

Chebacco Lake, Hamilton/Essex

General Information

Chebacco Lake is a 213- acre great pond with a maximum depth of 30 feet and an average depth of 10 feet. Water is transparent to about 6 feet. The shoreline is highly developed, limiting bank access to mostly the southern shore.

Recreational Access

Public access is provided by a Public Access Board paved ramp off of Chebacco Road (70°48'39.33"W 42°36'15.85"N). The ramp is managed by DCR and is suitable for launching cartop boats and light trailered craft. There is parking space for approximately 15 vehicles. Please contact MA DCR for additional information, fee structure, and/or restrictions pertaining to public access of Chebacco Lake.

Fish Populations

The following fish species were found during MassWildlife surveys: Largemouth Bass, Brown Bullhead, Yellow Perch, Chain Pickerel, Black Crappie, White Perch and Pumpkinseed. This lake supports an Alewife run, which provides abundant forage for many of the species present.

Fishing

There is substantial boat traffic on this lake due to its heavy usage by shoreline residents. However, thanks to numerous coves and heavy shoreline weed growth, fishermen can usually find a selection of secluded, relatively quiet areas to pursue Largemouths and panfish. Ice fishing should also be productive. Chebacco Lake has produced Largemouth Bass Chain Pickerel, Black Crappie, and White Catfish that meet the minimum size for recognition by the Freshwater Sportfishing Awards Program.

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