

Department of Natural Resources

Chapters:

Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules:

6264

FISHING RESTRICTIONS ON UPPER RED LAKE AND LISTED TRIBUTARIES

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Please see enclosure for text of this expedited emergency game and fish rules package relating to fishing Upper Red Lake and listed tributaries.

1.1 **Department of Natural Resources**

1.2 **Adopted Expedited Emergency Game and Fish Rules: Fishing Restrictions on Upper**
 1.3 **Red Lake and Listed Tributaries**

1.4 **6264.0400 DESIGNATED SPECIAL MANAGEMENT WATERS.**

1.5 [For text of subps 1 to 3, see M.R.]

1.6 [For text of subp 4, see 37 SR 1477]

1.7 [For text of subps 5 to 58, see M.R.]

1.8 **Subp. 59. Upper Red Lake and listed tributaries.**

1.9 A. While a person is on or fishing in the waters listed under item ~~C~~ E:

1.10 [For text of subitems (1) to (3), see M.R.]

1.11 B. While a person is on or fishing in the waters listed under item ~~C~~ E:

1.12 (1) the daily and possession limit for walleye is ~~two~~ four fish, of which not
 1.13 more than one walleye shall be over 26 inches in length;

1.14 (2) beginning May 10, 2014, and effective through June 14, 2014, all
 1.15 walleye in possession must be less than 17 inches or greater than 26 inches in length. All
 1.16 walleye that are 17 to 26 inches, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water;

1.17 (3) ~~all walleye that are 17 inches to 26 inches in length, inclusive, must be~~
 1.18 ~~immediately returned to the water; and~~ beginning June 15, 2014, and effective through
 1.19 November 30, 2014, all walleye in possession must be less than 20 inches or greater than
 1.20 26 inches in length. All walleye that are 20 to 26 inches, inclusive, must be immediately
 1.21 returned to the water;

1.22 (4) ~~a person's statewide bag limit shall not include more than two walleye~~
 1.23 ~~taken from Upper Red Lake and the tributaries listed under item C.~~ beginning December
 1.24 1, 2014, and effective through December 31, 2014, all walleye in possession must be less

2.1 than 17 inches or greater than 26 inches in length. All walleye that are 17 to 26 inches,
2.2 inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water;

2.3 (5) beginning January 1, 2015:

2.4 (a) if total walleye harvest from December 1, 2013, through November
2.5 30, 2014, is less than 192,000 pounds, all walleye in possession must be less than 20 inches
2.6 or greater than 26 inches in length. All walleye that are 20 to 26 inches, inclusive, must be
2.7 immediately returned to the water, through the close of the season on February 22, 2015; or

2.8 (b) if total walleye harvest from December 1, 2013, through November
2.9 30, 2014, is greater than or equal to 192,000 pounds, all walleye in possession must
2.10 be less than 17 inches or greater than 26 inches in length. All walleye that are 17 to
2.11 26 inches, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water, through the close of
2.12 the season on February 22, 2015;

2.13 (6) beginning May 9, 2015, through June 14, 2015, all walleye in
2.14 possession must be less than 17 inches or greater than 26 inches in length. All walleye that
2.15 are 17 to 26 inches, inclusive, must be immediately returned to the water; and

2.16 (7) beginning June 15, 2015, all walleye in possession must be less than 20
2.17 inches or greater than 26 inches in length. All walleye that are 20 to 26 inches, inclusive,
2.18 must be immediately returned to the water.

2.19 C. Notwithstanding item B, the waters listed in item E are closed to taking or
2.20 angling for walleye at all times if the walleye cumulative kill estimate in any harvest year
2.21 beginning December 1 through November 30 at any time equals or exceeds 240,000
2.22 pounds. If this item is implemented, the commissioner shall post a notice on the
2.23 Department of Natural Resources Web site and at water access sites. This item is effective
2.24 five days after the notice through November 30. On December 1, the daily and possession
2.25 limit and size limits for walleye revert to the limits in item B.

3.1 D. A person's statewide bag limit and possession limit shall not include more
 3.2 walleye taken from Upper Red Lake and the tributaries listed under item E than is allowed
 3.3 under item B.

3.4 ~~E.~~ E. This subpart applies to the following waters:

3.5	Name	Location	County
3.6	Upper Red Lake (outside Red Lake Indian Reservation)	T.153, R.31,32, S. Various; T.154, R.30-32, S. Various; T.155, R.30-32, S. Various	Beltrami
3.10	Shotley Brook (from Hwy. 72 west to Upper Red Lake)	T.153, R.31, S.10,11,13,14,24; T.153, R.30, S.19-22	Beltrami
3.14	Tamarack River (from the Beltrami County line west to Upper Red Lake)	T.154, R.30, S.8-10,11-13,15-17	Beltrami

3.19 [For text of subps 60 to 116, see M.R.]

3.20 **EFFECTIVE PERIOD.** The expedited emergency amendment to Minnesota Rules, part
 3.21 6264.0400, subpart 59, is effective April 23, 2014.