

Regional Regulations

If a stream or lake is not listed by name or as a tributary, general regulations apply. You must follow bear management and hydrothermal area restrictions listed in the Backcountry Trip Planner, which is available in backcountry offices or at www.nps.gov/yell/planyourvisit/publications.htm.



Northwest Region:

Includes the Madison and Gallatin river drainages, including Firehole and Gibbon rivers and tributaries.

Permanently closed to fishing:

- Firehole River from road bridge .5 mile (.8 km) upstream of Old Faithful to road bridge at Biscuit Basin, 200 yards (182 m) either side of Midway footbridge.
- Madison River from Seven Mile Bridge upstream 250 yards (226 m).

Flyfishing only: Madison River, Firehole River, Gibbon River below Gibbon Falls (not including their tributaries). Use only artificial flies regardless of the type of rod or line.

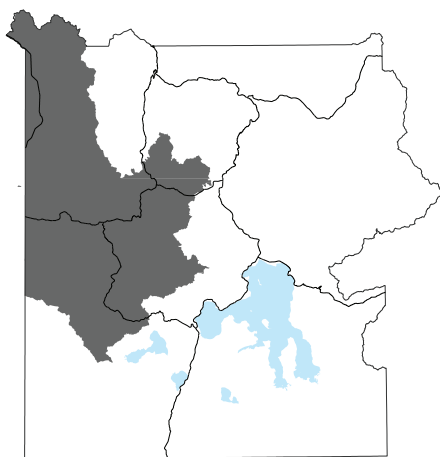
Possession limits

Native Trout Conservation Area:

- Catch and release all native fish.
- No possession limit on nonnative fish.

Nonnative Trout Tolerance Area:

- Limit of 5 brook trout.
- Catch and release all rainbow and brown trout.



Where to take young anglers

Norris: Gibbon River at Virginia Meadows or other meadows; Solfatar Creek near Norris campground.

Madison: Gibbon River near Tuff Cliffs; Large meadow areas of the Firehole, Gibbon, and Madison rivers near Madison Junction.

Old Faithful: Firehole River at picnic areas; Nez Perce Creek.

Accessible ramp & platform

At the Mount Haynes Overlook, approximately 3.5 miles (5.6 km) west of Madison Junction. Please see the *Yellowstone Accessibility Guide* or www.nps.gov/yell for more information.