

**Grimersta
Gyrodactylus salaris Declaration**

Gyrodactylus salaris is an extremely dangerous parasite responsible for the destruction of salmon stocks in over 20 rivers in Norway. *Gyrodactylus* is present in Russia, Finland, Sweden, Germany, France, Spain and Portugal.

Once present the only method is the complete eradication of all fish in a river and allowing the river to remain fallow.

The *Gyrodactylus* parasite is carried in fresh water and will survive away from a fish host for some time. Damp fishing tackle such as landing nets, fly boxes and waders all provide suitable conditions for the transfer of this parasite.

It is vital that we take the appropriate bio security precautions to ensure that *Gyrodactylus* does not enter our rivers.

It is Grimersta policy that no one may fish until a Gyrodactylus declaration has been completed. Please read and sign the following declaration and return it to the Estate Office prior to your arrival.

I declare that none of my fishing tackle has been outside the United Kingdom in the seven days prior to the date of my arrival at Grimersta**

Or

I declare that my fishing tackle has been used outside the United Kingdom in the seven days prior to the date of my arrival at Grimersta and that it has been properly sterilised by using one of the following methods**:

- Drying to a minimum of 20 degrees Celsius for 48 hours.
- Heating to above 60 degrees Celsius for 1 hour.
- Deep freezing for 24 hours.
- Immersion in a solution of *Virkon* 1% or *Wescdyne* 1% or *Sodium Chloride* (common salt) 3% or *Sodium Hydroxide* 0.2% for a minimum of 10 minutes

Signed-----**Print** -----**Date**-----

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