Ratherheath Tarn

Ratherheath Tarn is a day ticket fishery.

Fishery rules

Season - Ratherheath Tarn is open for fishing throughout 12 months of the year, seven days a week EXCEPT when shooting is taking place. There is no daytime or evening fishing on shooting days.

Opening hours - Daytime fishing is permitted from one hour before sunrise until one hour after sunset. It is the responsibility of anglers to establish the time of sunrise/sunset on the day, should they plan to arrive early or stay late.

WADAA members only are permitted to night fish, subject to prior arrangement. This must be booked through your own "My WADAA" account. A maximum of five members per night will be allowed (excluding accompanied junior or non-fishing guest using the same peg - a maximum of one additional person) the name of the guest or junior must be included in the notes section of the booking. Junior members wishing to secure their own peg must book separately through their own "My WADAA" account. No booking of consecutive nights.

No litter at all, this includes cigarette butts, teabags and fishing line.

No fish to be removed or killed.

You must **not** use landing nets with knotted mesh (National byelaw).

Carp angling

A maximum of 2 rods may be used at any one time. Rods must be no more that 3 meters apart.

No baited rod(s) to be left unattended at any time when bait(s) are in the water, or out of the water (to protect wildlife).

Braided mainline is not permitted.

Minimum of 12lb mainline to be used when targeting carp.

No leaders at all to be attached to the main line, but rig tubing is ok to be used.

Sensible rigs must be used. In the event of a line break the lead must be able to free itself from the rest of the terminal tackle.

Only fishing bivvies or shelters are acceptable. No tents allowed.

No nuts to be used as hook bait or loose feed.

Only barbless or micro barbed hooks are allowed.

Unhooking mats must be used when targeting carp.

The use of carp sacks is forbidden.

The use of carp care kits is encouraged.

Silver Fish & other

A maximum of 2 rods to be used at any one time.

No baited rods to be left unattended at ANY time in or out of the water.

Hooks under size 12 must be barbless.

No keepnets to be used, unless an organised match is taking place.

Lure fishing is permitted, but only with a single barbless hook.