

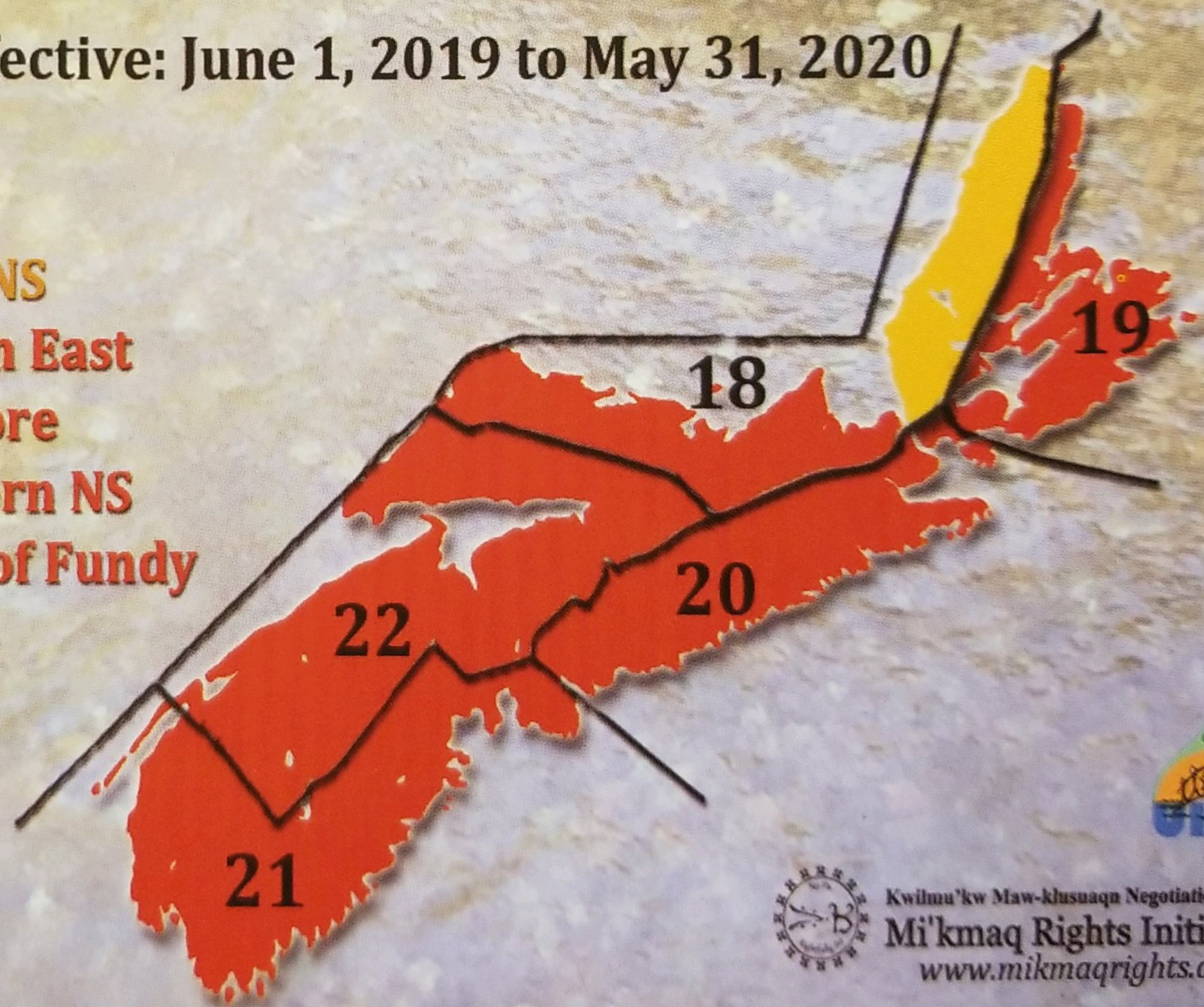
SALMON FISHING AREAS

FOR THE COMMUNITIES OF ACADIA, ANNAPOLIS VALLEY,
BEAR RIVER, ESKASONI, GLOOSCAP, MEMBERTOU,
POTLOTEK, WAGMATCOOK AND WE'KOQMA'Q

Status Card must be carried as proof of identity when fishing

Effective: June 1, 2019 to May 31, 2020

- 18. Gulf Shore NS
- 19. Cape Breton East
- 20. Eastern Shore
- 21. Southwestern NS
- 22. Upper Bay of Fundy



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Netukulimkewe'l - Respecting the Salmon and Protecting the Species

The number of salmon returning to our rivers in Eastern Nova Scotia, including Eastern Cape Breton, reached a historic low in 2016. On the Gulf side of Nova Scotia, salmon populations are doing better. The Mi'kmaq are the only individuals retaining salmon for Food, Social and Ceremonial needs, however, we also have the responsibility to ensure the survival of salmon for future generations. Only fish for Salmon in the Margaree or Mabou Rivers.

Treat the salmon with respect and return what you are not using to the earth.

Area 18 - Gulf Shore Nova Scotia (Cape Breton)

Margaree River & tributaries of this river consistently exceed conservation requirements. Harvest of large (>63cm; >24.4 inches) & small/grilse (35.5 to 63cm; 14 to 24.4 inches) is permitted. However, the Cheticamp River is **currently closed** to fishing for the purpose of retaining salmon for food, social and ceremonial needs until information on the status of the salmon in this river is further clarified. Status of Atlantic Salmon in the Mabou River is unknown therefore the harvest of grilse is recommended to preserve the larger, egg-bearing female salmon.

Spearing, snaring, dip netting, angling and fly fishing during the day and night with a light source is permitted.

Community harvesting efforts using a seine, weir, or trap are permitted. Maximum 1 trap per river. Gill nets are not permitted.

Area 18 - Gulf Shore Nova Scotia (Mainland)

Access to salmon in this area is reserved for the communities of Paqtnekek, Sipekne'katik, Pictou Landing and Millbrook and are **currently closed** to participating communities under this plan. Fishers who wish to fish mainland rivers for salmon should contact neighbouring Mi'kmaq communities and/or the Mi'kmaq Conservation Group.

Area 19 - Eastern Cape Breton

All rivers, including the Middle, Baddeck and North Rivers, do not meet conservation requirement and are **closed** to Mi'kmaq salmon fishing for Food, Social and Ceremonial needs year-round.

Area 20 - Eastern Shore

Area 21 - South Shore

Area 22 - Bay of Fundy

The salmon populations in these areas do not meet conservation requirements and are **closed** to recreational fishing and Mi'kmaq Food, Social and Ceremonial fishing year-round.

Report catch to your community fishery office - include river, capture date, size & sex of salmon.

Harvest reports are needed to determine if conservation requirements were met.

Names will be entered into a draw for a \$200 Visa gift card.

Contact your local fishery or natural resource office prior to fishing.