Massawepie Trail Days
Program Guide

October 6th - 9th, 2018

Massawepie Trail Days

Introduction

Massawepie has more than 3700 acres of pristine Adirondack wilderness on our property, from old growth forest to nine lakes and ponds to the largest peatland in New York State - and of course, more than twenty miles of trails to travel across it all. At Massawepie Trail Days, get the chance to experience it all. Using Massawepie's Camp Mountaineer as a base, troops will have the opportunity to attend information sessions on camping and survival skills before heading out to one of Massawepie's wilderness outposts Saturday afternoon. Returning to Mountaineer for a Sunday brunch, troops can then attend in-camp program offerings or use Massawepie as a base to experience more that the Adirondacks has to offer!

Contacts/Links

To register:

https://scoutingevent.com/397-moc1018

For help with registration:

Seneca Waterways Camping Department
(585) 241-8545 treks@senecawaterways.org

For program/facilities questions:

Ben Geiger, Massawepie Property Superintendent
(518) 359-3900 treks@senecawaterways.org

Massawepie Scout Camps on Facebook

Massawepie Outdoor Challenges on Facebook

Want more Massawepie? Check out the Massawepie Arctic Challenge (Martin Luther King Weekend) or Summer camp at Camp Pioneer in 2019

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General Information

General Schedule

Friday	Check-in (Maintenance Shop), Campsite Setup
Saturday Morning	Round Robin Information Sessions, Outposts assigned (Mountaineer Dining Hall)
Saturday Afternoon	Depart for Outpost Sites
Sunday Morning	Brunch (*Note: Only Meal Provided*) (Mountaineer Dining Hall)
Sunday Afternoon	In-camp program offerings (Throughout Mountaineer & Pioneer); Out-of-camp attractions (Throughout Adirondacks)
Sunday, 5:30 PM	Trail Days Campfire (Inspiration Point)
Monday	Check-out, departure

Troops will be responsible for all their own meals except for Sunday Brunch.

In case of emergency…

Call the Massawepie Ranger at (518) 359-3900
Alternate contact: (518) 359-2228

Staff is available at the Mountaineer Dining Hall all day, and at the Mountaineer Camp Office overnight

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Packing List

- ❑ Sleeping bag.
- ❑ Change of clothes.
- ❑ Long Underwear.
- ❑ Rain gear.
- ❑ Towel.
- ❑ Mess kit & utensils/in addition to troop cooking equipment.
- ❑ Water bottle (full.)
- ❑ Pocketknife.
- ❑ Flashlight(s.)
- ❑ Necessary toiletries.
- ❑ Tarp
- ❑ Tent

Outpost Sites

- ❑ Mountaineer Lean-to
- ❑ Four Points
- ❑ Bay View
- ❑ Vingo
- ❑ Beaver House
- ❑ Paul Bunyan
- ❑ Powderhorn
- ❑ Smokey Bear
- ❑ Longview
- ❑ Powder Horn
- ❑ Mokiagan
- ❑ Conifer Hollow,
- ❑ Pine pond point,
- ❑ Iroquois
- ❑ Conifer Hollow
- ❑ Eagle Island
- ❑ Distillery Hill
- ❑ Sour Dough

List may be subject to change up until the day of the event

Massawepie Trail Days
Round Robin Sessions

On Saturday morning there will be round robin activities around the dining hall and around Camp Mountaineer. The activities will help teach you necessary skills for your outpost.

The following information sessions will be offered:

- ❑ Water purification
- ❑ Fire starting without matches
- ❑ How to poop in the woods
- ❑ How to hang a bear bag
- ❑ Leave No Trace & Outdoor Ethics
- ❑ Choosing a correct campsite
- ❑ Camp cooking
- ❑ Navigation & orienteering skills

Use the skills from the information sessions on your outpost to complete some of the in-camp challenges!!

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In-Camp Challenges

Complete any of the following challenges on outpost or throughout your stay. Points will be awarded for each that you complete as a troop. Feel free to do any that you would like. Please be sure to record when you completed each task. Also be sure to take photos! Upload to the Massawepie Outdoor Challenge page with the #MSCtdays. Be safe, have fun, and bring back your stories!

