### General Fishing Season for the Upper Snake Region

**All Waters Open All Year**

Except as modified in Upper Snake Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 35-36. Fishing is not allowed within the posted upstream and downstream boundary of any fish weir or trap.

### Daily Bag Limits for the Upper Snake Region

The following daily bag limits apply to all waters of the Upper Snake Region except as modified in Upper Snake Region Special Rule Waters on Pages 35-36. The possession limit is 3-times the daily bag limit.

#### Bass (Largemouth and Smallmouth)
- Bass limit is 6, both species combined

#### 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 15

#### 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 are required, see Page 54 for details

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

#### Trout includes Brown Trout, Golden Trout, Lake Trout, Splake, Arctic Grayling, Cutthroat Trout, Rainbow Trout, and trout hybrids (e.g. Tiger Trout)
- Trout limit is 6, all species combined

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

#### Whitefish
- Whitefish limit is 25 – see Big Lost River exception
- 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 including Northern Leatherside Chub 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 Upper Snake Region (see Pages 35-36 for details)

- Beaver Creek and tributaries
- Becker Pond (Ryder Park Pond)
- Big Lost River and tributaries
- Burns Creek (see South Fork Snake River tributaries)
- Dry Beds (Snake River)
- Fall River and tributaries
- Fish Creek (Harriman State Park)
- Fox Creek (see Teton River tributaries)
- Golden Lake (Harriman State Park)
- Hell Creek (see Willow Creek tributaries)
- Henrys Fork (Snake River, North Fork)
- Henrys Fork tributaries (excluding Thurmon Creek, Warm River and the Fall River)
- Jim Moore Pond
- Henrys Lake
- Henrys Lake Outlet
- Henrys Lake tributaries
- Horseshoe Lake (Fremont County)
- Lava Creek (see Willow Creek tributaries)
- Little Lost River and tributaries
- Long Lake (Custer County)
- Market Lake Wildlife Management Area
- McCoy Creek
- Medicine Lodge Creek and tributaries
- Mud Lake
- Palisades Creek (see South Fork Snake River tributaries)
- Palisades Reservoir tributaries
- Pine Creek (see South Fork Snake River tributaries)
- Rainey Creek (see South Fork Snake River tributaries)
- Sand Creek Wildlife Management Area
- Sellars Creek (see Willow Creek tributaries)
- Silver Lake (Harriman State Park)
- Snake River
- South Fork Snake River
- South Fork Snake River tributaries
- Teardrop Lake (Snow Creek Pond)
- Teton Creek (see Teton River tributaries)
- Teton River
- Teton River tributaries
- Thurmon Creek (Harriman State Park)
- Trail Creek (see Teton River tributaries)
- Warm River and tributaries
- Willow Creek
- Willow Creek tributaries
Special Rule Waters for the Upper Snake Region

For waters not listed below, see page 34 for fishing seasons, bag and possession limits, and rules that apply to all waters within the Upper Snake Region.

**Beaver Creek and tributaries**
- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

**Becker Pond (Ryder Park Pond)**
- 2 fish any species

**Big Lost River and tributaries**
- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – trout limit is 0, catch-and-release; whitefish limit is 0, catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6; whitefish limit is 0, catch-and-release

**Dry Beds (Snake River)**
Section: From the Highway 48 bridge upstream to the Great Feeder irrigation diversion headgate
- May 1 through March 31 – Upper Snake Region general rules apply
- April 1 through April 30 – it is legal to take fish with dip nets, by snagging or by hand – Upper Snake Region bag limits apply

**Fall River and tributaries**
- Limit is 2 trout, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

**Fish Creek (Harriman State Park)**
- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Fly-fishing only

**Golden Lake (Harriman State Park)**
- Closed to fishing

**Henrys Fork (Snake River, North Fork) (see map on page 37)**
Section: South Fork Snake River/Henrys Fork confluence upstream to Vernon Bridge
- Trout limit is 2, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Section: From Vernon Bridge upstream to Ashton Dam
- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – trout limit is 0; catch-and-release only
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 2, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Section: From Highway 20 bridge upstream to the posted boundary upstream of Riverside Campground
- Trout limit is 2, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

Section: From the posted boundary upstream of the Riverside Campground upstream to the lower Harriman State Park boundary
- Trout limit is 0, catch-and-release, no bait allowed, barbless hooks required

Section: From the lower Harriman State Park boundary upstream to the upper Harriman State Park boundary (Harriman Ranch)
- December 1 through June 14 – closed to fishing
- June 15 through November 30 – trout limit is 0, catch-and-release, fly fishing only, barbless hooks required

**Section: From the upper Harriman State Park boundary to Island Park Dam**
- Trout limit is 0, catch-and-release
- No bait allowed, barbless hooks required

**Section: From McCrea Bridge upstream to the Henrys Lake Outlet**
- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – trout limit is 0, catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6, only 2 may be Cutthroat Trout, no Cutthroat Trout under 16 inches

**Section: From Henrys Lake Outlet upstream to the head of Big Springs**
- Closed to fishing

**All other sections of Henrys Fork including Ashton and Island Park Reservoirs – Upper Snake Region general rules apply**

