

General Rules.

- 1.** A Current Membership card must be carried at all times. Rod Licenses must be produced on request from an official EA bailiff. Members cards must be produced on request by either a club bailiff or any member. Any person without a membership card shall be asked to leave.
- 2.** All persons on PDAC waters must be registered with the club or have possession of either a Membership Card, Exchange permit or a Complimentary permit.
- 3.** Members 16 and under may only use one (1) rod and must always be accompanied by an adult member in the same swim and must remain in the same swim as the adult member at all times. Max one (1) rod each.
- 4.** Fishing from defined swims only.
- 5.** No trees, reeds, rushes or other vegetation may be cut or trimmed. If there is a problem, please inform the warden or bailiff.
- 6.** No more than two rods may be used (unless otherwise stated).
- 7.** Landing nets and unhooking mats must be dry on arrival & carried at all times by all members. Landing nets must be a minimum size of 24” on the shortest side of the triangle or 22” diameter on pan nets, members may use discretion if these are suitable to land larger fish. Where fish are larger than 10lb, a larger net is required.
- 8.** No fish to be retained in keepnets, sacks, or slings. Keepnets may be used at authorised competitions when the position and number will be specified by the organiser.
- 9.** No fish to be allowed to come into contact with the ground. The minimum size of approved unhooking mat is 24”x36”. All anglers must have some form of mat.
- 10.** Members must carry Disgorgers, Artery Forceps & Fish-Care Kits and be available for the use at all times.
- 11.** No braided mainline permitted except for lure fishing.
- 12.** No fixed feeders or fixed lead systems of any kind to be used, rigs must be able to become free if breakage occurs.
- 13.** The following items are not permitted on PDAC waters:
 - a. No Lead Core (unless otherwise stated)
 - b. Twig Rigs or any other rig replicating it
 - c. Spodding or Spombing on any PDAC water
 - d. Bait Boats or any other remote-controlled devices
 - e. Tailors & Gaffs
 - f. Fires or Barbeques
 - g. Alcohol or recreational Drugs

14. No coarse fish may be taken away and all must be safely returned to the water.
15. No natural nut baits to be used on PDAC waters, except in Carp rules for Harting Combe.
16. Bread may be used as hook-bait. Max 1pint crumb/liquidised used only during Nov/Dec/Jan & Feb. All remaining bread must be taken away and not thrown into the water or left on the bankside on either PDAC or other waters.
17. A maximum of 1kg of dry particle baits can be used at any one time. All dry particle baits must be fully soaked and boiled before use.
18. 2kg mixed ground-bait max.
19. No surface baits, unless otherwise stated, No Bloodworm or Joker
20. No tins, bottles or plastic containers are to left behind. Equipment and belongings should have a tidy appearance when fishing. Members are responsible for any litter found in a swim. It must be left clean and tidy, free from any item likely to harm wildlife. TAKE YOUR LITTER HOME.
21. No tackle in the water to be left unattended. Or baited tackle left out of water.
22. No wading permitted (except in the rivers).
23. Night fishing is only allowed at Harting Combe. (Please read the Harting Combe rules).
24. Audio/Visual equipment may only be used with headphones.
25. Bailiff's reserve the right to interpret the rules according to the circumstances. Any member who is asked by a bailiff to stop fishing or leave must do so.
26. No dogs permitted (except for assistance dogs).
27. Anti-social behaviour, bad language, any consumption of alcohol or recreational drugs will not be tolerated. Members must not enter into direct confrontation with the public, dog walkers or other anglers.
28. Any PDAC member deemed to have committed an act of gross misconduct will face disciplinary action and may be banned from all PDAC waters.
29. Any PDAC water may be shut without prior notice at the discretion of the Fisheries Manager or Pond Wardens, once sanctioned by the PDAC committee.

FISHING FOR PIKE

1. Pike fishing is allowed on PDAC rivers from 16th June to 14th March, and on Stillwater's from 1st October to 28th February. Members must handle and release Pike safely and unharmed.
2. Use mono line of at least 18lb, a non-coated wire trace of minimum 30lb and 18" length and tackle strong enough to straighten snagged hooks for safe trace retrieval.
3. Treble hooks must be barbless or semi-barbless, maximum size 6 minimum size 10.
4. Compulsory equipment: Minimum 36" landing net (85x60cm or larger), 11" forceps/pliers/cutters, 36" x 24" unhooking mat, and large weigh sling.

5. Only dead sea bait fish to be used when bait fishing. No live baiting.
6. Members under the age of 16 must be accompanied by an experienced adult member.

FOR PREDATOR & LURE FISHING ONLY

1. The use of braided main line is permitted for Predator/Lure fishing on PDAC waters. If braided main line is used, a mono hook length of lower breaking strain is required or wire trace.
2. Lures must be barbless if treble hooks are used. Crushed barbs are accepted provided they pass the “jumper test”.