- ❑ Stay at a Massawepie outpost site. (20 pts)
- ❑ Catch a fish on Massawepie Lake or one of the camp's ponds. (5 pts) - please review NYS Fishing Regulations, including special Massawepie Easement regulations
- ❑ Set up a bear bag. (5 pts)
- ❑ Host a staff member at your site/campfire (5 pts)
- ❑ Purify your own drinking water (10 pts)
- ❑ Build your own shelter (5 pts)
  - ❑ Sleep in it. (10 pts)
- ❑ Practice Leave No Trace Methods and explain to a staff member how you are following the guidelines. (5pts)
- ❑ Light a fire using an alternative method (ie: not matches/lighters) (10 pts_
- ❑ One person use a cat hole properly. (5 pts_
- ❑ Complete an approved site improvement project at an outpost site. (Can fulfill the Life rank conservation service requirement) (15 pts)
- ❑ Upload a photo onto the MOC Facebook page #MSCtdays (2 pts)
- ❑ Navigate the property using a compass. (5 pts)
- ❑ Cook a meal over an open fire. (15 pts)
- ❑ Host another troop in your site. (5 pts)
- ❑ Have one member of your troop teach one principle of LNT to the entire troop. (10 pts)
- ❑ Have a dinner in your site. (5 pts)
- ❑ Dig a proper sump for your wastewater (15 pts).
- ❑ Drink grey water (From your personal mess kit.) (5 pts)
- ❑ Help gather wood for the Trail Days campfire and bring to Inspiration point campfire circle at Camp Mountaineer. (5 pts)
- ❑ Attend the Trail Days campfire (5 pts)
- ❑ Perform a song or skit in the Trail Days campfire(15 pts)

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Sunday Afternoon

In-Camp Program Offerings

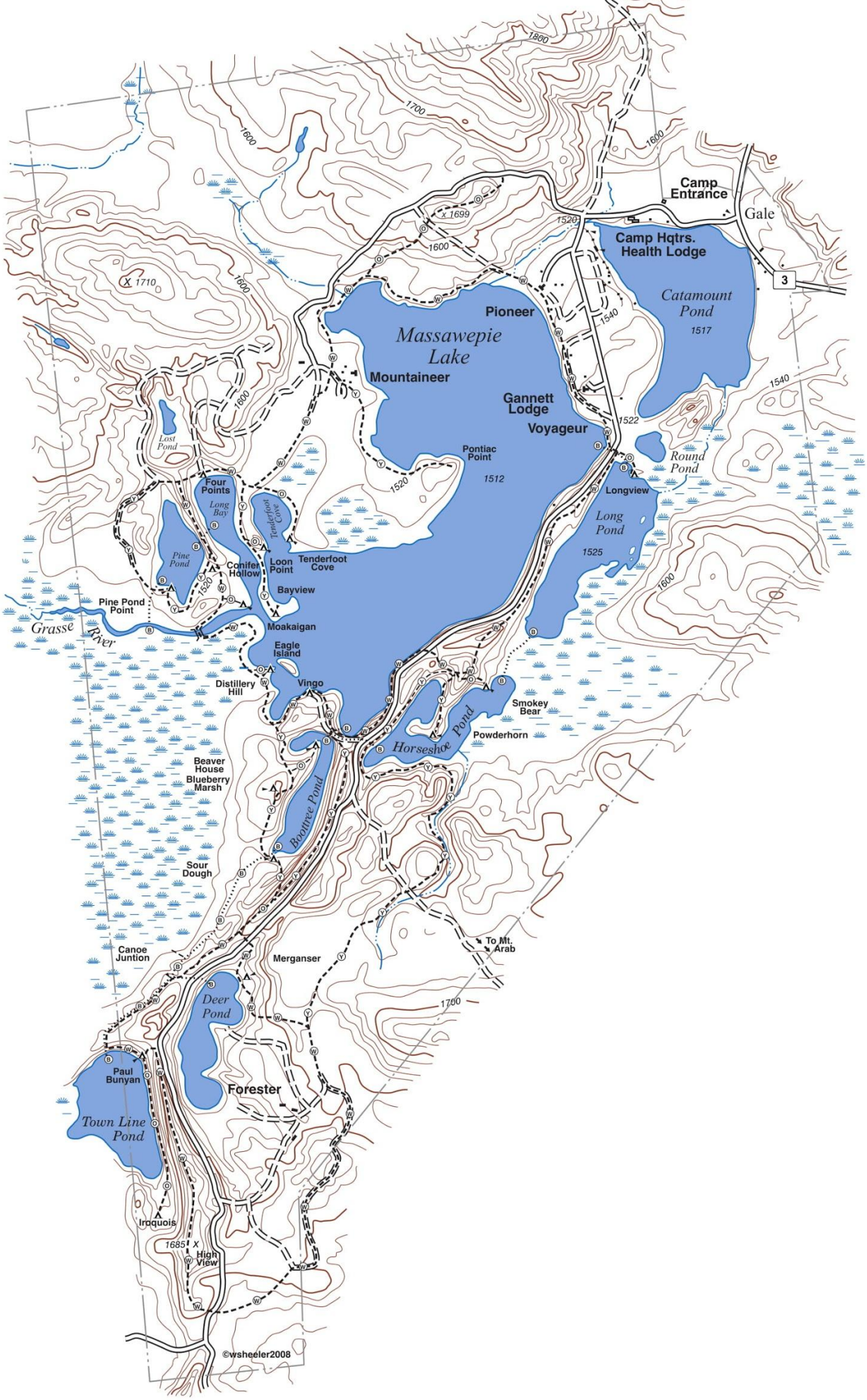
****The following are manned events; times and locations will be announced upon arrival****

