



Autorità di bacino distrettuale delle Alpi Orientali



PREFETTURA di TREVISO



REGIONE DEL VENETO



PROVINCIA DI TREVISO

Enjoy the River safely

Swimming is dangerous because the river poses life-threatening risks



1. Suction effect and dangerous currents
Even under normal conditions, rivers have very dangerous currents: the suction effect is one of the greatest risks

2. Riverbed depth
A riverbed may hide large rocks and unexpected currents. Its depth is often unknown, and diving in can be fatal

3. River siphons, cavities and entrapment points
Some of the river's greatest dangers are siphons—larger or smaller passages located under an obstacle, such as a large boulder. Here, the current is stronger, creating a risk of being sucked in or trapped

4. Low temperatures
Compared to the sea, river water is colder, which can cause thermal shock and lead to hypothermia



5. Unstable and slippery rocks
The river environment presents steep and unstable rocks: climbing on them is forbidden and extremely dangerous

6. Floating debris and underwater obstacles
Unexpected debris and obstacles underwater can cause injuries or entanglements, making the river unsafe for swimming

7. Weather conditions and storms

A heavy storm can cause a sudden rise in water levels, resulting in flooding. Always check the weather forecast!



8. Quicksand
In lowland rivers, like the Piave, it's crucial to avoid areas with quicksand, to avoid the risk of getting trapped and drowning

9. Water Quality
The water quality does not always meet the standards set by Legislative Decree 116/2008

The river is not the sea!