## Walleye are a vital part of Lake Nipissing. Now they're in trouble.

Recent studies of Lake Nipissing show that the walleye population is in decline. Large adult walleye are particularly scarce, making young walleye in Lake Nipissing vulnerable to overfishing. We all need to work together to help these juvenile walleye reach adulthood so they can produce more walleye for the future.

By following these three steps, you ensure that everyone will enjoy fishing on Lake Nipissing for generations to come.

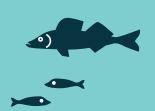
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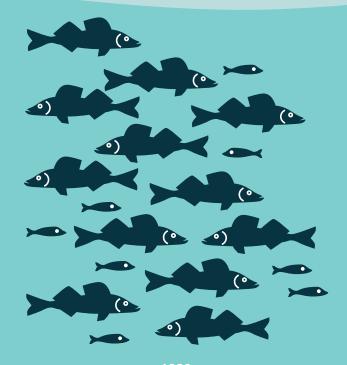


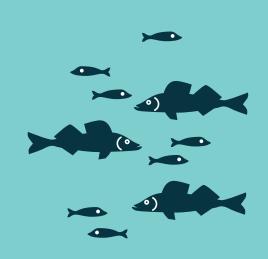
Walleye in Decline

# YOU CAN HELP

If we did nothing...







THE FUTURE? We need to intervene

1980 Healthy population

TODAY
Population in decline

### How you can help:

## 1. Protect Young Walleye

- Only keep walleye that are 46 cm in length or over.
- Daily catch limits remain the same:
  2 fish per sport fishing licence
  1 fish per conservation licence
- New walleye size regulations take effect May 17, 2014.

#### 2. Fish for Bass

- Bass are one of the most popular sportfish – they fight hard and make an exciting catch.
- Bass season will now open one week earlier on **June 21**, **2014**.

#### 3. Catch More Perch

- The yellow perch population is booming.
- Yellow perch are a prized "panfish" for their delicious, delicate flavour.
- Perch may compete with young walleye.
- Daily catch limits increased from
   25 to 50 fish per sport fishing
   licence on January 1, 2014.





