



**Federation of Körösvidék Anglers Associations  
(KHESZ)**

# **LOCAL FISHING REGULATION**

**THIS LOCAL FISHING REGULATION IS A  
MANDATORY ANNEX TO THE AREA  
TICKETS ISSUED BY KHESZ.**

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**In the registered fish management water areas  
managed by KHESZ**

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**List of the water areas managed by KHESZ in  
alphabetical order with water area codes:**

- Almári canal (04-185-1-1)  
Álom-zug backwater (04-028-1-1)  
Lower-Ó-Berettyó canal (04-059-1-1)  
Aranyos backwater (04-030-1-1)  
Battonya great canal (04-052-1-1)  
Békésszentandrás Sirató backwater with the Kákafok  
connecting canal (04-006-1-1)  
Berettyó river and the connecting canals (Ér main canal,  
canals of Esztár-Nagymarja, Hencida-Csereerdő, Kis-  
Körös, Ördögárok, Zsáka-Furta, Nyártó, Poltraláp and  
Pappzug, Kálló main canal) (09-121-1-1)  
Betekints branch (04-024-1-1)  
Borza backwater (04-034-1-1)  
Büngösd main canal (04-043-1-1)  
Cigányfok main canal (04-042-1-1)  
Cigánykaér canal at the 0 - 17 709 section number  
(branching from the Battonya great canal) (04-055-1-1)  
Csókás-zug backwater (Endrőd middle, lower village)  
(04-109-1-5)  
Dánfokér canal (04-015-1-1)  
Danzug backwater (Gyomaendrőd) (04-008-1-1)  
Dióér main canal (04-041-1-1)  
Diófás canal, Békés, land registry number: 6929/6,9 (04-  
150-1-1)

Dögös-Kákafok main canal (04-050-1-1)  
Élővíz main canal (04-014-1-1)  
Fás lake (Békéscsaba) (04-011-1-1)  
Fazekaszug main canal (04-048-1-1)  
Fehér-Körös river from 0 rkm to 9 + 280 rkm (04-017-1-1)  
Fekete-Körös river from Szanazug to the border with  
Romania (04-002-1-1)  
Félhalom backwater (Biristyók) (04-009-1-1)  
Folyásér main canal, 0- 10 + 000 rm section (04-049-1-1)  
Folyásér-Szilvarévizug backwater (04-023-1-1)  
Fűzfás-zug backwater (04-111-1-5)  
Gerlai backwater (04-013-1-1)  
Gyiger backwater (Holt-Körös) (04-025-1-1)  
Gyomaendrőd Sirató backwater (04-007-1-1)  
Gyopáros lakes (04-140-1-5)  
Gyula draining canal (04-208-1-1)  
Hantosc kert backwater (Gyoma lower village) (04-110-1-5)  
Hármas-Körös at 12- 91,3 rkm (from the confluence of  
Sebes-Körös and Kettős-Körös to the damkeeper house  
at the border of Szelevény municipality) (04-201-1-1)  
Holt-Sebes-Körös main canal (04-037-1-1)  
Hortobágy-Berettyó 0-54 + 800 rkm section (04-022-1-1)  
Hortobágy-Berettyó at 54.800-59.900 rkm (04-021-1-1)  
Hosszú lake, Mezőberény land registry number: 1693,  
1695-1722 (04-176-1-5)  
Kacsa lake (04-123-1-5)  
Kákafok and Bikazug backwaters at 14+826 rkm (04-

076-1-1)

Kakat main canal (from Kisújszállás, Köles road to the estuary) (04-062-1-1)

Kerekes-zug backwater (04-027-1-1)

Kettős-Körös 0+000-37+260 rkm (04-202-1-1)

Királyhegyesi-Száraz-ér at 21+700-97+687 rkm (04-053-1-1)

Kocsorhegy (Borbélyzug) backwater (04-036-1-1)

Kődomb-Sziget main canal (09-124-1-1)

Kutas main canal, Kutas stream, Kutas canal (04-058-1-1)

Malomzug-Décsipusztá canal (04-063-1-1)

Malomzug-Simafok canal (04-064-1-1)

Mezőhegyes freshwater canal at 7 + 677 - 18 + 341 rm (04-057-1-1)

Nagy-Fok canal 4+106-12+571 rkm (09-123-1-1)

Nagyfokzug Holt-Körös (04-035-1-1)

Nagytót-Toprongyos canal (Zsadány 043 land registry number.) (04-099-1-1)

Német-zug backwater (04-114-1-5)

Béke fishing lake, Orosház (04-098-1-4)

Öcsödi backwater (lower part of Öcsöd village) (04-031-1-1)

Őzény-zug backwater (04-029-1-1)

Peresi backwater (04-033-1-1)

Poklás canal (Gyula land registry nr. 0993.) (04-173-1-5)

Pósteleki main canal (04-045-1-1)

Rév-zug backwater (at Endrőd Ligetalja) (04-112-1-5)

Sámson-Apátfalvi-Száraz-ér  
up to 23+800-49+422 rkm (04-200-1-1)  
Sebes-Körös up to 0+000-58+560 rkm (09-122-1-1)  
Sebes-Körös backwater (Körösladány) (04-010-1-1)  
Szeghalom main canal (04-038-1-1)  
Szeghalom drainage canal (04-040-1-1)  
Szeghalom belt canal (04-039-1-1)  
Torzsási-zug backwater (04-113-1-5)  
V-3 Óvár canal (04-047-1-1)  
Vajda lake (04-179-1-4)  
Vargahossza main canal (04-012-1-1)  
Vekker canal (04-051-1-1)  
Villogó main canal with Karcagi I-III-IV main canal  
(04-061-1-1)

**Please read this Local Fishing Regulation  
carefully.**

**Have a nice time on our waters!**

Regarding all the water areas managed by KHESZ, the KHESZ Local Fishing Regulation (hereinafter: Fishing Regulation), based on law and according to the **general rules** established in Act CII of 2013 on Fish Management and Fish Protection (hereinafter: Hhvtv.) and the Decree 133/2013. (XII.29.) VM on the establishment of certain rules on fish management and fish protection (hereinafter: Hhvtv vhr.) **and the framework rules contained in the National Fishing Regulation of MOHOSZ: as this local regulation may contain provisions that differ from the general rules, it is strongly recommended before purchasing area tickets and starting the angling activity, to read and study carefully the content of this Regulation. The breach of the Regulation may lead to legal consequences.**

The KHESZ Fishing Regulation is a mandatory and inseparable annex to each and every area ticket issued by KHESZ. It is the angler's responsibility and obligation to download/take a printed copy of the area ticket immediately after purchase, and carefully study its contents before starting the angling activity. Poor awareness of the Local Fishing Regulation does not exempt the holder of the area ticket from the sanctions for violating the rules.

By purchasing an area ticket electronically, as well as by purchasing and signing a paper-based area ticket, the angler and the small-scale recreational fisher acknowledges familiarity with the rules of the Fishing Regulation and other provisions indicated on the territorial ticket, and recognizes these rules as binding. The user also agrees that, in accordance with the provisions of the Hhvtv., the official water bailiff may take pictures and video recordings or use a sound recording device during the fishing/angling activity in order to protect the fish population

and habitat of the water area. The recording of images, video and audio files serves to prevent or prove infringing acts. The recordings can be used whenever the existing circumstances make it likely that legal protection cannot be achieved by any other means of proof. The use of such recording devices is limited to what is strictly necessary to achieve the specified goals and may not result in an excessive restriction of the right to informational self-determination. The legal basis for data processing is the legitimate interest of the data controller pursuant to Article 6(f) of the GDPR. The related interest balancing test is available on the KHESZ website ([www.khesz.hu](http://www.khesz.hu)) and the KHESZ central office. Personal data of the data subject are exclusively available for persons authorized by KHESZ in connection with their work, or legally related to the data controller, to the extent and for the period necessary to perform their tasks and duties. The recorded material must be stored for the purpose of being used as evidence in the proceedings initiated for any unlawful act committed at the location of the recording. Data and recordings shall be handled by the parties specified by law and by KHESZ for 5 years, after which the recorded material shall be immediately deleted so that it can no longer be restored.

## **I. SCOPE OF THE LOCAL FISHING REGULATION, GENERAL PROVISIONS**

1. The Fishing Regulation that forms an inalienable part of the area ticket, applies to those who engage in angling or recreational small-scale fishing (hereinafter referred to as fishing activity) in the registered fish management water areas managed by KHESZ and in the areas classified as the shore of the fish management water area (hereinafter referred to as water area). The holder of the area ticket is in the possession of a valid fishing license and authorized to pursue legal fishing activities.

