

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.
2. 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 20th of August. From the river mouth of Tana up to Langnes, a stretch of 4 km, rod fishing is not permitted before 15th of July. In the period when fishing is prohibited, it is also prohibited to fish in the sea closer than 100 m from the mouth of the river.
4. 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

5. Within a marked area from below Boratbokká to Jalvi, there are some limitations on fishing from shore in the period 20th of June - 20th of July.
 - 35 licences is the maximum number of licences sold in each country
 - Fishing is allowed only from 1800 hours to 0600 hours. .This fishing licence 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 these baits: Prawns or shrimps, fish or earthworms. 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.
8. Catching salmon, trout or char smaller than 25 cm is prohibited. Kelts must be released to the river.
9. In the main river it is prohibited to fish with rod from the shore 50 m downstream and upstream a salmon tributary. Fishing from bridges is forbidden.
10. Fishing is forbidden 50 m upstream and 150 m downstream Karigasniemi Bridge.
11. Fishing is forbidden from Tana river to a point 500 m above the E6 bridge in Láksjohka.
12. Fishing is forbidden downstream the E6-bridge in Leavvajohka.

Fishing from Shore

13. Fly-fishing from shore is allowed in the entire river system, except from fishing with float and sinker (i.e. only fly rod is allowed). Children below age 16 are permitted to fish with fly and casting float in the entire fishing area.

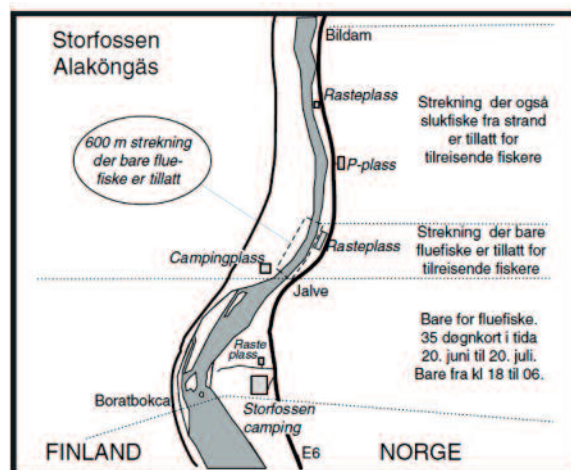
14. Fishing with lures (spoons, spinners, wobblers) from shore is only permitted in the following areas:

- 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, and upstream Matinköngäs in river Anárjohka/Skiehččanjohka.

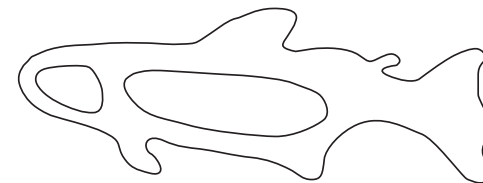
In the areas where lures are permitted, one may also use fly, float or sinker.

Fishing from Boat

15. 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 is sued by the local police.
16. It is not permitted to fish from a boat that is anchored in the river, or from a boat with running engine.
17. 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 Watercourse). The oarsman needs a fishing licence, too.
18. Due to safety reasons, in Storfossen from Bildanguoika (in the upper parts of Storfossen) to below Boratbokká, a local oarsman is always required.
19. On the border stretch, outside Storfossen, one must bring a local oarsman every day from 1300 hours to 2000 hours (Norwegian time).



Visitors' angling in the TANA RIVER SYSTEM



Tana River Fish Management - *Tanavassdragets fiskeforvaltning* (TF) is responsible for the fish management at the Norwegian side of the watercourse. We welcome you to angle in River Tana.

In the course of River Tana and its tributaries there are 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. Besides salmon the most commonly used for food are sea trout, grayling, whitefish arctic char and pike. The Watercourse has a great potential for production of salmon. There are 30 unique populations of Atlantic salmon in the Tana watercourse. Several of these have large problems of reaching their management targets. We ask the anglers to harvest with caution.

In the watercourse there is a traditional way of fishing, using weir, gillnet and drift net. We ask the visitor anglers to respect this fishing, and to keep the right distance from these fishing gears (see fishing rules).

