

CHAPTER 6264
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
EXPERIMENTAL FISHING WATERS; REGULATIONS

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WATERS

6264.0300 DESIGNATED EXPERIMENTAL WATERS.

[For text of subs 1 to 27, see M R]

Subp 28 **Minnesota River, Minnehaha Creek, and Mississippi River Pool Two.** While on or fishing in the following waters, angling for walleye, sauger, smallmouth bass, and largemouth bass shall be limited to catch and release only, whereby any walleye, sauger, smallmouth bass, or largemouth bass must be returned immediately to the water. Catch and release angling for walleye, sauger, smallmouth bass, and largemouth bass shall be legal continuously (year round). It shall be unlawful for anyone to have in possession or under control, regardless of where taken, any walleye, sauger, smallmouth bass, or largemouth bass, while being on or fishing in these waters. Possession includes personal possession and possession in a vehicle. By December 1, 1996, the public will be given an opportunity to comment on provisions of this subpart using the public review and notification process specified in Minnesota Statutes, section 97C 001.

	Name	Location	County	End Date
A	Minnesota River	T 28, R 23, S Various, downstream from Mendota Bridge	Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey	3/1/1999
B.	Minnehaha Creek	T 28, R 23, S 17,18, downstream from Minnehaha Falls	Hennepin	3/1/1999
C	Pool Two of the Mississippi River	T 26,27,28,115, R.17,18,21,22, 23, S Various, between the Hastings and Ford Dams, including all backwater and connecting waters except.	Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey, Washington	3/1/1999
(1)	Crosby Lake	T 28, R.23, S 14, 15,22,23	Ramsey	
(2)	Pickerel Lake	T.28, R 23, S.12, 13,14	Dakota, Ramsey	
(3)	Upper Lake	T 28, R 23, S 22	Ramsey	
(4)	Little Pig's Eye Lake	T 28, R 22, S.23	Ramsey	
(5)	Unnamed (North Star Steel) Lake	T 28, R 22, S 14, 23	Ramsey	

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Subp. 29 Crooked Lake experimental regulations. In Crooked Lake, all largemouth bass in possession shall be 16 inches or more in length as measured from the tip of the nose to the tip of the tail when fully extended. Largemouth bass less than 16 inches in length shall be returned immediately to the water. It is unlawful for anyone to have in possession or under control, regardless of where taken, any largemouth bass which are less than 16 inches in length, while being on or fishing in Crooked Lake. Possession includes personal possession and possession in a vehicle.

Name	Location	County	End Date
Crooked Lake	T.31,32, R 24, S 4,33	Anoka	3/1/2001

Subp. 30 Olson and DeMontreville experimental regulations. In Olson and DeMontreville Lakes, all largemouth bass in possession must be either less than 12 inches or more than 16 inches in length as measured from the tip of the nose to the tip of the tail when fully extended. All largemouth bass which are 12 to 16 inches in length, inclusive, shall be returned to the water immediately. It is unlawful for anyone to have in possession or under control, regardless of where taken, any largemouth bass which are 12 to 16 inches in length, inclusive, while being on or fishing in Olson and DeMontreville lakes. Possession includes personal possession and possession in a vehicle.

Name	Location	County	End Date
A Olson Lake	T 29, R 21, S 8,9	Washington	3/1/2001
B DeMontreville Lake	T 29, R.21, S.4, 5,9	Washington	3/1/2001

Subp 31 Clear Lake experimental regulations. While on or fishing in Clear Lake, angling for largemouth bass shall be limited to catch and release only, whereby any largemouth bass caught must be immediately returned to the water. Catch and release angling for largemouth bass shall be legal during the open season for largemouth bass in inland waters. It is unlawful for anyone to have in possession or under control, regardless of where taken, any largemouth bass while being on or fishing in Clear Lake. Possession includes personal possession and possession in a vehicle.

Name	Location	County	End Date
Clear Lake	T.107, R 22, S 4, 5,8,9,16,17	Waseca	3/1/1999

Subp 32 Rainy Lake experimental regulations. The provisions of this subpart are effective as of May 14, 1994, and apply to the waters listed below. To the extent that this subpart is inconsistent with part 6266.0700, subpart 2, the provisions of this subpart apply. While on or fishing in the waters listed below, all walleye in possession or under control, regardless of where taken, must be less than 17 inches in length from the tip of the nose to the tip of the tail when fully extended, except that a person's possession limit may include one walleye greater than 25 inches in length, and except that walleye legally taken from Ontario waters of Rainy Lake that are not within the above length limits may be possessed with documented proof of fishing on Ontario waters of Rainy Lake. Proof of fishing must consist of documentation of a residence or property on Ontario waters of Rainy Lake, or a dated receipt from an Ontario resort on Rainy Lake. A person in possession of walleye that were legally taken in Ontario waters of Rainy Lake, but not within the legal sizes for the waters listed below, may not fish on the waters listed below. Possession includes personal possession and possession in a vehicle.

Name	Location	County	End Date
Rainy Lake	T 67,68,69,70, 71, R 18,19,20, 21,22,23,24, S		

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Various, Minnesota waters of Rainy Lake from the dam in International Falls to the dam in Kettle Falls, Black Bay including Gold Portage, Rat Root Lake, and all of the Rat Root River

Koochiching, St. Louis 3/1/2000

Subp. 33 **Annie Battle Lake experimental regulations.** The following waters are closed to fishing

Name	Location	County	End Date
Annie Battle Lake	T 133, R.39,40 S 13,18,19,24	Otter Tail	2/28/1997

Subp 34 **Ann and Bavaria Lakes experimental regulations.** While on or fishing on the following waters, angling for largemouth bass shall be limited to catch and release only, whereby all largemouth bass must be immediately returned to the water. It shall be unlawful for anyone to have in possession or under control, regardless of where taken, any largemouth bass, while on or fishing on these waters. Possession includes personal possession and possession in a vehicle

Name	Location	County	End Date
A Ann Lake	T.116, R 23, S.10,11	Carver	3/1/2003
B Bavaria Lake	T 116, R 23, S 19,30 T 116, R 24, S 24	Carver	3/1/2003

Statutory Authority: *MS s 14 38, 97C 001; 97C 005*

History: *18 SR 2252, 18 SR 2482, 19 SR 1517*

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