# 1. Opening and closing dates of the fishing season

The main fishing season opens on May 1st and lasts up to and including September 15th in running waters and up to and including October 15<sup>th</sup> in lakes, with the following exceptions:

#### Opening:

February 1st: Alpenrhein from the Reichenau power station to the cantonal boundary (with

exceptions in April).

Landquart: downstream the confluence of the Arieschbach to the waterfall in the

Chlus gorge.

June 1<sup>st</sup>: Inn between the lakes of the Upper Engadin valley; Inn from the outlet of the St. Moritz

lake to the confluence of the new Flaz stream as well as the following tributary streams:

Brattas Schlattein, Cristansains and Gravatscha.

## Closing:

15<sup>th</sup> September: The Solis reservoir, Lake Palpuogna, the Isel reservoir (Arosa), Lakes of Sils, Silvaplana, Champfèr, St. Moritz and Lake of Poschiavo.

September 30<sup>th</sup>: Alpenrhein from the Reichenau power station to the cantonal boundary.

The closed season for grayling in the Alpenrhein (302-305) last up to and including April 30<sup>th</sup> and in the rest of the Canton up to and including May 31 st.

The closed season in the Alpenrhein for lake trouts starts July 15<sup>th</sup>.

## 2. Protected species of fish and crayfish

The nase, the bullhead, the soufie, the stone loach and all species of cravfish are protected throughout the Canton and the grayling in the catchment area of the Moesa and in the Inn below S-chanf.

#### 3. Private fishing waters

The cantonal permit is not valid in waters marked in yellow on the map of rivers and lakes.

#### 4. Close days

In running waters, fishing is prohibited on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

Exceptions:

- the Vorderrhein below the bridge of Mutteins (Tavanasa)
- the Glenner below the confluence of the Valserrhein (Uors)
- the Albula/Hinterrhein below the power-station of the "EWZ" (Sils i.D.)
- the Alpenrhein: Reichenau boundary of the Canton

This prohibition does not apply on season opening and closing days, Easter Monday, Whit Monday and August 1st.

Regulations on close days do not apply to lakes.

#### 5. Minimum Sizes

Species of fish	Minimum Size	Waters
Brown trout	24 cm (approx. 9.45 in.)	
	22 cm (approx. 8.66 in.)	All waters of the Calanca valley as well as the upper
		stretch of the Rein da Medel.
	25 cm (approx. 9.84 in.)	Alpenrhein. In addition, starting 15.07, brown trout
		50 cm or bigger are protected.
Lake trout	24 cm (approx. 9.45 in.)	
	50 cm (approx. 19.68 in. =	The Alpenrhein
	1.64 ft.)	·

Species of fish	Minimum Size	Waters
Arctic char	24 cm (approx. 9.45 in.)	All waters with the exception of several lakes.
Canadian lake trout	30 cm (approx. 11.81 in. =	All waters with the exception of several lakes.
(namaycush)	0.98 ft.)	
Rainbow trout	24 cm	All lakes (no size limit in running waters).
Grayling	30 cm (approx. 11.81 in. = 0.98 ft.)	All waters with the exception of the Alpenrhein river, where the size limit is 35 cm.

#### 6. Bag limits per Day

Bag limits for running waters is 6 game fish, for lakes 10 game fish. Brown trout and lake trout, arctic char, speckled char, Canadian lake trout (namaycush), rainbow trout and graylings are considered game fish for the purpose of these Fishing Bylaws.

In the whole Inn down to the state border with Austria, maximum daily catch is 4 game fish.

In all running waters, anglers are permitted to catch a maximum of 4 graylings per day.

In total, the maximum bag limit is 10 game fish. Game fish caught in waters where bag limits are not applicable, do not count in the daily quota.

In the following lakes there are no bag limits for the specified game fish listed below:

Brown trout: Lake Runcahez.

Lake trout Lakes Braita, Darbola, Roggiasca.

Arctic char Lakes Tuma (Tujetsch), Blausee (Obersaxen), Blau (Medel Lucmagn), Sontga Maria

(Medel Lucmagn), Upper Flüe, Seeflüe (Avers-Juf), Ravais-ch suot (Bergün/

Bravuogn).

Canadian lake trout Lake dil Hirli (Ausserferrera), upper and lower Negr lakes (Bergün/Bravuogn),

Lakes Sils, Silvaplana, Champfèr, St. Moritz, and Lake da Stabi.

Speckled char All lakes.

### 7. Fishing Equipment

- Fish can only be caught with fishing rods.
- Anglers may use only one fishing rod at one time.
- The fishing rod may not have more than 3 hook tips.
- Anglers are not allowed to carry barbed hooks in the vicinity of waters or to use them for fishing purposes.
- In the Inn and all relevant tributaries on this stretch from the outlet of Lake St. Moritz to the confluence of the Ova da Punt Ota, it is forbidden to weight the fishing line below the lure.

#### 8. Bait fish

As bait fish only dead minnows may be used. Bait fish cannot be caught earlier than 8 days before the opening of the fishing season in the waters concerned and only a fish-trap can be used for this purpose.

#### 9. Handling of fish caught

When fish are landed or held in keep nets they must not be subjected to unnecessary injury or harm. Non-protected fish which are landed must be killed immediately or held in a proper manner. Fish which are landed or held in keep nets may not be exchanged or returned to the water. Protected fish species, Grayling and other fish caught during their closed season or which have not reached their size limit, are to be returned to the water by releasing them carefully from the hook with a wet hand.

#### 10. Catch statistics

Licensed anglers have to complete a statistics form. This form must be carried at all times when fishing. Caught fish must be recorded immediately, before carry on fishing. Fish that do not reach the size limit must not be reported on the form. The catch statistics form must be returned to the licensing office not later than **October 31**<sup>st</sup> of the current year (date of post-mark). The form must be returned, whether or not any fish were caught or any fishing activity took place. If the statistics form is not returned by the deadline, a surcharge of CHF 100 will be charged.

From now on, the new fishing app can be used to fill in catch statistics:

# https://www.gr.ch/DE/institutionen/verwaltung/bvfd/ajf/fischerei/fischerei-app/Seiten/Home.aspx

### 11. Protected waters

All fishing, including the catching of bait fish and other food for fish is prohibited in protected waters. Protected waters are clearly signed.

## 12. Wading in riverbads

Wading in river beds in order to fish is permitted, on the following conditions: Wading in river beds in order to fish is not permitted before June 1<sup>st</sup>. In addition, there is a general ban on wading in the Inn above S-chanf, in the Alpenrhein in section 305 and in Lake Gravatscha. However, the licensed angler may wade into the river in order to cross it or to release bait, but may not fish whilst so doing.

Chur, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018=2019 Hunting and Fishing Authority, Grisons Dr. Adrian Arquint