



# *Lac Seul* WILLIAMS LAKE LODGE

Northwestern Ontario, Canada

& Outpost

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## Things You Will Want To Know When Planning Your Trip To Williams Lake Lodge

**Print this information and give it to everyone in your group.  
Bring this information with you when you come to camp.**

### Suggestions On What To Bring

Appropriate clothing. Be ready for anything. Layers of clothing are best. Temperatures will range from 32 to 75 in spring and fall, and from 60 to 95 in summer.

- Rain gear and rubber boots.
- Life vest.
- First aid kit.
- Food for 6 days.
- Drinking water.
- Beverages and snacks. No glass bottles please.
- Dish soap, paper towels.
- Bath and hand towels. Dish towels are provided. We have an optional towel service.
- Cooler.
- Sunglasses, sunscreen, cap.
- Flashlight, lantern.
- Camera.
- Insect repellent.
- Toiletries.
- Fishing gear.
- A boat anchor if you want to use one, as we do not provide them.
- Passport or Passport Card.
- Book, deck of cards, etc.
- Your computer, if you wish to use our wireless internet in the lodge. We also have a computer for our guests' use.
- A spare set of keys for the vehicle is always a good idea.
- **Before you leave home:** Have a copy of the 'vehicle registration' and 'insurance card' in the vehicle. Check to see that your health insurance and vehicle insurance covers you in Canada.

### Suggestions On What To Bring If You Are Bear Hunting

Bring all of the above plus the following:

- Previous or current gun hunting license (not bow, even if you are only bow hunting) from your home state or a valid Hunting Ontario Outdoors Card. We must see one of these before we can issue you your Ontario hunting license.
- Firearm of your choice: gun, bow, or crossbow in a case.

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## Suggestions On What To Bring If You Are Bear Hunting continued

- One or two portable stands.
- Blaze orange vest or jacket and hat to be worn to and from stands. Camo blaze orange is not accepted.
- Bug jacket and hat. Bring a Thermacell if you have one.
- Cooler large enough to take quartered meat and hide home.
- Click here for [Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources Hunting Regulations](http://www.mnr.gov.on.ca/en/Business/FW/Publication/MNR_E001275P.html)  
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## Things That We Provide That You Don't Need To Bring

- Sheets, blankets, pillows.
- Dish towels.
- Garbage bags.
- Gas grill and fish cooker at each cabin.
- Fans at each cabin.
- Toilet paper.
- Ice
- Shore lunch pans and shore lunch fish cookers
- Boat rags..
- Coolers for keeping fish in the boat.
- Plastic bags for freezing fish.
- Minnow buckets.
- Landing net
- Our boats have pedestal seats.
- Our boats have depthfinders.
- **Please don't bring any electric appliances, because the generator will not handle them.**

## Crossing The Border

Border crossing tips:

- Take off sunglasses.
- Do not laugh or joke with customs officer.
- Answer all questions promptly, clearly and directly.
- You may be refused entry into Canada if you have been convicted of a felony. DUI is a felony in Canada and you may be refused entry. Click [Overcoming Criminal Inadmissibility](#) for information about crossing into Canada if you have a past criminal conviction. It is not impossible. For more information go to N.O.T.O., our tourism operators organization: <http://noto.ca/bordercrossing> If you still have questions, contact **Laurie Marcil, N.O.T.O. Member Services Manager/Executive Director**, Ph. 705-472-5552, Email: [laurie@noto.net](mailto:laurie@noto.net) She will be happy to help you.
- Also check out [Information for Visitors to Canada](#).
- If you are bringing a child not accompanied by both parents, a notarized permission slip should be brought along.
- Remember to only answer questions you are asked. Don't volunteer extra information not asked for.

A passport or passport card is required for travel to Canada. The passport card is only good for land or sea travel to Canada, not air travel.

You are allowed to bring across the border duty and tax free:

- 40 oz. of liquor or 24 twelve oz. cans of beer (must be 19 years old)
- 200 cigarettes and 50 cigars

You are allowed to bring nightcrawlers across for bait. Make sure they are packed in artificial bedding with not even a speck of dirt on them. Minnows and leeches are not allowed across.

Potatoes are allowed across the border, 10 lbs. per person, US Grade #1, in their unopened original package.

