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Guide to Availing Fishing Permits Online

1. Knowing the Water Types:

Bhutan's river system is divided into two water types; Mahseer Water and Trout Water. For details on its delineation, please refer the Mahseer water delineation report.

Further, the water are categorized into High-end recreational fishing sites, Normal fishing sites, and sites prohibited for fishing.

2. From where do you get the permit

Fishing permits are provided online through Online Forestry Services portal accessible at https://ofs.dofps.gov.bt/

3. How to apply?

- i. On the portal, click on the "APPLY" on the Fishing.
- ii. Choose waterbody types;
 - Mahseer water if the target fish is Mahseer and Trout water if target fish is Trout species.
- iii. Choose the category of water for respective waterbody type, i.e., Normal or High-end Recreational
 - (High-end fees are more expensive than normal water fees, and there for international tourists, they are allowed to fish during Saga Dawa or Choethruel Dawa by availing High-end permit with exclusive catch and release)

iv. For High-end recreational fishing on Mahseer water,

Do the following selection of Duration, Dzongkhag, Offices and Fishing areas for respective High-end Rivers.

A. Manas River: Zone I (Float trip only: Park permit is mandatory to enter Royal Manas National Park for foreigners)

Duration: 1 Day – 1 Month Dzongkhag: Zhemgang Office: Manas Park Range

Fishing area: Manas River High-end Mahseer water

B. Punatshangchhu (Sunkosh): Zone II (Below Sunkosh Bridge: Float trip only)

Duration: 1 Week Dzongkhag: Tsirang

Office: Tsirangtoe Range Office

C. Punatshangchhu (Sunkosh): Zone II (Above Sunkosh Bridge: Walk in)

Duration: 1 Day – 1 Month

Dzongkhag: Tsirang

Office: Tsirangtoe Range Office

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D. Mangdechhu: Zone II (From Pantang to Panbang, Float trip only)

Duration: 1 Week Dzongkhag: Zhemagng Office: Gomphu Park Range

Fishing Area: Mangde chhu High-end Mahseer water

E. Mangdechhu: Zone II (Above Pantang: Walk in)

Duration: 1 Day − 1 Month Dzongkhag: Zhemgang Office: Gomphu Park Range

Fishing Area: Mangde chhu High-end Mahseer water (inclusive of Chamkhar chhu

stretch)

F. Drangmechhu: Zone II (Yangbari – Panbang: Float trip only)

Duration: 1 Week Dzongkhag: Mongar

Office: Gyelpozhing Range Office

Fishing Area: Drangme chhu High-end Mahseer water

G. Wangchhu: Zone II (Walk in) Duration: 1 Day − 1 Month Dzongkhag: Chukha

Office: Gedu Range Office

Fishing Area: Wangchhu High-end Mahseer water

H. Amo chhu: Zone III (Walk in)

Duration: 1 Day – 1 Month

Dzongkhag: Chukha

Office: Phuentsholing Range Office

Fishing Area: Amo chhu High-end Mahseer water

I. Nyera ama chhu: Zone III (Walk in)

Duration: 1 Day – 1 Month Dzongkhag: Samdrupjongkhar

Office: Samdruk Jongkhar Range Office

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v. For High-end Recreational fishing in Trout water (Walk in)

Duration: 1 Day – 1 Month Dzongkhag: Whole Bhutan

(However, please know the High-end trout water stretches in Bhutan and know the site you will do fishing. Permit issuing authority will inquire you about the stretch you would like to fish before approving the application)

- vi. Application approval/rejection may take 1-2 days depending on the availability of staffs at office to check the system, so apply at least three days before for walk in fishing trips or call the concerned official for immediate approval. However, for Mahseer float trips, its very competitive so applying well in advance is necessary to book the launch date.
- vii. On approval of the application, visit the ofs site again, track your application and complete the payment
- viii. Online permit will be generated after payment of fee only.