2. In matters not regulated by this KHESZ Fishing Regulation, refer to the provisions of Act CII of 2013 on fish management and fish protection (Hhvtv), Decree 133/2013.(XII.29.) of the Ministry of Agriculture (Vhr) on the establishment of certain rules on fish management and fish protection (Vhr), and the MOHOSZ National Fishing Regulation.

3. The terms used in this Fishing Regulation must be interpreted in accordance with Hhvtv and Vhr.

4. KHESZ reserves the right to, when necessary, introduce provisions not specified by these Fishing Regulations for the water area it manages. New provisions will be published on the KHESZ website ([www.khesz.hu](http://www.khesz.hu)), in a local newspaper and/or on site in a clearly visible manner (e.g. signs).

5. Fishing/angling activities in the KHESZ water areas are carried out at the angler's own risk. KHESZ is not liable for accidents or damage that may occur during or in connection with fishing/angling activities in the water areas under its management.

6. If you wish to purchase an area ticket electronically through the HORINFO system and for whatever reason cannot log in, please turn to the

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or contact the KHESZ central office. Browse through the types, varieties, prices and entitlement categories of the area tickets issued by KHESZ under the “Area Tickets” menu item of the KHESZ official website. Download the Angling application and the Digital document wallet for Android and IOS systems using the QR codes on the back of the fishing regulation.

**7.** The general rules for staying in the water areas managed by KHESZ not related to fishing activities are also binding for those who do not pursue fishing activities but are present on the shoreline.

**8.** Mentally disabled persons exempt from taking the national fishing exam but holding a valid fishing license may only pursue angling activity in the continuous presence and supervision of a person over 18 who has passed the national fishing exam.

**9.** By purchasing an area ticket, the angler acknowledges that it is his/her own responsibility to decide which areas he/she purchases a ticket for. For more information please visit the KHESZ central office personally, call the office or the listed water bailiffs on the indicated phone numbers, or check our website. The price of the area tickets cannot be subsequently refunded. Not even in force majeure events you can claim a refund of the area ticket price, as the area tickets issued by KHESZ cover a complex territorial scope (include multiple water areas).

**10.** During green area protection works that take place on the shoreline of the fishing waters managed by KHESZ, in order to enable the complete and professional execution of these works as well as for accident prevention and property protection reasons, anglers are requested to leave the area together with their vessels and their complete fishing equipment and tools at the request of the personnel responsible for the green area protection works, for the whole duration of these and their facilitation. Refusal of this request results in a disciplinary procedure.

**11.** When staying in the water areas managed by KHESZ, dog owners are obliged to use a collar or harness to control the dog in a way that

does not endanger the animal's health. Dogs must be led on a leash by persons capable of controlling, handling and restraining them. Dog owners must always ensure that the dog does not bite or endanger other animals or people. A muzzle shall be used if the dog is known to have typically aggressive behaviour. Dog owners are obliged to clean up any waste left behind by the dog, especially faeces. At the commencement of an official water bailiff inspection, the dog owner, without any specific request, is required to keep the dog on a leash at least for the duration of the inspection so that it does not disturb or obstruct the process.

**12.** When staying in and entering the water areas managed by KHESZ, the angler and all the accompanying persons must take into account the specific characteristics of the location. In water areas with privately owned coastal sections, transportation by vehicle is made always at the angler's own risk. If you damage private areas (e.g. crops, land, etc. with your vehicle), you are fully liable for compensation.

**13.** If there is a dirt road designated for anglers on the shoreline, it is strictly forbidden to leave it driving onto an area under agricultural cultivation and create damage.

## **II. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

**1.** During the entire time of the fishing activity, anglers are required to keep their licenses or in the case of electronic licenses, a charged smart device at hand, at the fishing site.

**2.** Angling is forbidden in littered areas. Anglers are required to take their own garbage bags to the site. Anglers are required to collect any litter or waste found at the fishing site in a garbage bag before starting the activity, collect and store the waste generated during the activity in the garbage bag, and take the garbage bag away at the end of the activity. Litter includes the disposal of fishing lines and other pieces of fishing equipment, as well as cigarette butts, seed shells, and chewing gum. For angling in a littered site, KHESZ will withdraw the fishing

license and initiate administrative proceedings including legal proceedings for a permanent ban on purchasing area tickets. For leaving litter produced during the fishing activity on the site, KHESZ will withdraw the fishing license and initiate administrative proceedings including legal proceedings for a permanent prohibition of purchasing area tickets. All these measures can be initiated retrospectively.

**3.** The angler and any accompanying person is required to meet his/her basic hygiene needs (including urination and defecation) on the waterfront in such a way that no faeces, toilet paper, or other materials considered litter or waste are left behind at the fishing site and its surroundings. In proven cases of the violation of this rule, the official water bailiff will initiate an offense procedure and withdraw the fishing license.

**4.** Cutting, breaking or thinning water plants, trees or bushes is forbidden. Only rod holders made of natural material are allowed.

**5.** Fire may only be lit in accordance with the relevant legislation which the angler must be familiar with. It is strictly forbidden to light a fire during fire ban.

**6.** Driving mopeds, motorcycles and cars on flood protection embankments – including the outer and inner 10-metre forecourt of the embankment – and approaching the water management structures (dams, weirs, barriers, locks, etc.) within 50 metres is only allowed with a valid permit of the competent Water Management Directorate. Permits for vehicle categories can be requested at the KHESZ central office, member associations and authorized distribution points.

Persons who create damage in the flood protection embankments are fully liable for compensation.

**7.** Angling is forbidden on the river crossing bridges used by road and rail traffic.

**8.** According to Act LXXXV of 2006, transboundary waters are natural or artificial still or flowing waters along which the national state border runs in the width from the border line to the shores, as well as the waters intersected by the national state border up to a distance of 50 metres on

both sides from the national state border line.

**8.1.** Angling and small-scale fishing are permitted in transboundary waters up to the border line.

**9.** It is forbidden to establish reserved angling spots. Continuous living and space reservation on the shoreline for fishing purposes - except for the existing private plots on the waterfront - is not allowed. In the case of an obvious breach of this rule, the official water bailiff may order the immediate departure from the site, the dismantling of any erected tents or structures, and the towing away of parked caravans, especially if their placement was aimed at establishing a permanently occupied space for living, or damaging the natural environment or vegetation. When requested, the angler is obliged to remove the tent, structure or caravan from the water shore.

**10.** Buoys and markings for indicating fish feeding as well as mooring tools must be removed at the end of the angling activity.

**11.** Disturbing other people and making excessive noise is forbidden. In the event of disturbing other people while impaired by alcohol, the water bailiff may forbid the continuation of angling and order the immediate departure from the area.

**12.** After dark, the angler must light the fishing spot in a way that it is clearly visible from both the shore and the water.

**13.** The official water bailiffs employed by KHESZ hold a certificate and a service badge. They are entitled to inspect and withdraw the anglers' documents, as well as to seize the catch, and, if justified, also the equipment, luggage, and vehicles, based on the current fish management and law enforcement regulations. Official water bailiffs perform law enforcement duties and are entitled to enhanced legal protection. Their measures are legally binding.

**14.** According to Article 7.04 section 3 of Decree 57/2011 (XI. 22.) of the Ministry of Finance on the regulation of water transport, it is forbidden to use live trees for mooring. This rule applies to all the water areas managed by KHESZ.

**15.** In the areas classified as shorelines of the KHESZ fishing waters,

especially on road sections without hard surfaces, the recommended speed limit is 20 km/h, in order to, among other reasons, reduce dust pollution.

16. Qualified cases of damage caused by improper traffic on waterside roads with a wet surface or flood protection embankments without a solid pavement entail an obligation to compensate for and restore damage.

17. Angling is forbidden in fenced and enclosed private plots of land, unless the owner of these has given consent.

### **III. RULES FOR THE ORGANIZERS OF ANGLING COMPETITIONS ON THE WATERS MANAGED BY KHESZ**

1. Organized angling events, including guided angling, provision of angling spots and other related services, as well as angling camps and competitions arranged for a fee, may take place with the prior consent of KHESZ on the fishing waters managed by KHESZ. In order to avoid problems with booking the venue and the water area, the organizer is required to report the planned event at least 15 days in advance. You can report in writing, on the corresponding form sent to the e-mail address

**verseny@khesz.hu**, or in person at the KHESZ Central Office (if necessary, assistance with the report can be requested in person or by phone).

