

STOCKING UPDATE AS OF 02/03/2025:

Winter is full-on and so is winter stocking! We continue to roll out our broodstock Seeforellen Brown Trout. We hold them for a few weeks at the hatchery after spawning to get their biomass back up, their colors shining, and to recondition them. They go weeks on end being handled and food deprived during the spawning process, which can be stressful. Thanks for your patience and please enjoy!

Also, with the New Year comes new opportunities. We will be stocking trout into select lakes/ponds and rivers/streams throughout January and February as conditions allow, to provide anglers opportunities during winter. Responses from public surveys indicate that many Connecticut anglers spend a large portion of their annual fishing effort during winter months and have encouraged more year-round stocking. We agree! It's a great time to get outdoors and track down trout. We will be focusing on waterbodies with no special regulations. Please enjoy and be safe. Note - the Fisheries Division does not monitor or routinely report ice conditions. Use caution, routinely test ice thickness, go with a friend, and consider taking a child to teach them the ropes. Read more ice safety guidelines <u>here</u>.

"The Daily Cast" – Broodstock Seefs from Kensington Hatchery to Cedar Lake, Beach Pond, and Long Pond today.

The following is a list of waters planned to be stocked by the Fisheries Division during **fall/winter 2024/2025**. Dates will be added daily to the "Stocked" column in the table below as locations are stocked and any relevant details will be noted in the "Daily Cast" section above. Please get out and enjoy. Anglers should also check out our <u>Interactive Stocking map</u> for location information. Please note that due to a variety of conditions not every river/stream stocking location can be stocked on each stocking run. The information is sorted alphabetically by waterbody name first in table 1 and by town name in table 2. Questions about CT DEEP's trout and salmon stocking may be sent to <u>matthew.devine@ct.gov</u>

Management type abbreviations: TMA = <u>Trout Management Area</u>; TML = <u>Trout Management Lake</u>; TTA = <u>Trophy Trout</u> <u>Area</u>; <u>Trout Park</u>; WTMA = <u>Wild Trout Management Area</u>; CFW = <u>Community Fishing Waters</u>

The 2025 Fishing Guide is available for <u>download</u>. *There are no changes to freshwater regulations for 2025.

Thank you for your support and please enjoy!

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Table 1: Sorted by Waterbody Name

