

Current Status of Vermont State Parks Recreational Water

Region	Park	Water Body	Status	Note
North West	Burton Island Marina Beach	Lake Champlain	●	Closed E-Coli levels too high
North West	Kill Kare	Lake Champlain	●	Closed Category 3 BGA level
North West	Grand Isle	Lake Champlain	●	Closed E-Coli levels too high
North West	Knight Point	Lake Champlain	●	Open
North West	Carmi Camper Beach "A"	Lake Carmi	●	Open
North West	Carmi Camper Beach "B"	Lake Carmi	●	Closed Category 3 BGA level
North West	Carmi Day Area	Lake Carmi	●	Closed E-Coli levels too high
North West	Niquettes Bay	Lake Champlain	●	Open
North West	Niquettes Bay Calm Cove	Lake Champlain	●	Closed Category 3 BGA level
North West	North Hero	Lake Champlain	●	Alert Category 2 BGA level
North West	Sandbar Beach (Center)	Lake Champlain	●	Alert Category 2 BGA level
North West	Sandbar Beach (West/Left)	Lake Champlain	●	Open
North West	Sandbar Beach (East/Right)	Lake Champlain	●	Open
North West	Alburg Dunes (Center)	Lake Champlain	●	Open
North West	Alburg Dunes (East/Left)	Lake Champlain	●	Open
North West	Alburg Dunes (West/Right)	Lake Champlain	●	Open
North East	Boulder Beach	Lake Groton	●	Open
North East	Brighton Camper Beach	Spectacle Pond	●	Open
North East	Brighton Day Use Beach	Island Pond	●	Open
North East	Crystal Lake	Crystal Lake	●	Open
North East	Elmore	Lake Elmore	●	Closed E-Coli levels too high
North East	Little River Camper Beach "A"	Waterbury Reservoir	●	Open
North East	Little River Camper Beach "B"	Waterbury Reservoir	●	Open
North East	Maidstone Camper Beach "A"	Maidstone Lake	●	Open
North East	Maidstone Camper Beach "B"	Maidstone Lake	●	Open
North East	Maidstone Day Use Beach	Maidstone Lake	●	Open
North East	Ricker Pond	Ricker Pond	●	Open
North East	Stillwater	Lake Groton	●	Open
North East	Waterbury Center	Waterbury Reservoir	●	Open
South East	Camp Plymouth	Echo Lake	●	Closed E-Coli levels too high
South East	Silver Lake	Silver Lake (Barnard)	●	Open
South East	Lowell Lake(Sampled Bi-weekly)	Lowell Lake	●	Open
South West	Bomoseen Day Area	Lake Bomoseen	●	Open
South West	Branbury	Lake Dunmore	●	Closed E-Coli levels too high
South West	Emerald Lake	Emerald Lake	●	Open
South West	Half Moon	Half Moon Pond	●	Open
South West	Kingsland Bay Dock	Lake Champlain	●	Open
South West	Lake St. Catherine Camper	Lake St. Catherine	●	Open
South West	Lake St. Catherine Day Area	Lake St. Catherine	●	Open
South West	Shaftsbury	Lake Shaftsbury	●	Closed E-Coli levels too high
South West	Woodford Camper Beach	Adams Reservoir	●	Open
South West	Woodford Day Area	Adams Reservoir	●	Closed E-Coli levels too high

Common swim areas in managed Vermont State Parks are monitored for E-coli and Blue Green Algae

Status meanings:

OPEN - The area meets criteria suitable for swimming.

ALERT - The area is experiencing a category 2 Blue Green Algae Bloom.

CLOSED - The area has exceeded the criteria making it unsuitable for swimming.

Categories of Blue Green Algae Bloom:

Category 1: Generally safe; little to no cyanobacteria (BGA) present.

Category 2: Cyanobacteria (BGA) is present in low to moderate amounts; we use standardized advisory/warning signs in this situation. Children and pets who are most vulnerable to stay out.

Category 3: Indicates cyanobacteria (BGA) is present in moderate to high amounts and therefore the beach is closed to swimming until the bloom dissipates and water is confirmed free of toxins.

Vermont State Parks samples for e-coli which is an "indicator" bacteria. It is called an indicator because while it may not cause sickness itself, its presence could reflect the possible presence of other sickness causing organisms.