

Maryland Fish Consumption Advisories

for Recreationally Caught Fish in Queen Anne's County, MD

Guidelines for Recreationally Caught Fish Species in Maryland Fresh, Estuarine, and Marine Waters

Recommended Meal Size: 8 oz or 9 crabs - General Population and Women; 3 oz or 4 crabs - Children

Note: Consumption recommendations based on spacing of meals to avoid elevated exposure levels, fish contaminated

1 **Women** = women of childbearing age (women who are pregnant or may become pregnant, or are nursing)

2 **Children** = all young children up to age 6

♥ = Fish contains more than 1g beneficial fatty acids in a fillet the size of 2 decks of cards

✖ = Fish where all dark meat and/or Belly Fat has been removed, this leads to a reduction in PCB contamination

Contaminant present in fish: * Mercury Δ PCBs + Pesticides ♦ PFOS

Species	Waterbody	Recommended Meals/Month			
		General Population	Women ¹	Children ²	
Atlantic Croaker	Mid Bay: Patapsco to Upper Patuxent and	Δ	4	4	
Blue Crab	Back River, Middle River or Patapsco River	Δ	6	6	
	Other Areas of the Bay	Δ	No Limit	No Limit	
Blue Crab "Mustard"	Back River, Middle River or Patapsco River	Δ	Avoid	Avoid	
	Other Areas of the Bay	Δ	Eat Sparingly	Eat Sparingly	
Brown Bullhead	Chester River	Δ	No Limit	No Limit	
Channel Catfish	Chester River < 20"	Δ	6	5	
	> 20"	Δ	1	1	
	Upper Choptank River: Tuckahoe Branch	Δ	2	2	
Large and Smallmouth Bass ♥	Unicorn Lake	*	No Limit	No Limit	
	Upper Choptank River: Greensboro Branch	♦	3	2	
	Wye Mills Community Lake	*	No Limit	No Limit	
Rainbow Trout and Golden Rainbow Trout (Hatchery Raised)	All Hatchery Raised fish stocked in Anne Arundel County, Allegany County, Baltimore City, Baltimore County, Calvert County, Carroll County, Caroline County, Cecil County, Charles County, Frederick County, Garrett County, Harford County, Howard County, Queen Anne's County, Montgomery County, Prince George's County, Washington County, Wicomico County, and Worcester County	Δ	No Limit	No Limit	
	<p>**For more information on put-and-take fish see https://www.eregulations.com/maryland/fishing/put-and-take-trout-fishing-areas</p> <p>**For more information on Special Management Areas-Trout see https://www.eregulations.com/maryland/fishing/special-management-areas-trout</p>				
	Chester River	Δ	5	5	
	Mid Bay: Patapsco to Upper Patuxent and	♦	3	3	
	Mid Bay: Patapsco to Upper Patuxent and Tributaries	< 28" Δ ✖	No Limit	No Limit	
Striped Bass (Rockfish) ♥		< 28" Δ	3	3	
		> 28" Δ ✖	No Limit	No Limit	
		> 28" Δ	1	1	
White Catfish	Chester River	Δ	8	7	
White Perch	Chester River	♦	6	5	
Yellow Perch	Chester River	Δ	No Limit	No Limit	
	Upper Choptank River: Greensboro Branch	♦	3	2	
	Upper Choptank River: Tuckahoe Branch	Δ	No Limit	No Limit	