



Stream Fishing at Newlin Grist Mill

Guidelines for the 2024 Stream Fishing Season

The stream fishing program at Newlin Grist Mill honors a long tradition of fishing and promotion of outdoor activities, recreation, and appreciation in the park. We invite you to join us in continuing the tradition. The stream is stocked primarily with Rainbow Trout, plus Brook and Brown Trout as available. Stocking takes place in the pools stretching from below the mill dam to the first pool on the east side of Cheyney Road.

Program Membership

1. The stream fishing program is limited to 100 total memberships per year. Each membership will receive a numbered membership badge, good for that year only.
2. Family memberships are limited to five individuals from the same household, and include only children 21 and under. All member names must be provided on the registration card. Family memberships will receive 2 membership badges.
3. Day privileges for guests may be purchased by members (\$25.00/day).
4. All stream members must wear their badges prominently. Please report anyone fishing without a 2024 badge or fishing with other than approved lures and equipment to the Newlin Grist Mill staff.
5. Each member must conform to all applicable fishing laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, including possession and display of applicable state licenses.

Park Access

1. The stream is open from dawn until dusk daily, from Pennsylvania opening day through December 31st. Please note that the parking lot gate is locked 30 minutes after sunset, and opens by 7:00 am each morning.
2. Stream members must sign in at the Visitor Center front desk before fishing in the stream when fishing during office hours.
3. Catches should be reported after each outing, as this is how stocking needs are assessed. Report catches in person at the Visitor Center front desk or online via the electronic form found at newlingristmill.org/stream-fishing-log.
4. Please take all possible care not to interfere with others' fishing by moving on to other locations if pools are already occupied.
5. Please be respectful of the park's natural resources. Avoid excess disturbance of plants and animals, and be careful when entering and exiting the stream to reduce excess streambank erosion.
6. Notify the Stream Fishing Coordinator of any fallen trees, eroded sites, or other potential access issues as soon as possible.

Equipment and Cleaning

1. Only fly fishing tackle and barbless or de-barbed flies and streamers are permitted in the stream.
2. This is a catch-and-release program. However, we expect all dead or injured fish to be reported and purchased (price is \$3.00/inch). If you do not wish to keep the injured/dead fish, it can be donated to the Tri-State Bird Rescue (see Pond Fishing #2 below). Membership does not extend the right to kill fish without payment.
3. No fish are to be cleaned at streamside.

Pond Fishing

1. Members may fish in our fee fishing ponds* without paying the fishing fee, but all trout caught must be kept and paid for.
2. In the event that you do not wish to keep trout, they can be donated at the Visitor Center front desk for use by Tri-State Bird Rescue in bird rehabilitation efforts.

*Note: The fishing ponds are closed, controlled waters and fall under state law with special privileges, such as no license, no limit and no season. The stream, although protected water and privately stocked, is subject to all state regulations regarding public fishing. For this reason, it is necessary to keep the two operations completely separate.

Important Contacts

Visitor Center: 610-459-2359

Stream Fishing Coordinator: Jessica Shahan jshahan@newlingristmill.org

Please note that failure to obey rules will result in the removal of the member from the stream fishing program.

