

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation
Division of Lands & Forests
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NOTICE

**Fallen Trees
will
Impede Travel**

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USE AND POSSESSION OF FISH AS BAIT PROHIBITED

To preserve trout fishing and maintain native fish communities, the use and possession of bait fish, dead or alive, is prohibited.

Bait fish such as minnows, shiners, suckers or yellow perch become established easily in Adirondack ponds if they escape from a bait pail.

The number of trout in a pond declines rapidly after competing fishes become established. The decline is caused by competition between the introduced fish and trout for food and predation on trout eggs and fingerlings.

Generally, bait fish species are not native to small Adirondack ponds. At ponds that historically contained only native trout, the introduction of bait fish