

Canoeing and kayaking on the River Gudenå



Navigation rules 2019

The following summarises the rules of navigation according to the regulation for Gudenå from Tørring to Mossø, as well as the decree on non-commercial navigation on Gudenå (Order no. 148 of 24/2-2016).

You are welcome to navigate the river Gudenå in your own vessel, or one that you have borrowed or rented. However, there are different rules depending on where you are planning to go:

1. Using a rented vessels on the stretch from Tørring to Randers:

A rented vessel must be rented from an authorised boat rental company. [A list of authorised companies](#) can be found on the Gudenå Committee's homepage.

Rental vessels have unique registration numbers.

To protect the environment only a limited number of vessels can be launched between Tørring and Klostermølle. All vessels on this stretch must therefore have a permit to sail. The permit will be included if you rent a vessel from an authorised boat rental company.

2. Resident vessels

a) Between Tørring and Klostermølle:

Residents living near the Gudenå in Horsens or Hedensted municipality can register their own vessel as 'resident'. Contact your municipality to find out if you fulfil the requirements to obtain such a resident registration. Upon registration, you will receive a permit that must be displayed visibly on the vessel. The owner of the vessel and members of the owner's household may navigate on the river without further registration.

Motorised sailing is forbidden between Tørring and Klostermølle.

b) Between Klostermølle and Randers:

There is no requirement to register a resident vessel on this stretch, and navigation is unrestricted for resident vessels.

3. Guest vessels

a) Between Tørring and Klostermølle:

Guest vessels must be registered. A guest vessel is one that you own or have borrowed for free. Registered rental vessels are not regarded as guest vessels.

Motorised sailing is forbidden between Tørring and Klostermølle.

Registered guest vessels will receive a permit that must be displayed visibly on the vessel. This permit costs 75 DKK, is valid for 5 days and can from 2019 be purchased via this website. A maximum of 50 guest permits can be issued per week.

b) Between Klostermølle and Randers:

Navigating your own or a borrowed vessel without an engine does not require registration on this stretch – navigation is unrestricted for guest vessels.

Additional considerations:

Companies, schools, clubs, and organisations may arrange trips for their own members/staff/students in their own vessels, if there is no fee charged for the use of the vessel.

If you attach any type of engine on to your vessel, you must register it as a motorised vessel at www.sejladspaagudenaen.dk. There are other rules and restrictions for using motorised vessels. These can be found in the brochure "Boating on the Gudenå".

The brochure "Experience the Gudenå by canoe, kayak or rowboat" along with navigation rules and maps can be found at www.sejladspaagudenaen.dk

Other rules:

Between Tørring and Klostermølle, it is only permitted to:

- Navigate the river between 16th June to 31st December, and between 8 AM and 6PM.
- Navigate downstream. Navigation against the current is allowed in Naldal Sø and Vestbirk Sø.
- Vessels must not be tied together.
- Navigate the river if you have a valid permit.
- Use 2 or 3 persons canoes, or 1 or 2 persons kayaks. On Naldal Sø and Vestbirk Sø you can also use a rowboat.
- Navigate in larger groups if you divide into smaller groups of max. 5 vessels at the start of your journey. Groups must keep appropriate distance during the whole trip.
- Launch or disembarking along the Kloster Canal (Klosterkanalen) between Riværket and Klostermølle. However, it is permitted to haul vessels out of the water at the hauling spot on the south side of the Kloster Canal (Klosterkanalen) approx. 300 meters before Klostermølle.

The following must be observed by Klostermølle

- It is not permitted to launch or land vessels along the Kloster canal between Riværket and Klostermølle.
- The launch site at Klostermølle can be used all year round. Please follow the signpost at Klostermølle for information on the use of the site.

On Tåning Å it is only permitted to:

- Navigate between 6AM and 10PM, daily.

General rules

It is not permitted, to

- Navigating in areas with rush or reeds
- Navigating in waters where vessels are forbidden.
- Violating the registration requirement for vessels on the stretch between Tørring and Klostermølle
- Hiring out vessels without permission from the municipality
- Ignoring municipal regulations

Breaking the above-mentioned rules can result in a fine according to the Order on Non-Commercial Navigation on the Gudenå (no. 148 of 24/2-2016).