- ❑ Show your first aid skills! Find Sean at the Health lodge to practice several scenarios. (10 pts)
- ❑ How fast can you climb? Stop by climbing wall to see how long it'll take you (15pts)
- ❑ Want to know more about Massawepie? Stop by the MSC museum! (10 pts)
- ❑ Canoe carry rally! (15 pts for winner, 8 pts for participation)
- ❑ Shoot at the Camp Pioneer Shotgun Range (15 points)
- ❑ Complete a service project at Massawepie approved and directed by camp ranger. (15 pts -1 hour/25 pts-2 hours/ 35 pts-3 hours)
- ❑ Complete the Camp Pioneer Frisbee Golf Course (10 pts)
- ❑ Find a log and enter it in the log regatta. (5pts for 1st place, 2 pts for participation)
- ❑ Test your map skills! Play a compass/orienteering game. (8 pts)
- ❑ Find out what Mountaineer was like as a scout! Get a tour of Camp Mountaineer. (8 pts)

Out-of-Camp Attractions

Experience all that the Adirondacks has to offer! This is just a small sampling of activities your troop could do outside of Massawepie. Feel free to check some out before the weekend, or on your next Adirondack adventure too! 15 pts for each visited/completed:

- ❑ Tupper Triad: (Mt. Arab, Coney Mountain, Goodman Mountain.)
- ❑ Saranac 6: (Baker, St. Regis, Scarface, Ampersand, Haystack, McKenzie.)
- ❑ Climb an Adirondack High Peak (Heart Lake)
- ❑ Wild Center: (Tupper Lake.)
- ❑ Adirondack Experience: (Blue Mountain Lake.)
- ❑ Olympic Center & Various Olympic Locations: (Lake Placid.)
- ❑ John Brown's Homestead & Grave: (North Elba)
- ❑ Hike Paul Smith's "VIC trails" (Paul Smith's)
- ❑ Hike to the Great Camp Santanoni: (Newcomb.)
- ❑ Visit the ghost town of Tahawus: (Outside of Newcomb.)
- ❑ Visit an area waterfall.
- ❑ Visit SUNY ESF's Adirondack Interpretive Center: (Newcomb.)
- ❑ Visit an Adirondack fire tower
- ❑ Create your own adventure!



