

STAPLES POND

Temple, Franklin County U.S.G.S. Farmington, Maine (7½')

Fishes

Brown trout Brook trout Rainbow smelt Chain pickerel Minnows
Golden shiner
Creek chub
White sucker
American eel

Physical Characteristics

Area - 64 acres Temperatures:
Surface - 82°F

Maximum depth - 44 feet 40 feet - 41°F

Principal fisheries: Brown trout

Staples Pond is located east of Potato Hill. Two small inlets enter the northwest corner of the pond and its outlet flows south into Drury Pond. The pond's shoreline is lightly developed.

Water quality in Staples Pond is good for coldwater gamefish, in spite of a lack of oxygen below 25 feet. Spawning and nursery habitat is minimal, so annual stockings of brown trout provide the fishery. Brown trout growth is good, despite the presence of chain pickerel competing for food and space.

Staples Pond has a hand-carry access site reached from the Staples Road. The pond is open to general law fishing in the summer and closed to winter fishing. See the lawbook for additional regulations.

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