

Canoeing and kayaking on the River Gudenå



Navigation rules 2015

You are welcome to navigate the 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. If you have a rented vessel from Tørring to Randers:

If you are navigating the Gudenå in a rented vessel, the vessel must be rented at an authorised renter. A list of authorised renters can be found on the homepage for the Gudenå Committee: www.gudenaakomiteen.dk/koncessioner/tildelte-koncessioner-2013-2016

Rental vessels have unique registration numbers.

Between Tørring and Klostermølle the number of vessels that are allowed to launch is limited out of concern for nature. All vessels on this stretch must therefore have an access card. When you rent a vessel from an authorised renter, you will also receive an access card.

2. Resident vessels

a) between Tørring and Klostermølle:

Those residing near the Gudenå in Horsens or Hedensted municipality, or with property that stretches down to the Gudenå, can register their own vessel on this stretch and may then sail on the whole Gudenå.

b) between Klostermølle and Randers:

There is no requirement to register resident canoes or kayaks here, and navigating between Klostermølle and Randers is unrestricted.

3. Guest vessels

a) between Tørring and Klostermølle:

Guest vessels must be registered.

A guest vessel is one that you own or have borrowed. A guest vessel can not be registered as a rental vessel.

Registration of guest vessels takes place when you are issued an access card in the form of a guest registration number, which must be with you at all times during your trip. An access card costs 125 kr (valid for 3 days) and can be bought at Tørring Teltplads (www.toerringteltplads or tel. 41 67 58 00). A maximum of 50 guest registration numbers will be issued per week.

b) between Klostermølle and Randers:

On this stretch, you do not need to register a vessel that you own or have borrowed if it does not have an engine. You may then navigate freely between Klostermølle and Randers.

Other comments:

Schools and scouts may arrange guest trips for their own students/members using the school/district/area's own vessels, as long as a fee is not charged for the vessels or their use.

If you attach an engine (including electric engines) to your vessel, it must be registered on the Gudenå as a motorised vessel. Please visit:

www.sejladspaagudenaen.dk, where you will find specific rules and restrictions regarding motorised vessels. Here you will also find a brochure entitled "Boating on the Gudenå".

The brochure "Experience the Gudenå by cano and kayak", which includes navigation rules and maps can be found at

www.sejladspaagudenaen.dk

Please take note:

Safety recommendations:

- Always wear a lifejacket.
- Maintain an appropriate distance between vessels.
- Do not stand up in a canoe or kayak.
- Keep an appropriate distance to fishing equipment.
- Avoid bringing dogs.

It is permitted to:

- Disembark at marked rest and camping spots and landing sites.
- Disembark on private land with the permission of the owner or where the Nature Protection Act's general access code applies.
- Camp on marked campsites.
- Camp on private land with the permission of the owner.
- Light fires in approved areas at rest and camping sites.
- Light fires on private land with the permission of the owner.

Special notices on the ban of campfires must always be abided by.

Which rules apply?

Between Tørring and Klostermølle it is only permitted to:

- Navigate from 16 June - end of February, and between 8AM and 6PM.
- Navigate with the current.
- Navigate if you can show that you have a valid access card, or that you are the owner of a resident vessel.
- Use 2 or 3 person canoes and 1 or 2 person kayaks, unless you have obtained special permission from Horsens or Hedensted municipalities.
- Navigate in larger groups if you are divided into smaller groups of up to 5 vessels. Appropriate distance must be maintained between smaller groups throughout the trip.

Between Riværket and Møssø it is not permitted to:

- Launch or disembark at Klostermølle.
- Launch vessels or disembark along Klosterkanalen (Kloster Canal) between Riværket and Klostermølle. However, if you have a rented vessel and have come to an agreement with the renter, you may use the slipway on the south side of Klosterkanalen (Kloster Canal), ca. 300m before Klostermølle.

On Tåning Å it is only permitted to:

- Navigate between 6AM and 10PM.

On the whole Gudenå it is only permitted to:

- Navigate in vessels that have approved lifejackets for each person on board.

Further to the notice on non-industrial navigation and other transport on the Gudenå and its tributaries and lakes from Tørring to Randers (notice no. 416 of the 17/03/2013), and unless a higher punishment is required in accordance with other legislation, the following infringements will incur a fine:

- Navigating in areas with reeds
- Navigating in restricted areas
- Speeding (§ 3, sections. 2-14)
- Violating the registration requirement for vessels between Tørring and Klostermølle.
- Hiring out vessels without permission from the municipality
- Ignoring municipal regulations.