, 2025 to February 28th,	Walleye and sauger	5 in all	no length limit		
June 20th, 2025 to December 15th	Muskellunge and tiger muskellunge	1 in all	137 cm or more	Angling only	
June 27th, 2025 to November 30th	Bass	6 in all			

March 1st,	Walleye and	5 in all	40 cm and less	
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31st, 2026				

Water bodies - Exceptions

Lake Old Mill - (45°54'34" N., 76°54'53" W.) (Waltham Municipality)

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Same as the zone	Other species	same as the zone		
April 25th, 2025 to September 30th, 2025	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	5 in all		
	Trout (brown trout, cutthroat trout and rainbow trout)	5 in all		
December 20th, 2025 to March 31st,	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	5 in all		
2026	Trout (brown trout, cutthroat trout and rainbow trout)	5 in all		

Lake Sans nom (Petit lac Bell) - (46°11'43" N., 77°42'02" W., Municipality of Rapides-des-Joachims)

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	Trout (brown trout, cutthroat trout and rainbow trout)	5 in all		
December 20th, 2025 to March 31st,	Char (arctic char, brook trout)	5 in all		
2026	Trout (brown trout, cutthroat trout and rainbow trout)	5 in all		

National Park de Plaisance - à l'exception de la partie de la baie Noire située dans un rayon de 30 m à partir du pont Legault (45°35'26" N., 75°10'18" O.).

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	Sturgeon	Fishing prohibited		
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	Walleye and sauger	5 in all	no length limit		
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River des Outaouais - between lac Témiscamingue dam and a line drawn from east to west 6 km downstream from this dam. (Municipality of Témiscaming)

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River des Outaouais - That part of McConnell Lake between a straight line connecting 46°12'30" N., 77°42'21.58" W. and the point 46°12'33.78" N., 77°42'17.02" W. upstream form the dike (old winter road) and the narrowing of the river (1.3 km downstream of the bridge) generated by the western tip of Colton Bay and a point on Île des Rapides-des-Joachims. (Municipality of Rapides-des-Joachims)

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	Walleye and sauger	5 in all	no length limit		
	Other species	same as the zone			

River du Lièvre - between the downstream side of the Route 148 bridge and the high-voltage line located immediately upstream of Île à Cruchet. (City of Gatineau

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