

KEOKA LAKE

Waterford Twp., Oxford Co.
U.S.G.S. Waterford Flat, Me.

Fishes

Brook trout	Smelt
Smallmouth bass	Eel
Yellow perch	White sucker
Chain pickerel	Minnows
Hornpout (bullhead)	Pumpkinseed sunfish

Physical Characteristics

Area - 467 acres	Temperatures
	Surface - 72°F
Maximum depth - 42 feet	40 feet - 46°F

Principal Fishery: Brook trout, smelt smallmouth bass

Suggested Management

Keoka Lake, situated alongside Routes 35 and 37 in Waterford, is ideally suited to brook trout management. An oxygen deficiency, which usually occurs at 35-40 feet, limits the available summer habitat, but there is enough well-oxygenated cold water to support a very healthy population of brook trout. A healthy smelt population provides an excellent forage for the brook trout. Limited natural brook trout reproduction occurs in Kedar Brook, but the fishery is maintained almost entirely by stocking spring yearling brook trout. There may be limited natural reproduction in the outlet but a barrier dam prevents any fish from re-entering Keoka.

In addition to the brook trout fishery, Keoka's boulder and gravel shoreline also provides excellent habitat for a healthy smallmouth bass population.

A cement boat ramp adjacent to the town office in Waterford on Routes 35 and 37 provides easy access to the pond.

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