2. The organizer of the competition is requested to consult with the competent official water bailiff at least 2 days before the start of the event. The organizer must fully comply with the local fishing regulations during the event, with particular regard to the careful treatment of fish and the rules for taking photographs. In accordance with the provisions of the Vhr, fish caught in the course of an angling competition must be kept alive and released after careful weighing at the end of the competition at the latest. That does not apply to invasive

alien fish species. In accordance with the provisions of the Vhr, fish caught in the course of an angling competition must be kept alive and released after careful weighing at the end of the competition at the latest. That does not apply to invasive alien fish species.

3. The organizer of the angling competition must keep a record of all the participants, and have it available at the start of the event. Should the manager of the water area, the official water bailiff on his behalf, or any other competent authority appear for inspection during the competition, the register must be handed over to them immediately.

4. The organizer of the competition is responsible for obtaining all the official permits and licenses for the competition, and must fully comply with the local fishing regulation. After the competition has concluded, all the fishing spots, angler positions, and the area used by the competitors, their companions and the organizers must be left clean. If the organizer fails to fulfil any of these obligations or if any sanction is imposed in connection with the fishing competition, the right to organize the competition may be revoked, even if it has already been previously authorized.

5. For angling competitions, it is mandatory to either clear the sites on the shore marked with signs as determined by KHESZ or the authorized organizer, or to concede them when requested. Before the competition, KHESZ may restrict fishing in certain sections of the water area surrounding the angling spots reserved for the event.

6. Angler associations to organize educational events (outdoor study sessions, camps and similar activities) for junior anglers (children under 15) with the purpose of introducing and popularizing angling and presenting legally authorized angler equipment with its practical use under constant supervision (without, however, catching and taking away fish), must electronically notify both the competent water management authority (KHESZ) and MOHOSZ 8 days before the start of the event.

7. When using the Fűzfászug backwater racetrack supply building and the Fás lake racetrack, a key to the restroom building can be requested

at the KHESZ Central Office after prior consultation.

#### **IV. REGULATION FOR JUNIOR ANGLERS**

1. The assistant of a junior angler who holds a junior area ticket is allowed to assist the junior during all activities related to angling. Authorized angling assistance includes preparing the bait, assembling the angling gear, placing the bait on the hook, bagging the fish, gently releasing the fish from the hook, placing the caught fish into a fish tank or returning it to the water. Angling is the activity during which the assistant holds the fishing gear for the purpose of catching a fish, especially putting the fishing tackle into the water and taking it out, hooking and catching the fish. In the absence of valid angling licenses, such activity of the assistant is considered unauthorized angling.

2. A junior angler who holds a junior area license is allowed to pursue angling activities from sunrise to sunset and under the supervision of an adult.

3. A junior angler who holds a junior area license is allowed to pursue angling activity with maximum one rod, the end of which may have one hook that - in the case of predatory fish species - may also be a three-pronged one. In addition to the fishing gear, the junior angler may also use one piece of a baitfish net not larger than one square metre. The fishing method and tools used by the junior angler can be freely chosen, provided that the relevant conditions hereby specified are met.

#### **V. REGULATION FOR FISHING ACTIVITIES**

1. At the beginning of the angling or fishing session, the starting date of the activity must be marked indelibly in the 13-month calendar included in the paper-based catch logbook or in the electronic catch logbook. When fishing from a watercraft, the start of the fishing session is the departure time of the watercraft.

2. Anglers are required to carry a digital fish scale with an accuracy of

at least 0.5 kilograms, a measuring tape, a non-erasable ballpoint pen and a garbage bag, the presence of which may be checked anytime by an official or community water bailiff.

**3.** The session is considered to have ended if the angler has packed up the gear and equipment used for fishing and has made them ready for transport, but has not yet left the immediate waterfront.

**4.** Any piece of fish protected by a quantity limit if caught and intended to be kept, must be recorded in the catch logbook with a pen and indelibly immediately after having been unhooked. The entry in the catch logbook must take place right after unhooking the fish and placing it into a fish-holding net, or using any other permitted storage method, but before the start of any other fishing-related action, including re-baiting the same or any other gear, putting it into the water, etc. The quantity of fish species not protected by a number limit, expressed in total weight, must be recorded in the catch logbook after the angling session is completed and before the angler leaves the shore - in the case of multi-day fishing, once a day.

**5.** During fishing or angling, not later than when the weight of the fish caught is recorded, also the name of the fish management water area, the area code, and the date of the catch must be duly entered in the catch summary table of the logbook. If you catch a fish species protected by a quantity limit, immediately enter the time of catch (hour, minute) in 4 digits (in 00:00 format).

**6.** The authorized ownership of the fish is acquired by legally catching it and duly recording it in the catch logbook. The record is correct if the weight of the fish caught (kept) is measured with a digital scale with an accuracy of at least 0.5 kg and entered to one decimal place, together with the exact date (month-day-hour-minute) and the location of the catch in the catch logbook. The weight of the fish caught must be entered to one decimal place even if it is a whole number (e.g. 2.0). The pages of the catch logbook must be filled consecutively, in order.

**7.** Logbook entries must be made several times a day if the angler leaves the registered fish management water area during the day. A new entry

must be made whenever on the same day, the angler catches fish not protected by a quantity limit.

**8.** The size of a fish is determined by measuring its side from the tip of the nose to the base of the caudal fin (standard body length).

**9.** Fish caught (and intended for takeaway) on the shoreline cannot be handed over to other anglers, presented as gifts, sold, or placed on the market. It is forbidden to trade a caught fish for a previously caught one. It is forbidden to take over fish caught by another person on the shore.

**10.** Only locally caught fish is allowed to be stored in the fish tank. Until leaving the fishing spot, the fish intended for takeaway must be kept alive (with head and tail); it is forbidden to clean (cut or fillet) the fish on the shore, unless the angler is camping and prepares his/her own fish meal on site. If this is the case, the remains of the fish must be handled according to the rules on the prohibition of littering. It is forbidden to share the fish net with other anglers.

**11.** Anglers holding a national full angling license are allowed to use a maximum of two fishing gears at the same time, each with a maximum of three hooks, out of which – not counting artificial baits for spinning – only one is allowed to be three-pronged. Additionally, and at the same time, a baitfish net up to one square metre can be used.

**12.** Persons holding a recreational small-scale fishing area ticket are allowed to use a lifting net of a maximum size of 3x3 metres and a mesh size above 30 millimetres. If two recreational small-scale fishermen are engaged in fishing activities on the same canals and canal sections managed by KHESZ, their lifting nets must be used in such a way (taking into account both the same and the opposite bank of the fish management water) that the distance measured between them always remains above 30 metres.

**13.** All varieties of fishing-related tickets - including angler area tickets and recreational small-scale fishing area tickets - exclude the use of strictly forbidden devices that function on the principle of creel (including bait fish creels, bait fish traps, etc.) in all the water areas managed by KHESZ.

- 14.** Persons engaged in fishing or angling activities may store two daily quantities of properly kept or killed fish as a maximum, in accordance with the number and quantity restrictions indicated by the area ticket, exclusively on the vessel used for fishing or at the fishing site, and for a maximum of 48 hours as long as they themselves remain on the site. In the case of multiple anglers pursuing activity on the same spot, each of them must store their respective catch separately. If the angler leaves the spot or the water shore, he/she is obliged to take the catch along.
- 15.** To maintain good water quality in the long term, excessive feeding of the fish is forbidden. The water manager or the official water bailiff acting on his behalf may prohibit the introduction of feed into the water and limit its quantity for reasons of water quality protection.
- 16.** On the waters managed by KHESZ, not more than one three-pronged hook may be used on one piece of angling gear (fishing rod), with the exception of artificial baits for spinning. For predatory species, it is allowed to use wire during the angling process and mouth clamps for storage.
- 17.** It is forbidden to increase the number of hooks that suit the attachment points on a factory-made lure, attach another hook under an existing one, or modify it for easier external snagging.
- 18.** Angling with a fishing gear (tool) towed by a boat is forbidden in the water areas managed by KHESZ.
- 19.** When angling from a boat, it is forbidden to disturb the anglers on the shore.
- 20.** When a shore inspection takes place, at the request of the official or community water bailiff, the boat angler is obliged to come out to the shore for inspection.
- 21.** The use of baitboat techniques (boat, rubber mattress, swimming, etc.) is forbidden, except for particular cases during competitions organized or supported by the water manager. Baitboat techniques also include the introduction of an angling gear assembly into the water and then taking it back to the shore.
- 22.** Anglers shall cast the fishing tackle of the fishing gear without

obstructing water traffic or presenting risks of accident. On rivers and backwaters, if the angling gear (rod) is placed parallel to the shore or bank, the use of a line sinker is recommended. The use of a line sinker is mandatory in cases when the angler casts the fishing tackle of the angling gear in such a way that the rod takes a “set” position and thus represents a risk of accident due to the position of the fishing line.

