

WISCONSIN-MICHIGAN BOUNDARY WATERS

Includes the Brule, Menominee and Montreal rivers and their sloughs and flowages; that portion of Green Bay at the mouth of the Menominee River between the “government pier” or break wall on the south and the “lighthouse pier” or breakwall on the north and a line connecting the eastern-most points of those breakwaters on the east; and Basin, Big, Big Bateau, Crampton, Crystal, Cyrus, Lac Vieux Desert, Little Presque Isle, Mamie, Mill, Norwood, Plum, Roach, Smoky, State Line, Tenderfoot and West Bay lakes.

FISHING RESTRICTIONS ON WISCONSIN-MICHIGAN BOUNDARY WATERS

- Each angler may fish with a total of three baits, lures or hooks.
- You may not take more than the daily bag limit of fish in a single day. The possession limit or maximum number of fish you may have in your possession AT ANY TIME is the SAME as the daily bag limit.
- Goldfish, alewife and live crayfish may not be possessed or used for bait on Wisconsin-Michigan Boundary Waters.
- All ice fishing shelters must be removed from Wisconsin-Michigan Boundary Waters by March 15.
- It is illegal to fish using any method other than hook and line within 200 feet of any fishway, lock or dam.
- Motor trolling is permitted on Wisconsin-Michigan Boundary Waters except Vilas County boundary waters, where motor trolling is prohibited.
- Wisconsin residents need a Wisconsin fishing license and a Michigan resident needs a Michigan fishing license to fish these waters. Residents of other states need a nonresident license from Wisconsin or Michigan. Regulations on these waters differ between the two states. You must obey the regulation of the state in which you are fishing. Wisconsin license holders must have a valid Great Lakes Trout and Salmon stamp privilege (except with a two-day Sports Fishing License) to fish trout or salmon in the Menominee River from the Hattie Street Dam downstream to the eastern end of the breakwalls in Green Bay.

FISH SPECIES	OPEN SEASON (all dates inclusive)	DAILY LIMIT	MINIMUM LENGTH
LARGEMOUTH AND SMALLMOUTH BASS			
All boundary waters	May 5–June 15	0 (catch and release)	
	June 16–Nov. 30	5 in total	14 inches
MUSKELLUNGE (INCLUDES HYBRIDS) Some waters may have larger minimum length limits. Look for signs and inquire locally	May 15–Nov. 30	1	40 inches
Menominee River—From the Hattie Street Dam in the city of Marinette downstream to the eastern end of the breakwalls in Green Bay	May 15–Nov. 30	1	50 inches
NORTHERN PIKE	May 5–March 1	5	none

YELLOW PERCH, WHITE BASS, YELLOW (STRIPED) BASS, CRAPPIE, BLUEGILL AND PUMPKINSEED (SUNFISH)	open all year	25 in total	none
TROUT AND SALMON			
Smoky Lake, Montreal and Menominee Rivers from their mouths upstream to the first dam	open all year	5 in total	10 inches
Brule River upstream from Hwy 2	April 28–Sept. 30	5 in total	brook trout 8 inches brown trout 12 inches
Brule River downstream from Hwy 2 and other Wisconsin-Michigan Boundary Waters	April 28–Sept. 30	5 in total	7 inches
LAKE STURGEON (Lake sturgeon taken with hook and line must be tagged and registered. See page 6 for more information.)			
Upstream from the Hattie Street Dam	Sept. 1–Sept. 30	1 per season	60 inches
Downstream from the Hattie Street Dam	catch and release fishing only		
WALLEYE AND SAUGER (INCLUDES HYBRIDS) Some waters may have lower bag limits. Look for signs and inquire locally.			
In lakes	May 5–March 1	5 in total	15 inches
In rivers and their flowages	March 2–May 4	1	15 inches
	May 5–March 1	5 in total	15 inches
RUFFE	no open season—one may be killed and possessed for transport to a WDNR Service Center or Regional Office.		
CATFISH	open all year	10	none
ALL OTHER SPECIES	open all year	none	none