

Your pocket guide

to the Peak Angling Passport scheme



The Peak Angling Passport scheme aims to introduce the angling community to semi-wild river sections in the Peak District.

Before you embark on your angling adventure, there are a few things to think about before, during and after. Please be sure to read and download this pocket guide on the device you'll carry with you on site.

Before you go

- Remember to carry your Environment Agency rod licence.
- You are responsible for your own safety on site. As we encourage a wild fishery the banks are likely to be densely covered in vegetation, therefore please be very careful when walking round the beats and be aware of potential eroding banks. Ideally take a pole with you to test the ground.
- You will be fishing amidst pastoral farming country, therefore, please do not take dogs with you.
- All flies must be fished with barbless hooks, or with their barbs crushed.
- Where possible, the beats are probably best fished by careful wading; however, some beats are too deep to wade, so take note of the advice in individual beat descriptions on the Fish Pass app.
- Check river conditions in advance of your trip. Catching fish in low water conditions can cause unnecessary harm and stress to fish.
- Let someone know where you are going and when you expect to be back. You should not rely on there being any mobile phone signal, very often there will be no signal.



Tip from an angler:

Rods of 8ft or less, rated for a #3 or #4 line, are best suited for these waters. Short leaders can be an advantage on the more confined beats, and furled leaders with a short tippet can be useful for dry fly fishing. Don't ignore the wet fly - sparsely dressed spider patterns can be useful if fish are showing but refusing the dry fly."

On site

- Please follow the Countryside Code when accessing the beat.
- Please park considerately. The Fish Pass app will tell you where is best to park for your chosen beat, there will be a parking sign to indicate where to leave your vehicle on site.

- Take care when crossing stiles and gates, particularly when wearing waders. Watch out for barbed wire, slippery grass slopes and soft ground/riverbanks.
- Some of the smaller streams can be accessed with the use of knee boots or thigh waders but deep wading with chest waders assists angling on some beats. Watch out for slippery substrate and unseen ledges. Use waders suitable for the substrate in question, i.e. studded and / or rubber. Carry a wading stick and wear a lifejacket or buoyancy aid.
- Avoid fishing near powerlines.
- All beats are CATCH AND RELEASE only. Return all fish quickly with the minimum of careful handling.
- Do not stray away from the riverbanks and stay within the beat limits. Anglers are welcome with the agreement of the landowners; please be courteous and friendly should you happen to meet them.
- Please take all litter home with you.
- If you can, please retrieve broken casts and flies from vegetation. These pose a danger to wildlife and look unsightly.

After

- Your catch returns are important to us, please submit your catch returns via the Fish Pass App (we are still keen to know if you had any 'near catches' so any notes or data you can provide is welcomed).
- Please take measures to protect yourself against Weil's disease and Lyme's disease. Consult your GP if in doubt.
- Please report to Trent Rivers Trust any hazards or pollution, for example farm runoff or litter, that you identify. If you have an accident or injury let us know so we can warn others of the hazard. If you see unusual wildlife or habitats we would be interested to hear from you.

Biosecurity



1. Check
2. Clean
3. Dry
4. Disinfection procedure



Please be aware that our Peak District waters contain signal crayfish, an invasive non-native species which carry crayfish plague, a fungal disease which has devastated populations of native white clawed crayfish. The following information is taken from the GB Non-Native Species Secretariat.

More information can be found on their website at www.nonnativespecies.org



! Floating Pennywort can survive up to two weeks on dried boots



! Himalayan Balsam is spreading rapidly across the Trent catchment



! Signal crayfish can have a devastating effect on Native crayfish populations

Check - All clothing and equipment should be thoroughly inspected and any visible debris (mud, plant or animal matter) should be removed and left at the water body where it was found. Particular attention must be paid to the seams and seals of boots and waders. Any pockets of pooled water should be emptied.

Clean - Equipment should be hosed down or pressure-washed on site. If facilities are not available equipment should be carefully contained, e.g. in plastic bags, until they can be found. Washings should be left at the water body where the equipment was used, or contained and not allowed to enter any other watercourse or drainage system (i.e. do not put them down the drain or sink). Where possible, clean equipment should be dipped in disinfectant solution (e.g. Virkon) to kill diseases, but note this is unlikely to kill non-native species.

Dry - Thoroughly drying is the best method for disinfecting clothing and equipment. Boots and nets should be hung-up to dry. Equipment should be thoroughly dry for 48 hours before it is used elsewhere. Some non-native species can survive for as many as 15 days in damp conditions and up to 2 days in dry conditions, so the drying process must be thorough.

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The Trent Rivers Trust is an independent environmental charity established to promote the preservation, protection and improvement of the rivers and streams in the Trent catchment and the wildlife they support and to increase awareness and understanding of the management of water and the wider environment.

A final thank you....

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