**Description of Fishery**

Fall Creek is located in Cayuga and Tompkins Counties and stretches from Lake Como to Ithaca, where it runs into Cayuga Lake. There are 10.9 miles of Public Fishing Rights (PFR’s) along Fall Creek. The upper section of Fall Creek is stocked annually with around 2,500 brook trout (8-9”), and the lower section gets around 5,400 brown trout (8-9”). Brown trout, brook trout and smallmouth bass are the main game fish above Ithaca Falls. Below Ithaca Falls the fishery is a Finger Lakes Tributary fishery where lake run rainbow trout, brown trout, Atlantic salmon and smallmouth bass are the main species.

**Fishing Regulations**

Statewide Angling Regulations apply EXCEPT as noted below:

Trout - Any Size, Limit 5 with no more than 2 longer than 12”, April 1 - Oct 15

EXCEPT from Rte 38 bridge at Freeville UPSTREAM to bridge at Groton City where season is all year.

Black Bass - From Ithaca falls upstream, All year, Any size , Daily limit 5

**From Ithaca Falls Downstream** Finger Lakes Regulations Apply

**Fish Species Present**

- Brown Trout
- Brook Trout
- Smallmouth Bass

**Location**

Cayuga and Tompkins Counties

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**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 7 Fisheries office: (607) 753-3095 ext. 213.
Special Regulation:
Fall Creek- from Route 38 bridge at Freeville 
UPSTREAM to bridge at Groton City.
Trout- All year, Any size, 5- with no more 
than 2 longer than 12".
Start of Special Regulation:
From Route 38 bridge at Freeville
UPSTREAM to bridge at Groton City
Trout - All year, Any size, 5 - with no more than 2 longer than 12".

Legend
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- Left Bank PFR
- Right Bank PFR
- Footpath
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- Railroad Lines
- Streams and Ponds
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- Town, Village, City
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- Stream Flow

*Right and Left Bank as you are looking downstream
End Special Regulation: From Route 38 bridge at Freeville UPSTREAM to bridge at Groton City Trout - All year, Any size, 5 - with no more than 2 longer than 12".
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