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Round Pond
Longview
Long Pond
1525
Lost Pond
Four Points
Long Bay
Tenderfoot Cove
Pine Pond
Conifer Hollow
Loon Point
Tenderfoot Cove
Bayview
Pine Pond Point
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Eagle Island
Distillery Hill
Vingo
Smokey Bear
Powderhorn
Horseshoe Pond
Beaver House
Blueberry Marsh
Boottree Pond
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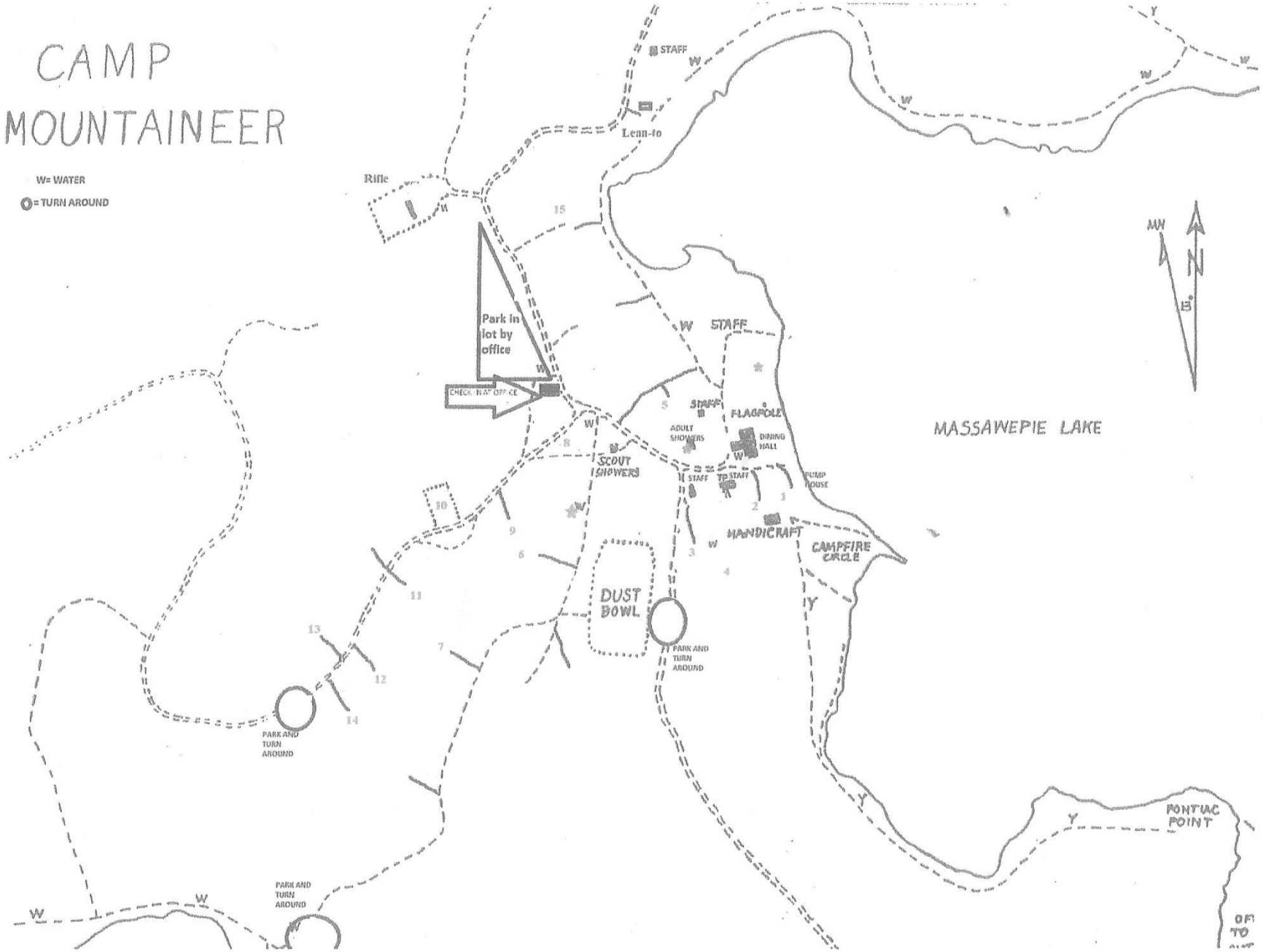
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TO STAFF
PUMP HOUSE
HANDICRAFT
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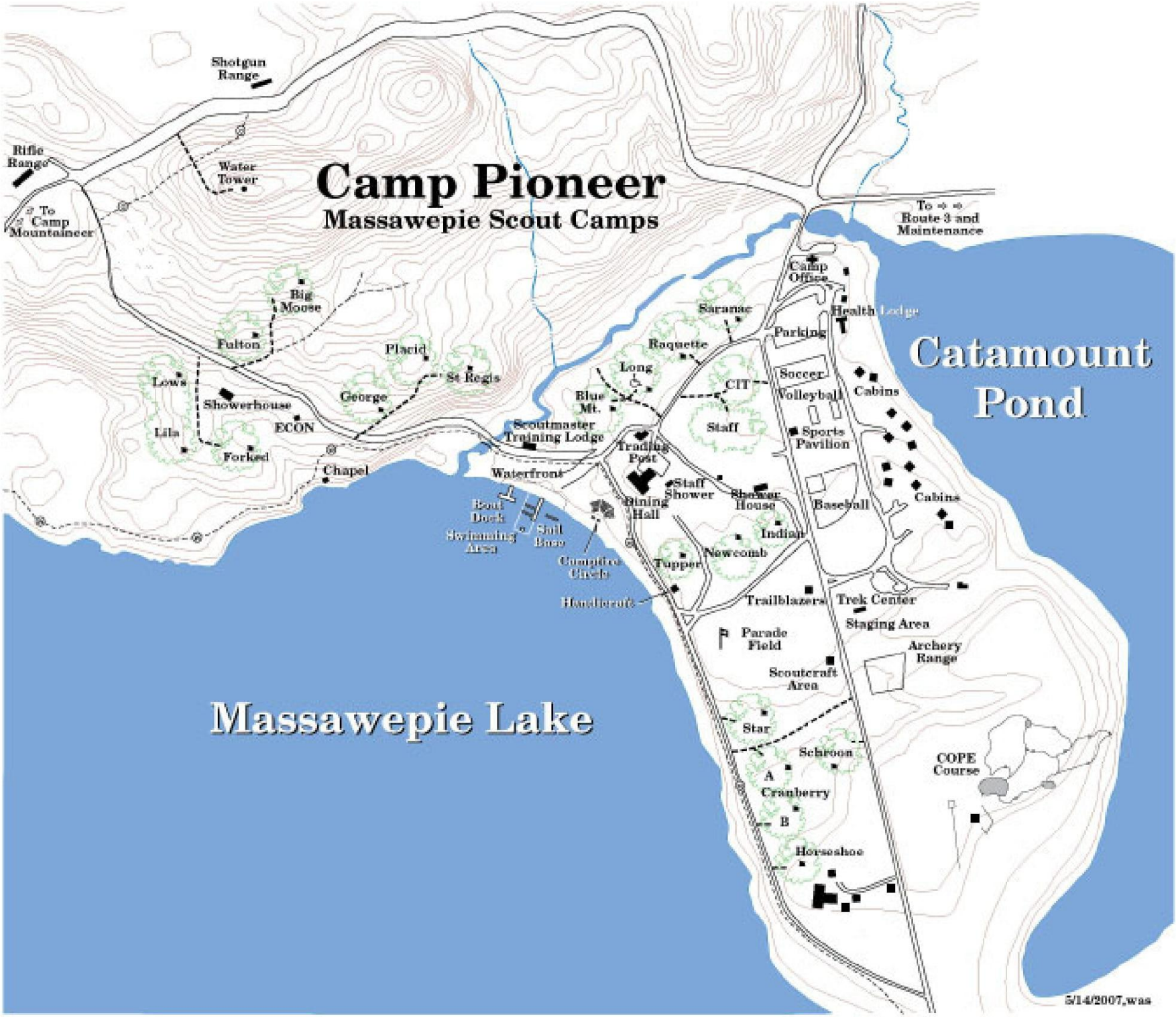
Camp Pioneer
Massawepie Scout Camps
Shotgun Range
Rifle Range
Water Tower
To Camp Mountaineer
To Route 3 and Maintenance
Camp Office
Health Lodge
Parking
Catamount Pond
Saranac
Raquette
Long
Blue Mt.
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Soccer
Volleyball
Cabins
Staff
Sports Pavilion
Big Moose
Fulton
Placid
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Chapel
Scoutmaster Training Lodge
Trading Post
Waterfront
Staff Shower
Dining Hall
Shower House
Baseball
Cabins
Boat Dock
Swimming Area
Sail Boat
Campfire Circle
Indian
Newcomb
Tupper
Handicraft
Trailblazers
Trek Center
Staging Area
Parade Field
Archery Range
Scoutcraft Area
Massawepie Lake
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The following statewide angling regulations apply to all waters for which special regulations have not been established. Special regulations for specific waters follow on pages 14–49.

