

# MICHIGAN 2017 Festivals & Events

## JUNE

17 – 18	<b>GAYLORD</b>	Wings Over Northern Michigan Air Show
17 – 18	<b>MARSHALL</b>	Turkeyville Civil War Reenactment
21 – 25	<b>NEW BALTIMORE</b>	Bay Rama FishFly Festival
23	<b>MOUNT CLEMENS</b>	Fireworks – Downtown Mount Clemens
23 – 25	<b>MACOMB</b>	St. Isidore Strawberry Festival
24	<b>SAULT STE. MARIE</b>	International Bridge Walk
24 – 25	<b>ST. CLAIR</b>	Annual St. Clair Art Fair
26	<b>DETROIT</b>	Fireworks – Detroit Riverfront
29 – JUL 4	<b>BATTLE CREEK</b>	Battle Creek Air Show & Balloon Festival
30	<b>LAKE ST. CLAIR</b>	Fireworks – Lake St. Clair Metropark
30	<b>ST. CLAIR SHORES</b>	Fireworks – Veterans Memorial Park

## JULY

1 – 8	<b>TRAVERSE CITY</b>	National Cherry Festival
6 – 9	<b>HARBOR BEACH</b>	17th Annual Harbor Beach Maritime Festival
7 – 8	<b>GRASS LAKE</b>	Grass Lake Traffic Jam'In
7 – 9	<b>STERLING HEIGHTS</b>	American Polish Festival and Craft Show
8 – 9	<b>EAST TAWAS</b>	Tawas Bay Summerfest
13 – 16	<b>IRA</b>	Family Fun & Perch Festival
14	<b>ST. CLAIR SHORES</b>	Aquafest
14 – 16	<b>STERLING HEIGHTS</b>	Festa Italiana
15 – 22	<b>CHARLEVOIX</b>	Charlevoix Venetian Festival
19 – 23	<b>BALDWIN</b>	Baldwin Troutarama
20 – 23	<b>MAYVILLE</b>	Mayville Sunflower Festival
22	<b>LAKE ST. CLAIR</b>	Michigan Philharmonic Orchestra – Lake St. Clair Metropark
22 – 23	<b>UTICA</b>	Old Mill Arts & Crafts Festival
28 – 30	<b>LAKE ST. CLAIR</b>	St. Clair Riverfest
28 – AUG 6	<b>GRAND HAVEN</b>	Grand Haven Coast Guard Festival



Dear Neighbors:

Warm and sunny summer days are here, and with them the long-awaited recreational opportunities for you and your family. Michigan is the place to be for everyone looking to enjoy the great outdoors and summer festivities.

Michigan has 154 species of fish, more than 11,000 inland lakes, and over 3,000 miles of Great Lakes shoreline. We must strive to protect and preserve these natural resources for our future generations.

As you plan your adventures throughout the Mitten State, keep in mind the fishing, boating, and festival information in this newsletter. Our great state truly has something for everyone!



In service,

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### EXPLORE MICHIGAN'S PARKS, CAMPGROUNDS AND TRAILS

You are never more than half an hour from a Michigan State Park, State Forest Campground, State Recreation Area or State Trail System. To find a facility suitable to your recreation needs, visit the Department of Natural Resources website at [www.michigandnr.com/parksandtrails](http://www.michigandnr.com/parksandtrails)



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## ONLINE RESOURCES

Michigan DNR Fishing Information  
[www.michigan.gov/fishing](http://www.michigan.gov/fishing)

Michigan Recreational Boating Information System (MRBIS)  
[www.mgi.state.mi.us/MRBIS](http://www.mgi.state.mi.us/MRBIS)

Renew Watercraft Registrations  
[www.ExpressSOS.com](http://www.ExpressSOS.com)

Weekly Fishing Report  
[www.michigan.gov/fishingreport](http://www.michigan.gov/fishingreport)

## LEARNING TO FISH WITH THE DNR

The Hook, Line and Sinker Program offers people the option to learn how to fish. This is a weekly fishing program conducted by the DNR at more than 30 state parks and fish hatcheries in Michigan. Visit [michigan.gov/hooklineandsinker](http://michigan.gov/hooklineandsinker) for more information.

IN MICHIGAN THERE ARE  
**154**  
 SPECIES OF FISH

Michigan has the most diverse and highest quality freshwater fishery in the United States.

