

# **Mahogany Homeowners Association**

### **Fishing Rules**

#### All fishing is done at your own risk.

Members must be present with their guests at all times.

#### **Fishing Locations**

Mahogany Lake offers many opportunities for Member fishing as the lake is stocked annually with Rainbow, Brook and Brown Trout.

- In addition to fishing by boat on the water, Mahogany Members and their guests can fish from shore in the management designated locations such as:
  - The fishing marina dock;
  - West Beach designated south greenspace;
  - o Additional locations which management may designate in future years.
- Lake and Island lot owners may fish from their own private docks;
- Residents & Guests may fish from MOHA rented boats or Kayaks that are permitted for fishing or from privately owned non-motorized watercraft;
- Use at your own risk.

While fishing from the Mahogany Beach Club fishing dock, from an MHOA owned boat or any designated fishing area within Mahogany Lake areas, members <u>must</u> have their membership credentials on them at all times.

#### Fish Stocking & Records

- Catch and release is encouraged; however, for those members wishing to take home a trout, the
  daily creel limit is <u>two (2)</u> fish per Member with a monthly household limit of <u>twelve (12)</u> fish
  per residence. All fish caught by guests will be included in the Member's creel limit;
- Members must register the number and species of fishes caught and kept, including those
  caught by their guests, before leaving the MHOA park at 403.453.1221, extension 1, or emailing
  reception@mahoganyhoa.com or at the Boat Kiosk when open for the season;
- Lake lot, island lot and access way Members should advise the Mahogany Beach Club office of the number and species of fish(es) caught and kept by calling 403.453.1221 extension 1 or emailing <a href="mailto:reception@mahoganyhoa.com">reception@mahoganyhoa.com</a> the same day;
- All email notifications of creel records MUST include your Mahogany Address;
- Annual stocking will be based on the number of fishes reported removed from the lake by members and guest, please help us in ensuring future fish stocks are maintained.

#### **Fishing Equipment**

- Fishing is permitted with rod and reel only. Nets cannot be used;
- Bait:
  - o Live bait fish (eg. Minnows) is prohibited;
  - Live worms and maggots are permitted;
  - Artificial baits are permitted.
- Feeding or baiting to lure fish to a specific area within the lake is prohibited;
- Fishing is permitted with a line with a maximum of 2 single hooks (eg. Snell, baitholder or "J" hooks) attached to it;
- Cleaning of fish is not permitted at MHOA park facilities or in MHOA owned boats;
- Unattended fishing lines are not allowed off any docks including privately owned docks, access way docks or the fishing marina dock at the Mahogany Beach Club;
- Unattended equipment will be confiscated;
- Members and their guests are permitted to fish with only one active line per person in the water, except for during the Winter Ice Fishing season where members and their guests are permitted 2 active lines per person in the water;
- Use at your own risk.

#### **Winter Ice Fishing**

- Winter ice fishing is permitted in MHOA designated areas only, and not within 20 feet of cleared ice surfaces, private docks, or shore lines;
- Ice Fishing holes must be made by a manual hand ice auger or a battery powered electric ice auger;
- Hole sizes up to 8 inches in diameter are permitted;
- A person may only have one (1) open hole at any given time, and prior to drilling a new hole, the person must fill and pack the previous hole with snow;
- All holes must be a minimum of five (5) feet apart;
- All holes <u>MUST</u> be repacked immediately once finished fishing;
- Ice fishing huts are allowed, but must not be left up overnight;
- Permanent structures of any kind are not permitted;
- Use at your own risk.



#### **General**

- All Park Rules must be followed;
- The MHOA reserves the right to change the Rules & Guidelines without posted notice;
- Instructions from the MHOA Staff must be followed while on MHOA premises;
- By utilizing the MHOA facilities, you acknowledge that you have read and understand the MHOA Rules & Guidelines. Violation of the above Fishing Rules may result in temporary removal of access;
- This is a **Use At Your Own Risk Facility.**





The Prussian Carp, a relative of goldfish, has been illegally introduced into Alberta's waters, creating breeding populations that threaten local ecosystems and native fish habitats.



# **FISHING RULES**

- Catch and Release is encouraged, but members may keep up to two Rainbow Trout daily, with a monthly limit of twelve per household. Guest catches count towards the member's limit.
- Members must register the number and species of fish caught, including those of their guests, before leaving the MHOA park.
- Winter ice fishing is allowed only in designated areas, with location details available each winter on our website.
- Fishing is allowed only with a rod and reel; live bait and nets are prohibited.
- Only single barbless hooks allowed for fishing; maximum one hook per line.
- Cleaning fish is prohibited at MHOA park facilities and in MHOA-owned boats.
- Unattended fishing lines are prohibited at all docks, including private, access way, and the Mahogany Beach Club fishing marina dock.
- Members and their guests may fish with only one active line per person in the water.



- Always use barbless hooks for catch and release fishing. They minimize damage to fish and make it easier to remove the hook, allowing for quicker release back into the water.
- Quickly bring in the fish to prevent fatal lactic acid buildup from fighting, as overexertion increases chances of the fish swimming away and dying.
- Keep fish in water as long as possible; longer exposure decreases survival. Being out of water depletes oxygen, so aim for quick release back into the water.
- Washrooms are available in the building; anyone urinating outside will have their membership revoked.

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### For more information, visit www.mahoganyhoa.com



# **RAINBOW TROUT**

**CATCH AND KEEP** 

Rainbow Trout feature small black spots on their back, dorsal fin, and caudal fin, with back colors ranging from blue or green to yellow-green or brown.

**Average Weight** 1 to 7 kg

**Average Length** 11–29 in

**Average Lifespan** 4-6 years (in the wild)

7 kg
Length
9 in
Lifespan



# **TIGER TROUT**

**CATCH AND RELEASE** 

Tiger Trout have a brownish back, golden-yellow sides and belly, and prominent sunshine-yellow vermiculations above and below the lateral line.



**Average Lifespan** 10 years (in captivity)



# BROWN TROUT

**CATCH AND RELEASE** 

Brown Trout's are goldenbrown. The body has large dark spots with pale halos. Sometimes the body also has red or yellow spots. The fins are yellowish-brown.



**Average Weight** 1 to 6 kg

**Average Length** 12–14 in

**Average Lifespan** 4-6 years (in the wild)



# BROOK TROUT CATCH AND RELEASE

Brook Trout are greenishbrown with a marbled yellowish pattern on its back and sides, fading into scattered small red dots outlined in blue.



**Average Weight** 1 to 7 kg

**Average Length** 10–12 in

**Average Lifespan** 4-5 years (in the wild)