Statewide Angling Regulations			
Species	**Open Season**	**Minimum Length**	**Daily Limit**
Trout—Brook, Brown and Rainbow and hybrids of these species; and Splake	April 1 through Oct 15	Any size	5
Lake Trout	April 1 through Oct 15	21"	3
Landlocked (LL)/ Atlantic Salmon	April 1 through Oct 15	15"	3
	It is illegal to take Atlantic Salmon from the waters of the marine and coastal district.		
Kokanee	April 1 through Oct 15	Any size	10
Coho & Chinook Salmon	See Great Lakes Regulations on pages 46–49.		
Black Bass (Largemouth/Smallmouth)	3rd Sat in June through Nov 30	12"	5
	Dec 1 through Fri preceding the 3rd Sat in June	Catch and release only	Artificial lures only
Muskellunge	Last Sat in May through Nov 30	40"	1
Northern Pike	1st Sat in May through March 15	18"	5
Pickerel	1st Sat in May through March 15	15"	5
Tiger Muskellunge	1st Sat in May through March 15	30"	1
Walleye	1st Sat in May through March 15	15"	5
Crappie	All year	9"	25
Yellow Perch	All year	Any size	50
Sunfish (Bluegill, Pumpkinseed and Redbreast Sunfish)	All year	Any size	50
Lake Whitefish	All year	Any size	5
Atlantic, Shortnose, Lake Sturgeon; Paddlefish, Sauger	Closed	Fishing for (including catch and release) or possession prohibited	
Striped Bass—Hudson River and all inland waters except Delaware River (see page 23)	April 1 through Nov 30	1 fish between 18 and 28 inches total length OR 1 fish larger than 40 inches.	1
American Shad—All inland waters except Hudson, Chemung, Chenango and Susquehanna Rivers.	All year	Any size	3
	Possession prohibited in Marine District.		
Hickory Shad	Aug 1 through Nov 30	Any size	5
Anadromous River (Ocean-run) Herring (Alewife and Blueback Herring)	Possession prohibited except in Hudson River and tributaries (see page 22).		
American Eel—all waters except Hudson River, St. Lawrence R., L. Niagara R., Lake Ontario and tributaries to these waters.	All year	9"	25
All endangered or threatened fish species. See page 50 for complete list of species.	Fishing for (including catch and release) or possession prohibited		
All other species (except those listed elsewhere in special regulation tables in this guide).	All year	Any size	Any number

