

FISHING INFORMATION

Putnam County has some of the finest fishing in the country. There are opportunities for excellent fishing opportunities for both warm-water species such as smallmouth and largemouth bass, as well as cold-water species such as trout. Fishing is available year round. In fact, ice fishing is a popular winter activity.



According to the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation You need a fishing license if you are 16 years and older and fishing for freshwater fish, frog species and freshwater baitfish. You need a marine fishing registration if fishing for migratory fish of the sea and saltwater fish species.

In Putnam County, fishing licenses are available at:

| City | Business Name | Street | Zip | Telephone |
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| Brewster | TOTAL FIREARM TECHNIQUES INC | 1004 Rte 22 | 10509 | (845) 704-7756 |
| Brewster | TOWN OF SOUTHEAST | 1360 Rte 22 | 10509 | (845) 279-2196 |
| Cold Spring | TOWN OF PHILIPSTOWN | 238 Main St | 10516 | (845) 265-3329 |
| Kent Lake | TOWN OF KENT | 25 Sybil'S Crossing | 10512 | (845) 225-2067 |
| Mahopac | BIG WAVE SPORT & TACKLE INC | 441 Rte 6 | 10541 | (845) 803-8360 |
| Mahopac | TOWN OF CARMEL | 60 Mcalpin Ave | 10541 | (845) 628-1500 |
| Putnam Valley | TOWN OF PUTNAM VALLEY | 265 Oscawna Lake Rd | 10579 | (845) 526-3280 |

Fishing is allowed on City-owned (NYC DEP) reservoirs, lakes and streams with a DEP permit in areas designated by specific DEP signs and according to all applicable New York State regulations. City-owned reservoirs are open for fishing from shore and with fishing boats, and it is common for many reservoirs to produce 4-5 pound bass and lake trout exceeding 15 pounds.

Get your free DEP Access Permit online at: www.nyc.gov/dep/accesspermit

You do not need a fishing license if you are:

- Fishing on a licensed fishing preserve
- Fishing during the [free fishing weekend](#)
- Fishing at a [free fishing clinic](#)

- A resident landowner primarily engaged in farming (including lessees and members of their immediate families) when fishing on farm lands they are occupying and cultivating.
- A farm fish pond license holder (including members of their immediate families) fishing on waters covered by the license.
- A Native American living and fishing on reservation land.
- A patient residing at a qualifying U.S. Veterans Administration hospital or facility in New York State.

In addition to its western side bordering the Hudson River, Putnam County has over 200 miles of waterways to fish at. Check out:

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| Bailey Brook 3.1 miles | Leetown Brook 5.2 miles |
| Beacon Reservoir 6 miles | Little Buck Mountain Pond 5.3 miles |
| Bird Pond 5.1 miles | Loch Lyall 5.9 miles |
| Black Pond 5.7 miles | Lockwood Pond 2.8 miles |
| Black Pond Brook 3.1 miles | Mud Lake 2.6 miles |
| Bloomer Pond 5.8 miles | Mud Pond 5.1 miles |
| Boyd Corners Reservoir 3.1 miles | Oscawana Lake 3.8 miles |
| Bryant Pond 4.1 miles | Pelton Pond 2.5 miles |
| Canopus Lake 2.7 miles | Pine Pond 4.9 miles |
| Catfish Pond 5.7 miles | Reeves Pond 5.3 miles |
| Clear Lake 2.4 miles | Roaring Brook 1.6 miles |
| Clear Pool 3.5 miles | Roaring Brook Lake 0.6 miles |
| Dean Pond 5.8 miles | Sagamore Lake 2.8 miles |
| Dixon Lake 3.5 miles | Sand Spring Brook 4.1 miles |
| Duck Pond 4.7 miles | Secor Brook 5.3 miles |
| Gem Lake 5.4 miles | Secor Lake 4.1 miles |
| Horse Pound Brook 5.3 miles | Stillwater Pond 1.5 miles |
| Indian Brook Pond 4.6 miles | Trout Creek 4.8 miles |
| John Pond 4.1 miles | Weise Pond 5.3 miles |
| Jordan Pond 3.8 miles | West Branch Canopus Creek 5.3 miles |
| Kirk Lake 4.1 miles | West Branch Reservoir 5.4 miles |
| Lake Gleneida 5.9 miles | White Pond 5.9 miles |
| Lake Mahopac 4.9 miles | Wiccopee Brook 2.6 miles |
| Lake Nimham 4.4 miles | Wiccopee Reservoir 1.8 miles |
| Lake Tibet 1.4 miles | |