

BARROW ANGLING ASSOCIATION

FISHING AND FISHERY RULES

Operation of Fisheries

The Club owns and operates a number of fisheries for the benefit of its members. Pennington, Poaka Beck, Harlock and Ireleth Reservoirs are operated as trout fisheries and Cavendish Dock as a coarse fishery.

Fishing on all the reservoirs is restricted to members of the Club and their guests.

Fishing on Cavendish Dock is restricted to all members of the Club and their guests and to season ticket holders of the Cavendish Dock coarse fishery.

All fisheries are operated and managed in accordance with the arrangements detailed within these Rules.

Association Rules

Fishing Season

All waters to be open all year round (any brown trout caught out of season to be returned safely to the water). Brown Trout open season is 15th March to 30th September. Both Ireleth waters will be catch and release only from the October stocking through to the first stocking of the following year. Catch and release only will apply to any catch of Sparctic, Tiger and Brown Trout throughout the year.

Signing In and Out

Members and guest ticket holders shall record details into the books at the entrance to Poaka Beck, Pennington, Harlock & Ireleth reservoirs before commencing to fish and shall enter their catch return, including nil returns, on leaving the water. Any member defacing the books shall be dealt with by the committee.

Car Parking

Cars MUST be parked in areas provided and NOT on the pitching, roadways or entrances to reservoirs. Members park their vehicles at Association waters at their own risk. Neither the Association nor United Utilities accepts responsibility for vehicles and / or their contents. Gates to be kept clear for access. Members / guests are not allowed to take cars on the road connecting Poaka Beck with Harlock

Daily and Weekly Bag Limits

The maximum number of fish to be taken in any one day from one or a combination of Association waters shall be two of which not more than one fish shall be taken from Harlock. Not more than six fish shall be taken in any calendar week of which not more than three fish shall be taken from Harlock. Sunday commences the week. When two fish have been taken in any one day or six fish have been taken in any one week, catch and release shall be practised for the remainder of the day/week.

Fishing Conditions

The following conditions apply to a membership or guest ticket issued for any of the waters owned or leased by the Association:

- 5.1 Before commencing to fish all members and guest ticket holders must be in possession of a current Environment Agency licence
- 5.2 Members and their guests are responsible for their own personal safety and fish at their own risk
- 5.3 The ticket shall be for one rod and line only.
- 5.4 Ground baiting is strictly prohibited.
- 5.5 The line shall be cast by the rod and not by hand.
- 5.6 No member shall leave his or her rod unattended.
- 5.7 Barbless or de-barbed hooks shall be used at all times. No trebles, doubles or tandem hooks to be used.
- 5.8 The following fishing methods shall be allowed on Association waters:

Harlock,

- Fly Only

Poaka Beck and Pennington Reservoirs

- Fly / bubble & fly.
- Spinner and spun natural minnow (single hook).

Ireleth Reservoirs

- Fly / bubble & fly.

Cavendish Dock

- All legal methods

- 5.9 Bubble floats shall be spherical and a maximum of 40mm diameter.
- 5.10 The maximum weight of spinner shall be 12gms.
- 5.11 Anglers shall not be allowed to use a boat on any of the Association's waters.
- 5.12 It is permitted to access the waters up to Wellington boot top height.
- 5.13 Members are allowed to take one non-fishing companion on to the reservoir banks who shall become the responsibility of the member.
- 5.14 Dogs shall not be allowed on any of the Association's waters
- 5.15 Members / guests shall produce their ticket when requested by any member of the Association, or employees of the Water Authority or Environment Agency.
- 5.16 The minimum size of trout to be killed shall be ten inches from nose to fork of tail.
- 5.17 All tagged fish shall be returned safely to the water.
- 5.18 All returned fish shall be handled with care. Beaching of fish is NOT allowed.
- 5.19 Fish taken from Association waters shall not be sold.

5.20 Fishing is not permitted from the Dam at Poaka Beck. Access across the dam is restricted to the pathway along the top of the dam. Anglers shall not fish from this pathway

Guest Tickets

Guest tickets are available to members (not juniors) to enable a guest to fish with them on Association waters. The member is responsible for the conduct and safety of the guest. All club rules apply to guests.

Guest Tickets are available from the General Secretary and / or a member nominated by him. Guest to detail host name in the signing in book.

Restriction / Closure

Fishing shall not be allowed until the morning following stocking.

The committee shall have the right to close any of the waters of the Association, or any portions of the waters, at its discretion.

General Notes

Anglers shall not:

Foul the water,

Interfere with valves, weirs, or other works,

Cause damage to fences plantations, banks or walls,

Discard litter and nylon.

Correspondence and Communications

9.1 No Member or Season Ticket Holder shall have contact on Association Matters with any Local or National Council, Authoritative Body or any Company, Association or Individual that may have influence over, or affect our fishing. Any correspondence or communication with any external body shall only be through the Committee.

9.2 No Member shall use any form of written or electronic communication or media (including press and social media) in any way that may be deemed to be bringing the club into disrepute. This includes publicising or making any other comment regarding the club, its representatives or other Members or Season Ticket Holders without prior permission from the Committee

9.3 All correspondence to the club should be via email to <https://barrowanglingassociation.clubmate.co.uk>

Enforcement

All members shall be bound by the Rules of the Association. Anyone in breach shall be dealt with by the committee, who reserve the right to suspend or expel the offending member in accordance with the conditions set out in the Constitution.

It is the responsibility of each member to familiarise themselves with the Rules and to ensure they comply with them