

Fishing regulation in Nunavik national parks*

Parc national Ulittaniujalik

2024-2025

1. DEFINITIONS

Beneficiary: A person enrolled as Beneficiary in accordance with the *Act respecting Cree, Inuit, and Naskapi Native Persons*.

James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement (JBNQA): Signed in 1975, the JBNQA notably recognizes rights and privileges to Inuit Beneficiaries, gives them title to Category I lands (full ownership) and harvesting rights within defined areas of interest, and in an exclusive manner on Inuit Category I and II lands. Inuit Beneficiaries’ harvesting rights are protected by this treaty, subject to the principle of conservation.

Northeastern Quebec Agreement (NEQA): Signed in 1978, the NEQA notably recognizes rights and privileges to Naskapi Beneficiaries, gives them title to Category IB-N lands and harvesting rights within defined areas of interest, and in an exclusive manner on Naskapi Category I-N and II-N lands. Naskapi Beneficiaries’ harvesting rights are protected by this treaty, subject to the principle of conservation.

Land categories: Pursuant to the JBNQA and the NEQA, the territory was categorized under specific administration and management regimes (See Annex 1), and of particular interest considering the park boundaries.

Category I lands	Category II lands	Category III lands
Collectively and exclusively owned by the local Landholding Corporation of an Inuit community. These lands extend beyond village limits.	Public lands of the Province of Quebec in which Inuit beneficiaries enjoy notably exclusive harvesting, commercial hunting, trapping and outfitting rights.	Public lands of the Province of Quebec in which beneficiaries may notably exercise in a non-exclusive manner their harvesting rights in accordance with the JBNQA and the NEQA. Beneficiaries enjoy notably exclusive trapping rights throughout Category III lands above the 50th parallel as applicable.

* Sport fishing regulations apply to non-beneficiaries, resident or non-resident of Quebec.

Inuit Landholding Corporations: Private not-for-profit bodies acting as collective owners of their respective Inuit Category I lands on behalf of their affiliated Inuit Beneficiaries. On Inuit Category I and II lands, Inuit Landholding Corporations issue authorization permits as no sport hunting or fishing activities may be conducted therein by non-beneficiaries without the authorization of the concerned landholdings.

Resident of Quebec: Any Non-Beneficiary person domiciled in Québec and having resided there for a period of 183 days during the year previous to their sport fishing activities or application for a sport fishing license.

2. PERMITS

To sport fish within Parc national Ulittaniujalik, non-beneficiary visitors must have all the required permits.

Sport fishing in Category II lands	1- Québec Provincial sport fishing license, 2- Kangiqsualujjuaq Landholding fishing authorization, 3- Park sport fishing authorization
Please note that in Category II lands located within the limits of the park (see Appendix 1), it is not possible to sport fish for trout (brook trout and lake trout) according to the Landholding Corporation regulation.	
Sport fishing in Category III lands	1- Québec Provincial sport fishing license, 2- Park sport fishing authorization
Sport fishing in designated salmon rivers (George or Ford)	1- Québec Provincial sport fishing for Atlantic salmon permit, annual or 3 consecutive days, 2- Park sport fishing authorization
In the operational territory of the Pyramid Mountain Camp and Helen Falls Lodge outfitters (see Annex 1), it is mandatory to use their services to sport fish.	

2.1 Québec Provincial sport fishing licences

Any non-beneficiary sport fishing anywhere in the province of Québec must have a valid Québec Provincial Sport Fishing License and respect its regulations.

[Refer to the MELCCFP website](https://www.quebec.ca/en/tourism-and-recreation/sporting-and-outdoor-activities/sport-fishing/fishing-licence) to locate selling agent closest to you
<https://www.quebec.ca/en/tourism-and-recreation/sporting-and-outdoor-activities/sport-fishing/fishing-licence>

2.1.1 Atlantique Salmon

For sport fishing ATLANTIC SALMON inside the park boundaries, any non-beneficiary must have a valid Québec Provincial Sport Fishing License for Atlantic Salmon. **In the park, salmon sport fishing is only possible via the services of the outfitters. Outside their respective operation territory, all salmon accidentally sport fished must be released.**

2.2 Landholding Authorization Permits

Any non-beneficiary, **sport fishing within the parcels of Category II lands located inside the park boundaries, must acquire beforehand a Landholding Authorization Permit and respect its regulation.** In the park, this includes Qamanialuk and Tasirlaq lakes area (See Appendix 1).

Where to purchase this permit?

Contact Qiniqtiq Landholding Office in Kangiqsualujjuaq.

Qiniqtiq Landholding Corporation (Kangiqsualujjuaq)

Open Monday to Friday from 9am to 5pm

Phone: (819) 337-5449

Fax: (819) 337-5752

2.3 Park Sport Fishing Authorization

Any non-beneficiary **sport fishing inside the park boundaries must have a valid Park Sport Fishing Authorization.**

Where to purchase this sport fishing access right?