**23.** Anglers are only allowed to move away from the angling gear currently in use if they are still able to watch and react to a bite within the time frame appropriate for the angling method used.

It is forbidden to leave the angling gear currently in use to someone else to watch.

**24.** When using fishing gear suitable for catching fish, its continuous supervision must be ensured so that the angler can carry out the interventions necessary for active fish catching within the time appropriate for the method used. This rule does not apply to cases where the angler in the meantime uses another legally permitted equipment to exhaust fish, introduces tackle into the water or handles a legally permitted baitfish lifting net.

**25.** If the angler leaves the spot permanently, the angling gear must be rendered unfit for catching fish and the fishing tackle must be removed from the water.

**26.** If the number of fish caught during the angling activity has reached the maximum daily quantity permitted for the category, the targeted fishing of that species must stop immediately.

**27.** Fish marking serves to facilitate research of movement and growth of the fish population. If the caught fish has a small, coloured and numbered “tube” inserted into the scales behind its dorsal fin, the angler is requested to record the unique number of the marking, the time and place of the catch, the weight and length of the fish and report these data to KHESZ (by phone, letter or e-mail).

## **VI. FISH PROTECTION PROVISIONS FOR ALL THE WATER AREAS MANAGED BY KHESZ**

- 1.** It is forbidden to torture the caught fish. Caught fish must be handled in such a way that the physical injury does not exceed the minimum necessary for the angling method or recreational fishing method used. When releasing fish from the hook or removing it from the net, the angler or fisherman must treat it in the most careful way possible, ensuring that the fish does not get contaminated or injured. Fish that are not intended to be taken away must be immediately returned to the water, except in legally organized and documented fishing competitions. The fish caught must be either kept alive in a manner that does not cause permanent injury until transport, or killed immediately.
- 2.** The use of carp mattress is recommended. Anglers are requested to store and transport the caught fish in accordance with the relevant legislation, with regard to species, size and quantity. Anglers who do not want to keep the fish, when taking photography, must take into account the characteristics of the location, and pay special attention to keeping the fish clean and undamaged.
- 3.** Cruel treatment of the caught fish may result in disciplinary procedure.
- 4.** Fish legally caught and intended to be taken away by a holder of a national angling or fishing license are allowed to be transported from the shore after having been killed quickly and carefully. Fish of less than 30 cm of body length can be transported alive, provided there is a container for this purpose with the necessary amount of oxygenated water that minimizes the stress on the animal.
- 5.** In order to protect the native fish population, it is forbidden to introduce alien fish species into the water, and release the alien invasive fish species caught – except for specimens getting hooked outside the head-part and qualified cases of official fishing competitions, always with regard to the environment and animal protection law. Baiting with non-native, live bait fish is only permitted in the same fish management

water area where the non-native fish was caught.

6. Anglers are requested to choose the fishing spot and position in a way that the equipment used (landing net of proper size, carp mattress, fish net, etc.) complies with the provisions on fish protection set out in the local fishing regulation of MOHOSZ and KHESZ.

7. If the angler wishes to take a photo during the angling activity, attention must be paid not to reduce in any way the survival chances of the fish or harm it during photographing. The fish must be returned safely to its natural habitat as soon as possible. It is recommended to keep the photo taking device within easy reach at the fishing/angling position.

8. The main priority is always the safety of the fish. If professional, quick photography or weighing cannot be carried out on the site (like in the case of a large catfish caught), the fish that you do not want to keep must be immediately released back into the water. It is forbidden to transport fish for photography and weighing to another location where photography and weighing is manageable.

9. During a specific ban season, it is unethical and forbidden to target protected or spawning fish species, as well as undersized specimens protected by size limit. If, on a specific spot or during a specific angling activity, undersized, and/or banned, spawning, territory-defending, protected species get hooked repeatedly, the angling method and, if necessary, the spot must be changed in order to protect the fish population.

10. Any marking or mutilation - intentional physical alteration - of the caught fish by the angler is forbidden.

11. Angling fish that are dazed or dying as a result of water quality problems or an emergency situation is unethical and forbidden.

## **VII. REGULATION OF FISHING AND ANGLING BAN SEASONS**

The water area sections subject to the prohibitions indicated in this

chapter are shown on the map at the KHESZ website, under the bans and restrictions menu.

1. Between November 1 and February 28, in order to protect spawning fish, the use of sonar is forbidden for both fishing and angling. During this period, the use of sonars, even turned off, is forbidden in boats and the waterfront, except for professionals conducting riverbed surveys and research. Any device applicable for radar detection is considered a sonar. The official water bailiff shall initiate legal proceedings against those who violate the sonar restrictions during the above period, and withdraw their fishing licenses.

2. For the protection of wintering fish, from December 1 to February 28 it is forbidden to pursue angling/fishing activities or stay with fishing equipment in the following river sections (the ban also applies to the floodplain branches and bays of the sections bounded by flood protection embankment):

### 2.1. On the waters of Hármas-Körös

— from the upper (closer to Öcsöd settlement) connection of the Övény-zug backwater ( $46^{\circ}55'23.91''\text{N}$  /  $20^{\circ}21'16.65''\text{E}$ ) downstream until reaching the lower connection of the Kerekes-zug backwater ( $46^{\circ}53'48.11''\text{N}$  /  $20^{\circ}20'6.32''\text{E}$ )

— from the railway bridge of the Szarvas-Mezőtúr line ( $46^{\circ}54'47.39''\text{N}$  /  $20^{\circ}33'43.00''\text{E}$ ) downstream for 1 km until the concrete drainage object on the right bank ( $46^{\circ}54'59.26''\text{N}$  /  $20^{\circ}33'1.81''\text{E}$ )

— from the sailing branch of Hortobágy-Berettyó ( $46^{\circ}56'25.35''\text{N}$  /  $20^{\circ}38'14.13''\text{E}$ ) downstream until the upper connection of the sanctuary-type unprotected Borza backwater ( $46^{\circ}55'22.30''\text{N}$  /  $20^{\circ}36'14.64''\text{E}$ ).

— from the upper connection of the Danzug backwater ( $46^{\circ}55'58.02''\text{N}$  /  $20^{\circ}55'32.34''\text{E}$ ) downstream until the lower connection of the Gyomaendrőd Sirató backwater ( $46^{\circ}56'1.96''\text{N}$  /  $20^{\circ}52'16.24''\text{E}$ ) in the sections known as „Kis S” and Zsófiamajor.

— from the confluence of Kettős-Körös and Sebes-Körös

(46°55'12.95"N / 20°58'38.99"E) downstream up to 0.5 rkm (46°55'8.77"N / 20°58'17.53"E).

#### 2.2. On the waters of Fekete-Körös

— from the dam keeper's building at Szanazug upstream (46°42'5.38"N / 21°16'32.57"E) until the lower end of the "isle" at 2 rkm (46°42'18.92"N / 21°17'26.21"E).

#### 2.3. On the waters of Sebes-Körös

— from the estuary of Berettyó river (46°58'59.78"N / 21°7'24.33"E) on the 500 metre section upstream (46°59'0.83"N / 21°7'47.90"E).

3. For the protection of spawning fish, angling is forbidden from March 1 to May 31 on the left bank of Kettős-Körös, from the shore of the bay after the Doboz bridge closer to Békés (46°43'35.49"N / 21°13'9.93"E) up to the closing sluice of "Róna canal" connecting the excavation pits on the left shore (46°45'16.00"N / 21°9'59.69"E), located on the left bank 1 km upstream from the Békési dam, at the corner of the riverbed.

#### 4. Fishing is forbidden throughout the year

4.1. In the sanctuary-type backwaters designated as a conservation area along the Hármás-Körös: Iriszló-zug (46°46'56.57"N / 20°13'17.85"E); Malom-zug (46°47'51.33"N / 20°13'29.25"E); Brenazug (46°48'26.96"N / 20°14'8.00"E); Őzén-zug (46°55'47.29"N / 20°21'18.66"E); Aranyosi backwater (46°54'39.42"N / 20°35'46.78"E);

Borza backwater (46°55'5.41"N / 20°36'25.22"E) and Kisfoki backwater (46°55'36.76"N / 20°45'17.31"E).

