

The Trout Lake – Fly Fishing Rules

Fishing times – 07:30 until 20:30 latest and not past dusk.

There are 5 life ring stations around the Fly Lake – KNOW THEIR LOCATIONS.

The measures below are in place for the safety and welfare of the fish and apply to everyone fishing or visiting the site - NO EXCEPTIONS.

No fishing after dark. Site gates are locked at night and will not re-open until 07:00.

Anyone caught fishing on site after dark will be detained for poaching.

Anyone seen or caught moving fish, stealing fish, killing or deliberately injuring fish, (including use of live bait) will be prevented from leaving site until the police arrive. Anglers are asked to report such activity immediately by calling 07912 677302.

KHV PREVENTION – THIS SITE IS CLEAN – LET’S KEEP IT THAT WAY. NO NETS, MATS OR WEIGH SLINGS ARE TO BE BROUGHT ONTO THE SITE – STARCARR LAKES PROVIDES ALL NETS AND MATS

1. Maximum 1 line in the water at any time, the angler must have EA current licence
2. Strictly one angler per peg, unless under tuition or accompanying a child that is fishing.
3. Each child angler 15 or under must be accompanied by experienced adult angler at **ALL TIMES.**
4. No litter will be tolerated (including cigarette butts) pegs are inspected each morning and evening.
If you find litter left by the previous peg user please report it.
5. No keep nets or live fish retention of any kind.
6. **Fish must be dispatched or returned immediately in accordance with the catch and release ticket purchased. By signing in you agree to the Starcarr Lakes stop and search policy. Anyone caught taking more fish than the purchase ticket allows will be permanently banned from site and maybe subject to prosecution.**

7. Do not occupy the same peg for more than 1 hour, there are 20 pegs on the lake and a max of 15 anglers on the lake at any one time so please keep moving around the site and give others the opportunity to fish all of the pegs
8. Do not fish a static fly/lure – keep flies/lures moving to avoid deep hooking and killing fish unnecessarily. Please report anyone fishing static lures/ flies. Report any deep hooked fish – if you think a deep hooked fish will not survive do not return it, report it immediately by message or calling 07912 677302 and the fish will be collected on the bank
9. Do not lay fish that are being returned directly onto the ground or on the floor of the boat. Do not lay nets with a fish in on the ground or floor of the boat. Unhook the fish while suspended in the net or use mats provided.
10. There will be hook checks made on the bank. Single barbless hooks only, no treble hooks, no double hooks and a maximum of two flies/lures on one rod. **Do not use bait on the hooks. Anyone caught using bait on the flies/lures will be asked to leave and will face a ban.**
11. No pike fishing using live or dead baits, No spinning however fly lures are permitted.
12. **Please record catches and returns including the appropriate page numbers. This information is important to monitor stock levels and the number of fish removed.**
13. All pegs are numbered, do not move or remove the peg numbers.
14. Do not fish close to snags and endanger the fish. If you find a snag please report its location to the manager or bailiff and we will attempt to identify it and remove it.
15. There are overhead power cables along the south bank of the trout lake, these are well above the reach of fly rods but please be aware of them and take notice of the warning signs.
16. There are some areas along the paths and banks where access paths slope down to the pegs. Whilst efforts have been made to keep ground flat always be aware of any uneven ground.
17. Fly anglers boat fishing must read and adhere to the boat specific site rules.