Fishing license

Visiting anglers are only allowed to buy day license. Each day starts at 6 pm. Only permanent residents in Norway are allowed to fish in the Norwegian tributaries, with the exception of the lower part of Kárášjohka (Kárášjohka below Skáidigeahči).

Norwegian and Finnish citizens have to buy their fishing license for the border stretch in the country they are residents.

Persons older than 18 years old are required to pay the Norwegian State Fishing Fee when fishing at the Norwegian shoreline of the river. Those who are fishing from the Finnish shoreline have to pay a Finnish State Fishing Fee.

Prices of a day license	Fishing of the shoreline	Fishing form a boat and of the shoreline	Fishing from a boat, 2 rods	Family (wife or husband)	Young adults (19-23 years old)	Youth (16-18 years old)
Tana River mouth - Langnes		200,-			200,-	50,-
Tana River mout - Tana bru	400,-		600,-		200,-	50,-
Tana bru- National border (Polmak)	400,-		600,-		200,-	50,-
Tanaelva: National border - Levajok Fjellstue	200,-	320,-		40,-		40,-
Tanaelva/Storfossen: Boratbokca - Jalve	200,-	320,-		40,-		40,-
Tanaelva above Levajok Fjellstue	200,-	320,-		40,-		40,-
Anárjohka	200,-	320,-		40,-		40,-
Anárjohka above Matinköngäs	80,-			40,-		40,-
Luovvtejohka/Luftjok	100,-				100,-	50,-
Máskejohka/Masjok	400,-		600,-		200,-	50,-
Buolmátjohka/Polmakelva	300,-				200,-	50,-
Lákšjohka	300,-				200,-	50,-
Leavvajohka/Levajok	300,-				200,-	50,-
Baisjohka	300,-				200,-	50,-
Válljohka	300,-				200,-	50,-
Kárášjohka below Skáidigeacci	400,-		600,-		200,-	50,-
Kárásjohka above Skáldigeacci	400,-		600,-		200,-	50,-
lešjohka	400,-		600,-		200,-	50,-
Geaimmejohka	300,-				200,-	50,-
Goššjohka	300,-				200,-	50,-

You can buy a fishing license at:

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Karasjok camping	(tlf +47 97 07 22 25)
2 Sport 1, Karasjok	(tlf +47 78 46 71 00)
❸ Levajok Fjellstue	(tlf +47 78 92 87 14)
ČállidLágádus, Båteng	(tlf +47 41 14 39 67)
5 Tana Familiecamping, Skiippagurra	(tlf +47 78 92 86 30)
❸ Elva Hotel, Tana bru	(tlf +47 78 92 82 22)
Rustefjelbma servicesenter	(tlf +47 78 92 70 44)





Visitors' angling in the

TANA RIVER SYSTEM

INFORMATION TO VISITING ANGLERS

Tana River Fish Management - Tanavassdragets fiskeforvaltning (TF) is responsible for the fish management at the Norwegian side of the Tana River.

In this folder we present the fishing rules and some of the most relevant information for visiting anglers. We expect you to study the rules before you go fishing. For further information see our web-page www.tanafisk.no, or visit one of the localities where you can buy a license.

The River Tana and its tributaries offer more than 1000 km of salmon fishing waters. The River breaks world catch records of Atlantic salmon, with annual catches of 60-250 tons. Fifteen species of fish are found in the river system. There are about 30 unique populations of Atlantic salmon in the Tana River System. Several of these are way below the desired population size. We ask the anglers to harvest with caution.

TF ask all the anglers to release female salmon larger than 80 cm in the River Tana and its tributaries. In addition we ask anglers to release salmon larger than 60 cm in the smaller tributaries like Láksjohka, Váljohka and Goššjohka. We also ask anglers to release anadromous (sea going) arctic char.

NOTE: For 2015 season, the management border between the sea and the river, is moved further out in the estuary.

In the Tana River system there is a traditional way of fishing, using weir, gillnet and drift net. We ask the visiting anglers to keep distance from these fishing gears (see fishing rules).

TF have employed 12 river guards with police authority. Anglers have to show the river guards fishing license, ID and State Fishing Fee when asked.

Disinfect your fishing gear!

Visiting anglers arriving from abroad or outside Finnmark cannot buy a fishing license if they have not disinfected their fishing equipment. This is a precaution to prevent infection, such as the salmon parasite *Gyrodactylus salaris*.

Stop Gyrodactylus salaris

Never transport live fish between different river systems

Please dry your equipment completely before you start fishing

Declaring the catch

According to the Norwegian law, anyone who has purchased a fishing license for salmon fishing is obliged to submit an accurate report of the catch. This applies even if the angler does not catch any fish or does not fish at all. The angler can declare the catch online, by SMS or at any of the localities where you can buy a license. For sea trout caught in the estuaries, you can declare your catch on a special form.

Declaring online

Visit www.scanatura.no and choose «report catch»

Declaring by SMS

Send SMS with catch report to (+47) 41 71 60 30. Remember to dial +47 if are sending from a foreign number. Send one SMS pr. fish. Remember space between each code.

License number weight kg specie caught/released

Code specie: l = salmon, s = sea trout, j = arctic char (anadrome), p = hump back salmon. Code caught/released: c = caught, r = released.

Example:

You caught and killed one salmon, 5,3 kg. Your license is IN444/123: IN444/123 5,3 l c

Example no catches: IN444/123 0

Extra fee

Anglers that don't declare their catch, will have to pay an extra fee of 300 NOK next time they buy a fishing license in the Tana River system.