Lake Michigan is known for excellent chinook, coho salmon and steelhead.

<sup>1</sup>National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, & Wildlife-Associated Recreation (FHWAR) <https://www.census.gov/prod/www/fishing.html>



Lake Superior is known for lake trout and whitefish.

Lake Huron is known for lake trout and walleye.

Lake St. Clair is home to the highest catch rate of muskellunge in the world.

Lake Erie is known for walleye, largemouth and smallmouth bass and yellow perch fishing.

**1.4 MILLION**  
 Michigan residents &  
**347,000**  
 non-residents fished state waters in the last reported year.

It is estimated that these anglers contributed an overall annual value of \$4.4 billion to Michigan's economy.<sup>1</sup>

## REMEMBER TO BE SAFE WHEN ON THE WATER!

Michigan offers a free boating handbook with valuable information on being safe and responsible when on the water.

Download the handbook at:  
[boat-ed.com/michigan/handbook/book.html](http://boat-ed.com/michigan/handbook/book.html)

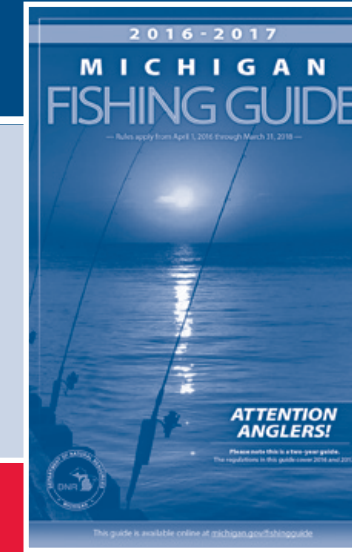
## INVASIVE SPECIES: YOU CAN HELP

Boaters and anglers, you can help keep our waters clean and free of invasive species by following some basic guidelines:

- ▶ **CLEAN** boats, trailers and equipment
- ▶ **DRAIN** live wells, bilges and all water
- ▶ **DRY** boats and equipment
- ▶ **DISPOSE** of unwanted bait in the trash

For more information on how you can help keep our waters clean and free of invasive species visit [www.michigan.gov/invasives](http://www.michigan.gov/invasives).

## 2017 GENERAL HOOK-AND-LINE FISHING SEASON



### Largemouth & Smallmouth Bass (Pages 12-13\*)

- Catch-and-immediate-release on all waters Open All Year
- Catch-and-keep on all waters, including Great Lakes May 27 – December 31, 2017
- Catch-and-keep on Lake St. Clair & St. Clair & Detroit rivers June 17 – December 31, 2017

### Muskellunge (Pages 12, 14\*)

- Lower Peninsula Great Lakes Open All Year
- Lower Peninsula inland waters April 29, 2017 – March 15, 2018
- Upper Peninsula Great Lakes, inland waters & St. Marys River March 15, 2017 – May 15, 2018
- Lake St. Clair & St. Clair & Detroit rivers June 3 – December 15, 2017

### Northern Pike & Walleye (Pages 12, 14\*)

- Lower Peninsula Great Lakes, Lake St. Clair & St. Clair & Detroit rivers Open All Year
- Lower Peninsula inland waters April 29, 2017 – March 15, 2018
- Upper Peninsula Great Lakes, inland waters & St. Marys River May 15, 2017 – March 15, 2018

### Salmon & Trout

- Great Lakes, Lake St. Clair, St. Marys River, St. Clair & Detroit rivers Open All Year (Pages 18, 20-21\*)
- (Inland) Type 3 & 4 streams and Type B, C, E & F lakes Open All Year (Pages 38-58\*)
- (Inland) Type 1 & 2 streams and Type A & D lakes April 29 – September 30, 2017 (Pages 38-58\*)

### Channel Catfish, Flathead Catfish, Cisco (Lake Herring), Lake Whitefish, Smelt, Sunfishes, White Bass, Yellow Perch & Other Species (Pages 12, 14\*)

- All waters open for fishing Open All Year

### Lake Sturgeon (See Table 2 on page 15\*)

\*Please refer to the 2016 – 2017 Michigan Fishing Guide (available online – [www.michigan.gov/fishing](http://www.michigan.gov/fishing)) for regulations concerning size limits, possession limits, and other restrictions.



