

CHAPTER 6262
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
FISHING REGULATIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

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[For text of subps 1 to 4, see M.R.]

Subp. 5. Possession of fish while on state waters.

[For text of items A to C, see M.R.]

D. While on or fishing in state waters with size restrictions that differ from statewide regulations, including experimental waters, special management waters, boundary waters, or any other waters with size restrictions, all fish for which the different size restrictions apply must be undressed and measurable when in a person's possession, regardless of where taken, except under the following conditions:

(1) when a watercraft is docked or moored to shore or when on the ice and a person is in the act of preparing and using the fish for a meal; or

(2) when a person is on an experimental or special management water and the fish were lawfully taken, have been packaged and labeled by a licensed fish packer, are to be prepared for a meal while on the ice or shore of that water body, and do not otherwise exceed the statewide possession limits.

When fish are consumed under subitem (1), the angler must maintain the carcass of a fish with size limits in such a way that the carcass may be readily unpacked, unwrapped, and separated so that the carcass may be examined, measured, and counted to ensure compliance with size restrictions for that day, as defined under Minnesota Statutes, section 645.45.

[For text of items E and F, see M.R.]

Subp. 6. Angling tackle.

A. An angler may have up to three single or multiple hooks on a line used as a single tackle configuration attached to the end of a fishing line. The total configuration from the first hook to the last hook must be nine inches or less. Live, artificial, preserved, or dead bait is allowed. This configuration is not considered an artificial bait or fly.

B. An angler may have one additional single or multiple hook on a line as part of an artificial bait as long as it is within three inches of the artificial bait.

C. Except for a single artificial bait or three artificial flies, an angling rig with more than one hook is not allowed on designated trout streams and lakes.

Statutory Authority: *MS s 84D.05; 84D.09; 84D.10; 84D.11; 84D.13; 86B.121; 97A.031; 97A.045; 97A.401; 97A.418; 97A.505; 97A.510; 97A.551; 97C.001; 97C.005; 97C.085; 97C.205; 97C.315; 97C.325; 97C.345; 97C.401*

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6262.0500 WATERS CLOSED TO TAKING FISH.

Subpart 1. **Waters permanently closed to taking fish.** The following waters or designated portions are closed to the taking of all fish at all times, except by permit according to part 6260.0300, subpart 1, and Minnesota Statutes, section 97C.041:

[For text of items A to E, see M.R.]

F. Douglas and Grant Counties: Lake Christina, S.3-11,17,18, T.130, R.40 and S.1,12,13, T.130, R.41.

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G. Goodhue County: Mississippi River, within 150 feet below U.S. Lock and Dam No. 3 near Red Wing, S.10, T.113, R.15; except that fishing from shore within 150 feet below the lock and dam and from boats that remain outside the 150-foot restricted zone is permitted.

H. Hennepin County: Mississippi River, within 150 feet below the St. Anthony Falls Dam at Minneapolis, S.23, T.29, R.24.

I. Hennepin and Ramsey Counties: Mississippi River, within 150 feet below U.S. Lock and Dam No. 1 (Ford Dam), between Minneapolis and St. Paul, S.17, T.28, R.23.

J. Houston County: Mississippi River, within 150 feet below U.S. Lock and Dam No. 8 near Reno, S.7, T.101, R.3; except that fishing from shore within 150 feet below the lock and dam and from boats that remain outside the 150-foot restricted zone is permitted.

K. Itasca County:

(1) Mississippi River, within 300 feet below the Pokegama Reservoir Dam, S.13, T.55, R.26.

(2) Mississippi River, from 500 feet upstream to 300 feet downstream of the Blandin Dam, S.21, T.55, R.25.

L. Itasca and Cass Counties: Winnibigoshish Lake. See Cass and Itasca counties for area closed.

M. Otter Tail County:

(1) Stream between East and West Battle Lakes, S.33,34, T.133, R.39.

(2) Area between West Battle and Clitherall Lakes, S.2,11, T.132, R.40.

(3) Pelican River from bridge in Trunk Highway 59 to Lake Lizzie, S.20, T.137, R.42.

N. Ramsey County:

(1) Charles Lake, including inlet and outlet channels, S.12, T.30, R.23.

(2) Deep Lake, including inlet and outlet channels, S.5,6,7, T.30, R.22.

(3) Pleasant Lake, including inlet and outlet channels, S.7,8,18,19, T.30, R.22, and S.12,13, T.30, R.23.

O. Ramsey and Anoka Counties: Wilkinson Lake, including inlet and outlet channels. See Anoka and Ramsey Counties.

P. Ramsey and Hennepin Counties: Mississippi River. See Hennepin and Ramsey counties for area closed.

Q. St. Louis County: French River, between Lake Superior and the new Highway 61, S.17, T.52, R.12.

R. St. Louis and Carlton Counties: St. Louis River, from the Fond du Lac Dam downstream for one-half mile to the Minnesota-Wisconsin boundary cable, S.6, T.48, R.15.

S. Wabasha County: Mississippi River, within 150 feet below U.S. Lock and Dam No. 4 near Kellogg, S.17, T.110, R.9; except that fishing from shore within 150 feet below the lock and dam and from boats that remain outside the 150-foot restricted zone is permitted.

T. Washington and Dakota Counties: Mississippi River. See Dakota and Washington Counties for area closed.

U. Winona County: Mississippi River, within 150 feet below the following U.S. Locks and Dams: No. 5, S.17, T.108, R.8; No. 5A, S.9, T.107, R.7; No. 6, S.8, T.106, R.5, near Winona; and No. 7, S.28, T.105, R.4, near Dresbach; except that fishing from shore within 150 feet below these locks and dams and from boats that remain outside the 150-foot restricted zone is permitted.

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V. Lake and St. Louis Counties: Knife River from the U.S. Highway 61 bridge in S.36, T.52, R.12, downstream to the cable below the Knife River fish trap in S.31, T.52, R.11 and S.36, T.52, R.12.

W. Morrison County: Mississippi River, Zebulon Pike Reservoir's portion known as Musky Bay T.138, R.30, S.1 E1/2 of NE1/4.

[For text of subps 2 to 4, see M.R.]

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