A person may not fish for a species (not even Catch-and-Release) outside of the open season for that species on a given water.

License Information

License Requirements

Everyone must have a valid fishing license in their possession while fishing or helping someone to fish except:

- Persons under 16 years of age.
- NYS-resident owners, lessees and members of their immediate families occupying and cultivating farm lands, when fishing on their own lands.
- Persons holding farm fish pond licenses and members of their immediate families, when fishing on waters covered by their licenses.
- Resident patients at Dept. of Mental Health institutions and Dept. of Health rehabilitation hospitals, and inmates at Division of Youth rehabilitation centers. License exemptions must be requested for such persons through the hospital/institution by writing NYSDEC License Sales Unit, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233-4790, or by e-mailing *FW.Information@dec.ny.gov*.
- When fishing on licensed fishing preserves.

Free Licenses

The following individuals are eligible for a free fishing license and may obtain a license at any license issuing outlet:

- New York State residents who are legally blind and provide a doctor's note to the License Issuing Agent.
- New York State residents who are active service members of the NYS Organized Militia (i.e., National Guard), or U.S. Reserve Forces.
- New York State residents stationed outside of New York who are on full time active duty in the U.S. Armed Forces and are on leave in NY for no longer than 30 days.
- Resident patients at U.S. Department of Veteran's Affairs hospitals or state funded facilities can obtain a free fishing license through their hospital or facility.
- Native Americans who are members of the Shinnecock and Poospatuck tribes or the Six Nations residing on reservations in New York State may obtain a free fishing license by contacting their reservation or DEC's License Sales Office at (518) 402-8843.

Lost Annual License Replacement

A lost license may be replaced for $5.00 at any license issuing outlet.

Resident Licenses

To qualify for a resident license, one must reside in New York State for more than 30 days immediately preceding the date of application for a license. Property ownership in New York State does not necessarily constitute residency.

Residency is a fixed, permanent and principal home to which a person (regardless wherever temporarily located) always intends to return. Proof of residency is the address listed on a person's registration to vote in elections for any public office other than school board. If the applicant is under 18, the residence of parents or legal guardian shall be deemed such person's residence.

Active members of the U.S. Armed Forces stationed in the state, and full-time college students in residence in the state during the school year (proof required) also qualify for resident licenses at regular prices.

License Privileges

Persons holding a freshwater fishing license may take freshwater fish by angling, spearing, hooking, longbow, nets, traps and tip-ups; take frogs by spearing, catching with the hands or by use of a club or hook; and take baitfish for personal use, all as permitted by law or DEC.

- The holder of a license, tag or stamp shall have such license, tag, stamp or other valid proof (see below) on his/her person while exercising any privilege of that license.
- The holder of a license, tag or stamp shall exhibit it on demand to any police officer, peace officer, or the owner, lessee or other person in control of the lands or waters on which the license holder is present.
- No license or stamp authorizes the holder to trespass upon private lands or waters or interfere with property belonging to another person.
- A freshwater fishing license does not allow for the taking of migratory marine fish. See Recreational Marine Fishing Registry (Page 7).

