§468. Classifications of minor drainages

All surface waters lying within the boundaries of the State that are in basins having a drainage area less than 100 square miles that are not classified as lakes or ponds are classified in this section. [PL 1989, c. 764, §20 (AMD).]

1. Cumberland County. Those waters draining directly or indirectly into tidal waters of Cumberland County, with the exception of the Androscoggin River Basin, the Presumpscot River Basin, the Royal River Basin and tributaries of the Androscoggin River Estuary and Merrymeeting Bay entering above the Chops (Woolwich and Bath, Sagadahoc County) - Class B unless otherwise specified.

A. Freeport.

- (1) Frost Gully Brook Class A. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RPR).]
- A-1. Cape Elizabeth.
 - (1) Trout Brook, those waters that form the town boundary with South Portland Class C. [PL 2009, c. 163, §13 (NEW).]
- B. Portland.
 - (1) All minor drainages unless otherwise specified Class C.
 - (2) Stroudwater River from its origin to tidewater, including all tributaries Class B. [PL 2009, c. 163, §14 (AMD).]
- C. Scarborough.
 - (1) All minor drainages Class C unless otherwise specified.
 - (2) Finnerd Brook Class B.
 - (3) Stuart Brook Class B.
 - (4) Nonesuch River from the headwaters to a point 1/2 mile downstream of Mitchell Hill Road crossing Class B.
 - (5) Tributaries of Stroudwater River from its origin to tidewater Class B. [PL 2021, c. 551, §46 (AMD).]
- D. South Portland.
 - (1) All minor drainages Class C.
 - (2) Trout Brook downstream of the first point where the brook becomes the town boundary between South Portland and Cape Elizabeth Class C. [PL 2009, c. 163, §16 (AMD).]
- E. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- F. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- G. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- H. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- I. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- J. [PL 2021, c. 551, §47 (RP).]
- [PL 2021, c. 551, §§46, 47 (AMD).]
- **2. Hancock County.** Those waters draining directly or indirectly into tidal waters of Hancock County, with the exception of the Union River Basin Class B unless otherwise specified.

- A. All brooks, streams and segments of those brooks and streams that are within the boundaries of Acadia National Park Class AA. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RPR).]
- B. Blue Hill.
 - (1) Carleton Stream, main stem, between First Pond and Second Pond Class C.
 - (2) Carleton Stream, main stem, from the outlet of First Pond to tidewater at Salt Pond Class C. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RPR).]
- C. Orland.
 - (1) Alamoosook Lake, tributaries Class A. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RPR).]
- D. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- E. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- F. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- G. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- H. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- I. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- J. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- K. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- L. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- M. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- N. Township 7 Southern Division.
 - (1) Whitten Parritt Stream Class A.
 - (2) Tributaries to Tunk Stream Class A. [PL 2019, c. 333, §9 (AMD).]
- O. Sullivan.
 - (1) Tributaries to Tunk Stream Class A.
 - (2) Tributaries to Donnell Pond Class A. [PL 2021, c. 551, §48 (AMD).]
- P. Township 10 Southern Division.
 - (1) Tunk Stream and its tributaries Class A.
 - (2) Tributaries to Donnell Pond Class A. [PL 2021, c. 551, §49 (AMD).]
- Q. Township 9 Southern Division.
 - (1) Tributaries to Donnell Pond Class A. [PL 2021, c. 551, §50 (NEW).]
- R. Franklin.
- (1) Tributaries to Donnell Pond Class A. [PL 2021, c. 551, §51 (NEW).] [PL 2021, c. 551, §§48-51 (AMD).]
- **3. Knox County.** Those waters draining directly or indirectly into tidal waters of Knox County, with the exception of the St. George River Basin Class B unless otherwise specified.
 - A. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
 - B. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
 - C. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
 - D. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]

