

2019-2020 BC Freshwater Fishing Synopsis FAQs

Freshwater Fishing in Parks and Ecological Reserves

Fishing in Provincial Parks

Individuals fishing in a Provincial Park or Recreation Area should be aware that the **Park Act** and its regulations apply, as do the sport fishing regulations in this synopsis.

NOTE: the use of horses, motor vehicles, motorcycles, snowmobiles, other self-propelled vehicles or bicycles is generally prohibited in Provincial Parks and Recreation Areas except where specifically authorized. All motor vehicles on parks roads must be licenced. Use of aircraft to arrive at or depart from some parks is restricted.

In National Parks, unless stated otherwise, these regulations do **NOT** apply, and provincial angling licences are **NOT** valid.

Ecological Reserves

Fishing is prohibited in Ecological Reserves in B.C. A complete list of ecological reserves is available from any BC Parks district office or from [BC Parks](#) headquarters. You may also consult commercial Recreational Atlases for locations.

Fishing in National Parks

Obtain a National Park Fishing Permit and Park Regulations before fishing park waters. Both are available at park visitor centres and some commercial outlets. Special regulations, such as closed waters and bans on bait, lead sinkers and lead jigs may be in place to protect park resources.

For more information, contact Parks Canada at: 1-888-773-8888, or visit their [website](#).