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Season dates

Saturday 4/8/18	Opening of most waters
Saturday 29/9/18	Opening of designated rainbow trout waters
Sunday 14/10/18	National Gone Fishing Day
Saturday 1/12/18	Opening of Canal Bay, yingina/Great Lake
Sunday 31/3/19	Closure of Canal Bay, yingina/Great Lake
Sunday 28/4/19	Closure of most waters
Saturday and Sunday 18-19/5/19	Trout Weekend, Liawenee
Sunday 2/6/19	Closure of designated rainbow trout waters and lakes Mackintosh and Rosebery

Regulation changes

- A five fish daily bag limit for all rivers.
- A minimum fish size of 300 mm for most lake fisheries.
- A five fish daily bag limit for Big Lagoon (Bruny Island), Briseis Hole, Gunns Lake, Lake Dulverton, Lake Duncan, Lake Isandula, Lauriston Reservoir, Lake Lynch, Lake Mikany, Lake Skinner, Lamberts Dam, Little Lake, Pawleena Reservoir, Rossarden Dam, Rostrevor Reservoir, Risdon Brook Reservoir, Shannon Lagoon and St Clair Lagoon.

- A two fish daily bag limit, with a minimum size of 400 mm and only one fish to be taken over 500 mm for Penstock Lagoon, Lake Crescent, Camerons Lagoon and Bruisers Lagoon.
- All angling methods are permitted in Huntsman Lake.
- A daily bag limit of two brook trout in all inland waters.
- A daily bag limit of five Atlantic salmon in all inland waters.
- The boundary for the open all year section of the River Derwent extended upstream to the New Norfolk Bridge.
- The boundary for the open-all-year section of the River Leven is extended upstream to Whisky Creek.
- A two fish daily bag limit with a minimum size of 300mm and no more than one fish over 500 mm for all Junior Angling Development fisheries: Bushy Park Estate Dam, Frombergs Dam, Hiscutt Park Pond, Lake Waverley and Taylors Dam.
- Only people under 18 years old may fish at Junior Angling Development fisheries.
- A daily bag limit of 12 river blackfish for all inland waters independent of the salmonid daily bag limit.

There have also been other minor changes.

Please check the water at which you're fishing in the 'River and Lake fisheries rules' (pages 22 – 35).

Licence information

When and where you need an angling licence

Each person must have a current angling licence to fish with a rod, reel and line at any inland water in Tasmania.

This includes farm dams on private property.

All inland waters have an angling (or 'open') season. You can only fish that water during the open season that applies to it.

Open season dates are on page 8 and 22 - 35 of this booklet.

You must have a separate licence for whitebait fishing.

You do not need an angling licence to fish:

- at a registered private fishery
- for bream in the specified bream (indigenous fish) waters listed in the Inland Fisheries (*Recreational Fishing Regulations 2009*)
- with a single rod at an open inland water if the person is under 14 years old.

Only a private fishery, registered under the *Inland Fisheries Act 1995*, can charge a fee to fish and set rules for the fishery.

Licence type and cost

Angling licence types and costs for the 2018-19 licence period, which runs from 1/8/18 to 31/7/19, are shown on page 12.

Full-season adult angling licences are discounted for:

- Department of Human Services (DHS) or Department of Veterans' Affairs (DVA) Pensioner Concession Card holders
- Seniors Card holders – issued by states and territories.
- People between 14 and 17 years (junior licence).

You must show your Seniors Card or Pensioner Concession Card when you buy your licence and record the number on the licence.

Please note that a Health Care Card does not qualify a person as eligible for a Pensioner licence.

Buying or renewing a licence

You can buy or renew an angling licence online at www.ifs.tas.gov.au

Licences are also available at all Service Tasmania shops and many tackle, outdoor and sports stores throughout Tasmania. The list of stores is on our website at www.ifs.tas.gov.au

Angling licence conditions

When you go fishing, you must comply with the *Inland Fisheries Act 1995*, *Inland Fisheries (Recreational Fishing) Regulations 2009* and subsequent Orders.

