## SMITH POND

Parlin Pond and Misery Twps., Somerset Co. U.S.G.S. Long Pond, Me.

## Fishes

Brook trout (squaretail)

## Physical Characteristics

Area - 16 acres

Temperatures
Surface - 64° F.

Maximum depth - 4 feet

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Principal Fishery: Brook trout

Smith Pond is a beautiful trout pond surrounded by spruce and fir forest. Although it is very shallow with a muddy bottom, water quality conditions are good for supporting trout.

The outlet is very steep with only an intermittent flow. These conditions have been excellent natural barriers to any upward migrations of fish from Parlin Stream, for at the time of survey no species of fish were present in Smith Pond.

In 1968 fall fingerling brook trout were experimentally introduced into Smith Pond. These fish grew rapidly during their first year in the pond and provided some excellent fishing during the 1969 season.

The outlet will be of little consequence to any natural reproduction of trout. Some natural reproduction could occur in spring seepage areas on the bottom of the pond; however, stocking will be important in maintaining this brook trout population.

Regulations now in effect limit the catch to five fish and prohibit the use of live fish as bait. These regulations are designed to help distribute the catch among anglers, and to protect the pond from the introduction of any other species of fish.

Access is by a 20-foot jeep trail from a good gravel road.

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