- E. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- F. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- G. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- H. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).] [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RPR).]
- **4. Lincoln County.** Those waters draining directly or indirectly into tidal waters of Lincoln County, with the exception of the Sheepscot River Basin and tributaries of the Kennebec River Estuary and Merrymeeting Bay entering above the Chops (Woolwich and Bath, Sagadahoc County) Class B unless otherwise specified.
 - A. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
 - B. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
 - C. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
 - D. Bristol.
- Pemaquid River and its tributaries, all freshwater sections below Pemaquid Pond Class A. [PL 2009, c. 163, §18 (NEW).]
 [PL 2017, c. 137, Pt. B, §12 (AMD).]
- **5. Penobscot County.** Those waters draining directly or indirectly into tidal waters of Penobscot County, with the exception of tributaries of the Penobscot River Estuary entering north of a line extended in an east-west direction from the outlet of Reeds Brook in the village of Hampden Highlands Class B unless otherwise specified.
 - A. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
 - B. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
- C. [PL 2017, c. 137, Pt. B, §13 (RP).] [PL 2017, c. 137, Pt. B, §13 (AMD).]
- **6. Sagadahoc County.** Those waters draining directly or indirectly into tidal waters of Sagadahoc County, with the exception of tributaries of the Androscoggin River Estuary, the Kennebec River Estuary and Merrymeeting Bay entering above the Chops Class B unless otherwise specified.
- A. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).] [PL 2017, c. 137, Pt. B, §14 (AMD).]
- 7. Waldo County. Those waters draining directly or indirectly into tidal waters of Waldo CountyClass B unless otherwise specified.
 - A. Ducktrap River from the outlet of Tilden Pond to tidewater Class AA. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RPR).]
 - B. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
 - C. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
 - D. Black Brook in Lincolnville Class A. [PL 2009, c. 163, §19 (NEW).]
 - E. Kendall Brook in Lincolnville Class A. [PL 2009, c. 163, §20 (NEW).]
 - F. Tucker Brook in Lincolnville Class A. [PL 2009, c. 163, §21 (NEW).]
 - G. Winterport.
 - (1) Cove Brook, those waters above head of tide Class AA. [PL 2017, c. 137, Pt. B, §15 (NEW).]

[PL 2017, c. 137, Pt. B, §15 (AMD).]

- **8.** Washington County. Those waters draining directly or indirectly into tidal waters of Washington County, including impoundments of the Pennamaquan River, with the exception of the Dennys River Basin, the East Machias River Basin, the Machias River Basin, the Narraguagus River Basin and the Pleasant River Basin Class B unless otherwise specified.
 - A. Jonesboro.
 - (1) Chandler River and its tributaries above the highway bridge on Route 1 Class A. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RPR).]
 - B. Whiting.
 - (1) Orange River and its tributaries above the highway bridge on Route 1 Class A. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RPR).]
 - C. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
 - D. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
 - E. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
 - F. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
 - G. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
 - H. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
 - I. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).]
 - J. Edmunds.
 - (1) Hobart Stream Class AA. [PL 1999, c. 277, §24 (NEW).]
 - K. Steuben.
 - (1) Whitten Parritt Stream Class A.
 - (2) Tunk Stream and tributaries upstream of Route 1 Class A. [PL 2003, c. 663, §5 (AMD).]
 - L. Harrington.
 - (1) Harrington River and tributaries Class A. [PL 2003, c. 663, §6 (NEW).]
 - M. Columbia.
 - (1) Harrington River and tributaries Class A. [PL 2003, c. 663, §6 (NEW).]
 - N. Addison.
 - (1) Indian River Class A. [PL 2003, c. 663, §6 (NEW).]
 - O. Jonesport.
 - (1) Indian River Class A. [PL 2003, c. 663, §6 (NEW).]
 - P. Cherryfield.
 - (1) Tunk Stream and its tributaries Class A. [PL 2019, c. 333, §11 (NEW); PL 2019, c. 463, §14 (NEW).]
 - Q. Perry.
 - (1) Boyden Stream Class B. This segment is subject to a sustenance fishing designated use pursuant to section 466-A. [PL 2019, c. 463, §14 (NEW).]

[PL 2019, c. 333, §11 (AMD); PL 2019, c. 463, §14 (AMD).]

- **9. York County.** Those waters draining directly or indirectly into tidal waters of York County, with the exception of the Saco River Basin, the Salmon Falls River Basin and the Mousam River Basin Class B unless otherwise specified.
 - A. Kennebunk.
 - (1) Branch Brook Class A. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RPR).]
 - B. Sanford.
 - (1) Branch Brook Class A.
 - (2) Merriland River Class A. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RPR).]
 - C. Wells.
 - (1) Branch Brook Class A.
 - (2) Merriland River Class A.
 - (3) Webhannet River above Route 1 Class A.
 - (4) Depot Brook Class A.
 - (5) Blacksmith Brook above Route 1 Class A.
 - (6) Ogunquit River and tributaries above Interstate 95 Class A. [PL 2003, c. 317, §22 (AMD).]
- D. [PL 1989, c. 764, §21 (RP).] [PL 2003, c. 317, §22 (AMD).]

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