

## **Lymm Angling Club Rules 2012**

The rules governing members and other persons fishing waters or at club events are based on item 33 of the club constitution, which will apply to any situation not specifically covered by the rules below.

### **Item 33**

All members and other persons taking part in any activity organised by the club must conduct themselves in a fair and sporting manner, and must show consideration and respect for fish and other wildlife: crops, vegetation and animals, property, fellow anglers and other water users, local residents and land owners or any other persons. In particular club rules must be scrupulously observed but in any other situation not covered specifically covered all persons will be expected to act responsibly. The advice or ruling of any club bailiff or official must be observed immediately, even if disagreed with. Any objection to such ruling should be made to the secretary in writing within seven days, for consideration by the committee. Members who are aware of infringements, which they are unable to prevent, are responsible for ensuring that these are reported to a club official, the committee is empowered to take whatever action it deems appropriate against any offenders.

1. Any member fishing club waters or taking part in any activity organised by the club must carry with them a current fully completed membership card and current environment agency permits. These must be produced at the request of any club official, bailiff, EA Official or other member on production of their card. All Environment Agency regulations and bylaws must be obeyed at all times on club waters. Cards and permits are not transferable; any member contravening this rule will be expelled.
2. All members (including juniors and guests) are responsible for ensuring they are familiar with all club rules and any specific rules water rules before commencing fishing, which may apply. All members must accept the advice or ruling of any club official or bailiff, or any other member who draws their attention to any contravention of club rules. All tackle, bags, boxes, bivvies etc and cars parked on club car parks shall be available for examination by any club official or bailiff.
3. No person using the clubs waters shall cause or allow to be done, any damage to property, shrubs, trees, banks, fencing, crops, livestock, flora or fauna. Nor may they remove or introduce any flora or fauna at club waters without the written permission form the committee via the secretary
4. No person using the club's waters shall cause or allow to be done, any action, which causes offence or disturbance to another person whilst on club waters.

5. No angler shall dispose of any litter, including surplus bait on club waters, car parks or adjoining land, unless in authorised receptacles.
6. All anglers, especially long stay anglers, must ensure their toiletry requirements are catered for in a way that does not cause any offence or hygiene hazard to any other person/property. Bailiffs will ask what provisions have been made to comply with this rule, if provisions are not considered adequate enough; members will be asked to leave the water.
7. Where available, all cars must be parked in authorised car parks or parking areas. Access to waters is via designated routes only.
8. The carriage of firearms or other weapons of any kind is banned on club waters. The lighting of fires (including barbecues) or camping is not permitted on club waters, also members must not take dogs on club waters without the required permit. The only exceptions must be with the express written permission of the committee, via the secretary.
9. Non prescribed behavioural changing substances, including alcohol, are banned on club waters. Anyone affected by such substances whether or not consumed or administered on club- managed sites will be deemed as being a breach of this rule.
10. Fishing is not allowed nearer than ten yards from another angler except on designated pegs, unless with their specific permission.
11. No more than **two** baited rods may be in use or baited on club waters where allowed. (See specific water rules)
12. The retaining of fish in any form of net, container or retention system is forbidden other than in matches authorised by the committee or where live baiting and baitfish are being retained. The sacking of fish is forbidden on club waters. Exception – Keepnets are permitted to be used for pleasure fishing on the Club's Canals. Fish should be kept no longer than five hours.
13. Anglers fishing club waters must observe any close season and restrictions imposed by the committee in addition to those of any statutory authority. Currently the statutory regulations are: Coarse fish close season 15th March to 15th June inclusive and only applies to rivers, streams, etc. Trout fishing is allowed on all rivers, but is restricted to methods permitted by any statutory authority.
14. Radios, musical or any other audio device, including mobile phone call rings, must not be audible to any other person.

15. No person shall leave a rod or rods unattended with or without a bite alarm. All persons must, when fishing, be able to effect sufficient control over their rods. No person should be more than 3 metres from their rods. When fishing with multiple rods and lines, rods must be placed such that the distance between the butts of the rods does not exceed three metres.

16. The use of boats including bait boats on club waters is not allowed other than where provided by the club

17. Junior members on club waters must be accompanied by an adult of over 18 years of age, who will be responsible and answerable to the committee for the safety and conduct of that junior. Any member taking juniors on club waters are restricted to the use of 2 rods and no more than 4 rods may be used on one membership card.

18. No angler shall spend longer than 48 hours on any club water unless stated otherwise in the specific water rules.

During the period of 15th March to 15th June inclusive, only members with a coloured over stamp ticket will be allowed to fish the waters designated by the committee each year to stay open for such members. Normally coloured over stamps are issued following twelve hours attendance on official work parties or other duties approved by committee. Members completing six hours work party attendance will receive an over stamp that entitles them to fish the same designated waters from the 26th May until the 15th June inclusive. All members are entitled to fish all waters from the 16th June (subject to special rules). All membership classes other than senior do not require an over stamp as this is included in their card.

19. Members must complete a yellow arrival slip on their arrival to water and immediately post it into the catch return box, whether they fish or not. On departure, likewise, all members must properly fill in a catch return and post it into the relevant catch return box whether fish were caught or not. Only anglers who have fished need to fill out a catch return. The only exceptions to this rule are: day ticket waters and rivers.

20. The provision and appropriate use of unhooking mats is compulsory on ALL Lymm Angling Club waters.

21. Bivvies are allowed providing they are purpose made for anglers or of a khaki or camouflage colouring, other forms of tents are not allowed. The modification of any peg or clearance of any area to accommodate bivvies is forbidden.