4.2. At the shore of Fás lake near Szabadkígyós (46°38'10.80"N / 21°4'46.34"E - 46°38'15.69"N / 21°4'58.29"E), in the area indicated by signs as protected. In the area indicated it is forbidden to cast the fish tackle of an angling gear.

4.3. On the Sirató backwater in Gyoma (46°56'10.52"N / 20°52'25.82"E) opposite the first pier behind the syphon treatment building, in a small bay that functions as a spawning ground on the outer curve of the backwater.

4.4. On the Hármás-Körös, at the Danzug backwater (46°55'41.47"N

/ 20°55'2.46"E - 46°55'43.44"N / 20°55'14.80"E), within the flood protection embankment.

**4.5.** On the Sebes-Körös, throughout the fish ladder area (46°58'52.13"N / 21° 6'53.17"E - 46°58'41.18"N / 21°6'38.59"E), on the left bank, 100 metres upstream from the inlet of the fish ladder (46°58'52.13"N / 21°6'53.17"E - 46°58'54.37"N / 21° 6'56.72"E), and also within a 50-metre section of the right bank, upstream and downstream of its inlet (46°58'52.48"N / 21°6'49.71"E - 46°58'54.76"N / 21°6'53.19"E).

**4.6.** On the Kakat canal, from the structure in the section of canal 1900 (at the junction of public road no. 4205 between Ecsegfalva-Kisújszállás and the stone-paved road leading to the Mirhó pumping station) to the iron bridge in front of the Mirhói pumping station (except for cases when access permission is granted by the water treatment plant).

**4.7.** On the right bank of the Kakat canal (downstream) on the section between the old no. 4 road bridge and the Kakat canal structure in the lower part of the fishing lakes (47°13'32.06"N / 20°48'25.39"E - 47°13'14.63"N / 20°48'47.60"E).

**4.8.** On the Szilvarévszug backwater, 200 metres upstream from the confluence end of the backwater, that is from the fishing lake filling channel (30 metres upstream from the wide branch leading to the pumping station) to the end of the backwater on both banks (46°55'30.10"N / 20°59'8.43"E - 46°55'34.55"N / 20°59'1.82"E).

**5. Restrictions for fish species.**

**5.1.** From December 1 to February 28 it is forbidden to catch catfish in all the water areas.

**5.2.** Catching (and retaining) tench is forbidden in all the water areas managed by KHESZ.

**5.3.** It is forbidden to catch (and retain) common bream, blicca, white-eye bream, blue bream and ide in the Endrőd side of the Fűzfás-zug backwater, up to the Endrőd side of the bridge between the two backwater sections (in the section from the backwater passage to the

Endrőd end of the backwater).

6. If any provision of the relevant national legislation – Hhvtv., Hhvtv vhr. – regarding fish size restrictions or ban periods changes prescribing stricter rules than this fishing regulation, the change shall apply to all the water areas managed by KHESZ immediately when the new legislation enters into force.

## VIII. LOCAL REGULATIONS OF SIZE AND QUANTITY LIMITS

1. It is forbidden to return the caught goldfish, bighead carp, brown bullhead, black bullhead, pumpkinseed and Chinese sleeper (hereinafter collectively referred to as invasive alien fish) to the water. These species can be caught and taken away in unlimited quantities, and they do not count in the quota. The aforementioned fish species can only be used as bait in the same water area where they were caught.

2. Due to water area treatment for sport fishing purposes, fish cannot be taken away from the Poklás canal with either 24-hour, 48-hour, 72-hour tickets or weekly tickets.

3. The section of the Dánfoki-Diófás canal located in the area of the holiday centre and the free beach is a sport fishing area, therefore catch-and-take is forbidden.

4. Due to water area treatment for sport fishing purposes, it is forbidden to catch or take away fish from the Hosszú lake in Mezőberény and the Kacsá lake in Szarvas.

**5. A 15 cm size limit applies to the following fish species in all the water areas managed by KHESZ:**

- a) blicca (*Blicca bjoerkna* L.)
- b) common bream (*Abramisbrama* L.)
- c) blue bream (*Abramisballerus* L.)
- d) white-eye bream (*Abramissapa* P.)

Specimens of the above listed species under 15 cm not even as bait can be used.

6. The allowed minimum **catch-and-take sizes** for the listed fish species in all the water areas managed by KHESZ are the following:

- a) carp: 35 cm
- b) pike and asp: 45 cm
- c) zander: 40 cm
- d) Volga zander: 30 cm
- e) grass carp: 50 cm

7. In all the water areas of KHESZ, fish reaching the following standard body length or individual weight must be carefully released immediately after being caught in order to conserve the reproductive stock and improve the attractiveness of the waters for fishing tourism

**(upper size limit):**

- a) carp: 6 kg
- b) pike: 80 cm.
- c) zander and asp: 70 cm.
- d) common bream: 40 cm.

8. In terms of quantitative limits, the rules for fish species subject to daily quantity limits shall apply to grass carp.

9. The size and quantity limits on grass carp set out in point 8. have been lifted for the Gyiger-zug backwater.

## **IX. TYPES AND VARIETIES OF THE ANGLING/ RECREATIONAL SMALL-SCALE FISHING AREA TICKETS ISSUED BY KHESZ.**

1. Only persons with a valid fishing license are entitled to engage in fishing activities in a water area managed by KHESZ, or to be present in the same water area or on its shores carrying angling / fishing equipment suitable for catching fish, or getting prepared for angling / fishing activities.
2. The area tickets of KHESZ are issued primarily in electronic format through the HORINFO system operated by MOHOSZ, and secondarily on paper.
3. The fishing year is the period from the first day of the reference year until January 31 of the following year, the date on which the annual area tickets expire.
4. Area tickets are valid until the date indicated on them. Any user modification of the area ticket is a forgery of private document and subject to criminal liability.
5. Lost, stolen or destroyed area tickets must be reprinted by the owner from the user profile of the HORINFO system. To replace a lost, stolen or destroyed paper-based area ticket, please contact the KHESZ Central Office.
6. Types and varieties of the area tickets issued by KHESZ.
  - 6.1. The type can be either angler or small-scale (recreational or sports) fisher area ticket.
  - 6.2. According to the covered water areas: general, combined, regional (valid for certain water areas), valid for one specific water area, and valid for canals.
  - 6.3. The entitlement categories (by user classification) of the area tickets issued by KHESZ are:
    - 6.3.1. Full license (adult): for persons over 15 years of age with national fishing exam passed.
    - 6.3.2. General youth: for persons with national fishing exam passed and

holding a free national fishing ticket (junior national ticket).

6.3.3. Discount (for one rod): persons who fall into one of the beneficiary categories listed below. Categories: women, people over 65, youth, and - with a medical certificate - people with physical or hearing disability, blind or visually impaired.

6.3.4. Junior: children from the age of three and under 15 before December 31 of the reference year, may pursue angling activity from sunrise to sunset under the supervision of an adult.

6.4. Membership conditions: Non-members with no obligation of paying a basic membership fee at the Anglers Association or its Member Association (ESZH) (foreigners and tourists). Members with obligation of paying a basic membership fee at the Anglers Association or its Member Association (ESZH).

6.5. When purchasing national area tickets (Combined MOHOSZ area tickets: general national tickets; national tickets for sports; national tickets for children; Danube or Tisza regional tickets), special attention must be paid to compliance with the quotas and rules indicated therein. Please note that the aforementioned quotas differ from those of the KHESZ local fishing regulation, and it is the responsibility of the angler to be familiar with them.

6.6. The annual and daily catch quotas set out in the following points shall apply also in the case when several types of KHESZ area tickets are held by the same person (prohibition of aggregating quantitative limits). The angler cannot continue the angling activity with the same area ticket if the total amount of the catch-and-take fish, including species protected by a daily quantitative limit and regulated by a weight limit has reached the quota indicated on the area ticket.

6.7. After the catch-and-take of the amount of fish permitted by the quota of the area ticket, the angler may request a Supplementary area ticket once a year to cover the extra quantity. In this case the activity can be continued with the Supplementary ticket. KHESZ issues only one type of Supplementary ticket. The Supplementary area ticket issued for additional fish takeaway may only be of the same type and territorial

scope as the originally issued area ticket. Consequently, the original area ticket is a mandatory part of the Supplementary area ticket, without which the Supplementary area ticket is invalid.

## **X. ANNUAL CATCH QUOTAS AND QUOTAS FOR THE AREA TICKETS – BY TICKET TYPE**

1. In the water areas managed by KHESZ, an angler can catch-and-take a maximum of 80 kg of fish during a fishing year, regardless of the type and number of (annual/weekly/48/24-hours) area tickets purchased.

