SLAUGHTER POND T3 R11, Piscataquis Co. U. S. G. S. Harrington Lake, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)

Minnows

Northern redbelly dace

Physical Characteristics

Area - 66 acres

Temperatures

Surface - 66° F.

Maximum depth - 41 feet

40 feet - 55° F.

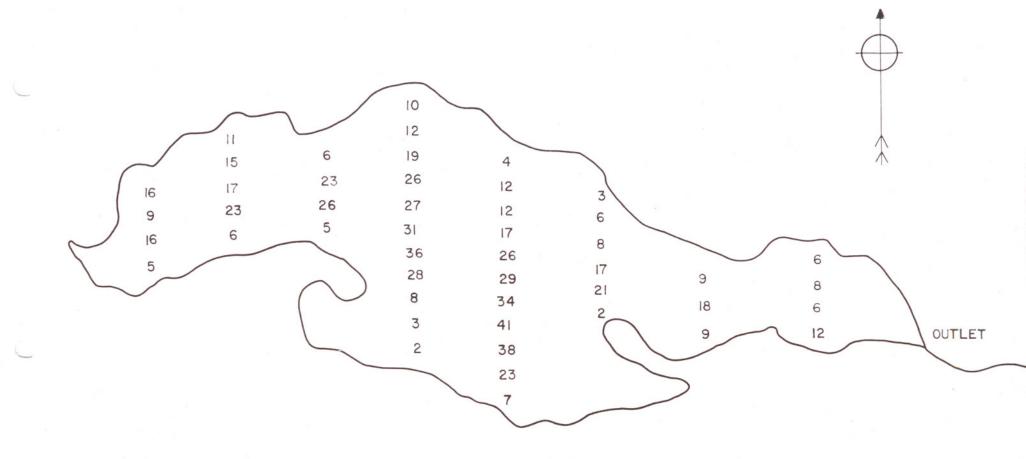
Slaughter Pond is well known in the Katahdin area as a favorite fly-fishing spot for brook trout. It is a remote pond located at the foot of Doubletop Mountain. Even though the pond is quite remote, many fishermen hike to it for its excellent brook trout fishing.

There is an oxygen deficiency below 25 feet. However, this is not a factor limiting trout production because a large volume of water above that depth is suitable for brook trout.

There are no tributaries, and spawning facilities are lacking in the outlet. However, there are excellent rubble areas around the shore which provide good spawning sites for brook trout. Stocking of hatchery fish is not necessary.

The present fly-fishing only regulation protects the pond by preventing the use of live fish as bait. Care should be taken to keep out other species of fish.

The newly established county bag limit of 10 fish should be sufficient to protect the fishery at the present level of fishing pressure. If fishing pressure should increase substantially, it may be necessary to reduce the bag limit to insure high quality fishing.



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