



Fishing rules Vestre Jakobselv - 2024

Valid from 00.00 1st of June to 31st. of August.

Tackle:	Sones	June	July	August
Fly: Floating line	1-2-3-4-5	Yes	Yes	Yes
Fly: Sinking line	1-2-3-4-5	Yes	Yes	No
Fly: Weighted flies and metal tubes	1-2-3-4-5	Yes	No	No
Fly: Tubes and coneheads	1-2-3-4-5	Ja	Ja	Ja
Lure – Spinner – Wobbler. Children up to and including 16 years	1-2-3-4-5	Ja	Ja (12g)	Ja (12g)
Lure – Spinner – Wobbler	1-2-3-4-5	Yes	No	No
Lure – Spinner – Wobbler. Max 12 gr	3-4-5	Yes	Yes	No
Worm	3-4-5	Yes	Yes	Yes
Worm	1-2	Yes	Yes	No
Worm. Children up to and including 16 years	1-2-3-4-5	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lead weight	1-2-3-4-5	Yes	No	No
Gaff	1-2-3-4-5	No	No	No

Tackle:

- Disinfection of Fishing equipment and other possibly contagious items used outside the Nord Varanger must be disinfected. Certificate of satisfactory disinfection of fishing gear, etc. must be presented at the time of purchase of fishing licenses and must be carried while fishing and shown to river guards on request. Only disinfection carried out in Nord Varanger is approved.
- Only one rod with three hooks is allowed. (A triple hook is considered as three hooks).
- While fishing with flies or worms, only the floater or the fly line can be used as casting weight.
- The hook size is measured between the trunk and the point of the hook. No more/longer than 13 mm on double or treble hooks are allowed. No more than 15 mm on single hook is allowed.
- Dipping the fishing gear in organic extracts or adding scent lubricants is prohibited.

Fishing:

- Keep moving downstream while fishing. This means, start fishing at the pools upper point, and fish downstream. If a fisherman/woman catch/lose a fish, that person must start fishing in the pools upper point.
- Fishing upstream is permitted but hooking/crouching fish is not permitted.
- No fishing whatsoever in prohibited zones (Lines, tippet or flies cannot cross the line into the protected zone). The protected zones are marked with paint on the ground as well as with signs. You can see the protected zones marked on the maps along the river.
- In 2023, the entire Hermannkulpen is protected during the period when the fish trap is installed in the river.

- The Esbensen and the Båtkulpen on the east side of the river are private grounds. You may not fish in these pools without acceptance from the landowner.
- Kelts is protected and must be released.
- Arctic char is protected and must be released.
- Minimum size salmon 35 cm.
- Minimum size Trout 25 cm. • Pink salmon must be killed.

Bag limits for locals (residents of Vadsø kommune)

- Season bag limit (killed fish): **10 atlantic salmon**. When bag limit is reached, fishing must end for the season (no free C&R).
- Daily quota (killed fish): **2 atlantic salmon**. When bag limit is reached, fishing must end for the day (no free C&R).
- It is only permitted to kill **2 male atlantic salmon over 80 cm**.
- All hen atlantic salmon must be released. It is not allowed to kill hen atlantic salmon.
- If situations arise where the angler cannot follow the rules, river supervision is contacted.

Bag limits for persons living in Finnmark

- Season bag limit (killed fish): **6 atlantic salmon**. When bag limit is reached, fishing must end for the season (no free C&R).
- Daily quota (killed fish): **1 atlantic salmon**. When bag limit is reached, fishing must end for the day (no free C&R).
- It is only permitted to kill **1 male atlantic salmon over 80 cm**.
- All hen atlantic salmon must be released. It is not allowed to kill hen atlantic salmon.
- If situations arise where the angler cannot follow the rules, river supervision is contacted.

Bag limits for persons living outside Finnmark

- Season bag limit (killed fish): **4 atlantic salmon**. When bag limit is reached, fishing must end for the season (no free C&R).
- Daily quota (killed fish): **1 atlantic salmon**. When bag limit is reached, fishing must end for the day (no free C&R).
- It is only permitted to kill **1 male atlantic salmon over 80 cm**.
- All hen atlantic salmon must be released. It is not allowed to kill hen atlantic salmon.
- If situations arise where the angler cannot follow the rules, river supervision is contacted.

Rules of conduct:

- Be an example and guide by example for youngsters and children. Prioritize children to fish first.
- It's prohibited to throw garbage along the river, use the garbage cans along the river or bring your garbage home. Fish gut must not be thrown in the garbage cans or thrown into the water. Both about the risk of infection and well-being along the river
- Everyone fishing in Vestre Jakobselv must bring:
 - Fishing licence o National fishing licence
 - IDENTIFICATION (driver's license or passport)

- Disinfection certification (*Gyrodactylus salaris*) and must be showed to the river supervisor/guards upon request.
- If you observe illegal fishing, call the river guard.
- Tent: do not camp closer than 100 metres from the riverbank. Use existing bonfire sites.

Riversupervisor/ -guard: 900 67 707