



Rockefeller State Park Preserve



Fishing Rules & Guidelines



Rockefeller State Park Preserve contains two great resources for the angling enthusiast: the Pocantico River and Swan Lake. Since 1997, the NYS Department of Environmental Conservation has stocked the Pocantico River, a class B trout stream, with Brown Trout. Swan Lake, a 22-acre man-made lake, is an excellent bass fishery that includes several other species making it suitable for the beginner to advanced angler.

Fish Responsibly: Responsible fishing helps maintain a healthy fish population for future years and protects the environment. The Preserve encourages the practice of catch and release. Use good judgment and observe the condition of the fish you are catching. Fish with injuries or in poor condition should not be released. Discarded monofilament fishing line can be deadly to other wildlife, please clean up all discarded fishing line, bait containers and garbage when you are done. Please respect the vegetation and wildlife as well as other visitors to the Preserve.

General Rules & Guidelines

- Anglers 16 years and older must have a valid New York State Fishing License
- Anglers must register for the season at the Preserve Office
- **Anglers must abide by all Preserve & NY State fishing rules and regulations**
- **Smoking and alcoholic beverages are strictly prohibited**
- Preserve Office open daily 9^{am}–4:30^{pm}
- Rockefeller State Park Preserve is a *Carry In Carry Out* facility. Please bring home all garbage
- Fishing allowed in designated areas only. (Pocantico River & Swan Lake only)

Pocantico River:

STOCKED BROWN TROUT SEASON:

April 1st – October 15th

- Minimum Length: None
- Daily Limit: 5
- Waders permitted
- Acceptable Bait: Artificial Lures & Artificial Lures only - **NO LIVE BAIT**
- **No fishing from bridges**

Swan Lake:

BASS FISHING SEASON:

3rd Saturday in June-November 30th

- Minimum Length: 12 inches
- Daily Limit: 5
- Waders not permitted
- Acceptable Bait: Artificial Lures only - **NO LIVE BAIT**
- **No waders or watercraft allowed**