

ATTENTION TROUT ANGLERS

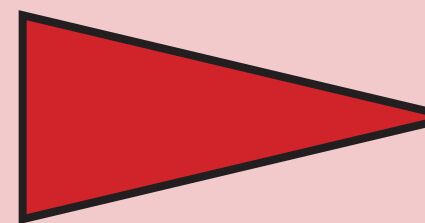


Fishing during hot summer months when water temperatures exceed 68°F can be harmful to trout.

To help protect the trout resources, visit dnr.maryland.gov/fisheries/Pages/trout/advisory.aspx or scan the code with a smartphone for current river conditions

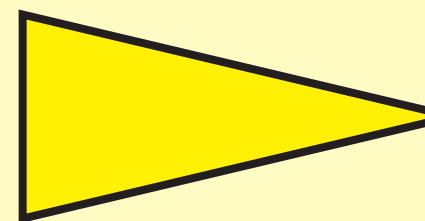
Water Temperatures above 68° F

- Angling and handling of trout is extremely stressful and not recommended
- Anglers are encouraged to target other species



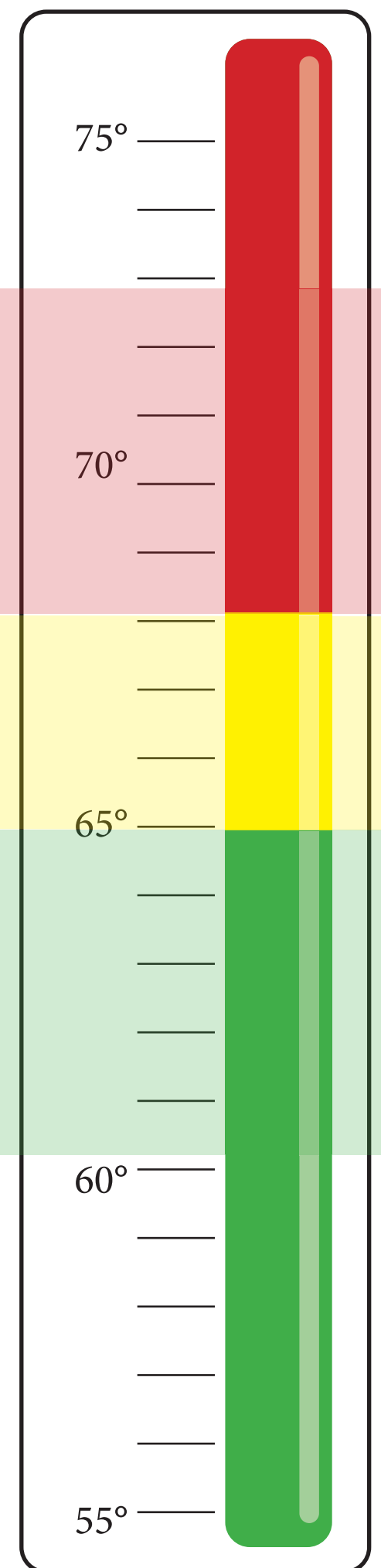
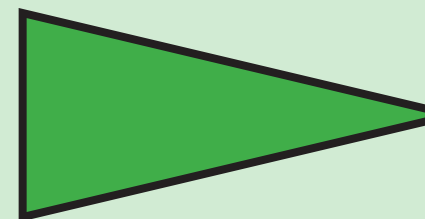
Water Temperatures between 65° F - 67° F

- To reduce stress on trout, fishing during morning hours is recommended
- Keep trout in water while handling
- Avoid taking pictures
- Gently revive trout before releasing



Water Temperatures below 65° F

- Cooler temperatures allow for reduced stress and best angling experience
- Most likely to be active and feeding
- Reduce stress during landing, handling and best chance at survival after release



Catch and Release Tips for Trout Survival

- Land fish as quickly as possible
- Use a rubberized landing net (if possible)
- Keep fish in the water while removing hooks (barbless hooks are encouraged)
- Wet hands when handling fish
- Hold fish horizontal



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