Public Fishing Rights Maps

Clear Creek (Ellington)

Description of Fishery

Originating in the town of Charlotte in eastern Chautauqua County, Clear Creek flows southeasterly through the Village of Ellington and joins Conewango Creek in Cattaraugus County. There are 10.4 miles of public fishing rights easements and three angler parking areas on this stream.

Since 2006, Clear Creek has been managed as a wild trout fishery and no hatchery trout have been stocked. Clear Creek has a healthy, reproducing population of wild brown trout and some rainbow trout from the creek mouth, upstream to the Cockaigne Ski Area. Recent DEC surveys showed an average of 823 adult wild brown trout per stream mile.

Trout Fishing Regulations

Clear Creek (Ellington): Trout; open April 1 - Oct 15, any size, daily limit 5 per person with no more than 2 longer than 12 inches.
October 16 - March 31; catch and release only, artificial lures only.

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.

These generalized location maps are intended to aid anglers in finding PFR segments and are not survey quality. Width of displayed PFR may be wider than reality to make it more visible on the maps. Please look for this PFR sign to ensure that you are in the right location and have legal access to the stream bank.

For more information on this creek or if you believe PFR marked areas on these maps are incorrect or missing PFR signs, please call the Region 9 Fisheries office: (716) 372-0645.
*Right and left bank as you are looking downstream
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Legend
- Angler Parking
- City/Village
- Left Bank PFR
- Right Bank PFR
- Major Road
- Local Streets/Roads
- Streams and Ponds
- Stream Flow

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Legend:
- P: Angler Parking
- : City/Village
- Red: Left Bank PFR
- Blue: Right Bank PFR
- Light Blue: Local Streets/Roads
- Dark Blue: Streams and Ponds
- Cyan: Stream Flow

- *Right and left bank as you are looking downstream*