**Henrys Fork tributaries (except Warm River, Fall River, and Thurman Creek)**
- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – trout limit is 0, catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

**Henrys Lake**
Section: Those portions of the lake within the posted boundaries of Staley Springs and within 100 yards of Hatchery Creek
- Closed to fishing

**Remainder of Henrys Lake**
- February 15 through Friday before Memorial Day Weekend - trout limit is 0, catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day Weekend through February 14 - trout limit is 2, Brook Trout counted in the trout limit
- Fishing must cease after the 2-trout daily bag limit has been retained

**Henrys Lake Outlet**
- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – trout limit is 0, catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6, only 2 may be Cutthroat Trout, no Cutthroat Trout under 16 inches
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**Henrys Lake tributaries**
- July 1 through March 31 – no harvest of Cutthroat Trout; Brook Trout limit is 25, only 2 Brook Trout over 16 inches
- April 1 through June 30 – closed to fishing
- Hatchery Creek – closed to fishing

**Horseshoe Lake (Fremont County) - no motors**
- Trout limit is 2

**Jim Moore Pond**
- Trout limit is 2

**Little Lost River and tributaries**
- Trout limit is 2

**Long Lake (an alpine lake in Custer County)**
- Trout limit is 2, none under 20 inches

**Market Lake Wildlife Management Area**
- March 1 through July 15 – no boats, rafts or float tubes

**McCoy Creek and tributaries**
- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

**Medicine Lodge Creek and tributaries**
- Trout limit is 2, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

**Mud Lake (west of the posted boundary which runs north and south from McKenzie Point)**
- March 1 through July 15 – no boats, rafts or float tubes

**Palisades Reservoir tributaries**
- Trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- No harvest of kokanee

**Sand Creek Wildlife Management Area**
- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – closed to fishing
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Motorized watercraft prohibited

**South Fork Snake River tributaries**
- No harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- No limit on Rainbow Trout or trout hybrids
- June 1 through June 30 – closed to fishing

**Teardrop Lake (Snow Creek Pond)**
- Trout limit is 2

**Teton River**
- No limit on Rainbow Trout or hybrids
- No harvest of Cutthroat Trout

**Teton River tributaries**
- No harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- No limit on Rainbow Trout or hybrids
- June 1 through June 30 – closed to fishing

**Thurmon Creek (Harriman State Park)**
- Closed to fishing

**Warm River and tributaries**
Section: Within the posted boundaries from the state highway 47 bridge downstream (approx. 350 yards) to the next bridge near the mouth of Robinson Creek
- Closed to fishing

All other sections of the Warm River
- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend, trout limit is 0, catch-and-release
- Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

**Willow Creek**
- December 1 through Friday before Memorial Day weekend – trout limit is 0, catch-and-release
- Saturday of Memorial Day weekend through November 30 – trout limit is 6, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

**Willow Creek tributaries**
- No harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- No limit on Rainbow Trout or hybrids
- June 1 through June 30 – closed to fishing

Additional closures to protect wildlife may be in effect. Call the Upper Snake Regional Office at 208-525-7290 for the latest information.

**Silver Lake (Harriman State Park)**
- Closed to fishing

**Snake River**
Section: Gem Lake Dam to Osgood Diversion Dam
- Trout limit is 6, only 2 may be Cutthroat Trout

Section: Osgood Diversion Dam upstream to the confluence of Henrys Fork (North and South Fork)
- Trout limit is 2, no harvest of Cutthroat Trout

**South Fork Snake River**
- No harvest of Cutthroat Trout
- Brown Trout limit is 2
- No limit on Rainbow Trout or trout hybrids

***STOP AQUATIC HITCHHIKERS!***
Prevent the transport of nuisance species. Clean all recreational equipment.
Maps for general reference only.

Non-native Rainbow Trout in some of Idaho’s most iconic rivers are a serious threat to the future of Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout. Non-native Rainbow Trout compete with Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout for habitat and food and can interbreed with them, producing hybrids that continue to interbreed with Cutthroat Trout. Fish and Game is using traps on South Fork Snake River tributaries to prevent Rainbow Trout from spawning in Yellowstone Cutthroat streams, and removes some Rainbow Trout and hybrids from the river. In addition, anglers can help by harvesting as many Rainbow Trout and hybrids as possible in the South Fork Snake River.

Harvesting Rainbow Trout and hybrids can help protect Idaho’s most important Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout populations. Fish and Game tags hundreds of Rainbow Trout and hybrids with a small piece of coded wire. Anglers lucky enough to catch, harvest, and turn in the head of a tagged Rainbow Trout can win between $50 and $1,000! Heads may be deposited in freezers at the Conant or Byington boat ramps and at the Upper Snake Regional Office. Winners are drawn on the first Friday of each month at the Upper Snake Regional Office.

Fish and Game is also concerned about Rainbow Trout in the Teton River, and encourages anglers to harvest Rainbow Trout there as well, though no incentive program is in place. Take some Rainbow Trout home for dinner – you’ll be doing the South Fork Snake and Teton Cutthroat Trout a favor!

Yellowstone Cutthroat/Rainbow Trout Hybrids colors and marking can include a wide range of marks from both pure Rainbow Trout and Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout. They are most easily identified by the presence of white fin tips.