

THE FISHERY LAWS OF THE DOMINION.

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KINDS OF FISH.	Ontario.	Quebec.	Nova Scotia.	New Brunswick	P.E. Island.	Manitoba and N. W. T.
Pickeral (Doré)...	April 15 to May 15.	April 15 to May 15.				April 15 to May 15.
Bass and Maskinongé.	April 15 to June 15.	April 15 to June 15.				
Salmon Trout....	Oct. 15 to Nov. 30.					
Whitefish ..	Nov. 1 to Nov. 30.	Nov. 10 to Dec. 1.		Oct. 1 to Dec. 31.		Oct. 5 to Nov. 30.
Sea Bass.....			March 1 to Oct. 1.	March 1 to Oct. 1.		
Smelts.....		April 1 to July 1.	April 1 to July 1.	April 1 to July 1.	April 1 to July 1.	
		Bag-net fishing prohibited, except under license.				
Lobsters		July 15 to Dec. 31.	July 1 to Dec. 31.	July 1 to Dec. 31.	July 15 to Dec. 1.	
			On Atlantic coast, from Cape Canso to boundary line, U.S., July 15 to Dec. 31, in remaining waters of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.			
Sturgeon				Aug. 31 to May 1.		May 1 to June 15.
Oysters.....		June 1 to Sept. 15.	June 1 to Sept. 15.	June 1 to Sept. 15.	June 1 to Sept. 15.	

NOTE.—The following Regulations are applicable to the Province of British Columbia :—

1. Net fishing allowed only under licenses.
2. Salmon nets to have meshes of at least 5¼ inches extension measure.
3. Drift nets confined to tidal waters. No nets to bar more than one-third of any river. Fishing to be discontinued from 6 a.m. Saturday to 6 p.m. Sunday.
4. The Minister of Marine and Fisheries to determine number of boats, seines or nets to be used on each stream.
5. The close season for trout is fixed from the 15th October to 15th March.

SYNOPSIS OF FISHERY LAWS.

Net fishing of any kind is prohibited in public waters, except under lease or license.

The size of nets is regulated so as to prevent the killing of young fish. Nets cannot be set, or seines used, so as to bar channels or bays.

A general weekly close-time is provided, in addition to special close seasons.

The use of explosive or poisonous substances, for catching or killing fish, is illegal.

Mill-dams must be provided with efficient fish-passes. Models or drawings will be furnished by the Department on application.

The above enactments and close seasons are supplemented in special cases, under authority of the Fisheries Act, by a total prohibition of fishing for stated periods.