These are only a few basic rules for border crossing. More information can be found here:

[Information for Visitors to Canada](#)

### **Procedure Once You Are In Canada**

The best plan is to follow your road map to Dryden, ON and stay overnight there on Friday night. Remember that HWY 502 is a long, lonely road, so fill up with gas before you cross the border. There are many places to stay in Dryden. Here is a list of some of them. The rates vary and so does the comfort level. Ask them if they will give you a discounted rate because you are going to Williams Lake Lodge and we are members of Patricia Regional Tourist Council, Northern Ontario Tourist Outfitters, Kenora District Camp Owners Association, and Ontario's Sunset Country.

**Best Western Motor Inn**, Highway 17, (807) 223-3201

**Chalet Inn Motel**, 184 Government St., (807) 223-2335

**Comfort Inn**, 522 Government St., (807) 223-3893

**Dryden Motel & Suites**, 130 Grand Trunk Ave., (807) 223-6283

**Hide-Away Motel**, 700 Government St., (807) 223-5329

**Hillcrest Motel**, 130 Grand Trunk Ave., (807) 223-6283

**Holiday Inn Express**, 585 Government Rd., (807) 223 3000

**Kowality Motor Inn**, 31 Earl Ave., (807) 223-2133

**Patricia Inn Motel**, 537 Government St. , (807) 223-3291

**Riverview Lodge LTD**, 148 Earl Ave., (807) 223-4320

**Timberland Motel**, 406 Government St., (807) 223-5395

**Town & Country Motel**, 500 Government St., (807) 223-2377

**Trans Canada Motel & Restaurant**, 149 Third St., (807) 223-2251

For fine dining, we like Riverview Lodge. A little more casual is the Patricia Inn and Luciano's Italian Grill. These and other Dryden restaurants are listed here:

**B&B Roadhouse** , 349 A Government St (in Best Western), (807) 223-2000

**Central Restaurant**, 20 King St., (807) 223-2412

**Chalet Inn and Restaurant**, 184 Government St., (807) 223-2335

**Eagle's Landing Golf & Convention Centre**, Sandy Beach Road, (807) 223-8885

**Ho Ho Chinese**, 64 Van Horne Ave, (807) 223-2888

**Hong Kong House**, 34 Whyte Ave., (807) 223-7411

**Husky House Restaurant**, 379 Government St., (807) 223-5664

**Kupper's Bakery & Restaurant**, 5 Earl Ave., (807) 223-2419

**Riverview Lodge LTD**, 148 Earl Ave., (807) 223-4320

**Luciano's Italian Gril**, 52 Princess St., (807) 223-3232

**Masala- East Indian and Greek**, 205 Duke St. , (807) 223-8622

**PI Hotel and Restaurant**, 537 Government St., (807) 223-2210

**Pizza Hut**, 397 Government St., (807) 223-6621

**Kokum's Bannock Shack**, 539 Government St., (807) 223-1922

**Trans Canada Motel and Restaurant**, 149 Third St., (807) 223-2251

If you can't make it all the way to Dryden on Friday, stay wherever you need to and finish your trip on Saturday morning.

In either case, **YOU MUST CALL US FROM DRYDEN** before you begin the 1 1/4 hour drive from Dryden to our landing. Then we will know when to meet you at the landing to transport you to camp. The lodge phone number is **807 529-3031**. You can call from your hotel, the bait shop at the intersection of Earl Ave. and Duke St. (first stop light as you enter Dryden past the paper mill), or KA Sports (on HWY 17 on the north side of town). Cell phones do not work after you leave Dryden. For some reason, our phone at the camp works better if you call us from a land line in Dryden.