Waterbody - Management type (Alphabetically)	Town(s)	Stocked
Amos Lake – TML	Preston	9/20, 1/27
Ball Pond	New Fairfield	1/28
Bashan Lake	East Haddam	1/24 (Rainbows)
		9/20, 10/31 (Seefs), 1/27, 2/3
Beach Pond	Voluntown	(Seefs)
Bigelow Pond	Union	9/27, 1/13 (Brook Trout), 1/27
Billings Lake	N. Stonington	1/27
	5	9/24, 12/4 (Seefs), 1/29 (Seefs),
Black Pond	Middlefield, Meriden	1/31
Black Pond – TML	Woodstock	11/1 (Brook Trout)
		9/28, 10/11, 10/17, 1/14 (Brook
Black Rock Pond – Trout Park	Watertown	Trout)
Blackberry River – WTMA class 3: Rte.44 to Beckley Furnace	Canaan, Norfolk	10/16
Branford Supply Ponds	Branford	1/31
Bunnells Pond (Beardsley Park Pond) – CFW	Bridgeport	9/26
Burr Pond	Torrington	1/9 (Brook Trout), 1/29
Cedar Lake	Chester	9/23, 1/24 (Rainbows), 2/3 (Seefs)
		9/23, 10/9, 10/21, 1/17 (Brook
Chatfield Holllow Pond (Schreeder Pond) – Trout Park	Killingworth	Trout)
Colony Park Pond – CFW	Ansonia	10/11
		1/28
Congamond Lakes	Suffield	
Crustel Lake TML	<i>Ellipator</i>	9/27(A. Salmon), 10/8, 11/7 (Seefs),
Crystal Lake TML	Ellington	1/31 (Seefs)
Day Pond – Trout Park	Colchester	9/30, 10/9, 10/21
East Aspetuck River – WTMA 3	New Milford, New Preston	9/30
East Twin Lake – TML	Salishuru	11/25 (rainbows), 11/26 &12/3 (Seefs)
Gardner Lake	Salisbury Salem, Bozrah	9/23, 1/24 (Rainbows)
Farmington River (Lower Collinsville to RT 177)- TMA	Avon, Canton, Unionville	8/29
Farmington River (Route 219 to Lower Collinsville)- TMA	New Hartford, Canton	8/29
Farmington River (RT 177 to Rt 4)	Avon, Farmington	8/29
		9/11 (Brook Trout), 9/26, 10/11,
Great Hollow Lake at Wolfe Park – Trout Park	Monroe	10/21
Hammonasset River- OPEN	Clinton, Madison, Killingworth	10/9
Hammonasset River – TMA	Madison, Killingworth	10/9
Higganum Reservoir	Haddam	1/31
		11/25 (rainbows), 11/26 &12/3
Highland Lake – TML	Winchester	(Seefs), 1/29 (Seefs)
Hockanum River – TMA	Manchester	10/25
Horse Pond	Salem	1/17 (Brook Trout)
Housatonic River (Bull's Bridge)- TMA	Kent, Sherman, New Milford	10/17, 10/22
Housatonic River (Upper)- TMA	Cornwall, Sharon	9/26, 9/27, 10/10
Howell's Pond	Hartland	1/9 (Brook Trout)
Keach/Peck Pond	Thompson	1/13 (Brook Trout)
Long Pond – TML	N. Stonington, Ledyard	9/20, 10/31 (Seefs), 2/3 (Seefs)
Mashapaug Lake	Union	9/27, 1/27, 1/31 (Seefs)
McGovern Pond – Trout Park	West Hartford	10/2, 10/17, 10/25
Mianus River - TMA	Greenwich, Stamford	9/25
Millers Pond	Durham	1/31
Mill River - TMA	Fairfield	9/26
Mill River (Sleeping Giant State Park) -TMA	Hamden	10/4
Mohegan Lake	Fairfield	1/14 (Brook Trout)
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Mohawk Pond – TML	Cornwall, Goshen	11/4 (Brook Trout)
		9/13 (Brook Trout), 9/23, 10/9,
Mohegan Park Pond – Trout Park	Norwich	10/21
Moosup Pond	Plainfield	1/24 (Rainbows)
Moosup River - TMA	Plainfield	9/20
Mt. Tom Pond	Litchfield, Washington	9/20, 9/27(A. Salmon), 1/29
Natchaug River - TTA	Eastford, Chaplin, Windham	9/27
Natchaug River- Trout Park	Eastford	9/27
Naugatuck River - TMA	Harwinton, Litchfield	9/20 (trout), 10/11 (A. Salmon), 10/21 (A. Salmon), 11/5 (A. Salmon), 12/5 (A. Salmon), 12/19 (A. Salmon)
Naugatuck River (Lower) – TTA	Waterbury - Beacon Falls	(A. Salmon) 10/11 (trout & A. Salmon), 10/21 (A. Salmon), 11/5 (A. Salmon), 12/5 (A. Salmon), 12/20 (A. Salmon)
Pequabuck River (RTS 229-177) - TMA	Bristol	10/21
Pequonnock River (Trumbull Basin) - TTA Permit required for non-residents to park in Trumbull Town parks. Please call 203-452-5060 to make an appt with the P&R Dept. A valid Fishing License, Vehicle Registration, and ID are required.	Trumbull	10/16
Pickett's Pond - CFW	Derby	10/11
Pomperaug River - TTA	Woodbury, Southbury	9/26
Quinnipiac River	Meriden (Greenway Trail)	9/9 (Brook Trout)
Quonnipaug Lake – TML	Guilford	9/23
Roaring Brook – WTMA 3	Glastonbury	10/10
Rogers Lake – TML	Lyme, Old Lyme	9/23
Roseland Lake	Woodstock	1/13 (Brook Trout)
Salmon Brook, E. Branch – WTMA 3	Granby	10/21
Salmon River – TTA	Colchester, East Hampton	9/25
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Saugatuck Reservoir	Easton, Redding, Weston	12/4 (Seefs)
Saugatuck River (Fly) - TMA	Westport	10/3
Scantic River (Upper)	Somers, Enfield	10/18
Shetucket River - TTA	Windham, Scotland, Sprague	9/24 (Trout), 10/4 (Atlantic Salmon), 10/25 (A. Salmon), 11/15 (A. Salmon), 12/6 (A. Salmon), 12/24 (A. Salmon)
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Squantz Pond – TML Stillwater Pond	New Fairfield, Sherman Torrington	1/28 9/20, 1/8
Stratton Brook Park Pond – Trout Park		
Tenmile River, Bull's Bridge- TMA	Simsbury Kant Sharman	10/2, 10/10, 10/17
	Kent, Sherman	10/17, 10/22
Tyler Pond	Goshen	10/25, 1/8
Uncas Lake	Lyme	1/24 (Rainbows)
Valley Falls Park Pond – Trout Park	Vernon	9/24, 10/8, 10/24
Wangumbaug Lake (Coventry Lake)	Coventry	10/24, 1/28
Wauregan Reservoir (Quinebaug Lake)	Killingly	9/20, 1/17 (Brook Trout)
West Hill Pond – TML	Barkhamsted, New Hartford	10/2, 11/6 (Seefs)
West Side Pond	Goshen	10/16, 1/8
Wharton Brook Pond – Trout Park	Wallingford	9/24, 10/4, 10/21
Willimantic River - TMA	Tolland, Willington	9/27
Wononskopomuc Lake – TML	Salisbury	1/29 (rainbows)
Yantic River- TMA	Bozrah	9/30

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