## T 7 R11, Piscataquis Co. U.S.G.S. Spider Lake, Me.

## Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)

Minnows Fathead minnow Threespine stickleback

## Physical Characteristics

Area - 6 acres

Temperatures

Surface - 65° F.

Maximum depth - 12 feet

12 feet - 64° F.

Little Carpenter Pond is a small, secluded pond connected by a short outlet to Carpenter Pond. The pond is very shallow except for a 12-foot "hole" near its center.

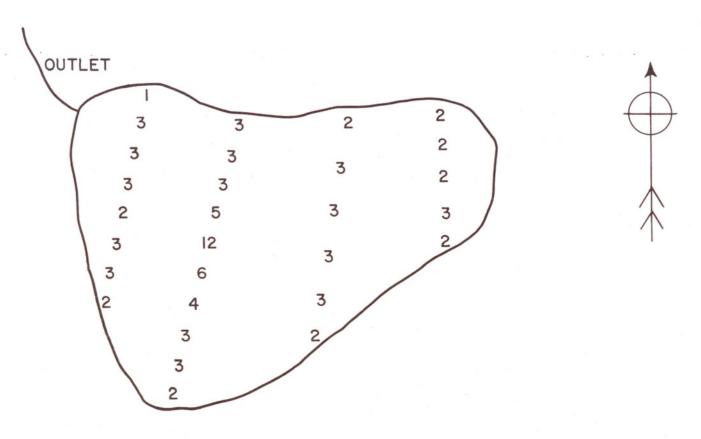
A small but healthy population of brook trout is sustained by natural reproduction from shore spawning in spring areas within the pond and migration from Carpenter Pond. The small outlet is considered poor for trout spawning and nursery area.

Temperatures are uniform from top to bottom but warming of the water seldom becomes critical, and trout can move throughout the pond. Trout can also seek the cooling influence of springs.

The presence of only two other species of fish undoubtedly favors trout survival and growth. Prolific fish, such as minnows, suckers, and yellow perch often greatly out-number trout, and are serious competitors for food and space. Fishermen should be careful to introduce no new species.

Stocking of hatchery fish is not necessary because of light fishing pressure and adequate natural reproduction.

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## TT RII, PISCATAQUIS CO., MAINE

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