



Conservation Policy for 2012 Season

Rivers Forth and Teith

The Forth District Salmon Fishery Board, in consultation with the River Forth Fisheries Trust are issuing the following conservation guidelines for the forthcoming season. It is expected that all anglers will follow these in order to protect and conserve stocks of migratory fish.

Salmon:

The Board is aiming to achieve 100% catch and release of spring salmon across the District during the 2012 season. For the later part of the season the Board is promoting restraint and anglers are advised that the following guidelines outline the maximum number and type of fish that should be taken from the Forth and Teith. It is hoped that many anglers will be satisfied with taking fewer fish than these guidelines permit:

1st Feb – 31st May:

All salmon and grilse should be returned

1st June – 31st Oct:

No angler should kill more than one salmon or grilse in any given day

No angler should kill more than a maximum of five salmon or grilse from the Forth and Teith during the 2012 season

No salmon over 32" should be killed

No hen salmon or hen grilse caught in October should be killed

Sea Trout:

The Board would like to see restraint shown in terms of the killing of sea trout on the Forth and Teith. If anglers feel they must take sea trout the following guidelines should apply for the 2012 season:

Prior to 1st June no sea trout should be killed

No angler should kill more than one sea trout in any given day/night

No angler should kill more than five sea trout from the Forth and Teith during the 2012 season

All sea trout or finnock of less than 14" should be returned

All sea trout of over 20" should be returned