

TERMS and CONDITIONS for visits at TARFALA RESEARCH STATION

Tarfala Research Station (TRS) is open between mid-March and end of April and between mid-June and mid-September. All our outdoor activities including transport to and from the station are dependent on variable mountain weather. We therefore recommend you to include some extra time to allow for periods when fieldwork and/or transport may not be feasible.

BEFORE APPLYING

We recommend you to familiarize yourself with the station environment before applying, you find information about the station at www.natgeo.su.se/english/tarfala-research-station

- Read the safety instructions ([see link above](#)) as these will help you plan a safe stay. Upon arriving at TRS you will need to sign the safety terms.
- Please check any restrictions for the use of chemicals in the field or in the station laboratory with the station manager (tarfala@natgeo.su.se) before planning your work.
- Any illnesses, allergies or dietary requirements needs to be communicated to the station manager using the application form.
- You will require a permit from the County Administrative Board Norrbotten for snowmobiling outside ordinary routes.
<https://www.lansstyrelsen.se/norrbotten/other-languages/english/businesses/animals-nature-and-environment/motor-traffic-in-nature.html>
- If you plan to move outside the Tarfala valley you need to check the feasibility of your field-plans with the station manager (tarfala@natgeo.su.se) as your activities may disturb reindeer herding.

APPLICATION

- Please apply well in time, some summer weeks are popular and fully booked already in January.

The link to our application system is; www.nordgis.org or www.interact-gis.org

Applications will be considered after submission; the review process usually takes one week. A confirmation or a reject message will be sent to you from the application system. Your application will be rejected if the station is fully booked or if some other adjustments are necessary. We expect the PI of the application to inform the other group members.

COSTS, PAYMENT and CANCELLATION

Regular station fee is 890 SEK per diem/person for accommodation, food, and station services (incl. access to lab space, lecture hall and field equipment i.e. radios and glacier safety equipment).

The station fee for Stockholm University students and employees is 450 SEK per diem/person for accommodation, food, and station services.

You will be sent an invoice after your stay, any issues related to invoicing can be communicated with the economy section at Department of Physical Geography, Stockholm University using the email address ekonomi@natgeo.su.se

Cancellation; we will charge you 50% of the total cost of your visit if you cancel your visit at TRS less than two months before arrival, and 100% if you cancel less than a week before arrival at TRS.

TRANSPORT

- Planning, booking and paying for transport of personnel and equipment to and from Tarfala are your own responsibilities.
- Please inform the station manager of your travel schedule using the e-mail address tarfala@natgeo.su.se no later than one week before arrival.

Useful links;

Housing and snow mobile transport in/from Nikkaluokta:

Nikkaluokta Alltransport <http://nikkaluokta.com/en/mountain-transport>

Helicopter in Nikkaluokta:

Kallax Flyg AB <https://kallaxflyg.se/boka/> or Alpine Helicopters: +4698050000

Láddjujávri boating: <http://www.enoks.se/en/boat-departures/>

Bus Kiruna-Nikkaluokta: Nikkaluoktaexpressen: <https://nikkaluoktaexpressen.se/>

Taxi Kiruna: <http://taxikiruna.se/boka-taxi/>

AFTER FIELDWORK

- We kindly ask you to provide the locations of sampling and measurements sites in your project file in our GIS system after fieldwork.
- We kindly ask you to provide links to any publications including data collected by you, and/or any data provided by the TRS monitoring program, in your project file in our GIS system.

Additional conditions may apply.