We summarise these rules and regulations in this Inland Fishing Code. You can view complete versions of the legislation at www.thelaw.tas.gov.au

Angling licence type	Cost \$
5 Season Licence - One Adult 1 Rod	360.00
5 Season Licence - One Adult 2 Rod	435.00
5 Season Licence - One Pensioner 1 Rod	200.00
5 Season Licence - One Pensioner 2 Rod	237.00
5 Season Licence - One Senior 1 Rod	290.00
5 Season Licence - One Senior 2 Rod	327.00
One Adult full season	75.50
One Pensioner full season	41.50
One Senior full season	60.00
One Junior (14-17 yrs) full season	12.00
One Person 28 days	60.00
One Person 7 days	38.50
One Person 48 hours	23.00
Same Person 2nd Rod (Adult)	15.50
Same Person 2nd Rod (Pens/Sen/Jnr)	7.70
Replacement licence	3.10

Recreational species

The recreational fishing regulations focus on the following species:

- Salmonids (introduced)
 - brown trout (*Salmo trutta*)
 - rainbow trout (*Oncorhynchus mykiss*)
 - brook trout (*Salvelinus fontinalis*)
 - Atlantic salmon (*Salmo salar*)
- Native (indigenous)
 - black bream (*Acanthopagrus butcheri*)
 - river blackfish (*Gadopsis marmoratus*)
 - estuary perch (*Percaletes colonorum*)
 - short finned eel (*Anguilla australis*)
 - long finned eel (*Anguilla reinhardtii*)

Separate regulations apply to the recreational whitebait fishery which covers several species of small native fish.

Whitebait fishing licence

The run of whitebait occurs throughout the State between spring and early summer. The runs consist of small transparent fish migrating from the sea into rivers and streams. Several species are involved in this phenomenon and most are similar in appearance.

To fish for whitebait you need a separate whitebait licence. Whitebait licences are available online at www.ifs.tas.gov.au and from Service Tasmania shops and selected tackle, outdoor and sports stores.

In 2018 the rivers Derwent, Forth, and kanamaluka/Tamar and the Duck, Great Forester, Henty, Huon, Inglis, Mersey, Montagu, Pieman, and Rubicon rivers are open for recreational whitebait fishing from 1 October 2018 to 11 November 2018. Fishing is not allowed in the Duck or Rubicon rivers 50 metres above and below the water gauging weir.

All other waters are closed to whitebait fishing at all times. Serious penalties apply for fishing in closed waters.

There is a daily catch limit of 2 kg and total catch limit of 10 kg for the season. Whitebait nets cannot have a circumference of greater than 120 cm and must not be used with any devices capable of diverting fish into the net or stopping their escape.

It is an offence to sell or buy, or possess whitebait without a whitebait licence.

The cost of a whitebait licence is \$31.50

Rules and regulations

Angling rules and regulations, including seasons, dates and times, bag and size limits, and angling methods, apply to all Tasmanian inland waters and can change from water to water.

We summarise these rules and regulations in this Inland Fishing Code. You can view complete versions of the legislation at www.thelaw.tas.gov.au

A database of inland waters and their regulations is available at www.ifs.tas.gov.au or by downloading the InFish App.

Bag and size limits

The bag limit is the number of fish you can keep in a single day of fishing.

The size limit is how big, or small, the fish must be for you to be allowed to keep it.

Any fish in your possession at a water counts towards the limit for that water.

Bag limits for salmonids

- A daily bag limit of five (5) fish applies to Atlantic salmon.
- A daily bag limit of two (2) fish applies to brook trout.
- The daily bag limit for brown and rainbow trout changes from water to water; see 'River and Lake fisheries rules' (pages 22 – 35).

Fishing for native fish in inland waters

- A daily bag limit of 12 fish with a minimum length of 220 mm applies to river blackfish.

- A daily bag limit of 10 fish with a minimum length of 250 mm applies to bream.
- A daily bag limit of 12 fish with a minimum length of 300 mm applies to eels.
- A zero bag limit applies to estuary perch.
- There is no bag or size limit for redfin perch and tench.

Measuring fish

Measure fish, other than bream, from the tip of the snout to the fork of the tail.

Measure bream from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail.

You should measure fish as soon as you catch them and immediately return them to the water if undersized.

Closed waters

Waters closed to fishing at all times include:

- All waters flowing into Lake Crescent excluding that section of the canal connecting lakes Crescent and Sorell below Interlaken Road (C527).
- Dogs Head Creek, Silver Plains Creek and Mountain Creek flowing into Lake Sorell and for a radius of 50 m below where that water flows into Lake Sorell.
- Curries River Reservoir, within a 400 m radius of the dam intake structure.
- Lake Fenton and its tributaries.
- Waters flowing into yingina/Great Lake, Lake Leake, Arthurs Lake and Dee Lagoon.