Do I Need a Fishing License?

With the exception of the circumstances noted under License Requirements, everyone 16 years or older must have a valid freshwater fishing license to fish in New York State.

This includes:

- **Anglers fishing on private waters not open to the general public**
- **Anglers that do not keep the fish that they catch**
- **Assisting an angler (including a child under the age of 16) in the act of fishing**
- **Anglers that fish occasionally (shorter term licenses are available at a lower cost)**

Licenses	
Resident Annual	
Fishing (16–69) *	$ 25
Fishing (70+) *	$ 5
7-day (16+)	$ 12
1-day (16+)	$ 5
Fishing (military/disabled)**	$ 5
Marine Registry *	$ 0
Non-Resident Annual	
Fishing (16+) *	$ 50
7-day (16+)	$ 28
1-day (16+)	$ 10
Marine Registry *	$ 0
Lifetime Fishing (available to NYS residents only)	
Lifetime Fishing (0–69)	$ 460
Lifetime Fishing (70+)	$ 65
Lifetime License (available to NYS residents only) (includes Hunting, Fishing and Turkey Permits)	
Lifetime License (0–4)	$ 380
Lifetime License (5–11)	$ 535
Lifetime License (12–69)	$ 765
Lifetime License (70+)	$ 65

* Valid for 365 days after purchase or effective date provided to issuing agent.

** Military Disabled persons with a 40% or more service-related disability annually pay $5.00 for the first of the following 3 privileges: fishing, hunting, trapping. Subsequent purchases of the other 2 privileges are free within the calendar year. Questions should be directed to 518-402-8843.

License Requirements for Border Waters

Does a New York State fishing license entitle holder to fish the out-of-state portion of waters listed below?

Water	State/Province	Yes/No
Lake Ontario	Ontario	No
Lake Erie	Ontario, Pennsylvania	No
St. Lawrence River	Ontario, Quebec	No
Niagara River	Ontario	No
Lake Champlain	Quebec	No
	Vermont	Yes[a]
Delaware River & West Branch Delaware River (along boundary)	Pennsylvania	Yes
Greenwood Lake	New Jersey	Yes[b]
Indian Lake	Connecticut	Yes[b]

a All Vermont portions of Lake Champlain with the exception of The Inland Sea (including "The Gut"), Mallett's Bay, Missisquoi Bay and all rivers. (See map on page 29)

b New York license permits fishing out-of-state portion from boat or ice only.

Valid Proof of Fishing License

Type of Fishing License	Valid Proof of Fishing License					
"Freshwater" Fishing	License on official license paper (Valeron)	Hunt Fish NY App	Online printable license	DEC License sales number (DEC-LS-99999999)	Plastic lifetime card	Adventure license
Recreational Marine Fishing Registry					N/A	N/A