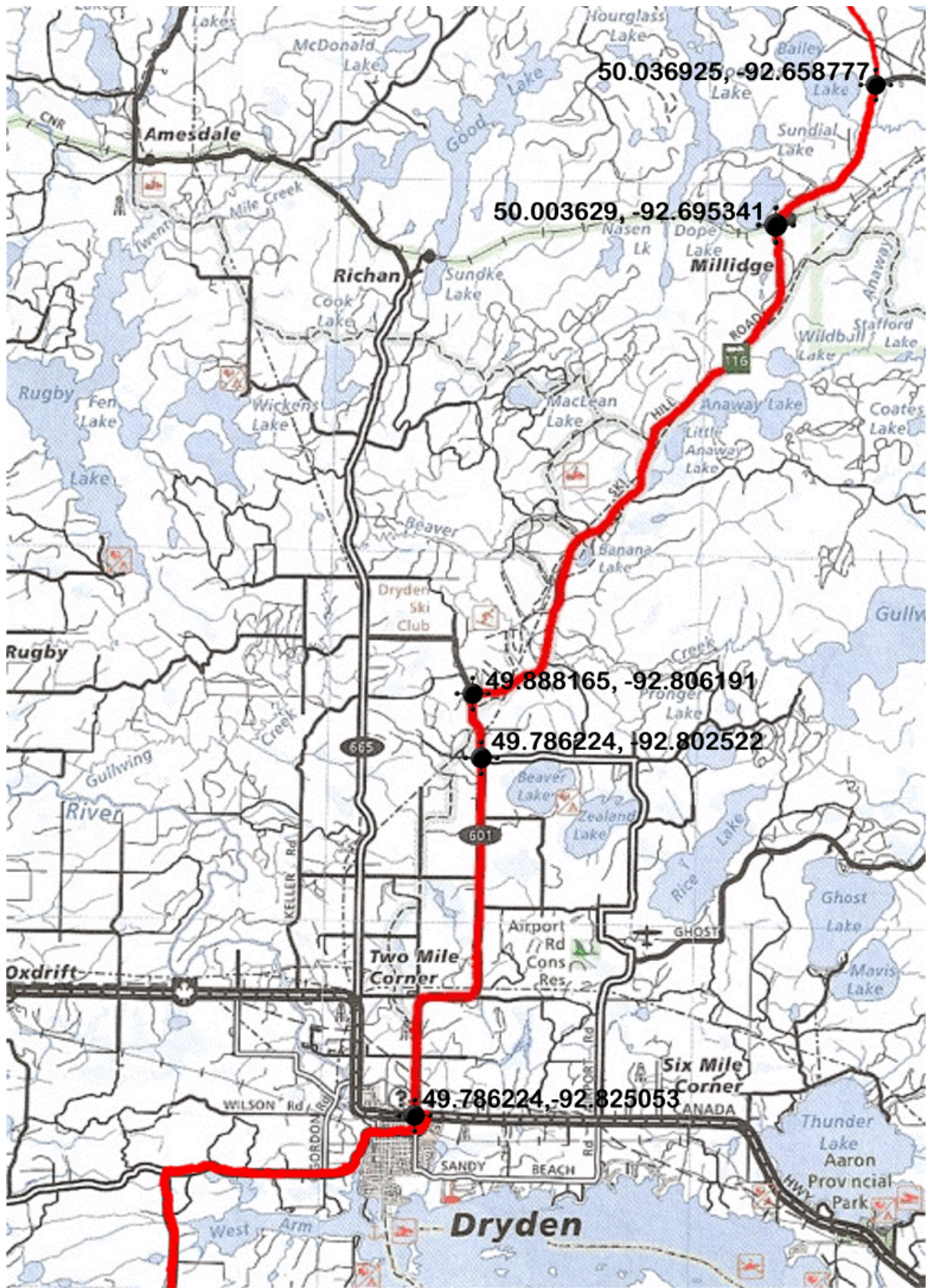
Don't forget your final shopping. You will be a long way from the stores for the next 6 days.

