

Galway Fishery Tariffs and Regulations



Rod Angling Fees 2021

Main Beat			New Beat		
Period	Full Day	Half Day	Period	Full Day	Half Day
	Euro €	Euro €		Euro €	Euro €
Feb 1 - Feb 28	35	25	Feb 1 - Mar 31	20	-
Mar 1 - Mar 31	50	40	Apr 1 - May 31	25	20
Apr 1 - May 31	65	45	Jun 1 - Jul 17	35	25
Jun 1 - Jul 17	125	(Fishing am/pm)	Jul 18 - Aug 31	30	20
Jul 18 - Aug 31	65	45	Sep 1 - Sep 30	20	-
Sep 1 - Sep 30	45	35			

Fishing Times: Due to the Covid - 19 Pandemic protocols in place, angling will be confined to 4 hour sessions until further notice. Should normal angling resume which will be dependent on Government Guidelines the following times will apply during the peak period; From June 1st to July 17th (inclusive) there will be two angling sessions per day, i.e. from 6.00am to 1.00pm and from 1.30pm to 8.30pm.

Evening Fishing (Fly Only): Evening fishing will not be available until further notice. Should normal fishing resume the following times will apply: From June 1st - July 17th fishing is from 8.30pm to 11.00pm. All other times 7.00pm to 10.00pm. Fees of €30 per rod will be charged for evening rods. A bag limit of 1 fish per angler applies to evening fishing

Deposits/Full Fees: Booking requests are allocated rods subject to availability. If you receive an offer of angling, deposits/full fees must be paid within 14 days of receipt of the offer, or the rod(s) will be reallocated to another angler on the waiting list. For bookings during peak season (June 1st-July 17th) full fees must be paid to secure the booking(s). For all other times outside of this period, a 50% deposit is required. **Please note: Deposits/Full Fees are non-refundable.**

Advance Bookings

Applications for rod bookings should be made before the start of the season (Feb 1st) by mail, fax or email to:
The Manager, Galway Fishery, Weir Lodge, Earl's Island, Galway
Tel. +353-91-562388 Fax: +353-91-362930 Email: seamus.hartigan@fisheriesireland.ie

FISHERY REGULATIONS

Licences: Before an angler can fish a current State salmon angling licence must be produced. Licences can be purchased at the Fishery Office.

Fly Only Rule:

During low water conditions (at a level to be determined by the Fishery Manager) a fly only rule will apply on the Fishery.

Polaroids:

Polaroid glasses are only permitted to be used by anglers fly-fishing on the Fishery.

Bag Limits:

There is a national bag limit of 10 fish per angler on rivers that are open for salmon angling. From February 1st to May 11th inclusive, a daily bag limit of 1 salmon per angler will apply, up to a maximum of 3 salmon during that period. As a further conservation measure for multi-sea-winter salmon (fish of 3.63kg/8lbs+) a bag limit of 1 fish per angler will apply to August 31st. Bag limits of fish under this size/weight of 2 fish per day will apply from May 12th to August 31st (maximum daily bag limit of 2 fish per rod) and a limit of 1 fish per day during September. Anglers may be permitted to fish catch & release using double/single barbless hooks, subject to certain restrictions depending on circumstances i.e. water temperature, height, etc. Angling methods, bag limits, catch & release policy may be revised during the season at the discretion of local management. All fish caught must be recorded, and tagged if retained, with details given to Fishery Staff. It should be noted that regulations and bye-laws may be subject to change.

Foul Hooked Fish:

All foul hooked fish must be returned to the river under Bye-Law No. 847/2008. In the case of badly damaged or exhausted fish that cannot be revived, they must be handed up to Fishery Staff. Failure to comply will result in anglers being banned from the Fishery.

Protocol on the River:

- Anglers should fish the river down step by step and when at the bridge, cease fishing, go upstream and start again.
- Fly anglers wading from the east bank have right of way while fishing down the river
- Anglers must alternate in Jimmy's (Weir) Pool after one hour's fishing

N.B. During inclement weather it is advisable to contact the Fishery for information on conditions before travelling.

The Galway Fishery and Inland Fisheries Ireland reserve the right to refuse access to the Fishery.

Inland Fisheries Ireland does not accept any liability for any injury or damage as a result of the use of this Fishery. Anglers are advised to exercise utmost care for their safety and the safety of others using the Fishery and to have regard to changing weather and water conditions. Anglers are also advised to have regard to potential dangers due to the naturally occurring features of the physical environment of the Fishery. Anglers are advised to use a personal flotation device at all times when in the immediate vicinity of the Fishery. Use of this Fishery is permitted on the strict understanding that Inland Fisheries Ireland's duty to entrants is limited to that owed to a "recreational user" under the Occupiers Liability Act, 1995.