

Federation of Dutchess County Fish & Game Clubs, Inc.

Dutchess County Trout Stream Classifications and Hudson River Striped Bass / Black Bass Regulations

The following county streams are all classified as **Stocked**:

Crum Elbow Creek, Fishkill Creek, Roeliff Jansen Kill, Sprout Creek, Swamp River, Ten Mile River, Webatuck Creek, Whaley Lake Brook. Also: any section of any stream that is UNCLASSIFIED by DEC.

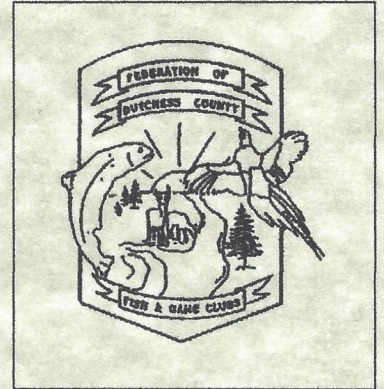
(Refer NYS to Fishing Regulations Guide)

Wappingers Creek has two classifications

Wappingers Creek is classified as **Stocked-Extended** from Route 376 upstream to the East Branch Wappingers Creek in Hibernia. **Wappingers Creek** is Classified as **Wild-Quality** from 3/4 miles downstream of Jameson Hill Road Bridge in Clinton Corners, upstream to Hunns Lake Creek in Stanfordville.

Daily creel limits by classification

Category	Daily limit
Wild-premier	1 trout, any size
Wild-quality	3 trout, no more than 1 over 12 in.
Wild	5 trout, no more than 2 over 12 in.
Stocked-extended	3 trout, no more than 1 over 12 in.
Stocked	5 trout, no more than 2 over 12 in.
Uncategorized	5 trout, no more than 2 over 12 in.



Any unclassified stream or stream section (those not classified as Stocked, Stocked-Extended, Wild, Wild-Quality, or Wild-Premier) defaults to creel limit of 5 trout per day only 2 over 12 in. That is the statewide, default daily creel limit.

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Hudson River Striped Bass

There is a slot in the Hudson River. Any fish less than 18" or more than 28" must be immediately returned to the water unharmed. Season is April 1 – November 30. The creel limit is one (1) fish per day (within slot limit). Cannot target striped bass in the closed season.

Also: Addendum VI to Amendment 6 of the Interstate Fishery Management Plan for Atlantic Striped Bass requires the use of **circle hooks** when fishing with bait for striped bass. That includes the waters of New York State.

Largemouth & Smallmouth Bass

Season Open: June 15 – November 30

Minimum Length: 12: Creel Limit: 5 fish per day

Catch and Release: December 1 – June 14

Artificial lures only – All fish must be returned to the water