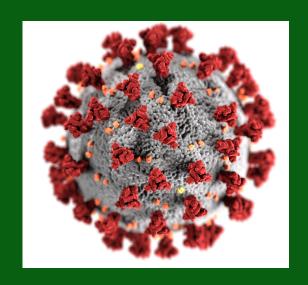


Fisheries Guidance

#fishsafewales







This guidance is correct at the time of publishing & is subject to change at short notice due to the nature of the uncertainty of the Coronavirus Pandemic. The most up to date information will always be on our website.

Please ensure that along with this guidance you check the latest information from Welsh Government in key areas such as social distancing, gatherings, businesses, cleaning & sanitising.

You will need to carry out a risk assessment that is tailored to your site, if you need support with this please get in touch. We have a Covid-19 Resource Pack on our website which you are free to use.



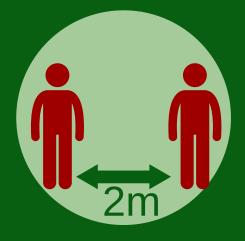
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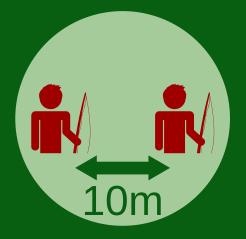




Think about parking - ask people to stay in their car if another angler is unloading & wait until they have left the car park. Similarly on return to the car park.

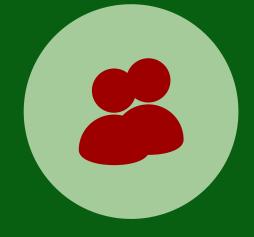
Look at areas where congestion may occur & use our posters to advise anglers to wait or maintain a 2m distance. Are you able to have seperate entry & exit points? Can you put a one-way system into place? Use visual floor markings.



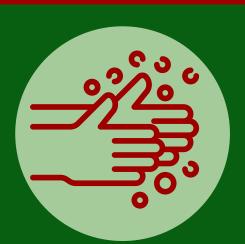


If you do not have plenty of space between angling platforms you may need to limit numbers to leave some platforms empty to maintain distance. If your fishing 'pegs' or 'swims' are not marked you will need to make these clear to keep anglers apart.

Anglers must fish alone unless they are members of the same household to comply with social distancing guidance. Follow the latest Welsh Government regulations as restrictions are eased.



Cleaning & Sanitising





Provide hand sanitiser gel or preferably, get anglers to bring their own. Encourage anglers to use it before they enter and after they have left the site.

Ask anglers to clean surfaces they have touched with hand sanitiser gel - gates, stiles, handrails etc. At the end of the day clean all surfaces that may have been touched.



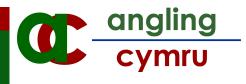


What Personal Protective Equipment do you need? Make sure you protect yourself whilst carrying out cleaning, emptying bins, order & collect services and also if you are required to give First Aid. Welsh Government Guidance on PPE should be followed.

Ask anglers to bring a bin bag (or provide them) to take their rubbish home for disposal. For any further waste follow Welsh Government guidelines on bagging, storage & disposal.



Minimise Contact





Arrange bookings online so you can limit numbers of anglers. You may need to record anglers details for Track & Trace purposes. Ask anglers to pay online to avoid handing cash & contact with anglers. Arrange for permits to be available online.

Whilst on-site facilities are currently required to be closed, you can offer an order & collect service in a way to prevent virus spread. This can be food, drinks, bait and tackle. Use electronic payments if you can & ensure you follow the Welsh Government guidelines on social distancing when offering these services.

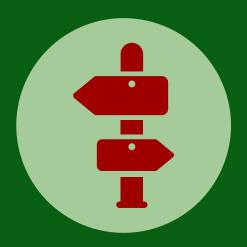




No competitions or match fishing in these early stages of our return to fishing. Also look at areas where congestion may occur on the site & take steps to reduce these.

General Regulations

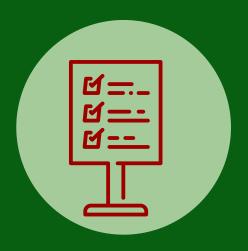




Give anglers clear information with your signage. We have a Covid-19 Resource Kit which contains posters you can print off and use around your site. In certain areas you may also need to look at marking the floor to encourage social distancing.

No boat angling or guiding yet. As restrictions are eased you will need to follow Welsh Government guidance on shared or hired equipment, cleaning of that equipment, social distancing & gatherings.





Look at your rules - do you need to amend these and re-issue to anglers in the short term? Communicate these to anglers so they are aware of any changes.

Useful Information





The most up to date information & guidance will always be on our website click on the Covid-19 link. www.anglingcymru.org.uk



Institute Fisheries Management www.ifm.org.uk



Welsh Government Website www.gov.wales



Public Health Wales Website www.phw.nhs.wales