



Manchaug Pond, Sutton/Douglas

General Information

Manchaug Pond is a 375-acre great pond located on the Sutton-Douglas line. It averages 13 feet in depth with a maximum depth of 37 feet; the water is typically transparent to 6 feet or more. Manchaug contains several islands and rock piles that boaters should be aware of. Use extra caution when entering the main body of the lake from the ramp as the passage is made narrow by two partially submerged stone walls. There is a dam on the south-eastern cove of the pond and the water level is lowered each fall which can further complicate navigation as features that were once under water emerge. Aquatic vegetation is relatively sparse, but there are some big patches along the western shoreline, around the islands, and in the coves. Recreational use is very high during the late spring and summer.

Recreational Access

The Town of Sutton manages a large concrete boat ramp (71°46' 6.45"W 42°05'28.87"N) on the southeastern end of the pond off Torrey Road. There is parking for up to 50 vehicles. Shore fishing access is extremely limited. Please contact the town of Sutton for additional information and/or restrictions pertaining to public access of Lake Manchaug.

Fish Populations

The following fish species were found during MassWildlife surveys: Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass, Chain Pickerel, Yellow Perch, White Perch, Black Crappie, Bluegill, Pumpkinseed, Brown Bullhead, and Golden Shiner.

Fishing

Ice fishing and early spring bass fishing are quite popular at Lake Manchaug with good results. Yellow Perch and White Perch averaging between 7 and 8 inches are quite common, and Bluegill are numerous with plenty of fish 8 inches or larger. Pickerel are scarce, but large fish are occasionally taken through the ice. Manchaug Pond has produced Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass, Black Crappie, and Yellow Perch that meet minimum sizes for recognition by the Freshwater Sportfishing Awards Program.

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375 Acres

Sutton/Douglas

Blackstone River Watershed

Coordinates: 71°46' 04"W 42°05'30"N

USGS Quad: Oxford

