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General Fishing Season for the Magic Valley Region

All Waters Open All Year
Except as modified in the Magic Valley Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 25-27.
Fishing is not allowed within the posted upstream and downstream boundary of any fish weir or trap.

Daily Bag Limits for the Magic Valley Region

The following daily bag limits apply to all waters of the Magic Valley Region except as modified in Magic Valley Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 25-27. The possession limit is 3-times the daily bag limit.

**Bass** *(Largemouth and Smallmouth)*
- Bass limit is 6, both species combined
- None under 12 inches

**Brook Trout**
- Brook Trout limit is 25
- Harvest allowed during any open season unless otherwise noted under Special Rules – if gear or bait restrictions are listed, they must be followed when fishing for Brook Trout

**Bull Trout**
- Bull Trout limit is 0, catch-and-release

**Kokanee**
- Kokanee limit is 6

**Sturgeon**
- Sturgeon limit is 0, catch-and-release
- Sturgeon must not be removed from the water and must be released upon landing
- Barbless hooks are required
- Use of a sliding swivel device to secure a weight, and a lighter test line to secure weight to sliding swivel device is required. See page 54 for details

**Tiger Muskie**
- Tiger Muskie limit is 2, none under 40 inches

**Trout** includes Brown Trout, Lake Trout, Golden Trout, Arctic Grayling, Cutthroat Trout, Rainbow Trout, land-locked Chinook and Coho Salmon, trout hybrids (e.g. Tiger Trout)
- Trout limit is 6, all species combined
- In rivers and streams, only 2 of the 6 trout may be Cutthroat Trout

**Does not include Bull Trout and Brook Trout which are listed separately**

**Walleye**
- Walleye limit is 6

**Whitefish**
- Whitefish limit is 25
- Harvest allowed during any open season unless otherwise noted under Special Rules – if gear or bait restrictions are listed, they must be followed when fishing for whitefish

**Protected Nongame Fish** includes Northern Leatherside Chub, Shoshone Sculpin, Wood River Sculpin, and Bluehead Sucker *(also known as Green Sucker)*
- May not be harvested or possessed

**All Other Fish Species** includes bullfrogs and crayfish
- No bag, size or possession limit

Check for potential fish consumption advisories. See Page 68.

### Special Rule Waters for the Magic Valley Region (See Pages 25-27 for details)

- Anderson Ranch Reservoir
- Baker Lake
- Bell Rapids (See Snake River)
- Big Wood River
- Big Wood River tributaries (upstream of Magic Reservoir)
- Billingsley Creek
- Boise River, South Fork (upstream of Anderson Ranch Dam)
- Box Canyon Creek
- Bruneau Dunes State Park
- Carey Lake
- Devils Corral Creek
- Empire Rapids Ponds (Clear Lakes Grade-Niagara Springs WMA)
- Sixmile Reservoir (Gunnel)
- Hagerman Wildlife Management Area
- Jarbidge River and tributaries
- Little Wood River
- Magic Reservoir
- Malad River
- Niagara Springs Creek
- Niagara Springs Wildlife Management Area
- Riley Creek (see Hagerman Wildlife Management Area)
- Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir
- Silver Creek
- Silver Creek tributaries
- Snake River
- South Fork Boise River (see Boise River, South Fork)
- Sublett Reservoir
- Sublett Reservoir tributaries
- Trinity Lakes
- Vineyard Creek
- Willow Creek (tributary to Camas Creek)
Special Rule Waters for the Magic Valley Region

For waters not listed below, see Page 24 for fishing seasons, bag and possession limits, and rules that apply to all waters within the Magic Valley Region.

