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I try not to fish streams that are running over 70, and refuse to fish them over 72. That seems to be the generally accepted range of when c&r trout fishing is off limits.

I worry less about stocked fish, as they were stocked for a reason.

Limestone streams usually have less variance in temperature, but not all of them are fishable in the summer. Penns, for example, is not fishable right now. It is among the finest limestone wild trout streams, too. The only real way to be sure is to take a temp for yourself.

You may find stretches of water that are less than 70 or 72 degrees in certain streams. Feeder streams are a likely spot. I don't think it's ethical to fish these sections either, but have made exceptions on stocked waters. The fish are stacked up for thermal refuge, and it's not really sporting, nor responsible to harass them.