In this folder we present some of the most relevant information about the angling and the fishing rules. We expect the anglers to learn the rules before starting to angle

Disinfection of fishing gear

Visiting anglers arriving from abroad or outside Finnmark can not 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*.

Catch and release

TF ask all the anglers to release female salmon larger than 80 cm in the River Tana. In addition we ask anglers to release all the female salmon in following tributaries: Láksjohka, Boulmátjohka, Våljohka and Leavvajohka. We also ask anglers to release anadromous Arctic char.

Remember that the fishing license is valid only if you also have a valid ID!

Fishing license

Visiting anglers are only allowed to buy day-license. They are however allowed to buy several day-licenses in a row. Each day starts at 6 pm. Persons older than 18 years old are required to pay the Norwegian State Fishing Fee.

You can buy a fishing license at:

- 1 Karasjok Servicesenter Esso (tlf +47 78 46 63 11)
- 2 Karasjok Camping (tlf +47 97 07 22 25)
- 3 Levajok Fjellstue (tlf +47 78 92 87 14)
- 4 Storfossen Camping (tlf +47 90 62 85 65)
- 5 Tana Familiecamping (tlf +47 78 92 86 30)
- 6 Elva Hotel og Camping (tlf +47 78 92 82 22)
- 7 Rustefjellbma servicesenter (+47 78 92 70 44)

Only permanent residents in Norway are allowed to fish in the Norwegian tributaries, with the exception of the lower part of Kárášjohka (from the point of confluence of Kárášjohka and Anárjohka to the point of confluence of Iešjohka and Kárášjohka, meaning Kárášjohka below Skáidigeahči).

Norwegian and Finnish citizens have to buy their fishing-license in the country they are residents. Those who are fishing from the Finnish shore have to buy the Finnish State Fishing Fee.

Prices on licenses

- Kr 200,- Fishing off the shoreline - Border stretch
- Kr 320,- Fishing from a boat and from the shoreline – Border stretch
- Kr 300,- Fishing from the shoreline - Norwegian parts of the main river, and Norwegian tributaries.
- Kr 400,- Fishing from a boat, 2 rods - Norwegian parts of the main river, and Norwegian tributaries.
- Kr 600,- Fishing from a boat, 3 rods - Norwegian parts of the main river, and Norwegian tributaries.
- Kr 150,- Langnes-Tana river mouth
- Kr 80,- Upper Anárjohka; above Matinkongäs
- Kr 50,- Youth, 16-18 years old.

Fishing zones

Visiting anglers that are permanent residents in Norway are able to buy fishing license for 12 different Norwegian tributaries.

The main river is also divided into 6 different zones in addition to the Storfossen zone (Boratbokcá – Jalvi; see special rules for Storfossen). The Storfossen zone has special regulation only in the period 20.6-20.7. This license is only sold at Storfossen Camping at the Norwegian side of the river.

Upper limit salmon fishing

In most of the Norwegian tributaries there is a management border (see below) which regulates what kind of licenses are needed. Downstream these borders all the anglers need a license from TF. Upstream these borders anglers need a freshwater fishing license from the Finnmark Estate Agency (FeFo). Upstream these borders it is not allowed to catch and kill salmon.

- **Kárášjohka:** Kartblad 1933 II, UTM 942 717, Lailagorži.
- **Iešjohka:** Kartblad 1934 II, UTM 966 130, Iešjohkgorži.
- **Goššjohka:** Kartblad 2032 IV, UTM 174 435, ved elvemøte.
- **Láksjohka:** (a) Deavkkehanjohka: Kartblad 2235 III, UTM 045 772, ved Roavvevarri. (b) Gurtejohka: Kartblad 2235 III, UTM 072 848, ved utløp av Gurteluobbal.
- **Máskejohka:** (a) Geassájohka (Sommerelva): Kartblad 2235 II, UTM 325 931, ved foss. (b) Uvjalátnja (Dunkratelva): Kartblad 2235 II, UTM 279 887, at waterfall..