- Waters within a radius of 50 m below where that water flows into yingina/Great Lake, Lake Leake, Arthurs Lake and Dee Lagoon.
- Penstock Lagoon Numbers 1 and 2 canals above two white posts on opposite banks of those canals.
- Brushy Rivulet, flowing into Brushy Lagoon.
- All waters flowing into Talbots Lagoon.
- McPartlans Canal between lakes Pedder and Gordon.
- Craigbourne Dam, from the dam wall and associated infrastructure.
- All ponds, raceways and fish culture ponds maintained by, or operated under, the consent of the IFS (the exception being the Plenty River adjacent to the Salmon Ponds that is reserved for anglers with a disability).
- Within 100 m of a fish trap maintained by the IFS.

Special closures

- Lake Sorell is closed to the public until further notice due to the Carp Management Program.

The Carp Management Program has successfully reduced the carp population in Lake Sorell to a level where a limited reopening may occur. This would enable anglers to explore this water as the trout fishery is being rebuilt.

Waters reserved for anglers with a disability

Risdon Brook Reservoir and the Plenty River adjacent to the Salmon Ponds are reserved for anglers with eligible disabilities for the purpose of the Transport Access Scheme.

Waters reserved for junior anglers

The following waters are regulated as Junior Angling Development fisheries:

- Bushy Park Estate Dam
- Lake Waverley
- Frombergs Dam
- Taylors Dam
- Hiscutt Park Pond

Angling is only allowed at Junior Angling Development Fisheries for people under 18 years old.

A daily bag limit of two (2) fish with a minimum size of 300 mm and only one (1) fish over 500 mm applies at Junior Angling Development fisheries.

Inland waters and seaward limits

The 'seaward limit' is the boundary between marine and inland waters.

The Inland Fisheries Service has jurisdiction over fish and fisheries in all inland waters in Tasmania. This means all waters on the inland side of the seaward limit. Seaward limits are marked by ADG 94 map coordinates and are defined in the *Inland Fisheries (Seaward Limits) Order 2004*.

Some of the common seaward limits are:

- Great Forester River – the point where that river enters Anderson Bay delineated by a straight line between grid references E 537659 N 5461043 and E 537000 N 5460780.
- Huon River – delineated by a straight line between grid references E 498484 N 5224284 and E 500623 N 5224284 next to the southern extremity of Castle Forbes Bay.

- River Leven – the downstream side of the bridge carrying the National Hwy 1 across that river at grid reference E 428952 N 5442853.
- Mersey River – a straight line across that river between grid references E 448089 N 5435279 and E 448507 N 5436286 (intersection of the B19 Road and Tarleton Road on the western shore to the boat ramp on the eastern shore).
- Scamander River – the downstream side of the bridge carrying the A3 road across that river at grid reference E 605469 N 5409338.
- Swan River – delineated by a straight line between grid references E 592571 N 5341270 and E 592532 N 5341134, near where it enters King Bay.
- kanamaluka/River Tamar – a straight line across that river between grid references E 508939 N 5416893 and E 509631 N 5416893 (extending from Haystack Point).
- River Derwent – a straight line across that river between grid references E 523162 N 5262466 and E 523944 N 5262466 (extending from the eastern extremity of Dogshear Point).
- Please note that an 'Excepted waters' boundary extends across the River Derwent from Dowsings Point to Store Point. Although this Excepted water is defined as a marine water, you must have an inland fisheries licence to take trout upstream of this boundary.

Rods and lines

Legal angling methods are fishing with a rod and line using either bait, artificial lure or fly.

Although many inland waters allow all three methods, there are waters where only one or two of the legal angling methods are allowed. Please see the 'River and Lake fisheries rules' pages 22 – 35.

Only one rod and line is allowed per person – unless that person is licensed to fish with two rods at the same time (except for lakes Mackenzie and Augusta, which are restricted to one handheld rod and line when bait fishing).

Anyone may use two rods at the same time fishing for bream in specified bream (indigenous fish) waters (found in Schedule 1 of the *Inland Fisheries (Recreational Fishing) Regulations 2009*).

A single line must have no more than

- two lures; or
- two baits; or
- one lure and one bait; or
- three artificial flies.

You must be within eight metres of your set rod and able to see it at all times.