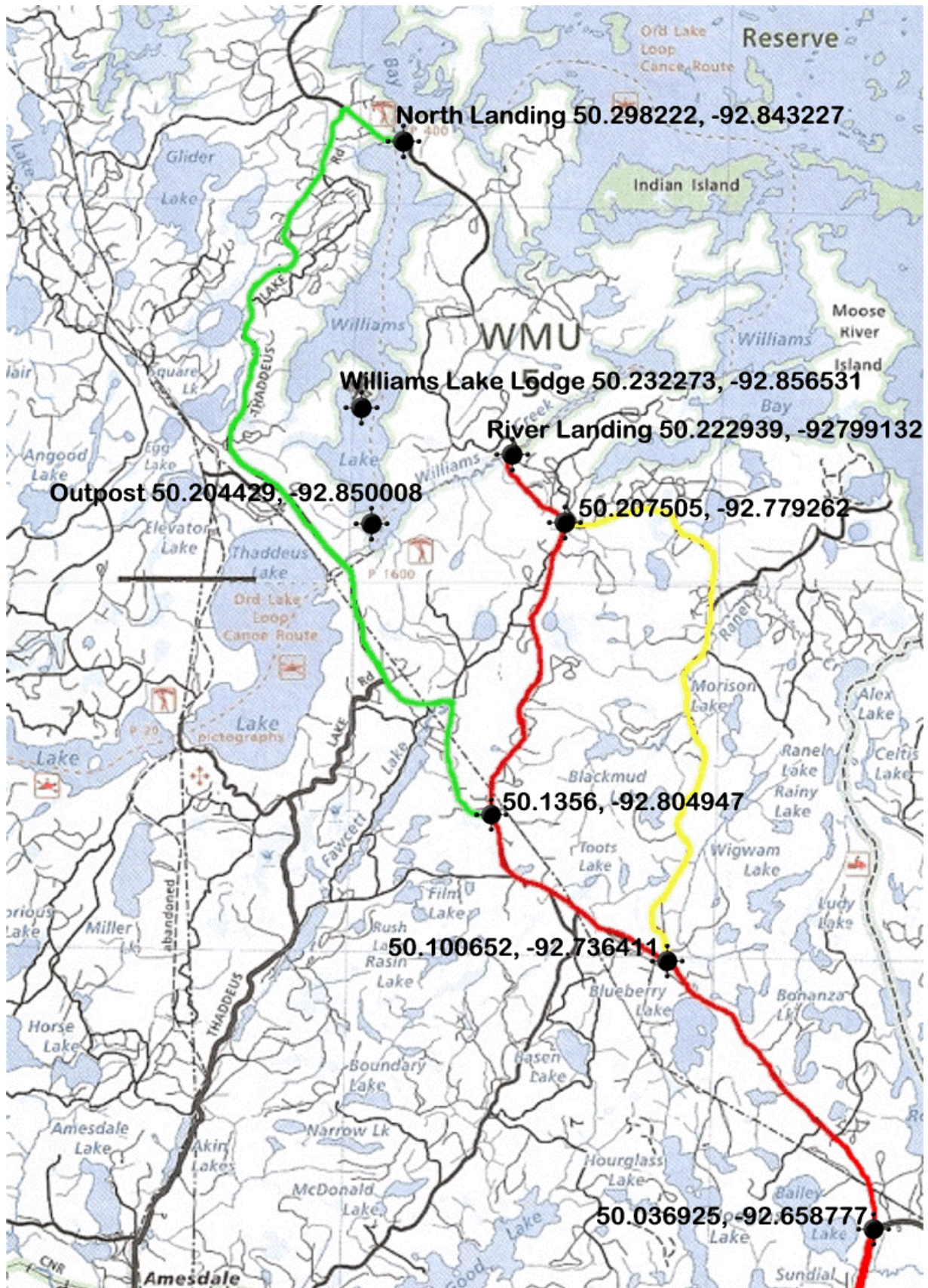
The following map shows the routes we use to the landings. GPS coordinates are in bold type in the directions and on the map. We have signs along the way to point you in the right direction. You will use the red highlighted route to the River Landing. The yellow route is an alternate way to the River Landing, but the road is very rough. The green route is the way to our North Landing on Williams Lake which we are not presently using.

**DO NOT USE THE YELLOW OR GREEN ROUTES. USE THE RED ROUTE.**

**Directions from Dryden to River Landing (red route). You must call 529-3031 before leaving Dryden.**

- From Hwy 17 in Dryden take Hwy 601 north (at the stop light by the GM car dealer). **49.786224, -92.825053** Drive 6.5 miles.
- Hwy 601 turns sharply to the right. Do not turn right. Go straight on the gravel road. **49.873121, -92.802522** Drive 1 mile.
- Turn right. **49.888165, -92.806191** Drive 10 miles.
- Cross railroad tracks. **50.003629, -92.695341** Drive 3 miles.
- Stay left. **50.036925, -92.658777** Drive 6 miles.
- Stay left. **50.100652, -92.736411** Drive 4 miles.
- Turn right onto Williams Creek Road. **50.1356, -92.804947** Drive 5.5 miles.
- Turn left. **50.207505, -92.779262** Drive 1.5 miles.
- River Landing is on the left. **50.222939, -92.799132**





When you arrive at the landing, we will be there to meet you (if you called 529-3031 before you left Dryden). If we are delayed and aren't there yet, it should only be a short wait. We will set you up with your fishing boat and load your gear that goes to your cabin into our work boat. Then you can follow us back to camp where we will deliver your gear to your cabin with our ATV and trailer.

