97C.385 COMMISSIONER'S AUTHORITY TO REGULATE WINTER FISHING.

Subdivision 1. **Effect on summer angling season.** If the commissioner closes the statutory open season for spearing a game fish or native rough fish species in any waters, the commissioner must, in the same rule, close the following statutory open season for angling for the same species in the waters in the same proportion.

Subd. 2. **Effect on summer angling limits.** If the commissioner reduces the limit of a species of game fish or native rough fish taken by spearing in any waters under section 97A.045, subdivision 2, the commissioner must reduce the limit for taking the species by angling in the waters during the following open season for angling.

Subd. 3. **Limiting closures by county.** The commissioner may not close the open season for taking game fish or native rough fish through the ice on more than 50 percent of the named lakes or streams of a county under section 97A.045, subdivision 2.

History: *1986 c 386 art 3 s 39; 1991 c 259 s 23; 2024 c 90 art 2 s 31*