

CHAPTER 6264
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
DESIGNATED WATERS

6264.0300 DESIGNATED EXPERIMENTAL WATERS.

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[For text of subps 1 to 30, see M.R.]

Subp. 31. [Repealed, 36 SR 810]

[For text of subps 32 to 55, see M.R.]

Subp. 56. **Walleye slot limits on Namakan Reservoir Lakes.** While a person is on or angling in the following waters, all walleye in possession or under control must be less than 17 inches in length or greater than 28 inches in length. All walleye that are 17 to 28 inches in length, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water. A person's possession and daily limit for walleye and sauger is six in the aggregate, of which not more than four may be walleye and not more than one walleye may be over 28 inches in length.

Name	Location	County	End Date
A. Kabetogama Lake (including Sullivan Bay and Ash River to Ash River Falls)	T.68, R.19,20, S.Variou T.69, R.19,20,21, 22, S.Variou T.70, R.21,22, S.Variou	St. Louis, Koochiching	3/1/2013
B. Namakan Lake	T.68, R.17,18,19, S.Variou T.69, R.17,18,19, S.Variou T.70, R.18,19, S.Variou	St. Louis	3/1/2013
C. Sand Point Lake	T.67, R.16, S.Variou T.68, R.16, S.Variou T.69, R.17, S.Variou	St. Louis	3/1/2013
D. Little Vermilion Lake (including Loon River to Loon Falls Portage)	T.66, R.16, S.Variou T.67, R.16, S.Variou	St. Louis	3/1/2013
E. Crane Lake (including Vermillion Gorge)	T.67, R.16,17, S.Variou T.68, R.16,17, S.Variou	St. Louis	3/1/2013

[For text of subps 57 to 66, see M.R.]

Subp. 67. **Stony Lake largemouth bass maximum size and possession limits.** Except as provided in this subpart, while a person is on or angling in the following waters, all largemouth bass in possession while on or fishing in the following waters must be less than 12 inches in length. Except as provided in this subpart, all largemouth bass 12 inches or greater must be immediately returned to the water. The possession limit may include one largemouth bass over 20 inches in length.

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Name	Location	County	End Date
Stony	T.140N., R.30W., S.4,5,8,9	Cass	3/1/2014

[For text of subp 68, see M.R.]

Subp. 69. [Repealed, 36 SR 810]

[For text of subp 70, see M.R.]

Subp. 71. **Long and Crooked Lakes experimental regulations.** While a person is on or fishing in the following waters, all largemouth bass in possession must be less than 12 inches in length or greater than 20 inches in length. All largemouth bass that are 12 to 20 inches in length, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water. A person's possession limit may not include more than one largemouth bass over 20 inches in length.

Name	Location	County	End Date
A. Crooked	T.122, R.27, S.5	Stearns	3/1/2016
B. Long	T.122, R.27, S.5,8	Stearns	3/1/2016

[For text of subp 72, see M.R.]

Subp. 73. **Northern pike restricted size and possession limits.** While a person is on or fishing in the following waters, all northern pike in possession must be less than 22 inches in length or greater than 36 inches in length. All northern pike that are 22 to 36 inches in length, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water. Possession and daily limit is nine and may not include more than one northern pike over 36 inches in length.

Name	Location	County	End Date
A. Bowstring Lake	T.146,147, R.25,26, S.Various	Itasca	3/1/2017
B. Bowstring River, from Bowstring Lake downstream to the County Road 145 bridge	T.147,148,149, R.26, 27, S.Various	Itasca	3/1/2017
C. Sand Lake	T.147,148, R.26, S.3,4,17-21,28-33	Itasca	3/1/2017
D. Portage Lake	T.147, R.26, S.3,10	Itasca	3/1/2017
E. Birds Eye Lake	T.148, R.26, S.28	Itasca	3/1/2017
F. Little Sand Lake	T.148, R.26,27, S.6,7,12,18	Itasca	3/1/2017

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G.	Round Lake	T.148, R.27,28, S.13,14,18-20, 23-26,29,30	Itasca	3/1/2017
H.	Alice Lake	T.148, R.27, S.31	Itasca	3/1/2017
I.	Popple River	T.148, R.27, S.19,20, from the outlet of Round Lake downstream to the State Highway 46 bridge	Itasca	3/1/2017

[For text of subps 74 to 78, see M.R.]

Subp. 79. **Long Lake largemouth bass restricted size and possession limits.** While a person is on or angling in the following waters, all largemouth bass in possession must be less than 14 inches in length or greater than 20 inches in length. All largemouth bass that are 14 to 20 inches in length, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water. A person's possession limit may not include more than one largemouth bass over 20 inches in length.