## Operation Of Boats

- We will show you how to run the motor on your fishing boat when we meet you at the landing.
- Unlock motors while traveling forward, if applicable.
- When docking boats, approach docks slowly from an angle, and tie boats securely.
- Life jackets are required in the boat; wearing them is a plus.
- Wear kill switch cord when traveling.
- Do not sit in the front seat on the casting deck when traveling from spot to spot.
- Safety kits are in the boat.
- Always check the level of fuel in the gas tanks before going out fishing.
- Don't remove gas tanks from the boat.
- Drinking alcohol in the boats is against Ontario law.
- Don't spit sunflower seed hulls or the like in the boat as they clog up the bilge pump and are hard to clean up.
- Keep worm bedding cleaned up from the boat floor. It will clog up the bilge pump.
- Don't put any fish, alive or dead, in the livewell. By law, no live fish can be kept.
- Due to high repair and replacement costs, we must charge you for lost and damaged equipment.
- Lower unit insurance is available for \$50 per boat for one week.
- The lower unit insurance does not cover the propeller or the skeg. Carbon fiber props cost \$30 per broken blade. Aluminum props cost \$160 to replace or \$90 if repairable. A broken skeg costs \$200.
- Landing nets are provided and cost \$40 if lost or damaged. Don't use nets to carry fish.

## Guides Are Available

We strongly recommend hiring one of our guides for at least a day or two. This is especially important for those fishing with us for the first time. Our guides have fished these waters for many years and will put you on fish. A professional guide costs \$160 US per 8 hour day based on a party of 2 fisherman. Extra people cost an additional \$25 US each. This includes both extra people in the guided boat and any tag-along boats. Gratuity not included. If you want to book a guide, do it as much in advance as possible.

## Fishing Bait

Minnows, night crawlers, and leeches are normally available at camp, but check with us to be sure before you come. If you need large amounts of live bait, please let us know well in advance of your arrival.



## Fishing Regulations

### 2015 non-resident license fees and descriptions:

- Outdoors Card: \$9.68 Not included in the package price. It is required to purchase a license
- Eight Day Conservation Fishing License: \$30.53. This license is included in the package price for each adult. A license is not included for 1/2 price children, so it will cost \$30.53 if requested for them. Children less than 18 years old do not need a license if fishing with a licensed adult. However you may purchase a license for them if they wish to keep fish.
- Eight Day Sport Fishing License: \$53.54. This license is not included in the package price. You must pay the full amount, if this license is requested; not the difference between the Conservation License and the Sport License.
- Full Year Conservation Fishing License: \$51.65. If you request this license, we will charge you the difference between the Eight Day conservation License and the Full Year Conservation License. That amount is \$21.12.
- Full Year Sport Fishing License: \$83.27. This license is not included in the package price. You must pay the full amount, if this license is requested.
- Starting in 2015, an extra \$2.00 service fee will be charged by the MNR for each Outdoors Card, Fishing License, and Hunting License. Williams Lake Lodge will pay this fee if you are using the Conservation Fishing License included in the adult package price. You will pay this fee for the Outdoors Card and any license other than the included Conservation Fishing License.

### Williams Lake Lodge seasons, bag limits, and size limits:

- Walleye and Sauger or any combination: Season opens 3rd. Saturday in May. None over 18" may be kept. With a Sport license, 4 under 18" may be kept. With a Conservation license, 2 under 18" may be kept.
- Largemouth and Smallmouth Bass or any combination: Season open all year. From January 1 thru June 30, with a Sport license, 2 may be kept (must be under 13.5"). With a Conservation license, 1 may be kept (must be under 13.5"). From July 1 through November 30, with a Sport license, 4 may be kept with no size limit. With a Conservation license, 2 may be kept with no size limit.
- Northern Pike: Season open all year. None over 27.5" may be kept. With a Sport license, 4 under 27.5" may be kept. With a Conservation license, 2 under 27.5" may be kept.
- Muskellunge: Season opens 3rd. Saturday in June. None may be kept with either license.
- Yellow Perch: Season open all year. With a Sport license, 50 may be kept. With a Conservation license, 25 may be kept.
- Lake Whitefish: Season open all year. With a Sport license, 12 may be kept. With a Conservation license, 6 may be kept.

You must pinch the tail closed when measuring fish. No live fish are allowed in the boat; therefore, do not use stringers or the boat's livewell. Fish that are to be kept must be killed immediately. Put them on ice in the provided cooler. You are not allowed to have filleted fish in the boat. Your daily limit includes fish in the freezer at camp, fish in your possession, plus the fish eaten at shore lunch. Please read [Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources Fishing Regulations](#) Williams Lake and Lac Seul are both in Zone 4.

## How To Get Your Fishing License

An 8 day Conservation license is included in the adult package price. Others can be purchased at camp or you can purchase them online here:

### [Buy Fishing License Online](#)

If you already have a Conservation license (full year or eight day) when you get to Williams Lake Lodge, we will credit \$30.53 to your account . We do not give any credit if you already have a Sport license.