Parc national Kuururjuaq and Ulittaniujalik

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Kangiqsualujjuaq, Québec
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Phone: (819) 337-5454

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info@nunavikparks.ca

Year 2024-2025 Price per person (+ tx)		
Sport fishing (except Atlantic salmon)		
3 consecutive days	\$ 62.34	
7 consecutive days	\$ 103.91	
Sport fishing on a designated salmon river (George and Ford rivers)		
	Québec resident	Québec non-resident
1 day	\$ 35	\$ 70
7 consecutive days	\$ 100	\$ 200
Please note that these rates are fixed annually by the Government of Québec		

3. PARK POLICY ON SPORT FISHING IN PARC NATIONAL ULITTANIUJALIK

The park policy on sport fishing in Parc national Ulittaniujalik is applicable to non-beneficiary visitors.

SPECIES ALLOWED*	• Brook trout • Arctic char • Lake trout^a • Northern pike • Atlantic salmon^b * All other species caught must be released. ^a Lake trout less than 60 cm (catch and possession limit of 3, one of which may be 60 cm and more) ^b Only through the services of the outfitters
POSSESSION LIMIT OF 3 FISH	• Regardless of the species for allowable species only. • Once the possession limit is reached, it is not possible to sport fish anymore. • Catch and release sport fishing method is not allowed in the park.
ONLY ONE (1) FISH CAN BE BROUGHT OUT OF THE PARK	• All the other catch must be consumed on site. • Can keep specimen of less than 90 cm* * Except salmon fished with the services of the outfitters
FISHING AREAS	• Sport fishing is allowed in Natural environment zone and Services zone • Sport fishing is prohibited in Preservation zone

	and Maximum preservation zone
FISHING METHOD	One line with one hook

FISHING REGULATION SUMMARY FOR THE GEORGE RIVER PADDLERS

Within Parc national Ulittaniujalik, **along the George River, sport fishing is allowed between the outfitter exploitation territories without requiring their services.** Namely, on the section of the George River between 57.6179814°N and 58.0617642 °N. **It is not possible to sport fish Atlantic salmon in Parc national Ulittaniujalik except with the services of the outfitters** within their exploitation territory. All salmon accidentally caught must be released.

Autonomous paddlers on the George River are allowed a possession limit of 3 fish regardless of the allowable species (Northern pike, brook trout, lake trout, Arctic char). The George River is designated a salmon river; thus, the provincial salmon fishing license (3 consecutive days or annual) is required to fish on the river, along with the park sport fishing authorization.

4. SUMMER FISHING PERIOD

Sport fishing period in zone 23 North, including Parc national Ulittaniujalik

Species	2024
Northern pike	From June 1 st to September 2 nd
Brook trout	
Arctic char	
Lake trout	

Specifications for the George River inside the park

Species	Fishing dates and method 2024
Northern pike	From June 1 st to August 15 th : Angling or fly fishing
Brook trout	
Lake trout	
Arctic char	From August 16 th to September 2 nd : Fly fishing only
Atlantic salmon	
Via the services of Pyramid Mountain Camp or Helen Falls Lodge only	From June 1st to August 15th: Angling or fly fishing
	From August 16th to September 30th: Fly fishing only

Specifications for the Ford River inside the park

Species	Fishing dates and method 2024
Northern pike	From June 1st to August 15th: Angling or fly fishing
Brook trout	
Lake trout	From August 16th to September 30th: Fly fishing only
Arctic char	From June 1st to August 15th: Angling or fly fishing
Atlantic salmon Via the services of Helen Falls Lodge only	From August 16th to September 30th: Fly fishing only

5. WINTER FISHING PERIOD

Please note that **winter sport fishing is not allowed** inside the park boundaries for non-beneficiary visitors.

6. CONTACTS

MELCCFP Nord-du-Québec Regional Office – Kuujjuaq

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If you witness any illegal sport fishing or any non-respect of sport fishing rules, please contact the wildlife protection agents at the Nord-du-Québec Regional Office in Kuujjuaq (819) 964-2791.