**Anderson Ranch Reservoir**
- Kokanee limit is 15 per day

**Baker Lake** *(an alpine lake in Blaine County)*
- Trout limit is 2

**Bell Rapids** *(See Snake River)*

**Big Wood River**

Section: From the Richfield Canal Diversion upstream to Magic Dam
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through March 31 – trout limit is 6
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Bass limit is 6, any size

Section: From the posted boundary about 700 yards east of Hot Springs Landing upstream to Glendale Road Bridge
- December 1 through March 31 – trout limit is 0, catch-and-release
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6

Section: From Glendale Road Bridge upstream to the Highway 75 Bridge near milepost 122.2
- December 1 through March 31 – trout limit is 0, catch-and-release
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 2, none between 12 and 16 inches

Section: From Highway 75 Bridge near milepost 122.2 upstream to Highway 75 Bridge near milepost 136.2
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through March 31 – trout limit is 0, catch-and-release, no bait allowed, one barbless hook per fly or lure
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing

Section: From the Highway 75 Bridge near milepost 136.2 upstream to the headwaters of the Big Wood River
- December 1 through March 31 – trout limit is 0, catch-and-release
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6

All other sections of the Big Wood River – Magic Valley Region general rules apply

**Big Wood River Tributaries** *(upstream of Magic Reservoir)*
- December 1 through March 31 – trout limit is 0, catch-and-release
- April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6

**Billingsley Creek**

Section: From Tupper Grade upstream to Vader Grade *(see map Page 23)*
- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend - closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6, fly-fishing only, no bait allowed

All other sections of Billingsley Creek - Magic Valley Region general rules apply

**Boise River, South Fork** *(upstream of Anderson Ranch Reservoir, see Southwest Region for information downstream from Anderson Ranch Dam)*

Section: From the mouth of Beaver Creek upstream to the mouth of Big Smoky Creek
- Trout limit is 2, none under 14 inches
- No bait allowed, one barbless hook per fly or lure

All other sections of the Boise River, South Fork upstream Anderson Ranch Dam - Magic Valley Region general rules apply

**Box Canyon Creek**
- Trout limit is 2

**Bruneau Dunes State Park** - Electric motors only
- Bass limit is 2, none under 20 inches

**Carey Lake** - Electric motors only

**Devils Corral Creek**
- Trout limit is 2

**Empire Rapids Ponds** *(Clear Lakes Grade-Niagara Springs WMA)*
- Trout limit is 2

**Sixmile Reservoir** *(Gunnel)*
- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend - closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 2
Hagerman Wildlife Management Area - No motors
Section: The four Anderson Ponds, the Bass Ponds, Goose Pond, and the West Highway Pond (Highway 30) (see map Page 23)
  • November 1 through June 30 – closed to fishing
Section: Oster Lakes, Riley Pond, and the Settling Pond
  • November 1 through the last day of February – closed to fishing
Section: Riley Creek from the Falls upstream to the State Fish Hatchery Diversion
  • November 1 through the last day of February – closed to fishing
All other sections of Riley Creek - Magic Valley Region general rules apply

Jarbridge River and tributaries
  • Trout limit is 2

Little Wood River
Section: From the downstream end of the Taylor “Bear Tracks” Williams State Recreation Area near Highway 93 milepost 190, to the upstream end of the Recreation Area near Highway 93 milepost 192.5, as posted
  • Trout limit is 0, catch-and-release
  • Fly-fishing only, barbless hooks required
Section: From Baugh Creek upstream (including tributaries)
  • Trout limit is 2
All other sections of the Little Wood River - Magic Valley Region general rules apply

Magic Reservoir (from Magic Dam to the posted boundary about 700 yards east of Hot Springs Landing)
• Bass limit is 6, any size

Malad River
Section: From its mouth upstream to the Interstate 84 bridge at Malad Gorge
  • December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – trout limit is 0, catch-and-release

Niagara Springs Creek
Section: From the Niagara Springs Steelhead Hatchery intake pool (above the lowest fall) upstream to the spring sources as posted
  • Closed to fishing
All other sections of Niagara Springs Creek - Magic Valley Region general rules apply

