VHS and YOU



Can I use fish eggs (spawn) from Lake Michigan on Lake Superior?

Fish eggs, or spawn from Lake Michigan and its tributaries, can only be used on Lake Superior if it is first preserved by a method other than refrigeration or freezing. To reduce the risk of spreading VHS to Lake Superior, we suggest not using Lake Michigan spawn at all when fishing Lake Superior or its tributaries.



ONLY spawn collected from Lake Superior and its tributaries may be used to fish Lake Superior and its tributaries without being preserved. It can be used fresh, refrigerated or frozen.

Lake Michigan and Lake Superior system spawn may be used on Lake Michigan and its tributaries without being preserved.

Anglers have reported good success using commercially produced artificial and preserved spawn on Great Lakes waters.