Name	Location	County	End Date
Long	T.122, R.27, S.5,8	Kandiyohi	3/1/2020

Statutory Authority: *MS s 97C.001; 97C.005*

History: *36 SR 810; 36 SR 1247*

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[For text of subps 1 to 14, see M.R.]

Subp. 15. **Conservation lake.** While on or fishing in the following waters, the daily and possession limit for walleye is three, for crappie is five, for sunfish is five, and for yellow perch is ten. Angling for largemouth bass is limited to catch and release only. Any largemouth bass caught must be immediately returned to the water. Catch and release angling for largemouth bass is legal only during the open season for largemouth bass in inland waters. It is unlawful for anyone to have in possession, regardless of where taken, any largemouth bass while on or fishing in the following waters.

Name	Location	County
Norway Lake	T.133N, R.41,42W, S.19,20,24,25,29,30	Otter Tail

[For text of subps 16 to 18, see M.R.]

Subp. 19. **Northern pike 24-inch to 36-inch protected slot limit.** While a person is on or fishing in the following waters, all northern pike in possession must be less than 24 inches in length or greater than 36 inches in length. All northern pike that are 24 to 36 inches in length, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water. A person's daily and possession limit may not include more than one northern pike over 36 inches in length.

Name	Location	County
A. Ada	T.139, R.29, S.Various	Cass
B. Alexander	T.131,132, R.30, 31, S.Various	Morrison

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C.	Ash	T.66, R.20, S.7-9,17,18	St. Louis
D.	Basswood	T.64,65, R.10,11, S.Various	Lake
E.	Beltrami	T.148, R.32,33, S.25,26,30,31,35,36	Beltrami
F.	Big Carnelian	T.31, R.20, S.26, 34,35	Washington
G.	Big Mantrap	T.141,142, R.33,34, S.Various	Hubbard
H.	Big Turtle	T.148, R.33, S.Various	Beltrami
I.	Birch Lake Reservoir	T.61, R.11, 12, S.Various	St. Louis
J.	Blueberry	T.138, R.35, S.2,3,10,11	Wadena
K.	Center, North	T.34, R.20, S.15, 21,22,27,28,34	Chisago
L.	Center, South	T.33,34, R.20, S.2,3,4,9,10,34,35	Chisago
M.	Child	T.140, R.29, S.9,10,15,16	Cass
N.	Deer	T.148, R.34, S.5,8	Beltrami
O.	Farm	T.62,63, R.11, S.3,4,26-29,32-35	Lake
P.	Fish Trap	T.132, R.31, S.28-33	Morrison
Q.	Fox	T.148, R.33, S.22,23,26,27	Beltrami
R.	Floyd, Little	T.139, R.41, S.2,3,10,11	Becker
S.	Garden	T.63, R.11, S.20-22,27-30	Lake
T.	George	T.143, R.34, S.15,16,21,22,27	Hubbard

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U.	Girl	T.140,141, R.28, S.3,4,32,33,34	Cass
V.	Island	T.150, R.28, S.3-5,8-10,15,16,19-21	Itasca
W.	Knife	T.40,41, R.23,24, S.Various	Kanabec
X.	Little Boy	T.140, R.28, S. Various	Cass
Y.	Little Cascade	T.62, R.2,3, S.12,14	Cook
Z.	Little Turtle	T.148, R.33, S.8,16,17,20,21	Beltrami
AA.	Little Woman	T.140, R.29, S.15	Cass
BB.	Long	T.46, R.25, S.3,4,9,10	Aitkin
CC.	Long	T.128, R.30,32, S.16,17,20,21,28	Todd
DD.	Minnie Belle	T.118, R.31, S.11,14	Meeker
EE.	Mission, Lower	T.135,136, R.27, S.4,5,8,9,33	Crow Wing
FF.	Mission, Upper	T.135,136, R.27, S.3,4,27,28,33,34	Crow Wing
GG.	Movil	T.147,148, R.33, S.3,4,27,33,34,35	Beltrami
HH.	Shamineau	T.123, R.31, S.8-10,15-18	Morrison
II.	South Farm	T.62,63, R.11, S.1,2,3,35,36	Lake
JJ.	Turtle River Lake	T.147,148, R.32, S.Various	Beltrami
KK.	Three Island	T.148, R.32,33, S.18,19,23-26	Beltrami
LL.	West Battle	T.133, R.39,40, S.Various	Otter Tail
MM.	White Iron	T.62,63, R.11,12, S.Various	St. Louis

