



# ATLANTIC SALMON

## PATCH PROGRAM

*for Junior Girl Scouts*



Junior Girl Scouts, please complete at least eight of the following activities:

1. Visit a local fish hatchery and see how salmon are bred and nurtured. What is the temperature of the water? How often are they fed? Learn the answers to these questions and more.
2. Learn about the life cycle of the salmon. What are the fish called at each stage of development?
3. Compare fresh water and salt water salmon.
4. Find out what types of gear or equipment are needed to catch salmon - boat size, line weight, etc.
5. Find out the local laws regarding salmon fishing: size, how many can be taken, season, license, fines for violating regulations, etc.
6. Find out if Atlantic Salmon is on the endangered species list, nearing it, or far from it, and why.
7. List the many things that salmon and by-products of salmon are used for. If possible, visit a packing or processing plant or a salmon smokery.
8. How are salmon affected by changes or pollutants in the food chain?
9. Compile a list of recipes using salmon. Use salmon in a recipe.
10. Get involved in a project to help ensure that Atlantic Salmon will always be a thriving creature and industry in our area.

**Local Resources:**

- Craig Brook National Fish Hatchery, Orland Green Lake
- National Fish Hatchery
- Ellsworth Sullivan Harbor
- Farm Salmon Smokery
- Sullivan Aroostook County
- Salmon Hatchery

*Questions? Comments?*

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