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RAINBOW AND BROWN TROUT SEASON OPENS

The rainbow and brown trout fishing season opens at midnight on Friday 28 September 2012. It will remain open until the Queen's Birthday weekend next June.

The Environment and Sustainable Development Directorate reminds anglers of the following:

The rainbow and brown trout has a minimum allowable size of **25 centimetres**. Minimum allowable sizes have been set to ensure all fish taken are sexually mature, allowing the fish the opportunity to breed before being harvested by anglers.

A maximum of **five** rainbow and/or brown trout are permitted to be taken on any one day. The number of trout taken from public waters by recreational anglers is limited to ensure sustainable populations of these fish remain, while guaranteeing fair access to the fishery for all anglers.

While fishing in trout waters, only one fishing rod with no more than two hooks per line is allowed. This can be supplemented by a landing net. Only artificial fly and lure fishing is permitted in trout waters.

It is an offence to use fishing gear if you are further than 10 metres from the gear and it is out of your line of sight.

Call Canberra Connect on 13 22 81 during business hours for more information or visit www.environment.act.gov.au to obtain a copy of the information sheet "Recreational Fishing in the ACT".

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