

OVERSET POND

Greenwood Twp., Oxford
U.S.G.S. Greenwood, ME (7.5')

Fishes

Brook trout

Golden Shiners

Physical Characteristics

Area - 21 acres

Temperatures:

Maximum depth - 42 feet

Surface - 77°F

36 feet - 45°F

Principal fisheries: Brook trout

Overset Pond is a beautiful, remote pond located just below the peak of Overset Mountain. This water stratifies during the summer and an oxygen deficiency develops below 18 feet in depth. However, a band of cold, oxygenated water exists, which is suitable for trout management.

Prior to 1998, the MDIFW was stocking both brook trout and brown trout on an annual basis. This pond had large populations of minnows and suckers, which were competing with the brook trout and resulting in poor growth and survival. Nonnative brown trout were able to perform better under the heavy competition and the pond yielded some browns up to four ponds. The pond was chemically reclaimed in the fall of 1998 to remove the competing species and manage the pond for native brook trout. In addition, the pond was closed to the use of live bait and closed to bait dealers to reduce the chances of re-introduction. The pond was restocked in 1999 and stocked annually due to a lack of spawning and nursery habitat. Post reclamation sampling indicates the pond produces an excellent brook trout fishery with fish ranging in size from 9-18 inches in length; however, shiners have re-established and are expected to negatively impact trout growth, survival, and abundance. Special regulations are in effect on this water to provide a quality fishery. Anglers should consult their fishing law book before fishing this pond.

The gated access road to Overset Pond is privately owned, but angler access is allowed. The gate is typically locked until mid-late May to prevent road damage. If locked anglers can walk into the pond from the gate (approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ mi) or drive in with a 4-wheel drive vehicle when unlocked.

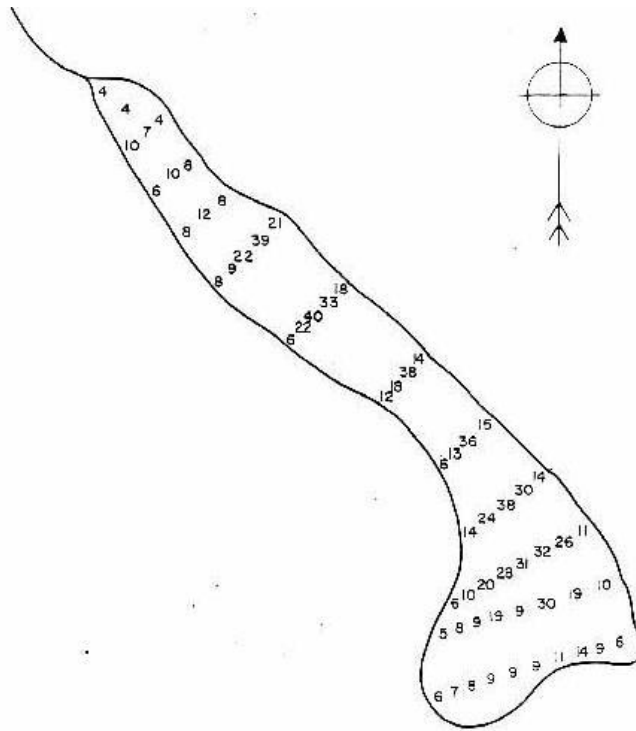
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