It is illegal to look after another person's rod and line at any time, even if you have a current licence.

Bait fishing

Bait fishing includes natural, artificial or manufactured baits (for example 'Powerbait') or similar.

It is an offence to use or possess bait in waters reserved

for artificial lure or fly fishing, National Parks and the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area (TWWHA) (except lakes Mackenzie and Augusta where a single, handheld rod is allowed).

It is an offence to use frogs, freshwater crayfish or ground bait (berley) at any inland water.

You may not use fish or fish products as bait in any inland waters other than those sections of rivers subject to tidal movement.

Collecting bait

You may use either a handheld landing net or a seine net to catch live bait, other than whitebait, in those sections of rivers subject to tidal movement from 28/7/18 to 28/4/19.

The landing net must have:

- a handle length of less than two metres
- a mesh size of greater than or equal to 12 mm
- an opening of not more than one metre in diameter.

The seine net must:

- not be more than six metres long and one metre deep
- have a mesh size between 12 and 30 mm.

Strike indicators

Only a purpose-built strike indicator is allowed to warn of movement in the rod or line while set rod fishing.

Plants such as willow, a noxious weed, should not be used, as it can propagate. Bottles, jars, cans or similar objects made of plastic, glass, aluminium or any other metal are not permitted.

Illegal equipment

The following equipment and activities are prohibited:

- Use or possession of nets other than a whitebait, seine or landing net.
- Unattended set rods or deadlines.
- Use of spears or firearms.
- Use of electrical, electronic, sonic or ultrasonic devices capable of influencing fish movement.

Illegal activities not only affect fish populations but can also affect other wildlife.

We encourage you to please report any suspected cases of illegal activity to 1300INFISH as soon as possible.

River and Lake fisheries rules

River fisheries

All River fisheries in Tasmania have the following rules:

- a daily bag limit of five (5) fish
- a minimum size limit of 220 mm

Unless listed in the Exceptions to the River fisheries rule table on page 23,

River fisheries:

- are open to all fishing methods
- have a season of 4/8/18 - 28/4/19

Exceptions to the River fisheries rules are:
Waters with these regulations, their open season
and allowed fishing method are:

Water	Open season	Fishing method
All rivers in the Western Lakes, TWWHA and National Parks	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A F
All rivers in the Western Lakes - Upper Mersey Catchment	29/9/18 - 2/6/19	A F
Huon River, downstream of the Huonville Bridge	All year	A B F
Mersey River, upstream of Lake Rowallan	29/9/18 - 2/6/19	A B F
Plenty River, next to the Salmon Ponds A daily bag limit of one (1) fish Reserved for anglers with eligible disabilities for the purposes of the Transport Access Scheme	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
River Derwent, downstream of the New Norfolk Bridge	All year	A B F
River Leven, downstream of Whisky Creek	All year	A B F
River Leven, upstream of the Loongana Road Bridge	29/9/18 - 2/6/19	A B F
kanamaluka/River Tamar, downstream of the South Esk River (A7) and North Esk River (A8) road bridges	All year	A B F
Weld River – North, upstream of grid reference E 575769 N 543349	29/9/18 - 2/6/19	A B F
Weld River – South, upstream of grid reference E 473359 N 5238592	29/9/18 - 2/6/19	A F
Weld River – South, upstream of grid reference E 479455 N 5234171	29/9/18 - 2/6/19	A B F

Fishing methods: A - Artificial lure, B - Bait, F - Fly

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Lake fisheries

We have divided Lake fisheries into three categories. The Tasmanian Inland Recreational Fishery Management Plan 2018-28 explains more and can be found on the IFS website at www.ifs.com.au.

1. Assisted Lake fisheries

Assisted Lake fisheries have the following rules:

- a daily bag limit of five (5) fish including two (2) brook trout only
- minimum size limit 300 mm
- only two (2) fish to be taken over 500 mm.

