



METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION
FISHING AREA
 SUDBURY RESERVOIR
 MARCH 1, 1971

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***Sudbury Reservoir
Southboro / Marlboro
Worc. & Mdsx. County
Sudbury Watershed***

Latitude: 42°30'84.00"

Longitude: 71°49'12.00"



1,292 Acres

Depth: - Feet Average
65 Feet Maximum

Primary Gamefish:
Bass / Pickerel / Panfish

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General Information: The Wachusett Reservoir together with the Quabbin Reservoir provides the water supply for over forty cities and towns within the Commonwealth. The Sudbury Reservoir is the system's reserve, or backup supply. The land surrounding the reservoirs is managed by the DCR Division of Watershed Management in order to protect the quality of the reservoir water and to enhance the ecological integrity and to ensure the future protection of these valuable natural resources from pollution, encroachment and environmentally damaging public use. The Wachusett and Sudbury Reservoir Fishing season runs from the first Saturday in April (providing no ice is present) to November 30. Hours are from dawn to dusk daily.

STRICTLY PROHIBITED ON WATERSHED LANDS:

- Disposing of human waste, trash or litter
- Alcoholic beverages
- Motorized vehicles
- Swimming or bathing
- Boating
- Smocking
- Building fires
- Pets/animals

Access: Shore fishing is permitted along the northern section of the Sudbury only. Access to this area is from the following roadways: Acre Bridge, Farm, Broad Meadow and parameter Roads. Fishing is **NOT** permitted at the Foss, Sterns or Brackett Reservoirs in Framingham.

Management History: Managed as a warmwater fishery.

Fish Populations: The reservoir was most recently surveyed in Aug of 2001. Ten species were found including largemouth bass, smallmouth bass, chain pickerel, yellow perch, black crappie, yellow bullhead, pumpkinseeds, bluegills, white perch, and red breasted sunfish.

Fishing: The DCR and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health have issued a health advisory for persons consuming Wachusett and Sudbury fish. The advisory recommends limiting or eliminating consumption of certain species of fish due to elevated levels of mercury found in fish samples. Water testing results indicate that mercury has not affected the drinking water and its suitability for human consumption. Check with the Department of Public Health complete list of fish consumption advisories.

For More Information: www.mass.gov/masswildlife or contact

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