

Fishing regulations for visiting anglers in the Tana River System 2024

The Tana River Fisheries Management (TF) has compiled all fishing regulations for visiting anglers in the Tana River System into one document to make the rules more accessible for fishermen.

In 2024, all targeted fishing for salmon or sea trout is prohibited. Any incidental catch of these species must be carefully released.

There are two main card categories: Fishing permits for sea trout fishing from boat or shore in Tana delta, and fishing permits for freshwater fishing in the Tana River System (main river and tributaries). The cards are divided into different periods with reduced prices for youths (aged 13-17); children under 13 fish for free. The cards can be purchased [online](#) but must be activated or acquired at designated [outlets](#). This is to ensure that visitors comply with equipment disinfection requirements. **Remember that reporting of all species is one of the most useful tools for managing the various species in the Tana River System.**

Anglers targeting sea trout must also obtain the Norwegian Environment Agency's [fishing fee](#).

Anglers targeting other freshwater species need fishing permits for Tana in the mentioned areas.

Equipment Disinfection

Fishing gear, boats, and other objects used in another watercourse must be dried and disinfected before being moved to the Tana River System. This requirement applies equally to local fishermen. The reason for both drying and disinfection is to prevent deadly fish parasites and blacklisted species such as water milfoil*.

*** Due to the increasing spread of blacklisted plants like water milfoil and narrow water milfoil (recorded up to the upper reaches of the Torne River system towards Karesuando) and their severely negative impacts on freshwater ecosystems, we urge fishermen to ensure the drying and washing of all organic materials that may have attached from another watercourse. Disinfectants alone are not sufficient.**

Catch Reporting

Catch reporting is mandatory under the three fishing regulations for the Tana River System. Fishermen are required to report their catch continuously to <https://tana.lakseelv.no/>

Alternatively, catches can be submitted to the Tana River Fisheries Management on catch sheets, where the following information must be provided:

1. Area/zone where fishing took place

2. Date of fishing
3. Gender, length, and weight (if the fish is to be released, this is optional; fishermen can provide an estimate of length/weight)
4. Number of fish of each species caught or released

- Seasonal catches must be reported by September 1, 2024. Ice fishing catches in permitted areas are to be reported next season by May 1, 2025.
- In case of catches of pink salmon (in 2024), farmed salmon, or rainbow trout, fishermen are requested to inform TF immediately so that necessary measures can be taken if needed.

Fishermen who fail to comply with the rules will be subject to an additional fee of 300 NOK when purchasing fishing permits for the next season.

Bulk reporting is allowed but should be avoided. For example: July 8: 10 grayling/5 kg, Polmak River.