

WHEN FISHING FOR SALMON ONLY SINGLE HOOK BARBLESS OR PINCHED BARB ARTIFICIAL FLIES ARE PERMITTED.

Licence

- All persons, except residents 13 years of age and under, require a salmon fishing licence to angle for Atlantic salmon. A general fishing licence is only required for persons who fish in non-tidal waters for any species other than Atlantic salmon.

(All fees include H.S.T.)

Non-Residents (all ages)	(Seasonal)	\$157.40
Non-Residents (all ages)	(7-Day)	\$63.65
Residents (under 16 years)		\$12.70
Residents (16 years & over)		\$42.00
Residents (13 years & under)		See below

- Included in the fees for all salmon fishing licences (except Resident under 16 years) is a \$5.91 surcharge for projects funded under the Sportfish Habitat Program.
- Residents 13 years of age and under have the option of either purchasing their own salmon licence or they may fish under the supervision of a person who is in possession of a valid salmon licence. **Please Note: Non-residents do not need a guide to fish for salmon.**

Size and Bag Limits

- All salmon caught **shall be returned alive to the water immediately. Catch and release only.**
- The daily catch and retain limit is **ZERO**
- The daily catch and release limit is any combination of grilse or salmon totaling **four in SFA 18 and two in SFA 19**
- The yearly catch and retain limit is **ZERO**.
- When fishing for salmon, only **SINGLE HOOK BARBLESS OR PINCHED BARB** artificial flies are permitted.

Notice

- This is a summary prepared for the information and convenience of the salmon anglers in Nova Scotia only, and has no legal force or effect. This should be used in conjunction with the Anglers Handbook issued by the Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture. The original Acts and Regulations should be consulted for all purposes of interpreting and applying the law. These Regulations are subject to change at any time.
- For further information or clarification, please contact the Department of Environment Conservation Officer or the Federal Fisheries Officer in your area.

Stub Return

- By law, the stub return on the salmon licence **must be properly filled out and mailed within seven days of the close of the season or fishing privileges may be suspended.** This applies even if you didn't catch anything. If no Atlantic salmon were released, you should still record the date and rivers fished. If you did not fish for Atlantic salmon this should be indicated on the card, before mailing it to the Nova Scotia Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture. No stamp is required. **This information is critical to the management of Atlantic salmon in our rivers, so your cooperation is extremely important.**
- The Nova Scotia Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture (NSDFA) is offering **PRIZES** for anglers who return their salmon licence stub within seven days of the close of the salmon fishing season. Prizes will be awarded to anglers based on randomly drawn licence stubs they returned through the mail.

- Please fill out one line on the card for each day you fish for salmon. Record the following at the end of each fishing day: date (day and month), river fished, county, number of salmon released, number of grilse released

2016 SALMON REPORT CARD Licence No. 16-00001

(Please Print) Check here if you DID NOT fish for Salmon

DATE		RIVER	County	Grilse Kept Number	Number released		DATE		RIVER	County	Grilse Kept Number	Number released	
Day	Month				Salmon	Grilse	Day	Month				Salmon	Grilse

FOR A CHANCE TO WIN VALUABLE PRIZES, PLEASE RETURN THIS COMPLETED CARD AFTER YOUR LAST DAY FISHED.
GO TO NOVASCOTIA.CA/FISH/SPORTFISHING FOR DETAILS.

Note: If more than one river is fished in one day, use a separate line for each river. Only record a fish as being released if you intentionally release it by breaking/cutting your line or by removing the hook.

Note: If your Atlantic salmon licence stub return card does not have sufficient space, please continue on the form above. If you complete this additional form, please record your N.S. Atlantic salmon licence number and mail (or fax) to N.S. Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture, Inland Fisheries Division, Box 700, Pictou, NS, B0K 1H0 (Fax 902-485-4014), or take it to an office of the N.S. Department of Natural Resources or the N.S. Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture.

Aquatic Invasive Species

- The intentional or accidental movement of fish or other aquatic organisms from one river to another can negatively affect Atlantic salmon populations through competition, predation, disease, and changes to the ecosystem. While the threat from invasive species such as chain pickerel and smallmouth bass to salmon is already apparent in some of our rivers, a fresh water algae has been recently documented in several rivers in Quebec including the Matapedia which flows into the Restigouche on the Quebec/New Brunswick border. *Didymosphenia germinata*, or 'didymo' can form extensive algal mats on rocky streambeds under the right environmental conditions and its appearance greatly reduces the esthetic appeal of salmon streams giving the impression the water is polluted. This is not the case as the algae in fact thrives in nutrient-poor water and is non-toxic to human or aquatic life.
- Although not present in Nova Scotia, it is possible this algae could be transferred here by fishing or boating equipment which has come into contact with the microscopic cells from other rivers.
- By adopting some simple measures such as washing your fishing and boating equipment thoroughly in hot water or allowing gear to dry in the sun for at least five days before transporting it to another water body will reduce the chance of spreading aquatic invasive species such as didymo. It has been suggested that felt soled waders are an especially good vector for this organism because they take a long time to dry and provide tiny spaces for the cells to adhere. Placing waders in the freezer overnight is also an effective way to kill didymo. More information on didymo and other aquatic invasive species can be found at: http://www2.gnb.ca/content/gnb/en/departments/natural_resources/fish/content/Didymo.html