

# TATA GAME ANGLING SECTION

## Rules and Byelaws

**Contravention of any of the Sections rules may mean your permit being withdrawn immediately, together with you being required to attend a Disciplinary hearing.**

**Anglers are requested to weigh in and record all specimen fish, plus any information which may be useful to the Sections publicity. A trophy is presented for heaviest fish caught each season.**

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### General rules.

1. The Game Angling Section is governed by the rules of its Parent Body Company Tata PLC, Sports and Social Club, the rules of the section and any Byelaws of the Environment Agency.
2. Tata PLC reserve the right to exclude anglers at any time from the reservoir without prior notice.
3. When requested by a Bailiff, your ticket must be handed over for inspection.
4. **Every member of the Tata Game Angling Section is a Bailiff**, and can request sight of any Members or Day ticket Anglers permit, question any Anglers methods that you believe to be improper or contravening the Section rules. Any offence seen must be reported to a Committee member or the Club Secretary.
5. All anglers must hold a valid Environment Agency Licence.
6. Members are allowed to despatch 6 fish per week and to catch up to 15 fish catch and release a day as soon as 6th fish is dispatched fishing must stop there are no yearly limits. **Limits may be altered as and when the committee deem prudent, notices will be posted informing members of any changes to this rule.**
7. The fishing times are sunrise until an hour after sunset.
8. Static line fishing with sinking lines is not allowed also rods left unattended or attached to any part of the anglers' equipment or fixtures of the reservoir is not allowed.
9. Only artificial fly-fishing with single rod reel line is permitted.
10. Anglers must retain their own catch.
11. Wading is allowed but members must adhere to the rules attached.
12. Priests must be used to dispatch fish.
13. Landing nets (of sufficient dimensions for the size of fish in the lake) must be used to land fish which are being killed they can also be used when fish are being released but should be kept close to the waters edge whilst unhooking. The unhooking of fish whilst they are in the water with a tool or forceps is allowed.
14. The use of knotted landing nets is forbidden.

15. No Angler is to fish within 10 metres of another Angler unless invited to do so by that Angler.
16. "No fishing" and "no parking" signs must be obeyed. Map displayed in Lodge signing in room.
17. No dogs are allowed at the lake.
18. The speed limit is 20mph on all reservoir roads.
19. Litter and all discarded tackle (nylon etc) must be removed from the reservoir, or placed in bins provided around the reservoir.
20. Before fishing, anglers must "book in" at the lodge using the form provided each time they fish, and "book out" on leaving the reservoir, completing the catch return as required.

### **Boat Rules**

Boats are for the use of members only, non members must fish with a member. Anyone who goes out in a boat must be able to swim and also carry a mobile telephone with them in case of emergencies.

1. A maximum of 2(two) anglers per boat, plus one non angler.
2. A morning ticket is valid from sunrise, and must be berthed at the sections jetty by 2pm. An afternoon boat ticket is valid from 2pm and the boat must be berthed by the sections jetty by sunset.
3. Jetty keys are available to members at a nominal cost.
4. No boat may be towed by another unless in an emergency.
5. Boats can be powered by an engine (up to 5 hp) or by oars. Boats are equipped with two oars (also for use in an emergency) an anchor and a bailer. If any of the equipment is missing, the boat must not be used and committee member informed. Any damage to a boat must be reported on the day it occurred.
6. Life jackets must be worn at all times.
7. No boat fishing or motoring within 50 yards of a bank angler or overhead electric cables please see map in lodge.
8. Waders must not be worn on boats.
9. No standing in boats.
10. Trolling of flies or lures is not allowed.
11. Fish finders are not allowed.
12. Boats are to be kept well away from yachts that are racing, and when preceding to or from your fishing destination you must not cross the racing line, always go around. If requested to move by a rescue/safety boat you must do so without delay.

### **Catch and release rules**

1. Catch and Release is permitted if done with care and good practice all deeply hooked or bleeding fish must be killed (other than Browns see rule 3.)
2. The committee reserves the right if they deem necessary to stop Catch and Release, signs will then be placed at the reservoir informing Anglers.
3. **No brown trout to be killed** they must be released deeply hooked fish must have the nylon cut with scissors or clippers and the fly left in the fish.
4. Once your limit has been killed you must cease fishing immediately.
5. Live fish must not be kept in nets.
6. You may be asked to move from recently stocked fish or your angling position with 30 minutes notice.