

ROXBURY RECREATION

2021 FISHING RULES AND REGULATIONS

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NEW JERSEY FISHING LICENSE & TROUT STAMP: Required by law for residents 16 years of age and older, and can be obtained at most sporting goods stores. Badges & Licenses must be displayed on outer clothing or cap. Resident senior citizens (65 & over at time of registration): a driver's license or other acceptable proof of age containing date of birth and physical description will function as fishing license. No application fee is required for trout stamp and/or anglers age 65 and over. *Every resident must wear a valid photo (ID) fishing badge.

SEASON: Fishing is permitted from the opening day of Trout Season, Saturday, April 10, 2021 at 8 am, until the last day of the current year.

STOCKED: HORSESHOE LAKE and LEDGEWOOD PARK POND will be stocked during fishing season.*

NO FISHING: is allowed between 9:00pm and 5:00am

NO FISHING: is allowed on Friday, April 9th or April 23rd until after 5pm for stocked fish to acclimate to water

NO FISHING: is allowed if the water is 3 feet or more below normal level

NO FISHING: is permitted on the beach areas & docks at Horseshoe Lake

----- PARKING IS PERMITTED IN DESIGNATED AREA ONLY. **VEHICLES ARE PROHIBITED ON THE PENINSULA!** -----

NO FISHING: BOAT FISHING EXPRESSLY PROHIBITED AT HORSESHOE LAKE & LEDGEWOOD PARK

NO ICE FISHING: ABSOLUTELY NO ICE FISHING IS ALLOWED IN ROXBURY TOWNSHIP

FISHING DERBY:

NO FISHING: On Friday, April 23rd or before 8am on Saturday, April 24th at Ledgewood Park Pond, which is the Ledgewood Park Fishing Derby, held 8 am-10 am for children ages 3 through 15.

The Annual Fisherman's Lane Fishing Contest has been discontinued that was held each June.

FINES AND PENALTIES: ALL PERSONS FISHING WITHOUT DISPLAYING THE REQUIRED BADGE WILL BE GUILTY OF TRESPASSING FOR THE PURPOSE OF FISHING. THE PENALTY IS \$10.00 PER FISH OVER THE LIMIT AND/OR UNDERSIZE AND LOSS OF FISHING PRIVILEGES.

CATCH/ KILL LIMIT: FOUR (4) TROUT PER DAY. TROUT CAN ONLY BE RELEASED IF THE FISHERMAN IS USING THE SINGLE HOOK OR ARTIFICIAL FLIES. NO MORE THAN FOUR (4) TROUT CAN BE RETAINED EACH DAY.

LARGE MOUTH/ SMALL MOUTH BASS: THE MINIMUM SIZE OF LARGE/SMALL MOUTH BASS IS 16 INCHES & THE LIMIT PER DAY IS TWO. DURING 4/15 TO 6/15 THE POSSESSION OF ALL BASS IS PROHIBITED AND BASS CAUGHT SHALL BE IMMEDIATELY RETURNED TO THE WATER UNHARMED.

STATE LIMIT DAILY FOR PICKEREL: 15" INCH SIZE. THERE IS A 25 FISH LIMIT PER DAY FOR PAN FISH SUCH AS PERCH / EEL / CATFISH / OR BLUEGILLS. ANY FISH CAUGHT THAT ARE NOT FOR CONSUMPTION SUCH AS SUNFISH / PERCH ETC. MUST BE PUT BACK IN THE WATER!

BAIT: CORN / PEAS AND OTHER VEGETABLES USED AS BAIT ARE EXPRESSLY PROHIBITED. FISH CAN'T READILY DIGEST THIS TYPE OF BAIT, WHICH COULD RESULT IN A POLLUTION PROBLEM.

TWO RODS PER PERSON: A BADGE IS REQUIRED OF ALL PERSONS HOLDING A ROD REGARDLESS OF AGE. PURCHASE OF BADGE INDICATES KNOWLEDGE OF AND COMPLIANCE WITH THE RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING FISHING. THIS SHEET IS DISTRIBUTED TO EACH BADGE HOLDER. ALL CONTAINERS OF CAUGHT FISH MUST BE OPENED FOR INSPECTION BY THOSE AUTHORIZED PERSONS PATROLLING THE AREA.