

Coombe Abbey PARK

Coombe Pool Fishery Rules 2022-2023

1. Fishing Season: Public Bank June 16th to March 14th
Lindley Bank June 16th to December 31st
2. Season ticket holders are allowed access to the fishery for pre-baiting from June 1. You must be in possession of a current season ticket.
3. Anglers must always carry their ticket with them, or they will be charged a day ticket. An EA rod licence must also be available on request.
4. One none fishing overnight guest (over 18 yrs.) per peg is permitted when accompanying a full season ticket holder with a guest permission ticket. One none fishing guest per peg is permitted when accompanying a day season ticket holder. Guest tickets for day anglers must be purchased from the fishery ticket machine. None fishing children under 18 yrs. are free.
5. No fish to be removed or killed. All fish must be returned to the water.
6. Maximum of three rods per season ticket holder. Rods must always all be fished on the same swim and attended.
7. Ticket holders must not leave baited or un-baited rods and lines unattended in the water. Anglers found anywhere other than their swim or their neighbour's peg where their rods are positioned, are in breach of this rule if all tackle is not wound in, staff are instructed to wind in rods and report offenders.
8. No baiting of any areas beyond the fishery boundary.
9. Pike and Zander fishing from 1st October. No spinning, live or dead baiting before this time.
10. Fishing allowed on numbered pegs only.
11. Strictly no access to Conservation Areas, please respect all signage.
12. Wading is permitted but with restrictions. No wading past the conservation area fence line and is only permissible within 3m of any fishable bank.
13. All Specimen anglers should have the appropriately sized landing nets and must use a good quality un-hooking mat.
14. Wire traces must be used for Pike and Zander.
15. No fixed leads.

16. The appropriate breaking strain line should be used for all species, with special relevance to Carp, Pike and Zander (minimum 12lb). Fish welfare is of paramount importance
17. Keep-nets must be a minimum of 3m in length and only used for silver fish under 3lb. No Carp, Pike or Zander to be restrained in keep nets. No Bream or Tench over 3lb are to be retained in keep-nets. Sacking of Carp is permitted for a short period to facilitate photography and safe weighing, as is the use of tubes for Zander, Pike, Bream and Tench, one fish per sack or tube.
18. No vegetation clearance or any modification to pegs, without permission of an Estate Officer.
19. Night fishing is only applicable to full season ticket holders, with a maximum stay of 6 days on anyone peg. If you have accommodated one given peg for the maximum stay of six days, then you must leave the peg vacant to allow other anglers to fish the peg for the following 6 days.
20. Equipment/bivvies must not be left unattended for more than 3 hours.
21. Drones are not permitted at any-time on Coombe Pool Fishery.
22. Tents are not allowed, fishing bivvies only.
23. No fishing in swims where matches have been booked. Anglers must have moved swims at least 6 hours before the match.
24. Only live bait caught in the fishery may be used.
25. No dogs are permitted at Coombe Pool Fishery, Assistance dogs are welcome.
26. Strictly no BBQ's, or fires.
27. No boats except for bait boats.
28. All motor vehicles/bicycles must be parked in the car parks provided and are left at the owner's risk. Coombe Abbey Park cannot be held responsible for any loss, theft or damage whilst parked in the car park(s).
29. Please take your litter home with you. Pegs must be cleared by the angler fishing.
30. Any activity that causes a nuisance to other anglers on site will not be tolerated e.g. loud music, fouling, drug use and excessive alcohol consumption.

Any infringement of the rules or refusal to comply with instructions given by park staff will be taken seriously.

- i. Following the first offence a verbal warning will be issued.
- ii. After a second offence a written warning will be issued.
- iii. A third offence will cause an angler's membership and permission to use the lake to be revoked.

Serious infringements: If any infringement is considered so serious that it affects the security of the lake, any illegal activity (including drug use and poaching) or health and safety of staff, fellow anglers, members of the public and wildlife, a season ticket and permission to use the lake can be withdrawn from a member immediately at the discretion of management, without the requirement of previous verbal and written warnings. All bans will be for 2 years, after which anglers can apply for permission to return to lake which may or may not be granted at the discretion of management.