Scale samples from salmon

TF ask all the anglers to take scale samples from salmon and sea trout. These samples give vital information about the salmon populations. One of the anglers that delivers samples will be rewarded with a gift coupon of 2 500 NOK. Find guidance on the scale sample envelope. Please do not take samples from fish that you intend to release.

Upper limit salmon fishing

In the Norwegian tributaries there are upper management borders which regulate what kind of license you need. Downstream these borders, all anglers need a license from TF. Upstream these borders, anglers need a freshwater fishing license from the Finnmark Estate Agency (FeFo). Upstream these borders you are not allowed to catch and kill salmon.

Examples of border locations:

- Kárášjohka: Map no 1933 II, UTM 942 717, Lailagorži.
- Iešjohka: Map no 1934 II, UTM 966 130, Iešjohkgorži.
- Goššjohka: Map no 2032 IV, UTM 174 435.
- Lákšjohka: (a) Deavkkehanjohka: Map no 2235 III, UTM 045 772, by Roavvevarri. (b) Gurtejohka: Map no 2235 III, UTM 072 848, at the outlet of Gurteluobbal.
- Máskejohka: (a) Geassájohka (Sommerelva): Map no 2235 II, UTM 325 931, by waterfall. (b) Uvjalátnja (Dunkratelva): Map no 2235 II, UTM 279 887, by waterfall.

FISHING RULES FOR VISITING ANGLERS

Fishing Areas

- 1. Persons living permanently in Norway are permitted to fish on the border stretch, in the Norwegian tributaries and in the lower, Norwegian part of River Tana.
- Persons not living permanently in Norway are not allowed to fish in the Norwegian tributaries of River Tana, except from the lower part of Kárášjohka downstream the joint of Iešjohka and Kárášjohka.

Fishing Period

- 3. The fishing season starts 1st of June and ends 10th of August. At the border stretch the season ends 20th of August. Below Tana bru you can fish sea trout until 31st of August, but it is not allowed to use gaff, and all salmon must be released after 10th of August. From the river mouth of Tana up to Langnes, a stretch of 4 km, the season starts at 15th of July and ends 31st of August.
- Fishing is prohibited from Sunday 1800 hours to Monday 1800 hours (Norwegian time), except on the stretch from the river mouth of Tana up to Langnes.

Special Rules at Storfossen

- Within a marked area from Boratbokcá to Jalvi, there are limitations on fishing from shore in the period 20th of June – 20th of July.
 - Maximum number of licenses sold at the Norwegian side is 35.
 - Fishing is allowed only from 0600 hours to 1800 hours.

This fishing license also gives a 24-hour permission to fish from shore on the border stretch up to Levajok.

Forbidden Methods and Areas

- 6. It is prohibited to use following baits: Prawns or shrimps, fish or earthworms. Use of earthworms as bait is allowed in the River Mouth zone (from Langnes to Tana River mouth). Use of fishing gear that aim to hook fish is prohibited.
- 7. Fishing with rod is prohibited within guide-nets of fish fences, and within 50 m downstream of the fence, and 10 m to either side. Fishing is also prohibited within 10 m from gill nets.
- Salmon, trout and arctic char smaller than 25 cm must be released.
 All salmon kelts must be released.
- 9. In the main river it is prohibited to fish with rod from the shore 50 m downstream and 50 m upstream a salmon tributary.
- 10. Fishing from bridges is forbidden.
- 11. Fishing is forbidden 50 m upstream and 150 m downstream Karigasniemi Bridge.
- 12. Fishing is forbidden from Tana river to a point 500 m above the E6 bridge in Lákšjoka. There is also a protected zone 50 m downstream to 50 m upstream the fish lather, and there is a protected zone in the upper part of Lákšjoka.
- 13. Fishing is forbidden downstream the E6-bridge in Leavvajokha.
- 14. There is a protected zone 200 m upstream to 200 m downstream Šuorpmugorži in the upper part of River Kárášjohka.

Fishing from Shore

- 15. Fly-fishing from shore is allowed in the entire river system, except fishing with float and sinker (i.e. only fly fishing rod is allowed). This limitation does not apply for children under the age of 16, who are allowed to fish with float and sinker.
- 16. Fishing with lures (spoons, spinners, wobblers) from shore is only permitted in the following areas:
 - From the river mouth of Tana to Langnes.
 - In a marked area on the eastern shore at Tana bru, from 1st of June to 31st of July.
 - In a marked area at the upper reaches of Storfossen.
 - From Ailestrykene up to Levajok fjellstue.
 - Upstream Matinköngäs in river Anárjohka/Skiehččanjohka.

In the areas where lures are permitted, one may also use fly, float or sinker.

Fishing from Boat

- 17. Fishing from a boat is only permitted if the owner of the boat is a local resident. The boat must carry a special sign of registration for River Tana.
- 18. It is not permitted to fish from a boat that is anchored in the river, or from a boat with a running engine.
- 19. When fishing from a boat in the lower part of River Tana and in the Norwegian tributaries, a local oarsman is required (at least 16 years of age and permanently resident in the fishing area of the Tana River system). The oarsman is also required to have a fishing license.
- 20. Due to safety reasons a local oarsman is always required in Storfossen from Bildanguoika (in the upper parts of Storfossen) to below Boratbokcá.
- 21. On the border stretch one must bring a local oarsman every day from 1300 hours to 2000 hours (Norwegian time). See exceptions for Storfossen, point 20.

