



# Lake Quacumquasit (South Pond) Brookfield / Sturbridge

# **General Information**

Lake Quacumquasit, commonly known as South Pond, is a 218-acre great pond located approximately 3 miles north of Route 20 on the Brookfield-Sturbridge town line. The average depth of South Pond is 31 feet with a maximum depth of 73 feet and the water is transparent to roughly 12 feet. Aquatic weeds are distributed intermittently along most of the shoreline but are more prevalent at the northern end where the Quaboag River enters. The shoreline is about 80% developed with year-round homes and summer cottages. Power boating, water skiing, sailing, and fishing are all popular activities during summer.

# **Recreational Access**

MassWildlife manages a concrete boat ramp (72°4'22.747'W 42°10'51.584N) and adjacent parking area suitable for roughly 8 trailers at the north end of the pond off of Lake Road. Shore access is permitted along a small beach adjacent to the ramp. Please contact the Central District MassWildlife office for additional information and/or restrictions pertaining to public access of South Pond.

#### **Fish Populations**

The following fish species were found during MassWildlife surveys: Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass, Northern Pike, Chain Pickerel, Yellow Perch, White Perch, Black Crappie, Bluegill, Pumpkinseed, Brown Bullhead, Yellow Bullhead, White Sucker, Alewife, American Eel, Golden Shiner, Banded Killifish, and Tessellated Darter. South Pond is also stocked annually with trout each spring and fall.

#### Fishing

South Pond maintains a layer of cold, oxygenated water throughout the warm summer months which enables some trout to survive multiple seasons and reach sizes exceeding 5 pounds. Combined with the large numbers of trout stocked each year South Pond offers exceptional trout fishing throughout the summer and has been designated a special Brown Trout Water by MassWildlife (see your Abstracts for current length and creel limits). In addition, Northern Pike stocked in Quaboag Pond are occasionally caught in South Pond. In recent years, South Pond has produced excellent crappie fishing. South Pond has produced Largemouth Bass, Smallmouth Bass, Northern Pike, Chain Pickerel, Yellow Perch, White Perch, Black Crappie, sunfish, Brook Trout, Brown Trout, Rainbow Trout, and Tiger Trout that meet minimum sizes for recognition by the Sportfishing Awards Program.

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