2. Throughout the fish management water areas leased by MOHOSZ (in any part of Hungary), regardless of how many types of area tickets an angler purchases in a fishing year, and also regardless of the catch quotas for the fish species protected by quantity limit, one person with a valid national angling or fishing ticket is allowed to catch-and-take an aggregated maximum of 100 specimens per year, but not more than 150 kg, and as a junior angler or a tourist with a national ticket, a maximum of 20 specimens of fish per year, but not more than 30 kg. Out of the native fish species not protected by a quantity limit, a person with a valid national angling or fishing license is allowed to catch-and-take an aggregate maximum of 100 kg per year, and as a junior angler or a tourist with a national ticket, a maximum of 20 kg per year.

### **General and Combined area tickets**

1. The holder of a **Full license annual area ticket** is allowed to catch-and-take a yearly maximum of 80 kg of the fish species protected by a daily catch limit – including grass carp – and the native fish species not protected by a daily catch limit altogether, plus a yearly maximum of 100 pieces of the fish species protected by a daily catch limit. The allowed 80 kg of takeaway fish does not include the invasive alien species (rasbora, Prussian carp, bighead carp, brown bullhead, black bullhead, pumpkinseed and Chinese sleeper).

2. The holder of a **Discount (for one rod) annual area ticket** is allowed to catch a yearly maximum amount of 50 kg of the fish species protected

by a daily catch limit – including grass carp – and the native fish species not protected by a daily catch limit together. Out of the fish species protected by a daily catch limit, one person is allowed to catch-and-take a yearly maximum of 100 pieces together. The allowed 50 kg of takeaway does not include the invasive alien species (rasbora, Prussian carp, bighead carp, brown bullhead, black bullhead, pumpkinseed and Chinese sleeper).

### **Regional area tickets**

1. The holder of a **Full license annual area ticket** is allowed to catch-and-take a yearly maximum of 60 kg of the fish species protected by a daily catch limit – including grass carp – and the native fish species not protected by a daily catch limit altogether, plus a yearly maximum of 100 pieces of the fish species protected by a daily catch limit. The allowed 60 kg of takeaway fish does not include the alien species (rasbora, Prussian carp, bighead carp, brown bullhead, black bullhead, pumpkinseed and Chinese sleeper).

2. The holder of a **Discount (for one rod) annual area ticket** is allowed to catch-and-take a yearly maximum of 40 kg of the fish species protected by a daily catch limit – including grass carp – and the native fish species not protected by a daily catch limit together. The allowed 40 kg of takeaway fish does not include the invasive alien species (rasbora, Prussian carp, bighead carp, brown bullhead, black bullhead, pumpkinseed and Chinese sleeper).

### **With a General youth annual area ticket**

The holder of a General youth annual area ticket is allowed to catch-and-take a yearly maximum of 40 kg of the fish species protected by a daily catch limit – including grass carp – and the native fish species not protected by a daily catch limit together. The allowed 40 kg of takeaway fish does not include the invasive alien species (rasbora, Prussian carp, bighead carp, brown bullhead, black bullhead, pumpkinseed and Chinese sleeper).

### **With a General junior area ticket**

The holder of a General junior annual area ticket is allowed to catch-

and-take a yearly maximum of 20 kg of the fish species protected by a daily catch limit – including grass carp – and the native fish species not protected by a daily catch limit together, plus a yearly maximum of 5 pieces of the fish species protected by a daily catch limit. The allowed 20 kg of takeaway fish does not include the invasive alien species (rasbora, Prussian carp, bighead carp, brown bullhead, black bullhead, pumpkinseed and Chinese sleeper).

### **For the South-Békés canals**

1. The holder of a full license annual area ticket is allowed to catch-and-take a yearly maximum of 40 kg of the fish species protected by a daily catch limit – including grass carp – and the native fish species not protected by a daily catch limit together. The allowed 40 kg of takeaway fish does not include the invasive alien species (rasbora, Prussian carp, bighead carp, brown bullhead, black bullhead, pumpkinseed and Chinese sleeper).

### **2. With a Discount (one rod) area ticket**

The holder of a Discount annual area ticket is allowed to catch-and-take a yearly maximum of 20 kg of the fish species protected by a daily catch limit – including grass carp – and the native fish species not protected by a daily catch limit together. The allowed 20 kg of takeaway fish does not include the invasive alien species (rasbora, Prussian carp, bighead carp, brown bullhead, black bullhead, pumpkinseed and Chinese sleeper).

### **With a Supplementary area ticket for extra takeaway**

The amount of fish allowed by the original area ticket, but 60 kg as a maximum is allowed to be caught, however, the aggregate amount of species protected by a daily quantity limit, including the fish caught under the original area ticket and the additional ticket, is not allowed to be more than 100 pieces.

### **Recreational small-scale fisher area ticket**

Recreational small-scale fisher area tickets in general allow for the catch-and-take of 80 kg of fish, with the exception of tickets for the Hortobágy-Berettyó area and the canals that allow for 60 kg only. The

allowed amount of takeaway does not include the invasive alien species (rasbora, Prussian carp, bighead carp, brown bullhead, black bullhead, pumpkinseed and Chinese sleeper).

## **XI. DAILY QUOTAS**

**1. With a Full license adult area ticket** (General, Combined and Regional)

**1.1.** Out of the species protected by a daily quantity limit, a total number of 2+1 is allowed to be caught and taken away, two of which may belong to the same species.

**1.2.** Out of the native species not protected by a daily quantity limit, a total amount of 5 kg per day is allowed to be caught and taken away - including white-eye bream, common bream, blicca and blue bream: species protected by a 15 cm size limit in the Fishing Regulation. 3 kg is allowed to be caught and taken away of the following fish species: perch, ziece, chub, ide, vimba, common nase and burbot.

**2. With a General youth area ticket**

**2.1.** Out of the species protected by a daily catch limit, a total number of 1 fish is allowed to be caught and taken away,

**2.2.** Out of the native species not protected by a daily quantity limit, a total amount of 3 kg per day is allowed to be caught and taken away - including white-eye bream, common bream, blicca and blue bream: species protected by a 15 cm size limit in the Fishing Regulation. 2 kg is allowed to be caught and taken away of the following fish species: perch, ziece, chub, ide, vimba, common nase and burbot.

**3. With a Discount (one rod) annual area ticket**

**3.1.** Out of the species protected by a daily catch limit, a total number of 2 fish is allowed to be caught and taken away,

**3.2.** Out of the native species not protected by a daily quantity limit, a total amount of 5 kg per day is allowed to be caught and taken away - including white-eye bream, common bream, blicca and blue bream: species protected by a 15 cm size limit in the Fishing Regulation. 3 kg

is allowed to be caught and taken away of the following fish species: perch, ziece, chub, ide, vimba, common nase and burbot.

**4. 24-hour tickets:** regardless of whether the ticket type is full license or beneficiary, the owner is allowed to catch-and-take a total number of 2 pieces of the species protected by a daily catch limit, two of which can be of the same species. Besides, out of the native fish species not protected by a daily catch limit (total weight limit), and native fish species protected by a size limit and/or a ban season, but not protected by a quantity limit (perch, gar, chub, bream, plum-nosed bream, roach, ling) the owner is allowed to catch-and-take a total amount of 3 kg per day. The allowed amount of takeaway does not include the invasive alien species (rasbora, Prussian carp, bighead carp, brown bullhead, black bullhead, pumpkinseed and Chinese sleeper).

**If the user purchases the Discount version of the ticket type, the total allowed quota for fish protected by a daily quantity limit is 1 piece.**

**5. 48-hour tickets:** regardless of whether the ticket type is full license or beneficiary, the owner is allowed to catch-and-take a total number of 4 pieces (2 per day) of the species protected by a daily catch limit, two of which can be of the same species. Besides, out of the native fish species not protected by a daily catch limit (total weight limit), and native fish species protected by a size limit and/or a ban season, but not protected by a quantity limit (perch, gar, chub, bream, plum-nosed bream, roach, ling) the owner is allowed to catch-and-take a total amount of 3 kg per day. The allowed amount of takeaway does not include the invasive alien species (rasbora, Prussian carp, bighead carp, brown bullhead, black bullhead, pumpkinseed and Chinese sleeper).