If you are going to get your license from us, please fill out and submit the following form for each person wanting a license. Submit the form at least a week before your arrival date and we will have your license ready for you when you get here. **Study the above license fees and descriptions, and the seasons, bag limits, and size limits carefully before choosing the type of license that you want. We cannot change the type of license once it is made out.** You will find a fill in form to complete and submit to Williams Lake Lodge here:

[Fishing License Information Form](http://www.williamslakelodge.net/license_form.html) [http://www.williamslakelodge.net/license\\_form.html](http://www.williamslakelodge.net/license_form.html)

### Conservation

As sportsmen and conservationists, we are interested in preserving our wildlife and fishing for our children and our children's children. We ask that you enjoy your stay with us for what it really is - a peaceful retreat from the busy routine. Catch tons of fish, but release all but what you really need to eat.

**Williams Lake Lodge camp policy:** We fully support the MNR's size regulations and are taking them a step further. **All walleyes over 18" and all northrens over 27.5" must be released.** C.P.R (Catch, Photo, and Release) is the key to maintaining our fabulous fishery. Keep some small ones to eat (they are the best tasting) and let the rest continue to grow. If you want one for the wall, a replica will last longer and you have the satisfaction of knowing that your trophy still swims. We include an 8 day conservation fishing license with the adult package price. Other licenses are available at cost.

To further encourage the release of trophy fish, **Williams Lake Lodge** will award a free housekeeping trip (boat gas not included), for the next year, to the anglers who release the largest walleye and the largest northern pike of the season. We need good pictures showing both ends of the fish in the measuring trough. Do not weigh the fish.

### Tips for successful Catch and Release:

- Pinch the barbs down on hooks. This is suggested, but not required.
- Always wet your hands before touching a fish you want to release. This reduces the amount of protective slime you will rub off the fish.
- Do not grab a fish by the eyes.
- Avoid touching the gills.
- When using a net (neoprene mesh is best) remove the fish as soon as possible so as not to rub off the protective slime.
- Time is essential. Quickly play and release the fish. A fish played for too long will be too exhausted to recover.
- Keep the fish in the water as much as possible. Remove the hook as quickly as possible. Single barbless hooks can often be removed while the fish is still in the water.
- Cut the line and leave the hook in on deep hooked fish.
- To revive an unconscious fish hold it upright in the water. This may take a few minutes. Do not move the fish backwards through the water. When it begins to struggle, release it.

### Fish Cleaning

All fish are to be cleaned in the fish house, never in the cabins. Do not clean fish directly on the countertop. Use the boards provided. Clean the counters, boards, sink, and floor in the fish house after cleaning fish. For fish you are taking home, package fish one per bag, lying flat, with a one inch patch of skin left on the fillet. Put them in the freezer behind the main lodge.

## Lodge

Our lodge is open for your use until 9pm each day. We have television, wireless internet (we do have a computer for your use), board games, books and movies to borrow, and a comfortable place to lie about the fish you caught. You may use our phone for \$5 for a 5 minute call.

## Generator

Electric power for the camp is supplied by our diesel generator. The generator will be turned on at 6am and off at 11pm. Night owls need to bring a lantern. If you use a CPAP machine and need power through the night, we will supply you with a battery and power inverter. Let us know about this ahead of time. **Don't bring any electric appliances, because the generator will not handle them.**

## What To Do and Not To Do While At Camp

- **Please let us know right away if you have a problem with anything.** Communication is the key. Don't wait until the end of the week to tell us that something wasn't right. We can't correct any problems if we don't know what they are. Let us help you have your best vacation ever.
- Ice is included in your package price. Please do not waste it.
- Bring your own drinking water or boil the tap water for 10 minutes.
- Shore lunch pans are available at the lodge. Don't take frying pans from the cabins.
- Don't put grease down the toilet or sink (ask us for a container), or flush paper towels down the toilet.
- Wipe off the stove after frying with a paper towel, so grease doesn't build up.
- Before you use the wood stove, ask us to instruct you on its proper use. Never leave the cabin unattended when a fire is burning in the wood stove. Make sure you know where the fire extinguishers are located. We have them both inside and outside the cabin.
- Leave the cabin in the condition you found it.
- Put filled garbage bags out by the ATV path in the morning and we will pick them up.
- No campfires.
- Don't give Hunter anything to eat or drink or let him in the cabin.
- **At The Outpost:** Dump fish guts on shore, across the bay, well away from the cabin. No campfires. Bring garbage to the main camp often.
- **Above all, relax and have a great time.**