Declaring the catch

According to the Norwegian law, everyone that intends to catch salmon, sea trout and arctic char, are obliged to declare their catch. This means that everyone who has purchased a fishing license are obliged to submit a precise report of the catch, even if the person did not catch any fish or did not fish at all. The angler can declare the catch at internet, by sending a SMS or by visiting one of the license salesmen.

Declaring at internet

Visit www.scanatura.no and choose «registrere fangst».

Declaring by SMS

Send SMS with catch report to (+47) 41 71 60 30. Remember to dale + 47 if you do not have a Norwegian telephone subscription. 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

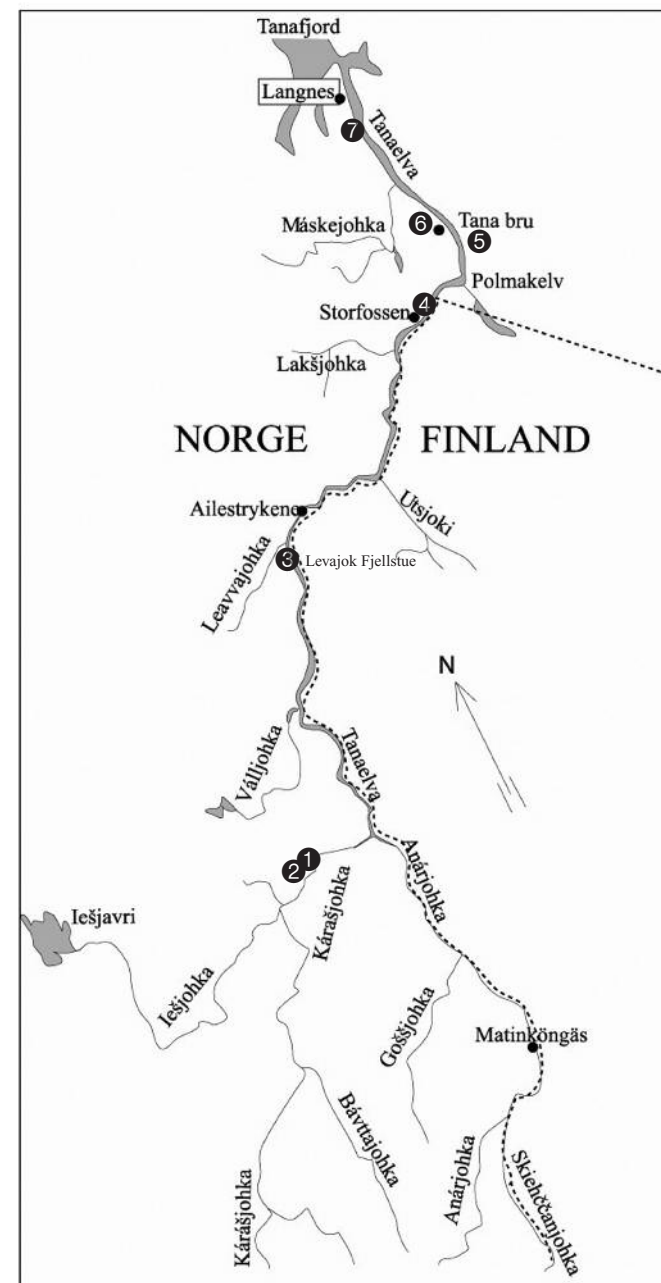
Anglers that don't declare their catch, would have to pay an extra fee of 300 NOK next time they would like to buy a fishing license in the Tana Watercourse.

River guards

TF have employed 9 river guards with limited police authority. Anglers have to show the river guards fishing license, ID and State Fishing Fee when asked.

Sample fish scales from salmon and sea trout

TF ask all the anglers to take a scale sample from salmon and sea trout. These samples give vital information to scientists and management about the salmon populations. Some of the anglers that deliver samples from salmon and trout will be rewarded with a gift coupon of a value of 2 500,-. Find guidance on the scale sampling envelope. Please do not take samples from fish that are going to be released.



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