Slottslaxen fishing competition in Stockholms Ström

For the second year in a row, Vattenfall is arranging the Slottslaxen fishing competition on Easter Monday in co-operation with FK Strömstararna, the City of Stockholm and the County Administrative Board. The competition will take place in Stockholms Ström between 11.00 and 16.00.

Competitors will gather for registration at the organiser's secretariat on the quay to the south of the Royal Opera House between 09.45 and 10.45. The fish caught will also be weighed and displayed here so that the public and the media can follow the competition.

The rules of the competition are simple. Competitors may fish freely within the allotted area, which stretches from Centralbron in the west to Kastellholmen in the east. All fishing must be carried out from land. Officials may help to land fish when necessary and if so requested. The competitor who catches the heaviest salmon or salmon trout will win SEK 5 000. The second prize is SEK 3 000 and the third prize is SEK 1 000.

The entrance fees, SEK 100 per competitor, will be used in full to support fish conservation measures in Stockholms Ström.

Each year, Vattenfall donates over 50 000 salmon trout fry to replenish fish stocks in the County of Stockholm. The first batch of fry to be planted this year will be released at Strömbron after the end of the competition at 16.30.

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