

General Fishery Rules and Regulations 2025/2026

- Tickets must be obtained before occupying a peg and must be carried with you at all times. Fishing permits/tickets and rod licences are not transferrable and must be produced on request to any officer of the authority.
- 2. Fishing from permanent pegs only (Lakes). One angler fishes from one peg please.
- 3. **NO NIGHT FISHING** other than on organised park events (please see website for details). Fishing is only permitted during displayed times. This rule is partially waived for Specimen Night Permit holders, their angling guests, and Catch app bookings.
- 4. Pre-baiting of any kind is not permitted anywhere on the Council's waters.
- 5. Anglers must take all discarded line, weights and rubbish home with them or use the bins provided. Please report any fouled line or snagged fish to the Duty Ranger (07785 522684).
- 6. ALL fish are to be returned to the water as soon as possible after unhooking so as to cause the minimum amount of stress.
- 7. In the interests of safety No wading please.
- 8. If fishing alone, please let someone know your location.
- 9. No weapons of any kind are to be brought on to the fishery. Catapults are allowed for the projection of bait only.
- 10. From 1st April to 30th September Anglers are allowed to fish until 9pm, irrespective of the displayed park closing times. Anglers must have all lines removed from the water at this time and have left the site by 9.30pm. From October 1st to March 31st fishing is permitted only during displayed park opening times.
- 11. No anglers can enter the park to set up to start fishing or occupy a peg before the automatic barrier has opened the park.
- 12. Anglers should only fish their own water in front of their peg. Anglers casting into other swims must reel back without comment or question if another angler arrives to fish in it.
- 13. No fishing from boats.
- 14. Anglers must remain close enough to their rods so as to be able to take immediate action. Rods with line in the water must not be left unattended.
- 15. The Council has zero tolerance to recreational drug use on the park. Any anglers found using drugs or engaging in criminal activity will face an immediate ban.
- 16. The Council reserves the right to open or close any area of water in the park to anglers, to impose a ban on the use of keep nets and slings, or to take any other measures for the management and safety of the fishery.
- 17. The Council accepts no liability for loss of, or damage to property resulting directly or indirectly from the granting of a day ticket or permit. We recommend that anglers have third party insurance.
- 18. Anglers must report to the Council any damage to the park and compensate the Council for its losses incurred by any damage caused by the angler.

19. The Council gives no warranty in relation to the pools' fitness for purpose nor availability for fishing. Kingsbury Water Park is a natural fishery and as such, the Council cannot give any guarantee in relation to weed growth, amount of fish or weather conditions that may affect fishing.

Tackle Rules

- 1. Maximum 3 rod limit with a current appropriate Environment Agency rod licence.
- 2. Barbless hooks **only**. Rangers will undertake spot checks.
- 3. Each angler must have their own landing net. Sharing equipment between pegs is not allowed.
- 4. Bait boats and drones are banned on all waters.
- 5. "Sensible" rigs only please. No fixed leads, Magic Twigs or 360 degree rigs. Rangers will undertake spot checks.
- 6. Keep nets may be used. This excludes Canal, Broomey Croft and Pine pool (specimen Carp pools) and all Pike fishing.

Specimen Carp pools

- 1. Minimum line strength of 12lbs. breaking strain.
- 2. Unhooking mats and landing nets of minimum three feet width must be used when specimen Carp fishing.
- 3. No uncooked seeds, No nut baits.
- 4. Carp may be held in a recovery sling for a minimal period of no more than 15 minutes to aid weighing and photographing of the fish, (when conditions are appropriate). Please ensure that this is tethered to the bank by a cord.
- 5. Strictly no sacking of fish or use of keepnets at any time.
- 6. Please use carp care products on hook wounds.
- 7. No pole or lure fishing allowed.

Pike angling

- 1. Minimum line strength of 12lbs. breaking strain.
- 2. Live baiting is not allowed on any waters and killing of coarse fish for dead bait is prohibited
- 3. For treble hooks, two of the hooks must be barbless (Lures e.g. plugs, spoons and spinners are excluded).
- 4. Unhooking mats and specimen landing nets must be used when Pike fishing.
- 5. Pike gags are banned on all waters.
- 6. Pike fishing is available year-round on all waters except Pine pool, (Day ticket and Specimen Day Permit) and Canal and Broomey Croft (Specimen Night Permit only).
- These are only available for Pike fishing from 1st October to 31st March inclusive. Pine, Canal, Broomey Croft dead bait only, no lure fishing on these pools.