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NN.	Big Fish	T.124, R.30, S.20,21,28,29	Stearns
OO.	Balsam	T.58,59, R.24, S.4-9	Itasca
PP.	Medicine	T.149, R.32, S.Various	Beltrami
QQ.	North Twin	T.148, R.31, S.Various	Beltrami
RR.	Coon-Sandwick	T.60,61, R.25, S.Various	Itasca
SS.	Rachel, Little Rachel	T.127, R.39, S.Various	Douglas
TT.	Sturgeon Lake	T.45, R.19, S.Various	Pine
UU.	Ten Mile Lake	T.140,141, R.30,31, S.Various	Cass

[For text of subps 20 to 53, see M.R.]

Subp. 54. **Vermilion Lake walleye and northern pike size restrictions.** While a person is on or angling in the following waters, all walleye in possession must be less than 18 inches or greater than 26 inches in length. All walleye that are 18 to 26 inches in length, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water. A person's walleye possession and daily limit taken from, while on, or angling in the following waters, including those taken from other waters, is four, and must not include more than one walleye over 26 inches in length. While a person is on or fishing in the following waters, all northern pike in possession must be less than 24 inches in length or greater than 36 inches in length. All northern pike that are 24 to 36 inches in length, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water. Possession and daily limit may not include more than one northern pike over 36 inches in length.

Name	Location	County
Lake Vermilion	T.61-63, R.14-18, S.Various	St. Louis

[For text of subps 55 to 68, see M.R.]

Subp. 69. [Repealed, 36 SR 436]

[For text of subps 70 and 71, see M.R.]

Subp. 72. **Wabedo Lake northern pike size restrictions and spearing restriction.** While a person is on or fishing in the following waters, all northern pike in possession must be less than 24 inches in length or greater than 36 inches in length. All northern pike that are 24 to 36 inches in length, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water. Possession and daily limit may not include more than one northern pike over 36 inches in length. While on the following waters, a person may not take fish by spearing and may not possess a spear.

Name	Location	County
Wabedo	T.140, R.28, S.Various	Cass

[For text of subps 73 to 103, see M.R.]

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Subp. 104. **Big Sand Lake walleye restricted size and possession limits.** While a person is on or angling in the following waters, all walleye in possession must be less than 20 inches in length or greater than 28 inches in length. All walleye that are 20 to 28 inches in length, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water. A person's possession limit may not include more than one walleye over 28 inches in length.

Name	Location	County
Big Sand	T.141, R.34, S.22, 23, 26-28, 33-35	Hubbard

Subp. 105. **Hovde Lake largemouth bass catch and release regulations.** While a person is on or angling in the following waters, angling for largemouth bass is limited to catch and release only, whereby any largemouth bass caught must be immediately returned to the water.

Name	Location	County
Hovde	T.141, R.30, S.22, 23, 26, 27	Cass

Subp. 106. **Lawndale Creek brook trout catch and release and angling regulations.** While a person is on or angling in the following waters of Lawndale Creek that are within Atherton Wildlife Management Area, angling for brook trout is limited to catch and release only, whereby any brook trout caught must be immediately returned to the water. Methods for taking brook trout are limited to artificial flies and lures. Barbed hooks are prohibited.

Name	Location	County
Lawndale Creek	T.136, R.46, S.34, 35 within a 3.5-mile posted reach within Atherton Wildlife Management Area	Wilkin

Subp. 107. **Splithand Lake panfish possession limits.** While a person is on or angling in the following waters, the daily and possession limit for sunfish is five and for crappie is five.

Name	Location	County
Splithand Lake	T.53, R.25, S.14, 15, 22, 23, 26, 27, 35	Itasca

Subp. 108. **Sunfish possession limit.** While a person is on or angling in the following waters, the daily and possession limit for sunfish is five.

Name	Location	County
Little Splithand Lake	T.53, R.24, 25, S.19, 24	Itasca
Dixon Lake	T.148, R.28, 29, S.24, 25, 30, 31, 36	Itasca

Subp. 109. **Lester Lake catch and release regulations.** While a person is on or angling in the following waters, angling is limited for all species, except northern pike, to catch and release only, whereby any species except for northern pike that are caught must be immediately returned to the water.

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Name	Location	County
Lester Lake	T.142, R.32, S.5, 6	Hubbard

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History: *36 SR 436; 36 SR 810; 36 SR 1247*