

## REMEMBER

When fishing in B.C., you must follow:

1. Provincial Regulations
2. Regional Regulations
3. Water-Specific Regulations, if applicable
4. Recent regulation changes, if applicable

# HOW TO USE THIS SYNOPSIS

Where to find the regulations which apply to you

## 1 PROVINCIAL REGULATIONS (and Licensing Requirements)

Find these general regulations in this section, labelled Provincial Regulations, pages 1-13.

## 2 REGIONAL REGULATIONS

Find these regulations at the beginning of each Regional chapter. (The map on this page shows B.C.'s nine regions.)

Region 1	Vancouver Island	.....	page Region 1-2
Region 2	Lower Mainland	.....	page Region 2-2
Region 3	Thompson-Nicola	.....	page Region 3-2
Region 4	Kootenay	.....	page Region 4-2
Region 5	Cariboo	.....	page Region 5-2
Region 6	Skeena	.....	page Region 6-2
Region 7A	Omineca	.....	page Region 7A-2
Region 7B	Peace	.....	page Region 7B-2
Region 8	Okanagan	.....	page Region 8-2

## 3 WATER-SPECIFIC REGULATIONS

There may or may not be special regulations which apply to your lake or stream. Here's how to find out:

**LOOK FOR THE LAKE OR STREAM** you plan to fish in the Water-Specific Tables following the Regional Regulations for your Region.

**A. IF YOUR LAKE OR STREAM DOES NOT APPEAR IN THE WATER-SPECIFIC TABLES, NO SPECIAL REGULATIONS ARE IN EFFECT. THEREFORE, YOU MUST ONLY FOLLOW:**

- The Provincial Regulations AND
- The Regional Regulations for the Region.

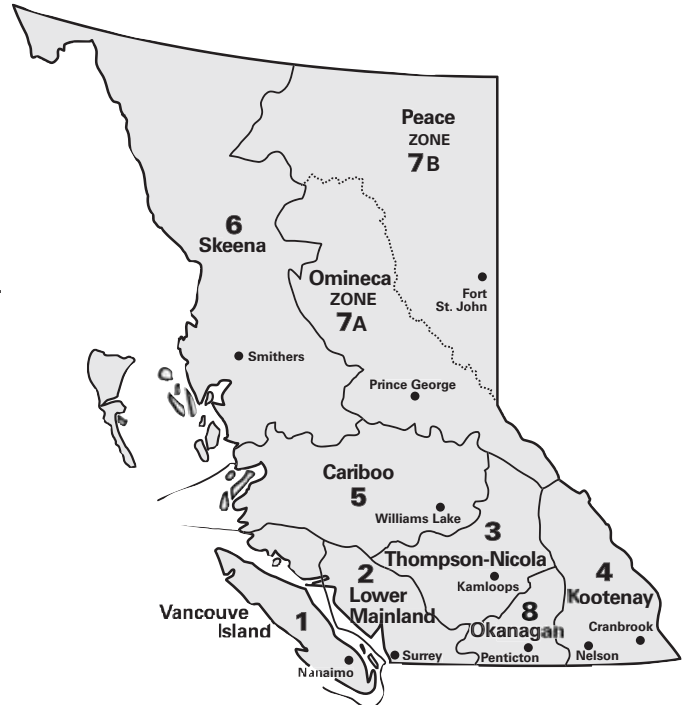
**B. IF YOUR LAKE OR STREAM DOES APPEAR IN THE REGIONAL WATER-SPECIFIC TABLES, YOU MUST FOLLOW:**

- The Provincial Regulations,
- The Regional Regulations for the Region, AND/OR
- Any EXCEPTIONS or ADDITIONS listed for your water.

**REGULATIONS ON TRIBUTARIES.** In addition, if an asterisk ( \* ) is listed next to a lake or stream listed in the Tables, then those regulations also apply to any tributary streams that flow into that lake or stream (see page 5 in this section).

**4 IN-SEASON REGULATION CHANGES** may have been adopted after this Synopsis was published. These will be:

- posted on the Ministry of Environment/Fish and Wildlife Branch website, [www.env.gov.bc.ca/fw/fish/regulations](http://www.env.gov.bc.ca/fw/fish/regulations)  
- Click on "In-Season Regulations Changes" and select the appropriate Region
- listed in Fishing Notices posted in the field, and
- Distributed via RSS (Really Simple Syndication) to subscribers.



**BRITISH COLUMBIA'S  
FISH AND WILDLIFE REGIONS**

## RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF REGULATION CHANGES VIA RSS

We have adopted a new system for notifying anglers of in-season or recent regulation changes. RSS is an internet-based technology that allows users to sign up for instant web updates. It is a convenient way to be notified of changes to regulations. To sign up for this new service, visit the Fish and Wildlife Branch website, click on the RSS icon, and subscribe to the In-Season Regulation Changes feed.



## FOR MORE INFORMATION

please contact any:

- Fish and Wildlife Regional Office
- Conservation Officer Service Office
- Provincial Hatchery
- Fisheries and Oceans Office

listed on the first page of each Regional chapter