22. Live bait intended for use on club waters must be caught on the water intended for fishing. No fish over 6 inches must be used for live baiting.

## Specific Water Rules

In addition to the club rules the following rules, specific to individual waters, must be adhered to. It is essential that on all waters you adhere to any on site notice/rules/instructions, which may be displayed on the notice board, or anywhere else on the site. It is your responsibility to ensure these are adhered to.

### **Belmont Estate**

2 baited rods maximum.

The use of particle baits including nuts is not allowed on the Belmont Estate.

Livestock must not be obstructed from drinking in the pool. Stiles are provided and these should always be used.

No angler may remain on the estate for longer than 24 hours.

Once an angler has left the estate they may not return within 24 hours. No dogs.

### **Belmont Moat and Friars Pool**

Due to the historic nature of this site, members must not cause any disturbance to the banks. Access to the island is not allowed at any time.

### **Belmont Pool**

No more than 8 anglers are allowed at anytime on Belmont Pool.

### **Willow Pool & Oak Pool**

1 baited rod maximum.

### **Chester Lakes**

Members must have been in LAC for a minimum of 2 years. For the last 2 years members must have been clear of endorsements and /or other rule infringements. Any member can then apply in writing to the secretary for permission to fish the water. Ensure you include a Self Addressed Envelope otherwise application will not be processed. The committee reserves the right to refuse any applicant.

Maximum 2 rods.

Maximum 72hr stay within a 7 day period.

No juniors or guest tickets.

No dogs.

**All members must book in and out of the site café.**

Gates open at 7am and are locked at 7pm, no entering or leaving outside these times.

Water will shut on certain dates for shooting in Autumn/Winter (dates to be advised). All members must leave the site by 5pm the day prior to the shoot.

### **Founders Pool**

Fishing is from designated pegs only.

Only 5 anglers allowed during the hours of darkness.

### **Grimsditch Mill Pool**

No ground bait of any nature is allowed; please exercise restraint when introducing free offerings into this water.

### **Lymmvalle and Lymmvalle Stock Pond**

Bivvies must only be erected in designated pegs.

No snakes or wildlife or their habitat is to be harmed or tampered with.

### **Milton Brook**

No vehicles are permitted beyond the car park. Vehicles must not be driven around the water's edge. Night fishing is allowed for a trial period but anglers must arrive before 8pm and must not leave before 7 am. Check local notice board before fishing.

Maximum stay is 24 hours.

### **Micklewright's Flash**

No arrival or departure from the site between 9pm and 7am. Maximum 2 rods. Maximum 24 hrs subject to a re-view. Any bivies must be close to the water's edge not erected on the pasture land. Vehicles must be parked in the area provided and not driven beyond. As previously stated this site is an SSSI and no trees or vegetation should be broken or trampled and strictly no litter.

### **Peover Eye**

Fishing is not allowed behind Bate Mill Cottage and associated buildings.

### **River Dane Daisybank farm**

Access IS permitted at any time but it essential anglers do not cause disturbance to farm residents.

### **River Dee**

No fishing in front of bank side holiday chalets, caravans.

### **River Severn, Atcham.**

On the stretch below the confluence with the River Tern, vehicles are not permitted beyond the car park into the fields.

On the stretch above the confluence with the River Tern and near Wroxeter Island, night fishing is NOT permitted.

Dogs must be kept on a leash.

### **River Severn, Llanndrinio**

Parking is on the grass verge only. Vehicles must not park in the farmyard parking area.

### **Shakerley Mere**

2 rods maximum.

Fishing is from designated pegs only.

No ground bait of any nature is allowed; please exercise restraint when introducing free offerings into this water.

The lakebed contains fluid sands, which are extremely treacherous, and as a result wading is strictly prohibited.

Maximum stay allowed on this water is 72 hours

### **Spring & New Pool – Day Ticket**

From 1st April through to 30th September fishing is restricted to the hours of 7am to 8pm, Monday to Friday. During this period members will have access to the on-site toilet facilities.

From 1st October through to 31st March members have unlimited access to the pools, including night fishing, but will not have access to the on-site toilet.

### **Tabley Mere**

Members wishing to book the boat can do so by phoning the relevant officer (see officials/diary card), giving as much notice as possible. Maximum of three anglers per trip, and appropriate buoyancy aids are compulsory.

Members must not land on the island or anywhere other than the official landing point. No more than three persons allowed in the boat at any one time. Life jackets must be worn at all times.

No dogs.

### **Tabley Moat**

The driveway must not be obstructed.

Members must stick to the immediate vicinity of the waters edge or designated access routes.

Fishing is from designated pegs only.

2 baited rods maximum.

Only 2 anglers maximum are allowed on the meadow between the 2nd stile and the woods.

No dogs.

### **Village Pool**

No ground bait of any nature is allowed, please exercise restraint when introducing free offerings into this water.

Only one angler per peg (juniors may share with a senior). Fishing is from designated pegs only.

One baited rods maximum.

### **Walk Mill Pool**

Swims may be raked in order to clear weed and lilies. Fishing is from dawn till dusk only.

### **Woodside Pool**

Fishing is from designated pegs only.

When entering and exiting the car park, anglers must only turn left. The maximum time allowed on this water is 24 hours.

One baited rod maximum.

### **Wrinehill Pool.**

2 baited rods maximum.

No more than 12 anglers allowed at anytime on Wrinehill Pool.

Fishing is from designated pegs only unless stalking. In which the permission of any nearby anglers must be sort.

Cars must be parked on the allocated parking area and not driven around the pool.