Waters with these regulations, their open season and allowed fishing method are:

Water	Open season	Fishing method
Big Lagoon (Bruny Island)	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Big Waterhouse Lake	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Blackmans Lagoon	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Bradys Lake	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Briseis Hole (Derby Mine Hole)	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Brushy Lagoon	All year From 1hr before sunrise to 3hrs after sunset	A B F
Craigbourne Dam	All year From 1hr before sunrise to 3hrs after sunset	A B F
Curries River Reservoir	4/8/18 - 28/4/19 From 1hr before sunrise to 3hrs after sunset	A B F

Fishing methods: A - Artificial lure, B - Bait, F - Fly

Water	Open season	Fishing method
Dee Lagoon	29/9/18 - 2/6/19	A F
Four Springs Lake	4/8/18 - 28/4/19 From 1hr before sunrise to 3hrs after sunset	A B F
Guide Reservoir	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Gunns Lake	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Barrington	All year	A B F
Lake Binney	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Dulverton	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Duncan	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Isandula	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Kara	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Leake	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A F
Lake Lynch	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Mikany	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Plimsoll	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Rolleston	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Selina	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Skinner	29/9/18 - 2/6/19	A F
Lamberts Dam	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lauriston Reservoir	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Little Lake	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Little Pine Lagoon	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	F
Little Waterhouse Lake	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Meadowbank Lake	All year	A B F
Pawleena Reservoir	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Pet Reservoir	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Pioneer Lake	All year	A B F

Water	Open season	Fishing method
Risdon Brook Reservoir Reserved for anglers with eligible disabilities for the purposes of the Transport Access Scheme	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A F
Rossarden Dam	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Rostrevor Reservoir	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Shannon Lagoon	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
South Riana Dam	4/8/18 - 28/4/19 From 1hr before sunrise to 3hrs after sunset	A B F
St Clair Lagoon	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A F
Talbots Lagoon	4/8/18 - 28/4/19 From 1hr before sunrise to 3hrs after sunset	A B F
Tooms Lake	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Tungatinah Lagoon	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Woods Lake	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F

Assisted Lake fisheries exceptions

Assisted Lake fisheries exceptions have the following rules:

- a daily bag limit of two (2) fish
- a minimum size of 400 mm
- only one (1) fish to be taken over 500 mm.

Waters with these regulations, their open season and allowed fishing method are: A - Artificial lure, B - Bait, F - Fly

Water	Open season	Fishing method
Bruisers Lagoon	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	F
Camerons Lagoon	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Crescent	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A F
Penstock Lagoon	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	F

Assisted Lake fisheries exceptions - the Western Lakes

The Western Lakes area is defined as the Central Plateau Conservation Area west of the A5 Lakes Road and the Walls of Jerusalem National Park.

The Western Lakes area rule is:

- a daily bag limit of five (5) fish including two (2) brook trout only
- minimum size limit 300 mm
- only two (2) fish to be taken over 500 mm
- fishing method of artificial lure or fly fishing only
- season 4/8/18 - 28/4/19.

Exceptions to the Western Lakes area rule

These waters within the Western Lakes have the following rules:

- a daily bag limit of five (5) fish including two (2) brook trout only
- minimum size limit 300 mm
- only two (2) fish to be taken over 500 mm.

Waters with these regulations, their open season and allowed fishing method are: A - Artificial lure, B - Bait, F - Fly

Water	Open season	Fishing method
Junction Lake	29/9/18 – 2/6/19	A F
Lake Mackenzie	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A F Bait fishing 1 handheld rod only
Lake Meston	29/9/18 – 2/6/19	A F
Lake Youd	29/9/18 – 2/6/19	A F

Assisted Lake fisheries exceptions - the Western Lakes - the Nineteen Lagoons

The Nineteen Lagoons have the following season:

- 4/8/18 - 28/4/19

Fishing method, minimum size limits and daily bag limits are outlined in the table below:

Water	Fishing method	Minimum size limit (mm)	Daily bag limit	Fishing methods: A - Artificial lure, B - Bait, F - Fly
Carter Lakes	A F	420	2	
Double Lagoon	A F	420	2	
East Rocky Lagoon	F	n/a	0	
Emma Tarns	A F	420	2	
First Lagoon	A F	500	1	
Howes Lagoon Bay	F	420	2	
Lake Ada (including Ada Lagoon)	A F	300/500	5 fish with only 2 over 500	
Lake Agnes	A F	420	2	
Lake Augusta	A F Bait fishing 1 handheld rod only	300/500	5 fish with only 2 over 500	
Lake Baillie	A F	420	2	
Lake Botsford	A F	500	1	
Lake Chipman	A F	420	2	
Lake Dudley	A F	500	1	
Lake Flora	A F	420	2	
Lake Kay	F	300/500	5 fish with only 2 over 500	
Lake Paget	A F	420	2	
Little Blue Lagoon	A F	420	2	