River fishing

- 1. Please check flood warnings before fishing.
- No fishing 15th March to 15th June, (both dates inclusive) Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act (1975) close season.
- 3. Please enter the park via the main entrance to obtain your day ticket from the fishing lodge ticket machine prior to fishing.

- 4. ALL fish must be returned to the river, **NEVER** put them in our lakes.
- 5. Be aware of overhead electric powerlines. Do not fish within the designated 30 meter angling exclusion zone.

Kingsbury Water Park is run by Warwickshire County Council (the "**Council**"). Purchasing a day ticket or permit will be seen as acceptance of these rules and regulations. Failure to comply will lead to the Country Parks Warnings and Exclusions procedure being brought into action against you. A copy of the Country Parks Warnings and Exclusions procedure can be obtained by emailing <u>parkrangers@warwickshire.gov.uk</u>

Any breach of these rules and regulations may result in the cancellation of the annual permit or day ticket without refund. Any representations may be made to the parks team on the contact details below.

Telephone 01827 872660Duty Ranger 07785 522684Facebook Kingsbury Water Park FisheryEmail parks@warwickshire.gov.ukWebsites https://countryparks.warwickshire.gov.uk/fishingwww.fisheries.co.uk/kingsbury

Biosecurity

We would like to reiterate the importance of the fisheries Dry Net policy. Please ensure that all nets, mats and slings etc. are bone dry when you arrive at the park and have been dried in sunlight or sterilised. It will only take one infected net to infect the fishery. Biosecurity is everyone's responsibility. Remember to Check, Clean Dry.



Carry in, carry out litter policy

Please take home any rubbish brought in with you. This will help us reduce waste on site, reduce costs and help with sustainability. Thank you for your co-operation. Take 5 after fishing. Line and spools can be recycled on site, please use the dedicated recycling bins in Pine pool and Broomey Croft car parks. Visit <u>www.anglers-nlrs.co.uk</u> for more information.

Angler Safety

Angling can take place in isolated rural areas. Please let someone know the location where you will be fishing, you can give them your location using What3Words: <u>https://what3words.com/</u> Remember to update them with your location if you move swims. Please be aware of your surroundings and ensure your seat box or chair is on a stable footing and have awareness of the bankside edge, particularly during low light, fog or snow and ice. Wear grippy outdoor footwear as banks may be slippery, especially when wet. There may be natural erosion and undercutting that is not visible but please avoid fishing on any areas where there has been an obvious bank slump. Be aware of other people passing behind you when casting.

Please check the weather forecast for the B76 0DY area when planning your visit.

Take notice of any weather or flood warnings. Remember the Kingsbury fishery is part of the floodplain of the river Tame. Always have a planned route out of the site, floodwater can rise quickly, and you and your vehicle could become trapped.

Do not fish the river under flood conditions as there will be high flows and you will not be able to see the riverbank edge. You can check the river Tame level here: <u>https://check-for-flooding.service.gov.uk/station/2134</u> or call the Floodline on 0345 988 1188.

Please also be aware of the Overhead Powerlines that cross the park and take notice of any advisory signage. There is a 30-meter angling exclusion zone either side of where the lines cross the river Tame, no angling on Bodymoor Heath bay and tackle should be carried low and parallel to the ground under the lines over the entrance to the car park past the sailing club. Be aware of lightning storms as lightning can strike carbon fishing rods and poles. Stop fishing if a lightning storm occurs.

Certain toxic Invasive Non-native plants such as Giant Hogweed can cause serious life changing injuries. We are unaware of any of this plant being on our site at present, but it does grow along water courses. Please avoid if seen on site and report its location to the ranger team: <u>https://www.nonnativespecies.org/assets/Uploads/ID_Heracleum_mantegazzianum_Giant_Hogwee_d-2.pdf</u>

Fishing takes place in untreated water that may contain diseases such as Leptospirosis, (Weil's disease). Ensure you cover any cuts and wash hands or use hand gel to reduce the potential for infection.

If you need assistance on site, please call the duty Ranger mobile on 07785 522684.

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