

**§6140-A. Atlantic salmon; method of fishing; season**

Unless more restrictive rules are adopted by the department, the following restrictions apply to methods of fishing and the season for Atlantic salmon. [PL 2019, c. 225, §5 (AMD).]

**1. Catch and release only.** All fishing for Atlantic salmon is catch and release, except for Atlantic salmon lawfully raised by means of aquaculture.

[PL 2007, c. 240, Pt. QQ, §8 (NEW).]

**2. Method of fishing.** A person may not fish for Atlantic salmon in waters of the State by any means other than hook and line with an unweighted artificial fly.

[PL 2007, c. 240, Pt. QQ, §8 (NEW).]

**3. Closed season.** A person may not fish for Atlantic salmon from waters of the State by any means from October 16th to April 30th.

[PL 2007, c. 240, Pt. QQ, §8 (NEW).]

**4. Open season.** The department may establish by rule an open season during which a person may fish for Atlantic salmon. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

[PL 2019, c. 225, §6 (AMD).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 2007, c. 240, Pt. QQ, §8 (NEW). PL 2019, c. 225, §§5, 6 (AMD).

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