Water	Fishing method	Minimum size limit (mm)	Daily bag limit
O'Dells Lake	A F	420	2
Rocky Lagoon	F	420	2
Sandy Lake	A F	420	2
Second Lagoon	F	420	2
Talinah Lagoon	A F	420	2
Third Lagoon	A F	420	2
Tin Hut Lake	A F	500	1

2. Wild and Naturally Recruiting Lake fisheries

Wild and Naturally Recruiting Lake fisheries have the following rules:

- a minimum size limit of 300 mm
- a daily bag limit of 12 fish including five (5) only Atlantic salmon and (2) only brook trout

Waters with these regulations, their open season and allowed fishing method include:

Water	Open season	Fishing method
Arthurs Lake	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Bronte Lagoon	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A F
Catagunya Lagoon	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Cluny Lagoon	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Cethana	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Echo	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Gairdner	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Lea	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Mackintosh	4/8/18 - 2/6/19	A B F
Lake Palooa	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Parangana	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F

Fishing methods: A - Artificial lure, B - Bait, F - Fly

Water	Open season	Fishing method
Lake Pieman	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Repulse	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Lake Rosebery	4/8/18 - 2/6/19	A B F
Lake Rowallan	29/9/18 - 2/6/19	A B F
Lake St Clair	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A F
Lake Sorell	CLOSED	A F
Lake Trevallyn	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Laughing Jack Lagoon	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Pine Lake	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Pine Tier Lagoon	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F
Wayatinah Lagoon	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A B F

Wild and Naturally Recruiting Lake fisheries exceptions

Wild and Naturally Recruiting Lake fisheries exceptions have the following rules:

- brown trout – minimum size limit 300 mm
- rainbow trout – minimum size limit 400 mm
- a daily bag limit of 12 fish including three (3) rainbow trout only.

Waters with these regulations, their open season and allowed fishing method are: A - Artificial lure, B - Bait, F - Fly

Water	Open season	Fishing method
yingina/Great Lake	All year	A B F
yingina/Great Lake – Canal Bay enclosed by grid ref. E 476050 N 5362584 & E 475072 N 5361781	1/12/18 - 31/3/19	A F
yingina/Great Lake – Tods Corner enclosed by grid ref. E 481761 N 5354650 & E 481847 N 5356012	All year	A F

3. Wild and Over Populated Lake fisheries

Wild and Over Populated Lake fisheries have the following rules:

- minimum size limit 220 mm
- a daily bag limit of 20 fish.

Waters with these regulations, their open season and allowed fishing method are: A - Artificial lure, B - Bait, F - Fly

Water	Open season	Fishing method
Huntsman Lake	All year From 1hr before sunrise to 3hrs after sunset	A B F
Lake Burbury	All year	A B F
Lake Gordon	4/8/18 - 28/4/19	A F
Lake King William	All year	A B F
Lake Pedder	All year	A F

Checked the entire list above and not found the water you were looking for?

This means your water is Wild and Naturally Recruiting with the brown trout season dates of 4/8/18 - 28/4/19.

Wild and Naturally Recruiting Lake fisheries have the following rules:

- minimum size limit 300 mm
- a daily bag limit of 12 fish.

Boating information

Boating in the Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area (TWWHA)

Motorised boating is only allowed on Pillans and Julian lakes, Double Lagoon, lakes Ada, Augusta, Fergus (electric only), Mackenzie, Pedder, St Clair and the Gordon River.

Fishing from a boat

A boat could be a motorised boat or a range of vessels such as: kayaks, canoes, sit-on-tops and float-tubes.

The rules for fishing from a boat include the following:

- You cannot fish from a boat within 100 m of an angler fishing from the shore unless the boat is securely moored.
- You cannot use a boat to drop a lure or bait offshore and then return to shore to fish with that lure or bait.
- You may only fish from a non-motorised boat at lakes Ashford, Bantic, Bellinger, Garcia, Lea, and Ada and Talbots lagoons.
- You may not troll fish from a boat at Penstock and Little Pine lagoons.
- You may take fish from Weir No. 1 and Weir No. 3 on Brumbys Creek from a boat propelled by oars or an electric motor.
- You may not fish from a boat in lakes Botsford, Carter and Dudley, Howes Lagoon Bay, East Rocky and Rocky lagoons, Pet Reservoir, Guide Reservoir, and above Weir 2 at Brumbys Creek and any

tailrace, impoundment or tributary flowing into Weir 1 at Brumbys Creek.