Niagara Springs Wildlife Management Area – except Snake River
  • Trout limit is 2

Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir
• Walleye limit is 6, only 1 over 20 inches

Silver Creek - No motors. All diversion ponds have the same rules as the connected stream.
Section: From its mouth upstream to Highway 93 - Magic Valley Region general rules apply

Section: From Highway 93 upstream to the North Picabo Road bridge (See Page 28, Section 1)
  • December 1 through March 31 – trout limit is 0, catch-and-release
  • April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
  • Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6
Section: From the North Picabo Road bridge upstream to the bridge near milepost 187.2 on Highway 20 west of Picabo (See Page 28, Section 2)
  • December 1 through March 31 – trout limit is 0, catch-and-release
  • April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
  • Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 2, none between 12 and 16 inches
Section: From the bridge near milepost 187.2 on Highway 20 west of Picabo upstream to the road right-of-way fence on the west side of Kilpatrick Bridge (See Page 28, Section 3)
  • No fishing from rafts or boats; float tubes are allowed
  • April 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend - closed to fishing
  • Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through March 31 - trout limit is 0, catch-and-release, fly-fishing only, no bait allowed, one barbless hook per fly
Section: From the road right-of-way on the west side of Kilpatrick Bridge upstream to the confluence of Grove Creek and Stalker Creek (See Page 28, Section 4)
  • No fishing from rafts or boats; float tubes are allowed
  • December 1 through the Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
  • Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 0, catch-and-release, fly-fishing only, no bait allowed, one barbless hook per fly

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When you leave a body of water:
• Remove any visible mud, plants, fish or animals before transporting equipment.
• Eliminate water from equipment before transporting.
• Clean and dry anything that comes into contact with water (boats, trailers, equipment, clothing, dogs, etc.).
• Never release plants, fish or animals into a body of water unless they came out of that body of water.

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Silver Creek tributaries - No motors. All diversion ponds have the same rules as the connected stream

Section: All tributaries within the Nature Conservancy Silver Creek Preserve property (See Page 28, Section 5)
- No fishing from rafts or boats; float tubes are allowed
- December 1 through the Friday before Memorial Day weekend—closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30—trout limit is 0, catch-and-release, fly-fishing only, no bait allowed, one barbless hook per fly

Section: All tributaries except those within the Nature Conservancy Silver Creek Preserve and posted Hayspur Fish Hatchery waters (See Page 28, Section 6)
- December 1 through the Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 2

Section: The posted sections of Loving and Butte creeks on Hayspur Fish Hatchery property (See Page 28, Section 7)
- December 1 through the Friday before Memorial Day weekend - closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30—trout limit is 2, none under 20 inches

Snake River

Section: From Lower Salmon Falls Dam (Bell Rapids area) upstream to Upper Salmon Falls Dam (0.3 miles below Owsley Bridge)
- January 1 through June 30 - bass limit is 0, catch-and-release
- July 1 through December 31 - bass limit is 2, none between 12 and 16 inches

All other sections of the Snake River including reservoirs within the Magic Valley Region - Magic Valley Region general rules apply

Sublett Reservoir (see also Sublett Reservoir tributaries)
- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend - closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 - trout limit is 6

Sublett Reservoir tributaries
- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend - closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 - trout limit is 2

Trinity Lakes - No motors

Vineyard Creek
- November 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend - trout limit is 0, catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through October 31 - trout limit is 2

Willow Creek (tributary to Camas Creek)
- Trout limit is 2

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SILVER CREEK SECTIONS

1. Hwy 93 to the Picabo Rd bridge
2. Picabo Rd bridge to Hwy 20 bridge
3. Hwy 20 bridge to Kilpatrick bridge
4. Kilpatrick Bridge to the confluence of Grove and Stalker creeks
5. Silver Creek tributaries within Preserve
6. Silver Creek tributaries outside Preserve
7. Hayspur Hatchery (Loving, Butte creeks)