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### AUGUST

<b>4</b>	<b>MACOMB</b>	Movie Under the Stars – Macomb Corners Park
<b>4 – 6</b>	<b>BAY PORT</b>	Bay Port Fish Sandwich Festival
<b>4 – 6</b>	<b>MARINE CITY</b>	Maritime Days
<b>5</b>	<b>CROSWELL</b>	Croswell Swinging Bridge Festival
<b>10 – 13</b>	<b>SOUTH HAVEN</b>	National Blueberry Festival
<b>11 – 13</b>	<b>ALGONAC TO SEBEWAING</b>	Antique Yard Sale Trail in Eastern Michigan
<b>11 – 20</b>	<b>CASEVILLE</b>	Cheeseburger in Caseville
<b>14 – 20</b>	<b>ARMADA</b>	Armada Fair
<b>18 – 20</b>	<b>LAPEER</b>	Lapeer Days Festival
<b>19 – 20</b>	<b>HARRISON TWP.</b>	Selfridge Air Show – 100th Year Anniversary
<b>19 – 20</b>	<b>STATEWIDE</b>	Free ORV Weekend
<b>25 – 27</b>	<b>LUDINGTON</b>	Michigan Lighthouse Festival
<b>25 – 27</b>	<b>NEW BALTIMORE</b>	St. Mary Queen of Creation Family Fest
<b>26 – 27</b>	<b>CHESTERFIELD</b>	Chesterfield Arts and Music Festival
<b>31 – SEP 4</b>	<b>NOVI</b>	Michigan State Fair

### SEPTEMBER

<b>2</b>	<b>LEXINGTON</b>	Thumbfest
<b>2 – 3</b>	<b>ALGONAC</b>	Algonac Art Fair
<b>4</b>	<b>MACKINAW CITY</b>	Labor Day Bridge Walk
<b>8 – 9</b>	<b>BRIGHTON</b>	Smokin Jazz & Barbecue Blues Festival
<b>8 – 10</b>	<b>HARRISON TWP.</b>	St. Hubert's 32nd Fall Festival
<b>14 – 17</b>	<b>LAKE ST. CLAIR</b>	Metro Boat & Recreation Show – Lake St. Clair Metropark
<b>14 – 17</b>	<b>TROY</b>	Troy Family Daze Festival
<b>15 – 17</b>	<b>FLAT ROCK</b>	Flat Rock Riverfest
<b>15 – 17</b>	<b>GRAND HAVEN</b>	Grand Haven Salmon Festival
<b>16</b>	<b>ROCHESTER</b>	Goodison Good Tyme Festival
<b>22 – 24</b>	<b>WARREN</b>	St. Anne Sausage Festival
<b>23 – 24</b>	<b>CLINTON TWP.</b>	Festival of the Senses Fine Art Fair
<b>23</b>	<b>ORTONVILLE</b>	28th Annual Septemberfest

### OCTOBER

<b>1</b>	<b>WATERFORD</b>	Harvest Happening
<b>7</b>	<b>MOUNT CLEMENS</b>	Columbus Day Parade – Downtown
<b>27 – 28</b>	<b>DETROIT</b>	Detroit Fall Beer Festival
<b>28 – 29</b>	<b>JACKSON</b>	Buy Michigan Now Fall Fest

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## LIFEJACKET SAFETY

Whether you are enjoying Michigan's waterways for the first time or you've been doing it for years, it is always important to remember to stay safe by staying afloat.

Michigan law requires all watercraft to have appropriately sized personal flotation devices (PFD), also known as lifejackets, for each person on board. Sizes are designed to accommodate individuals based on body weight and chest size.

### ADDITIONAL LIFEJACKET REQUIREMENTS:

- ▶ Children less than 6 years of age must wear a Type I or Type II PFD when riding in the open deck area of a boat.
- ▶ Each person less than 12 years of age riding or being towed behind a personal watercraft (jet ski) must wear a Type I or Type II PFD.
- ▶ Each person 12 years of age or older operating, riding on or being towed behind a personal watercraft (jet ski) must wear a Type I, Type II or Type III PFD that is not an inflatable device.



Michigan fishing licenses are available to purchase at your local license retailer or online at [www.mdnr-elicence.com](http://www.mdnr-elicence.com).