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Water Rules:

Nyewood Ponds

1. All general water rules apply.
2. Fishing is dawn to dusk except between 1st Oct—1st Feb inclusive when the water must be cleared (i.e. in car park) by 4pm.
3. Use of One rod only, another may be set up. Two (2) rods permitted 1st Oct-28th Feb.
4. No fishing from Dam walls
5. Barbless or micro-barbed hooks only, Size 10 max.
6. Mainline 10lb max & hook-lengths of lighter breaking strain.
7. Leads to 1oz max.
8. Boilies can be used as hook-bait, 10mm Max.
9. No surface baits.
10. No braid of any form to be used! Unless for lure fishing.
11. No cross stocking between ponds.
12. Assistance dogs only allowed on venue.
13. The gate must remain closed at all times, last member to leave to ensure complex gate is securely locked. To open lock, press the clasp to release.

Bopeep Pond

A float fishing only venue

1. All general water rules apply.
2. 1 rod only.
3. Barbless hooks only, size 10 max.
4. No boilies, peas, beans, or nut baits. Only 1 pint in total of hemp, sweetcorn and pellets may be used.
5. Natural baits can be used i.e. maggots, casters, worm and bread. 1kg max combined (no bloodworm or joker).
6. 500g of dry ground-bait Max.

East Pond.

A book to fish venue

Parking is in the lay-by marked on the map or on the side of the road. DO NOT park in front of the gate to the track. Please be respectful to local residents at all times.

- 1. Members must book in via the booking system, located on the website.**
2. All general water rules apply.
3. NO carp style set ups i.e. Rod Pods, Bite alarms and Bivvies.
4. Two (2) rods may be used.
5. Barbless or micro-barbed hooks and coated braid hook-links may be used (Max Size 8).
6. Natural baits can be used i.e. maggots, casters, worm. (NO bloodworm or joker).
7. Pellets, Wafers, Boilies, Sweetcorn & Bread (as hook-baits only) may be used.
8. 1Kg (dry) ground-bait and pellet (NO pre-baiting).
9. All bait must be in a bait box. NO tins, cans, glass jars etc.
10. Members must remain within the boundaries at all times.

Exchange permits are not permitted for this venue

Chichester Ship Canal

1. An EA rod license is required to fish the canal; and must be shown on request of EA officer or Canal Trust Bailiff.
2. Canal can be fished 8:00am—8:00pm between Chichester bypass bridge and Donnington Road bridge. Fishing from towpath side only.
3. From 1st Oct to 31st March fishing is permitted north of Chichester Road bridge including the Basin. No fishing on pontoons.
4. Members must have possession of their PDAC permit.

Check the Ship Canal website for further details.

River Rother: Chithurst to Iping Weir

1. All general water rules apply.
2. Chithurst, parking must only be in designated parking area in the farmyard making sure there is no blocking with cars and access.
Iping, access via public footpath through churchyard and then across the field to the river, Access at these points only.
3. Angling is limited to downstream of sign board, some 150m from Chithurst bridge and upstream from sign board some 200m above Iping weir.

FISHING FOR TROUT ON OUR RIVERS

Fly fishing is permitted from 3rd April to 31st October, with fishing before 16th June by fly only. Due to low stock levels, all trout must be returned to the water.

Harting Combe

1. All general water rules apply unless otherwise stated
2. Carp Anglers must keep one member per peg, no doubling up. Junior/Juvenile members must stay with the senior member for safety reasons, with no other exception. (Max 1 rod each).
3. Barbed or micro-barbed hooks and coated braid hook-links may be used, size 4 maximum.
4. A minimum of 15lbs mainline must be used at all times when fishing for Carp and Pike.
5. The use of lead core leaders are allowed for Carp fishing only.
6. No fixed lead or feeder systems of any description, rigs must be able to come free if a breakage occurs.
7. Prepared nut baits can be used only as a hook bait, peanuts are BANNED.
8. Boilies (2Kg max) and mixed ground-bait (2kg max) is permitted per 24 hours.
9. Members must be in possession of a padded unhooking mat when fishing, minimum size being 24"x36" and a minimum landing net size 42". **Advisory:** Members to use high sided mats/cradles of 900x600mm.
10. Carp must be released as soon as possible after capture; they can be retained in a proper floating Carp sling/net for the purpose of photography for a maximum of 10 minutes. No Wading permitted.
11. Surface baits are permitted, but must not be used if waterfowl are in close proximity. Any member found doing so faces disciplinary action.
12. Night anglers must book in via the booking system located on the website, night fishing is from dusk to dawn.
13. No night bookings will be taken for the night prior to the day of a scheduled competition/event.
14. Bookings can be up to 48 hours max Mon-Thus and 24 hours Fri-Sun, subject to availability. If an angler booked in for Friday night and wants to fish Saturday night, he/she must book in on-line or contact the bookings officer no earlier than Saturday 12 noon. Members fishing 48 hours must wait another 48 hours before booking again.
15. Lights for night fishing are limited to one and must not cause offence to others.
16. No fishing directly into the lily pads at any time.
17. No consumption of alcohol or recreational drugs is permitted.
18. No dogs to accompany those fishing at any time. Only assistance dogs permitted.
19. The public footpath is to be clear at all times.