- Only a boat rowed/paddled or powered by an electric outboard motor can be used at Curries River Reservoir.

Responsible boating

Anglers should:

- Make sure everyone is wearing a life jacket.
- Have up-to-date safety and emergency equipment.
- Not speed, particularly in shallow water.
- Check their wash and 'if it's white, it's all right – if it's brown, slow down'.
- Obey speed limits.
- Use an appropriate size boat and low emission motor.
- Avoid using a drogue in shallow weedy areas.
- Keep to the 40 km/h recommended maximum speed on Woods Lake Road.
- Not obstruct access to a boat ramp.

Boating on Penstock and Little Pine lagoons

To protect the environment, please follow these rules.

Penstock Lagoon:

- Stay within the 5 knot speed limit.
- Use outboard motors only in the designated central corridor.
- Use rowed/paddled or boats powered by electric motors outside the central corridor.
- Observe the non-motorised boating zone in Beginners Bay.

Little Pine Lagoon:

- Stay within the 5 knot speed limit.
- Use electric motors, row or paddle north of the line of buoys running from the northern end of Bertrams Island to the western shore of the lagoon.

Inland Fisheries Officers

Fisheries Officers regularly patrol inland waters throughout Tasmania. Officers check that anglers are complying with the requirements of the *Inland Fisheries Act 1995*. They also collect important information about your catch and angling effort that helps guide fisheries management and planning.

Report illegal fishing

If you suspect or see illegal fishing, report it on 1300 INFISH (1300 463474) or 0438 338 530 (Manager, Compliance and Operations) as soon as possible.

Let us know:

- the location, date and time of activity
- description of activity and people involved
- car/boat registrations
- equipment being used.

You may remain anonymous and all information is treated as confidential.

Native fish species

Tasmania has 25 species of native freshwater fish. Twelve of these are wholly protected under the *Threatened Species Protection Act 1995*, including the Australian grayling and 11 species of galaxiid.

All species of freshwater crayfish including the giant freshwater crayfish (*Astacopsis gouldi*) are protected from fishing.

Heavy penalties apply for taking threatened or protected species.

Protecting the fishery and the environment

We all have a responsibility to help protect the natural environment and the fishery through our actions, attitude and behaviour. Please:

- Respect other anglers and freshwater users.
- When wading, avoid soft sediments, weed beds and fragile plants.
- Do not use motorcycles, 4WD or ATV vehicles in wet, boggy or sensitive ecological areas.
- Do not litter – take your rubbish with you.
- Camp in designated camping areas.
- Light fires only in permitted areas. Make sure you completely extinguish all fires.
- Do not fell trees for firewood or destroy vegetation when making camp or collecting wattle grubs.
- Dispose of fish waste responsibly.
- Use toilets where provided. Otherwise, walk 100 m away from any water body, dig a 15 cm hole and bury your waste including the toilet paper.

Pest fish species

Pest fish have the potential to cause significant environmental harm. Pest fish include European carp (*Cyprinus carpio*), all species of mainland yabbies

(*Cherax spp.*) and Eastern gambusia (*Gambusia holbrooki*).

Goldfish (*Carassius auratus*), redfin perch (*Perca fluviatilis*) and tench (*Tinca tinca*) are unwanted introduced pests and it is important to prevent any further spread of these species.

It is an offence to transport and release live fish into any inland water in Tasmania.

Keep out didymo

To help prevent the introduction of the invasive algae didymo, commonly known as rock snot, we ask anglers travelling to Tasmania not to bring used fishing equipment that is damp, wet or contains water into the State.

It takes only a single cell of didymo in a drop of water to transfer this highly invasive pest between waterways.

‘Check, Clean, Disinfect and Dry’ anything used in fresh water to prevent the spread of didymo and other pests or pathogens.

River Derwent seafood warning

Before eating fish caught from the River Derwent Estuary, including Browns River, check

www.derwentestuary.org.au/fishing-and-seafood-safety/

Accessing waters across private land

An Inland Angling Licence does not provide right of access to rivers and dams in Tasmania.

If in doubt, obtain the landholder’s permission and observe all safety warning signs.

We have negotiated foot access to some rivers and dams with private landowners.

