

Canoeing and kayaking on the River Gudenå



Navigation rules 2017

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 <http://www.gudenaakomiteen.dk/udlejningssejlads/oversigt-over-godkendte-udlejere-i-gudenaasystemet-fra-2017/>

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 the natural environment. 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:

Residents living near the Gudenå in Horsens or Hedensted municipality, or with a property that stretches down to the Gudenå in this area, can register their own vessel as 'resident' on this stretch of the river. Upon registration, you will receive an access card in the form of a residents permit that must be displayed visibly on the vessel. The resident owner and their householders may not navigate without further registration.

b) Between Klostermølle and Randers:

Her er der ingen krav om registrering af hjemmehørende kanoer og kajaker, og der er fri sejlads for disse fartøjer.

3. Gæstefartøj

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 guest vessels.

Registered guest vessels will receive an access card in the form of a guest number that must be displayed visibly on the vessel. This access card costs 125 DKK, is valid for 5 days and can be purchased at Tørring Teltplads (www.toerringteltplads.dk or tel. 4167 5800). A maximum of 50 guest numbers will 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 here is unrestricted for these vessels.

Additional considerations:

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

If you attach any type of engine on to your vessel, you must register it as a motorised vessel on the Gudenå – See 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

On your journey, please remember:

Safety advice:

- Always wear a buoyancy aid.
- Keep distance between vessels.
- Remain seated in your vessels.
- Keep distance from fishing equipment.
- Avoid bringing dogs

It is permitted to:

- Disembark at signposted rest stops, campsites and slipways. These can be found in the brochure "Experience the Gudenå by canoe, kayak or rowboat".
 - Disembark on private land with the permission of the landowner, or where the law on nature conservation's general access rights apply.
 - Stay overnight at signposted campsites.
 - Stay overnight on private land with the permission of the landowner.
 - Light campfires in approved campfire areas at rest stops and campsites.
 - Light campfires on private land with permission of the landowner.
- Always abide by any restrictions on campfires and open fires.

Which rules apply?

Between Tørring and Klostermølle, it is only permitted to:

- Navigate the river between 16th June to 31st December, and between 8 AM and 6PM, daily.
- Navigate with the current or in stationary waters.
- Canoes and kayaks may not be tied together.
- Navigate the river if you can show a valid access card.
- Use 2 or 3 person canoes, or 1 or 2 person kayaks. On Naldal Sø and Vertbirk Sø you are also allowed to 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 disembark 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) ca. 300 meters before Klostermølle

On Tåning Å it is only permitted to:

- Navigate between 6AM and 10PM, daily.

According to the Order on Non-Commercial Navigation and other transportation on the Gudenå and its tributaries and lakes between Tørring and Randers (nr. 148 of 24/2-2016), unless a higher punishment is ordered according to other legislation, a fine will be issued for:

- 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