Public Fishing Rights Maps

Catskill Creek

**Fish Species Present**

- Brown Trout
- Rainbow Trout

**Description of Fishery**

Catskill Creek flows for 37 miles through three counties before entering the Hudson River at the village of Catskill. The source is a shallow water body, Franklinton Vlaie in Schoharie County, which heats up in the summer. The upper 2 miles is considered warm water and unsuitable for trout. The next section is 5 miles long and ends about 0.5 miles upstream of the village of Preston Hollow in Albany County. This section has abundant wild trout, both brown and rainbows. From Preston Hollow downstream 13 miles to the Freehold airport in Greene County, the stream is stocked with 6,500 yearling and 400 two year old brown trout. There are some wild brown and rainbow trout in this section with the best numbers in the Preston Hollow portion. From Freehold to the mouth, 16 miles, the stream is considered warm water with some bass and a good walleye fishery at the mouth in the village of Catskill.

**Note:**

Statewide fishing regulations apply throughout the Catskill Creek watershed.

**About Public Fishing Rights**

Public Fishing Rights (PFR’s) are permanent easements purchased by the NYSDEC from willing landowners, giving anglers the right to fish and walk along the bank (usually a 33’ strip on one or both banks of the stream). This right is for the purpose of fishing only and no other purpose. Treat the land with respect to insure the continuation of this right and privilege. Fishing privileges may be available on some other private lands with permission of the land owner. Courtesy toward the land-owner and respect for their property will insure their continued use.

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