Anglers using these formal access points should not:

- light fires
- shoot
- camp
- litter
- be accompanied by a dog
- enter paddocks or trample crops
- climb fences
- cut timber
- damage trees
- disturb stock
- leave gates other than as they find them (open or closed)
- enter poppy crops, which are strictly enforced licensed areas, so anglers may only walk along the perimeter of crops.

Anglers Alliance Tasmania

Anglers Alliance Tasmania (AAT) is the peak body for freshwater anglers. They seek to represent the interests of all Tasmanian and visiting licensed anglers.

Anglers are invited to visit the AAT website at www.anglersalliance.org.au for more information or to view their webcams located at many popular waters.

Trout guides

The use of an experienced and accredited guide can make the difference between success and failure for the visiting or novice angler. Tasmania offers professional guiding services from one-day fly fishing lessons for beginners through to fully guided expeditions.

Trout Guides and Lodges Tasmania Inc (TGALT) is the industry body whose members meet certified and audited accreditation standards, including the Tourism Council of Tasmania endorsement.

For further information, assistance and bookings refer to www.troutguidestasmania.com.au.

Disclaimer

This Fishing Code is not a comprehensive account or precise statement of the law. The legislation covering inland fisheries is contained within the *Inland Fisheries Act 1995* and subordinate legislation, which can be accessed at www.thelaw.tas.gov.au

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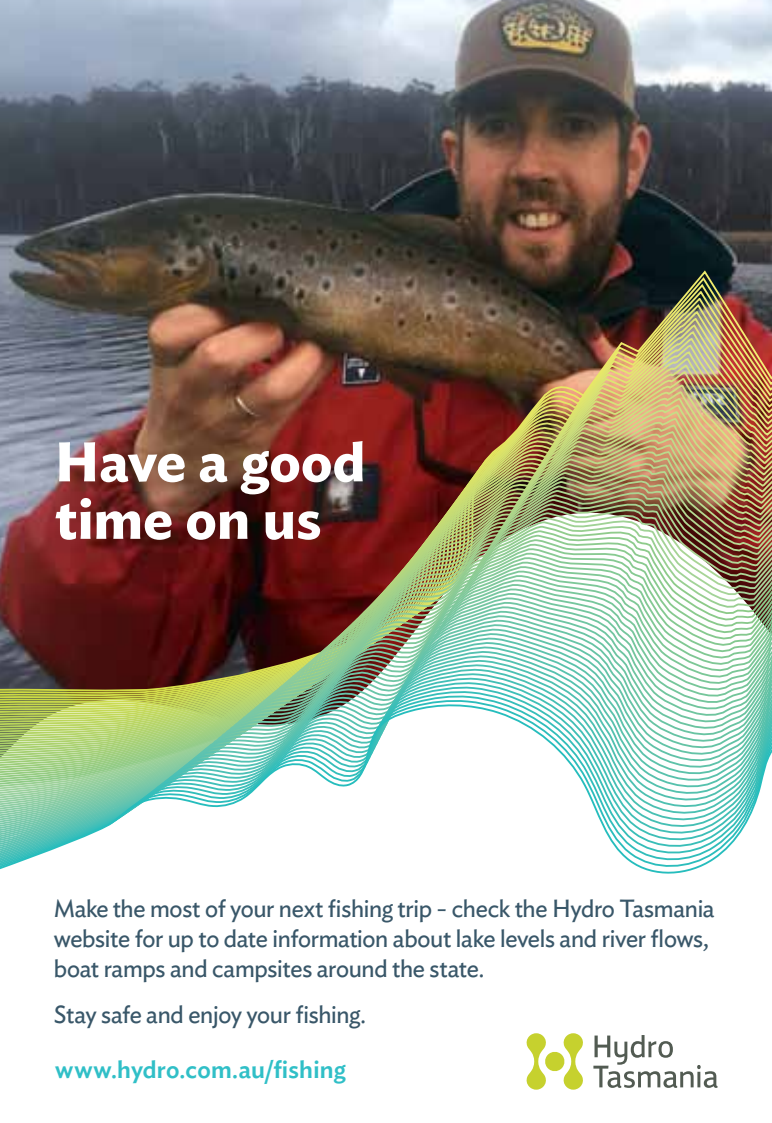


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A man with a beard, wearing a brown cap and a red jacket, is smiling and holding a large brown trout. He is standing on a lake with a forested shoreline in the background. A decorative graphic of wavy lines in green and yellow is overlaid on the right side of the image.

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