**If the user purchases the Discount version of the ticket type, the total allowed quota for fish protected by a daily quantity limit is 2 pieces, and 1 piece per day.**

**6. 72-hour tickets:** regardless of whether the ticket type is full license or beneficiary, the owner is allowed to catch-and-take a total number of 6 pieces (2 per day) of the species protected by a daily catch limit, two

of which can be of the same species. Besides, out of the native fish species not protected by a daily catch limit (total weight limit), and native fish species protected by a size limit and/or a ban season, but not protected by a quantity limit (perch, gar, chub, bream, plum-nosed bream, roach, ling) the owner is allowed to catch-and-take a total amount of 3 kg per day. The allowed amount of takeaway does not include the invasive alien species (rasbora, Prussian carp, bighead carp, brown bullhead, black bullhead, pumpkinseed and Chinese sleeper).

**If the user purchases the Discount version of the ticket type, the total allowed quota for fish protected by a daily quantity limit is 3 pieces, and 1 piece per day.**

**7. Weekly tickets:** regardless of whether the ticket type is full license or beneficiary, the owner is allowed to catch-and-take a total number of 12 pieces (2 per day) of the species protected by a daily catch limit, two of which can be of the same species. Besides, out of the native fish species not protected by a daily catch limit (total weight limit), and native fish species protected by a size limit and/or a ban season, but not protected by a quantity limit (perch, gar, chub, bream, plum-nosed bream, roach, ling) the owner is allowed to catch-and-take a total amount of 3 kg per day. The allowed amount of takeaway does not include the invasive alien species (rasbora, Prussian carp, bighead carp, brown bullhead, black bullhead, pumpkinseed and Chinese sleeper).

**If the user purchases the Discount version of the ticket type, the total allowed quota for fish protected by a daily quantity limit is 6 pieces, and 1 piece per day.**

### **8. With a Junior ticket**

**8.1.** Out of the species protected by a daily catch limit, a total number of 1 fish is allowed to be caught and taken away,

**8.2.** Out of the native species not protected by a daily quantity limit, a total amount of 3 kg per day is allowed to be caught and taken away, including also the white-eye bream, the common bream, the blicca and the blue bream: species protected by a 15 cm size limit in the Fishing Regulation. 2 kg is allowed to be caught and taken away of the

following fish species: perch, ziege, chub, ide, vimba, common nase and burbot.

### **9. With a Tourist ticket**

**9.1.** Out of the species protected by a daily catch limit, a total number of 2 fish is allowed to be caught and taken away,

**9.2.** Out of the native fish species not protected by a daily catch limit (total weight limit), and native fish species protected by a size limit and/or a ban season, but not protected by a quantity limit (perch, gar, chub, bream, plum-nosed bream, roach, ling) the owner of the ticket is allowed to catch-and-take a total of 3 kg per day, including also the white-eye bream, the common bream, the blicca and the blue bream: species protected by a 15 cm size limit in the Fishing Regulation.

### **10. With a Supplementary area ticket for extra takeaway**

**10.1.** Out of the species protected by a daily quantity limit, a total number of 2+1 is allowed to be caught and taken away, two of which may belong to the same species.

**10.2.** Out of the native species not protected by a daily quantity limit, a total amount of 5 kg per day is allowed to be caught and taken away - including white-eye bream, common bream, blicca and blue bream: species protected by a 15 cm size limit in the Fishing Regulation. 3 kg is allowed to be caught and taken away of the following fish species: perch, ziege, chub, ide, vimba, common nase and burbot.

### **11. With Recreational small-scale fisher area ticket**

**11.1.** Out of the species protected by a daily quantity limit, a total number of 2+1 is allowed to be caught and taken away, two of which may belong to the same species.

**11.2.** Out of the native species not protected by a daily quantity limit, a total amount of 5 kg per day is allowed to be caught and taken away - including white-eye bream, common bream, blicca and blue bream: species protected by a 15 cm size limit in the Fishing Regulation. 3 kg is allowed to be caught and taken away of the following fish species: perch, ziege, chub, ide, vimba, common nase and burbot.

## **XII. WATER AREAS WITH SPECIFIC RULES**

- 1.** Ice fishing is forbidden on the rivers and canals listed in the license, as well as on Fás lake, the Orosházi Béke sand mine fishing lake, on the Fűzfás-zug backwater in Gyomaendrőd, on the Hantosc kert (Falualja) backwater, and on the Vajda lake.
- 2.** Swimming, dog bathing, and water sports are forbidden on both the Fás and the Orosház Béke Sand Mine fishing lake.
- 3.** Angling in the Gyiger-zug backwater is only allowed at the 45 designated angling spots, with a special permit from the competent environment protection authority.
- 4.** The specific ban on carp has been lifted in the following areas: the backwaters Félhalmi, Danzug, Sirató (Gyoma and Békésszentandrás), Fűzfás-zug, Német-zug, Torzsás-zug, Endrőd-Révizug, Hantosc kert (Gyoma lower village), Csókás-zug (Endrőd-Középső) and Peres; the fishing lake Orosházi Béke sandmine, Gyopárosi lakes, Holt-Körös at Szarvas-Békésszentandrás (Kákafok backwater), Poklás canal, and Fás lake.
- 5.** On Fás lake, it is forbidden to fish from a boat, use baitboats, build piers or concreted posts for angling. On the southern shore of Fás lake (towards Szabadkígyós), angling is forbidden in the area indicated by a sign (spawning and conservation area). (Fishing Regulation, Chapter VII. 4.2)
- 6.** Camping is forbidden along the urban sections of the Élővíz canal.
- 7.** It is forbidden to launch and use boats on the lakes Orosházi Béke Sand Mine and Gyopáros, except for official purposes.
- 8.** On the Gyopáros Central lake, angling is forbidden between May 1 and September 1 due to the beach season.
- 9.** On the Gyopáros-Északi lake, anglers are obliged to pay special attention to people using the running track on the shore, to prevent possible accidents.
- 10.** It is forbidden to angle or establish angling spots on the inner side of the Német-zug backwater.

- 11.** On the racetrack section of the Fűzfás-zug backwater, it is forbidden to drive or park a vehicle in the area between the shore (riverbed edge) and the row of Fraxinus ornus trees.
- 12.** On the shore of the Dánfoki-Diófás canal within the area of the holiday centre and the free beach, angling is allowed if the camp entrance fee has been paid, and only during the annual and daily opening hours of the holiday centre.
- 13.** Within the Dánfoki-Diófás canal holiday centre and free beach area, compliance with the facility rules is required.
- 14.** During the operation of the free beach, angling is forbidden in the area marked with warning buoys on the shore of the Dánfoki-Diófás canal, located in the area of the holiday centre and free beach. Angling on both sides of this section is only allowed before the warning buoys are placed (usually mid-May) and after they have been removed (usually mid-September). (Except during children's camps organized or supported by KHESZ.)
- 15.** The Dánfoki-Diófás canal – a double prohibited structure and Békés III. Angling is only allowed on the narrow section of the shore between the connection of the (Körgát) canal and the exit from the holiday camp on the side of the Dánfok Holiday Centre and Bodoki Károly street.
- 16.** The section of the Dánfoki-Diófás canal located in the area of the holiday centre and the free beach is a sport fishing area, therefore catch-and-take is forbidden.
- 17.** On the Poklás canal it is forbidden to use or launch a boat. Official transport is an exception.
- 18.** Parking a car on the embankment (dam) next to the Poklás canal is only allowed if it does not disrupt continuous traffic. Driving a vehicle is forbidden when the embankment is wet (muddy). It is forbidden to drive or park a vehicle on the canal bank.
- 19.** Angling is only allowed on the left bank (downstream) of the Poklás canal, on the section near the Gyulai Castle. Angling is forbidden within a 5-metre radius of the prohibition sign placed at Sittyé Street and the inlet from Uhrin János street.

20. Night angling is forbidden on the Poklás canal.

21. Angling season on the **Poklás** canal:

- from October 1 to March 31, between 6-18 hours

- from April 1 to September 30, between 5- 21 hours

22. On the Holt-Körös at Szarvas-Békésszentandrás (Kákafoki backwater) between December 1 and February 28, only predatory fish is allowed to be caught by the spinning method. The use of treble hooks with a bite indicator is only allowed for catching predatory fish using bait fish. Internal combustion engine vessels are not allowed on the backwater (except for service transport vehicles).

23. On the Öcsödi backwater and the backwater side of Kis Ernő street, angling is only allowed when the owner of the shore area is not using it. If the angler has occupied a site and the landowner indicates concern regarding its use, the angler is obliged to leave. It is forbidden to enter a fenced/enclosed property for the purpose of angling activities.

