

Kootenay Region Classified Waters Angling Licence Booking System



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As part of the implementation of the 2015 Kootenay Angling Management Plan, a booking system was implemented for non-guided non-residents and non-guided non-resident aliens wanting to fish on Michel Creek, Skookumchuck Creek, and the Wigwam River. These regulatory measures are to help ensure a quality fishing experience, reduce crowding and to support trout conservation.

Total number of angler days available for non-guided non-residents:

River System	Non-Resident	Non-Resident Alien
Michel Creek	368	302
Skookumchuck Creek	130	106
Wigwam River	149	122

In order to distribute angling pressure throughout the season, region has set bi-weekly allocations for each residency group. The above angler day quotas will be distributed throughout the angling season.

As a result, classified waters licences (for non-residents) are available for purchase through the online angling licencing system on March 1st of each angling year at 00:00:01 PST along with all other angling licence pre-sales for the new licencing year. Licence pre-sales will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Once the non-guided non-resident angler days are fully allocated, non-guided anglers may choose to either fish with a licenced angling guide or choose another classified water without these restrictions.

