

**ROCKY MOUNTAIN RECREATION & PUBLIC FISHING AREA**  
**4054 BIG TEXAS VALLEY ROAD, NORTHWEST**  
**ROME, GEORGIA 30165**

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*Report Violations*  
*1-800-241-4113*

**Fishing and Boating at Rocky Mountain Recreation and Public Fishing Area**

**License and Permit Requirements**

- Persons under 16 years old are not required to have a recreational fishing license but those under 14 years old must be accompanied by an adult while on this area.
- Persons at least 65 years old or disabled may fish if they have an honorary fishing license.
- All other persons are required to have a valid Georgia Fishing License (Resident or Non-Resident).
- Drivers of vehicles used to launch boats are required to purchase a parking permit before launching their boat.
- A Wildlife Management Area stamp is neither required nor valid.

**Daily Harvest and Size Limits**

A personal daily creel and possession limit of fifty (50) individual game fish that includes no more than:  
Bass, largemouth, spotted & redeye 10 (only 5 largemouth & all must be at least 14 inches long)

\* see Heath Lake Special Regulations for Bass

“Bream” or sunfish 50

Channel catfish 5

Crappie 30 (any one or a combination of white and/or black)

Walleye 8

All grass carp (White Amur) must be immediately returned to the waters from which they were caught.

**\*Heath Lake Special Regulations**

Closed to fishing except for the 1<sup>st</sup> - 10<sup>th</sup> day of each month.

Slot limit - Largemouth bass between 14” – 20” must be released. Daily limit – 5 (only 1 can be over 20”)

**Boats**

Fishing boats may be used on recreation lakes but must be operated at idle (no-wake) speed regardless of motor size. All boats used on the area must carry the required safety equipment, including appropriate personal flotation devices. All vessels, which carry any means of mechanical propulsion, must be registered. Personal watercraft (jet skis), sailboard and sailboat use is prohibited.

**General**

- ➔ Fishing is permitted from sunrise to sunset, seven days a week, year around.
- ➔ It is unlawful to **possess** or to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs while on this area.
- ➔ Swimming is allowed only at the beach.
- ➔ Handheld poles and lines are the only lawful gear allowed with no more than two per person in use at one time.
- ➔ Live fish **may** be used for bait. Left over fish **may not be released alive.**
- ➔ Camping and open fires are allowed only in designated areas.
- ➔ It is unlawful to block any gate or drive around any sign or device that designates a closed road.
- ➔ The following activities are prohibited on this area: hunting & firearm use/possession except during posted seasons in designated areas, skiing, scuba diving, bow fishing, jug fishing and spear fishing.
- ➔ Littering is unlawful. Please take your trash with you when you leave.
- ➔ Check “Georgia Freshwater & Saltwater Sport Fishing Regulations” pamphlet for more information.

We hope you enjoy your visit and always welcome your comments and suggestions. If we may assist you in any way, please let us know. -*The Rocky Mountain Recreation & Public Fishing Area Staff*