24. Due to water area treatment for sport fishing purposes, it is forbidden to catch-and-take fish from the Hosszú lake in Mezőberény. It is forbidden to drive a vehicle into the green area of the lake or across the running track (rekortan). Parking is only allowed in the designated parking areas.

25. The Kacska lake in Szarvas is an angler area reserved for children and accessible with a separate area ticket only.

Fish are not allowed to be taken away from the Kacska lake.

### **XIII. SANCTIONS FOR THE VIOLATION OF THE RULES SET OUT IN THE LOCAL FISHING REGULATION**

1. In case of violation of the rules set out by this local fishing regulation and the relevant laws, KHESZ withdraws the area ticket from the person who breached the rules of the angling/fishing activity. This measure follows the intervention of the official water bailiff and is irrevocable, therefore the ticket becomes invalid.

2. Anglers violating the local fishing regulation for the first time may

receive a strike recorded by the official or community water bailiff. The strike expires at the end of the fishing year. In the event of a second strike, a basic procedure may be initiated according to the official water bailiff's report, and a charge may be filed to the competent authority.

3. Subsequently, depending on the nature of the violation, the competent authority may initiate administrative, misdemeanour or criminal proceedings.

4. The KHESZ basic procedure, independently of the administrative, misdemeanour or criminal procedure described above, and in accordance with the provisions of the Hhvtv, includes the refusal to issue area tickets to the person who has provenly violated the rules specified in the local fishing regulation during a period specified in the regulation, not longer than five years (hereinafter: Ban).

5. In each case, KHESZ will make a decision by taking into account all the circumstances, the gravity of the offense, the short and long-term consequences, as well as the frequency and repetitive nature of the act. The ban for new area tickets applies in each case to all the water areas managed by KHESZ, and is recorded in the HORINFO system immediately after the sanction is imposed.

6. If the angler, after the expiration of the ban imposed in the basic procedure, commits another offense specified in the local fishing regulation, the ban period will be doubled, but cannot exceed five years.

7. Acts sanctioned with a ban and the corresponding ban periods:

- Criminal offense related to angling or fishing: 4-5 years
- Obstruction or refusal of the water bailiff intervention: 1-5 years
- Upper size limit violation: 2-4 years
- Takeaway of live fish protected by an upper size limit: 3-5 years
- Exceeding the daily, weekly or annual quantity and weight limits: 1-4 years
- Catching and retaining fish forbidden to be caught during a ban season as per the local fishing regulation: 1-4 years
- Use of more fishing equipment than allowed: 1-3 years
- Lower size limit violation: 1-3 years

- Failure to keep a catch logbook on caught fish, misuse of national fishing documents or area permit: 1-3 years
- Providing false information to HORINFO: 3-5 years
- Exceeding the quotas set in the local fishing regulation: 1-3 years
- Damage caused on agricultural land: 1-3 years
- Leaving unattended a piece of angling equipment in use: 6 months-2 years
- Angling in a littered area, create water or environmental pollution during angling or recreational fishing: 6 months-2 years
- Violation of other rules in the local fishing regulation: 6 months-2 years
- Cruel treatment of caught fish: 6 months to 3 years
- Unauthorized angling or fishing (1-5 years)
- Baitboat fishing (6 months- 2 years)

8. If the gravity of the offense revealed during the basic KHESZ procedure does not justify the initiation of authority proceedings, or if KHESZ decides to close the file with a warning, the angler is allowed to purchase a new area ticket.

#### **XIV. KÖRÖS-MAROS NATIONAL PARK (KMNP) - (WATER AREA AND FLOODPLAIN OF THE HÁRMAS-KÖRÖS, DOWNSTREAM FROM THE CONFLUENCE OF KETTŐS-KÖRÖS AND SEBES-KÖRÖS, UNTIL 12 RKM)**

1. Species protected and forbidden to catch all year round: ziege
2. It is forbidden to leave waste produced in the protected natural area and light a fire outside the designated spots.
3. Vehicles are only allowed on the designated ramps and roads, parking by the road, at least 6 m from the riverbed edge.
4. On the floodplain, it is forbidden to drive vehicles outside the designated roads.
5. Boats with internal combustion engines are only allowed on the flowing water; the use of internal combustion engines is forbidden in

backwaters and bays within the floodplain.

**6.** During water transport, the speed of the boat must be set to minimize the waves and noise produced.

**7.** During angling activities, it must be ensured that the wildlife of the area remains as undisturbed as possible.

**8.** The destruction of coastal vegetation, especially woody plants for expanding fishing sites, is forbidden.

**9.** Littering is forbidden. When occupying the spot, the angler must collect the litter, and when leaving, is obliged to take along the litter and waste produced. Angling cannot be started on a littered site.

**10.** It is forbidden to tie a boat to live or locally cut vegetation.

**11.** Angling in the Gyger-zug backwater is only allowed at the 45 designated angling spots, with a special permit from the competent environment protection authority.

**12.** The size and quantity limits on grass carp have been lifted for the Gyger-zug backwater.

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**Size ranges in the KHESZ Local Fishing Regulation:**  
centimetre (cm); kilogram (kg)

<b>Fish Species</b>	<b>Lower size limit</b>	<b>Upper size or weight limit</b>
white-eye bream	15 cm	-
common bream	15 cm	40 cm
blicca	15 cm	-
blue bream	15 cm	-
Volga zander	30 cm	-
carp	35 cm	<6 kg
zander	40 cm	70 cm
pike	45 cm	80 cm
asp	45 cm	70 cm
grass carp	50 cm	-
tench	<b>Takeaway is forbidden throughout the year</b>	

Fish species protected by size limit not included in this table are subject to the size limits set out in the Vhr. and described in the unified national fishing document. The **ziege** is a locally protected species throughout the year in the area of the Körös-Maros National Park (KMNP) (Hármas-Körös, see Chapter XIV).

**Summary table for 2026.**

DAILY quotas for catch-and-take in the waters managed by KHESZ

		Adult	Discount for one rod	General youth	Junior
<b>DAILY QUOTAS</b> Yearly tickets	General, Combined, Area Canals	2 pcs + 1 pc	2 pcs	1 pc	1 pc
		5 kg*	5 kg*	3 kg**	3 kg**
<b>Daily quota</b>	<b>24 hours</b>	<b>2 pcs</b>	<b>1 pc</b>	<b>3 kg per day of native fish species not protected by daily quantity limits</b>	
<b>Daily quota</b>	<b>48 hours</b>	<b>2 pcs / day total: 4 pcs</b>	<b>1 pc / day total: 2 pcs</b>		
<b>Daily quota</b>	<b>72 hours</b>	<b>2 pcs / day total: 6 pcs</b>	<b>1 pc / day total: 3 pcs</b>		
<b>Daily quota</b>	<b>Weekly</b>	<b>2 pcs / day total: 12 pcs</b>	<b>1 pc / day total: 6 pcs</b>		
<p>*out of this, a total weight of 3 kg per day of native fish species protected by size limits and/or ban seasons, but not by quantity restrictions (perch, ziege, chub, ide, vimba, common nase, burbot)</p> <p>**out of this, a total weight of 2 kg per day of native fish species protected by size limits and/or ban seasons, but not by quantity restrictions (perch, ziege, chub, ide, vimba, common nase, burbot)</p> <p>Fish cannot be taken away from the Poklás canal with 24, 48, 72-hour and weekly tickets. On the section of the Dánfoki-Diófás canal at Dánfoki Holiday Centre, the Hosszú lake in Mezőberény and Kacsa lake in Szarvas, catch-and-take is forbidden throughout the year - due to water treatment for sport fishing purposes.</p> <p>Invasive alien fish species - carp species, brown bullhead, Prussian carp, pumpkinseed, rasbora and Chinese sleeper - can be caught and taken away in unlimited quantities</p>					

**Summary table for 2026.**

ANNUAL quotas for catch-and-take in the waters managed by KHESZ

		Adult	Discount for one rod	General youth	Junior
<b>ANNUAL QUOTAS General, Combined</b>	<b>Species with daily quantity and total weight limits</b>	80 kg	50 kg	40 kg	20 kg, out of which maximum 5 kg is allowed of fish species with daily quantity limits
<b>ANNUAL QUOTAS Regional tickets</b>	<b>Species with daily quantity and total weight limits</b>	60 kg	40 kg	--	--
<b>ANNUAL QUOTAS South-Békés canals</b>	<b>Species with daily quantity and total weight limits</b>	40 kg	20 kg	--	--
<b>ANNUAL QUOTAS Supplementary ticket</b>	<b>Species with daily quantity and total weight limits</b>	60 kg	--	--	--