

The Petersfield and District Angling Club



Health & Safety (H & S) Statement

The Petersfield and District Angling Club (PDAC) is committed to providing, as far as reasonably practicable, a safe and healthy environment for all its members, visitors, and participants in PDAC activities, including events such as Get Fishing. The club recognises its responsibility to protect everyone involved in its operations and activities.

Each member is legally obliged to take reasonable care of their own health and safety, as well as that of others. Members must adhere to this policy, club rules, and all Health & Safety documentation issued by the club.

Health & Safety Statement Objectives

- Safeguard the health and safety of members by identifying hazards and risks through thorough and effective risk assessments at PDAC locations and implementing measures to mitigate or eliminate those risks wherever possible.
- Fulfil, as far as is reasonably practicable, all legal obligations under the Health & Safety at Work Act (1974).
- Acknowledge that absolute safety cannot be guaranteed but strive to reduce and manage residual risks as far as reasonably practicable.

Arrangements for Health & Safety

- The Committee will carry out periodic reviews of all risk assessments, updating them when necessary to ensure continued relevance and effectiveness.
- Work party leaders are responsible for communicating relevant risk assessments to their volunteers, ensuring everyone is aware of potential hazards and safe working practices.
- Bailiffs and Lake Wardens are tasked, within reasonable limits, with maintaining a safe and healthy environment across all PDAC venues. They must report any health and safety concerns to the Committee for further action.
- PDAC will keep records of all accidents, incidents, and hazardous occurrences. When necessary, changes to risk assessments and procedures will be introduced to enhance safety.
- Committee members, work party leaders, and all volunteers will take all reasonable steps to protect everyone participating in club activities, as well as those who may be affected by these activities.