Pyramid Mountain Camp

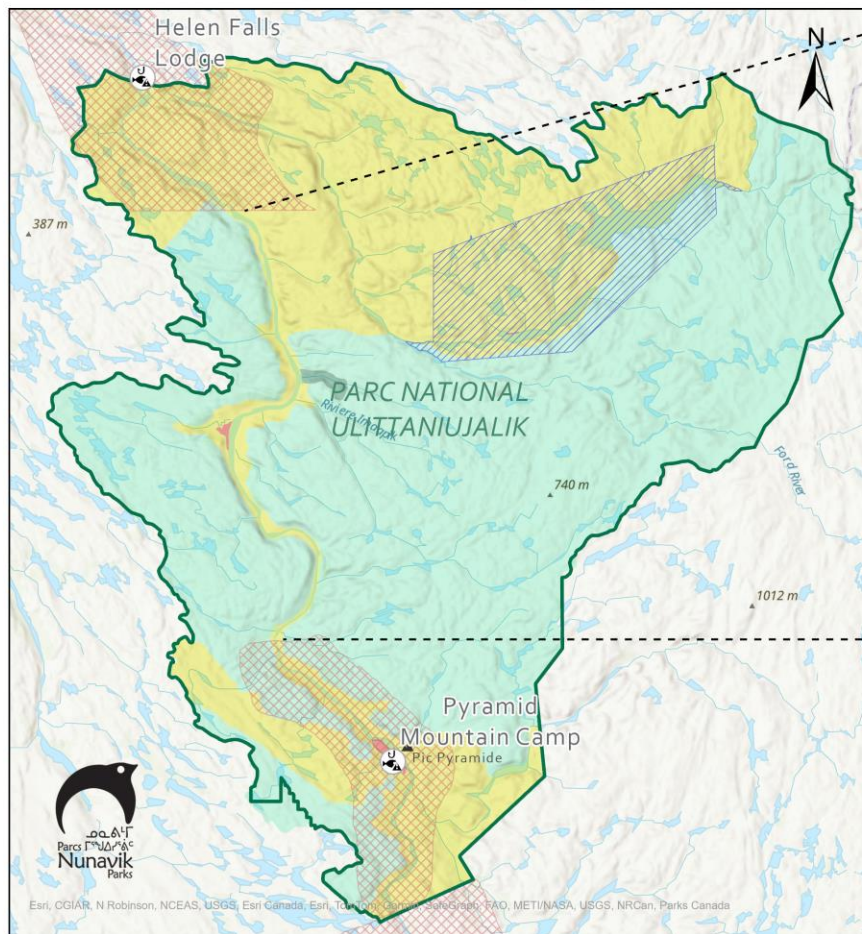
PO Box 342
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Helen Falls Lodge

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Appendix 1

Résumé de la réglementation sur la pêche pour la rivière George dans la parc national Ulittaniujalik Summary of the fishing regulation for the George River within Parc national Ulittaniujalik



Sur la rivière George:
La pêche sportive est permise entre les territoires d'exploitation des pourvoyeurs sans nécessiter leurs services, soit sur la section comprise entre 57,6179814°N et 58,0617642°N. Il n'est pas possible de pêcher sportivement le saumon atlantique dans le parc sauf avec les services des pourvoyeurs sur leur territoire d'exploitation. Tout saumon capturé accidentellement doit être remis à l'eau.

Vous pouvez consulter la réglementation complète sur notre site internet www.parcsnunavik.ca

Along the George River:
Sport fishing is allowed between the outfitter exploitation territories without requiring their services, on the section between 57.6179814°N and 58.0617642°N. It is not possible to sport fish Atlantic salmon in the park except with the services of the outfitters within their exploitation territory. All salmon accidentally caught must be released.

You can found the complete regulation on our website www.nunavikparks.ca

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| Outfitters / Pourvoyeurs | Ambiance / Natural environment |
| Limite de parc national / National park boundary | Zone de services / Services zone |
| Préservation extrême / Maximum preservation (pêche interdite / no fishing) | Territoire pourvoyeur / Outfitter territory |
| Préservation / Preservation (pêche interdite / no fishing) | Kangihsualujuaq categorie / Category II |

La rivière George est désignée rivière à saumon. Un permis de pêche sportive au saumon provincial (3 jours consécutifs ou annuel) est requis en plus de l'autorisation de pêche du parc.

The George River is designated a salmon river. A Québec salmon sport fishing license is required in addition to the park sport fishing authorization.

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Grand brochet

Northern pike

Esox lucius



Chaboisseau arctique

Arctic sculpin

Myoxocephalus scorpioides



Chabot tacheté

Mottled sculpin

Cottus bairdii



Omble chevalier

Arctic char

Salvelinus alpinus



Saïda franc

Arctic cod

Boreogadus saida



Cisco de lac

Cisco

Coregonus artedii



Omble de fontaine

Brook trout

Salvelinus fontinalis



Morue de l'Atlantique ou franche

Atlantic cod

Gadus morhua



Grand corégone

Lake whitefish

Coregonus clupeaformis



Ouananiche

Landlocked Atlantic salmon

Salmo salar



Chabot visqueux

Slimy sculpin

Cottus cognatus



Morue ogac

Greenland cod

Gadus ogac

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Touladi

Lake trout

Salvelinus namaycush



Chaboisseau à quatre cornes

Fourhorn sculpin

Myoxocephalus quadricornis



Tricorne arctique

Arctic staghorn sculpin

Gymnocanthus tricuspis



Saumon atlantique

Atlantic salmon

Salmo salar



Chaboisseau à épines courtes

Shorthorn sculpin

Myoxocephalus scorpius



Ombles moulac

Splake trout