

2026 FISHING REGULATIONS FOR REPPARFJORD / SKAIDIVASSDRAGET

1. FISHING SEASONS

- The fishing season for salmon is from June 1st at 00:00 to August 31st at 24:00.
 - For sea trout, the fishing season is from June 1st at 00:00 to August 31st at 24:00 throughout the entire watercourse, and from September 1st at 00:00 to September 14th at 24:00 in the stretch from the handicap pool to the river/sea boundary. All wild salmon (Atlantic salmon – *Salmo salar*) and Arctic char caught during this period must be released. Farmed salmon, rainbow trout, and pink salmon must be retained.
 - There is a total ban on fishing for Arctic char throughout the period from June 1st up to and including September 14th. All Arctic char must be released if caught.
 - The fishing day is 24 hours, running from 18:00 to 18:00 the following day.
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2. GEAR REGULATIONS

2.1 Repparfjordelva

- From June 1st at 00:00 to July 10th at 24:00, fishing is permitted using fly, live and artificial worm with or without weight, as well as spoon, spinner, and wobbler, with only one treble hook.
 - From July 10th at 24:00 to August 31st at 24:00, fishing is permitted using fly, live and artificial worm with or without weight.
 - From September 1st at 00:00 to September 14th at 24:00, fishing is permitted with a maximum hook size of #8 for fly fishing and hook size #6 for worm fishing.
 - It is strictly prohibited to fish in a manner that increases the likelihood of foul-hooking fish. The use of heavily weighted flies in low water conditions is an example of this.
 - When using tube flies, only one tube fly and one treble hook are permitted.
 - It is prohibited to deliberately disturb fish by throwing stones or by other means intended to make fish move.
 - ***If you do not intend to keep the fish you catch, use barbless hooks or remove barbs from hooks before the fishing begins.***
 - Fishing with shrimp is not permitted.
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2.1.1 Skaidielva

- Only fly fishing and worm fishing without weight are permitted throughout the entire season. Both methods may only use a float or floating fly line as casting weight, and a maximum of one dropper fly/hook.
 - Weighted flies such as copper/brass/tungsten tubes are not permitted in Skaidielva.
 - It is prohibited to deliberately disturb fish by throwing stones or by other means intended to make fish move.
 - ***If you do not intend to keep the fish you catch, use barbless hooks or remove barbs from hooks before the fishing begins.***
 - Fishing with shrimp is not permitted.
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2.2 QUOTAS/BAG LIMITS

For ANGLERS RESIDING IN HAMMERFEST MUNICIPALITY

- Seasonal quota: 12 salmon and 15 sea trout
- Of these, each angler may retain a maximum of 2 salmon over 80 cm (70 cm in Skaidivassdraget) per season

For ANGLERS RESIDING IN FINNMARK OUTSIDE HAMMERFEST MUNICIPALITY

- Seasonal quota: 9 salmon and 12 sea trout
- Of these, each angler may retain a maximum of 2 salmon over 80 cm (70 cm in Skaidivassdraget) per season

For ANGLERS RESIDING OUTSIDE FINNMARK

- Seasonal quota: 6 salmon and 9 sea trout
 - Of these, each angler may retain a maximum of 1 salmon over 80 cm (70 cm in Skaidivassdraget) per season
 - When the seasonal quota is reached, fishing must cease.
 - Seasonal quotas apply to the **total combined catch** in Repparfjord and Skaidivassdraget.
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2.3 EXCEPTIONS

- The board of VJFF may implement changes to quotas and gear regulations during the season if necessary. Such changes will be announced through notices at license vendors, on the association's website, and by river wardens.
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3. CONSERVATION ZONES

- All protected areas are marked with signs, and all anglers are required to follow posted instructions.

The following zones are protected for the entire season:

- Cuovvarjohka, including its tributaries and associated pond. It joins Repparfjordelva just above the flood protection structure in Milch bend (Blue zone)
- A 30-meter stretch on the north side of the river above the suspension bridge at Knottheim (White zone)
- Breidalselva (Govdavákjohka), from its confluence with Repparfjordelva up to the waterfall (Orange zone)
- From the outlet of the waterfall pool to a sign approximately 100 meters above the fish ladder (Green zone)
- Nadjetjohka, from its confluence with Repparfjordelva up to Voggenestjernet (Yellow zone)
- Skaidielva – Mellomfossen, from Djupholla to Skumholla, approximately 30 meters (Zone 9; marked with signs and spray markings)

3.2 Exceptions

- The board of VJFF may establish temporary conservation zones during the season. Such changes will be communicated in the same manner as above.
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4. GENERAL RULES

- All anglers must carry a valid fishing permit, national fishing license, and identification. These must be presented upon request.
- All fishing gear and other potential vectors of infection used in other watercourses must be disinfected prior to use. Documentation of disinfection must be carried and presented upon inspection.
- It is not permitted to leave fishing gear unattended.
- Minimum size for all harvestable species is 35 cm. This also applies during the extended sea trout fishing period in September.
- Fishing from boats, bridges, or similar structures is prohibited.
- Rotational fishing MUST be practiced. Anglers who land a fish must move to the end of the queue before resuming fishing.
- In all tributaries with anadromous salmonids, the same regulations regarding gear, seasons, and protected zones apply.
- Ice fishing in lakes with anadromous fish is permitted more than 200 meters from inlet/outlet streams from January 1st to May 4th. Allowed bait includes earthworms, insect larvae, and squid. Set lines, longlines, or nets are not permitted. All wild salmon must be released.

- Anglers are encouraged to release fish that are well advanced in the spawning process. Heavily colored fish of both sexes have reduced food quality and are more valuable on spawning grounds than in a freezer.
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5. NATURE AND CONDUCT RULES

- All users of the river must keep their surroundings clean. All litter **MUST** be removed when leaving the river. Pink salmon that are caught but not retained for consumption must **NOT** be left along the riverbank.
 - It is not permitted to transfer live fish between watercourses.
 - Cleaning fish at the river is considered negligent due to infection risk and general cleanliness concerns.
 - Cutting live trees for firewood is generally prohibited. Bring firewood or use fallen timber. Use established fire pits.
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6. REPORTING OBLIGATIONS

- Anyone fishing for anadromous salmonids **MUST** submit catch reports for official statistics.
- Anglers with seasonal permits must report catches continuously and no later than before the next fishing day begins. Released fish must also be reported and clearly marked as released.
- Catch reporting must be done continuously. Instructions are provided on the fishing permit or at the point of purchase.
- If you do not have internet access, assistance is available from license vendors (Kleven Jakt og Fiske in Hammerfest or Arcticflies in Skaidi).
- Show responsibility! Insufficient reporting from members may result in the river being closed to fishing.
- Failure to submit catch reports within the deadline or failure to report during the season will result in loss of fishing rights for the following season. The same applies to deliberate misreporting intended to bypass quota regulations.
- Report violations to:
Phone: 92020753
Email: vaktvfjff@gmail.com

Violations may result in warnings, expulsion from the river, or suspension of fishing rights.

CONTACT NUMBERS

River wardens: 92020753

Environmental committee: 95034447

Police: 78428000