



Information Bulletin

2020 SALMON ANGLING REOPENED IN GROS MORNE NATIONAL PARK

ROCKY HARBOUR, NL, August 28, 2020 – The 2020 season for salmon angling in Gros Morne National Park will reopen on August 28 and run until September 7.

The season was temporarily suspended on August 13, 2020 because of low water levels and warm water temperatures. Rains in recent weeks and lower temperatures allow us to reopen until the original end date of September 7, 2020 (one hour after sunset).

Measures for the 2020 season are being implemented due to concern about recent observed declines in salmon populations both within Gros Morne National Park and throughout the province.

The catch and possession limit for Atlantic salmon in the park is set at two (2) salmon per person. A retained salmon must have both a valid national park salmon tag and a green provincial tag affixed through the gill cavity and mouth of the salmon. The tags must be securely locked.

In Gros Morne National Park, salmon angling will only be permitted on the following waters:

- Lomond River from the park boundary to high tide marks at Bonne Bay;
- East Branch Lomond River; and
- Deer Arm Brook (Eastern Arm Brook) from Deer Arm Pond (Eastern Arm Pond) to the high tide marks at Bonne Bay.

Salmon angling will not be permitted on non-scheduled waters (inland waters not individually listed by name in the regulations). Fishing trout on waters open to salmon is prohibited, as is angling in Deer Arm Pond within 90 meters of the out flow of Ten Mile feeder. Angling is also prohibited on Trout River, Trout River Pond and all tributaries of Trout River. Please note that the Ten Mile feeder is closed to all fishing by regulation.

Catch and release of salmon is prohibited with the following exceptions: where a salmon is greater than 63 cm; where a salmon is less than 30 cm; and where a salmon is caught in waters not open to salmon angling. In these instances, the salmon must be released immediately.

Anglers may pick up a national park salmon license and tag at the following locations: Parks Canada Gateway, Wiltondale; Discovery Centre, Woody Point; and Visitor Centre, Rocky Harbour; Parks Canada Campgrounds – Trout River, Lomond, Berry Hill, and Shallow Bay; and the following local businesses: Roy Young Ltd, Birchy Head; Coyley's Convenience, Wiltondale; Bonne Bay Pharmacy, Norris Point; Hann's Confectionary, Trout River.

Please note that the season in the national park starts two weeks later than the provincial season which begins on June 1.

Canada's network of protected areas have an important role to play in protecting and restoring healthy, resilient ecosystems and contributing to the recovery of vulnerable species.

For up-to-date information on closures and notices, the public can follow us [@ParksCanadaNL](https://twitter.com/ParksCanadaNL), #GrosMorne, visit www.pc.gc.ca/grosborne or contact us at 709-458-2417 or pc.grosborne.pc@canada.ca.

For a complete list of regulations pertaining to angling in Gros Morne National Park of Canada visit https://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/regulations/C.R.C.,_c._1120/.



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