St. Lawrence County					
Water	**Species**	**Open Season**	**Minimum Length**	**Daily Limit**	**Method**
All waters except as listed below	Trout	April 1 through Oct 15	Any size	5 - with no more than 2 longer than 12"	
All waters except as listed below	Black Bass	3rd Sat in June through Nov 30	12"	5	Fishing for black bass (including catch & release) is prohibited outside of the open season.
All rivers and streams except the Raquette River impoundments and those covered by Great Lakes regulations	Black Bass	3rd Sat in June through Nov 30	10"	5	
		Fishing (including catch & release) for black bass outside of the open season is prohibited.			
All baitfish-prohibited waters listed on page 36 except as listed below	Trout	April 1 through Oct 15	Any size	5	
Black Lake including the Indian River from falls in Rossie downstream to the confluence with the Oswegatchie River	Black Bass	3rd Sat in June through Nov 30	15"	5	Ice fishing permitted
		Fishing for black bass (including catch & release) is prohibited outside of the open season.			
	Walleye	1st Sat in May through March 15	18"	3	
South Branch Grass River from 0.5 mile downstream of Route 3 upstream to Grass River Flow	Trout	April 1 through Oct 15	Catch and release only		Artificial lures only
Allen Pond	Trout	April 1 through Oct 15	12"	3	
St. Lawrence River and tributaries to first barrier	See Great Lakes Regulations on pages 46–49.				
Tooley Pond	Black Bass	3rd Sat in June through Nov 30	Catch and release only		Artificial lures only
		Fishing for black bass (including catch & release) is prohibited outside of the open season.			
Lake Ozonia	Trout	All year	12"	3	Ice fishing permitted
	LL Salmon	All year	15"	3	
Pleasant Lake, Horseshoe Lake	Walleye	1st Sat in May through March 15	18"	3	Ice fishing permitted
Little River (Towns of Fine, Clifton), Oswegatchie River from Cranberry Lake Dam downstream	Trout	April 1 through Nov 30	Any Size	5 - with no more than 2 longer than 12"	
St. Regis River from Ft. Jackson upstream to Franklin County Line	Trout	All year	Any size	5 - with no more than 2 longer than 12"	
Star Lake	Trout	All year	12"	3	Ice fishing permitted
	Lake Trout	All year	21"	3	
	LL Salmon	All year	15"	3	
Trout Lake, Sylvia Lake	Trout	All year	12"	3	Ice fishing permitted
	Lake Trout	All year	21"	3	
Tupper Lake	Lake Trout	All year	21"	3	Ice fishing permitted
All waters in the Massawepie Conservation Easement Area, Tamarack Pond	Trout	April 1 through Oct 15	12"	3	
Cranberry Lake	Northern Pike	1st Sat in May through Mar 15	Any size	5	Ice fishing permitted
Sterling Pond	Statewide Angling Regulations Apply				Ice fishing permitted

Fishing is prohibited March 16 until the opening of walleye season in May in the following waters:

- Fish Creek from west side (downstream) side of State Route 58 bridge upstream to highest point of Fish Creek Falls in Pope Mills
- Grasse River from the downstream side of the ALCOA Road Bridge upstream to the upstream side of the Main Street Bridge in the Village of Massena
- Indian River at Rossie from west side (downstream) side of County Route 8 bridge upstream to highest point of Rossie Falls
- Oswegatchie River from north side of the lower most bridge, State Rt. 68, upstream to the dam in Ogdensburg

See below for a complete listing of waters in which the use or possession of baitfish is prohibited.

Region 6 Baitfish Prohibited Waters

Note: Statewide angling regulations (page 13) apply to most of the Baitfish Prohibited Waters. A select few have their own special trout regulation. Review the county regulations to find out which regulation applies.

Herkimer County

- Five Ponds Wilderness
- He-De-Ron-Dah Wilderness
- Pepperbox Wilderness
- Pigeon Lake Wilderness
- West Canada Lake Wilderness

Town of Webb

- Bear Lake
- Bubb Lake
- Brewer Lake
- Buck Lake *(1/2 mile north of Hog Pond)*
- Buck Pond *(one mile west of Thirsty Pond)*
- Clear Pond
- Moss Lake
- Nicks Lake
- Big Otter Lake
- Quiver Pond
- Razorback Pond
- Sis Lake
- Tied Lake
- Twitchell Lake
- West Pond *(0.6 mile southwest of Big Moose Lake)*
- Wheeler Pond
- Woods Lake

Lewis County

- Ha-De-Ron-Dah Wilderness

Town of Croghan

- Clear Pond
- Rock Pond
- Seepage Pond
- Trout Pond

Town of Diana

- Green Pond
- Sealy Pond
- Silver Dawn Lake
- Little Silver Dawn Lake

Town of Greig

- Pitcher Pond

Town of Watson

- Cleveland Lake
- Evies Pond
- Long Lake
- Payne Lake

Oneida County

Town of Forestport

- Brandy Lake
- Round Pond

St. Lawrence County

- Five Ponds Wilderness
- Raquette-Boreal Wilderness Area

Town of Clare

- Allen Pond

Town of Colton

- Burntbridge Pond
- Church Pond
- Clear or Hedgehog Pond
- Curtis Pond
- Dog Pond
- Townline Pond
- Big Trout Pond
- Little Trout Pond

Town of Fine

- Long Lake
- Nicks Pond
- Round Lake
- Streeter Lake

Town of Parishville

- Clear Pond
- Long Pond
- Lilypad Pond

Town of Piercefield

- Big Trout Pond
- Black Pond
- Bottree Pond
- Bridgebrook Pond
- Deer Pond
- Horseshoe Pond
- Little Trout Pond
- Long Pond
- Lows Lake *(Bog River upstream of dam above Hitchens Pond)*
- Massawepie Lake
- Pine Pond
- Round Pond
- Townline Pond