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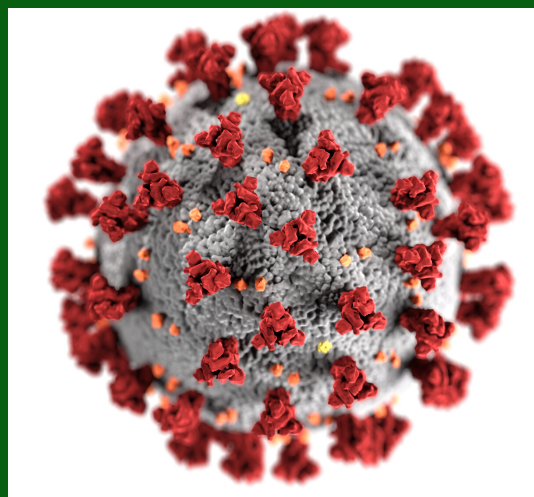
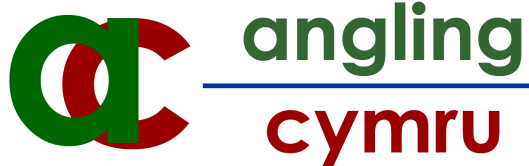
# Competitions Guidance

## Coarse Angling

#fishsafewales



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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, cleaning & sanitising.

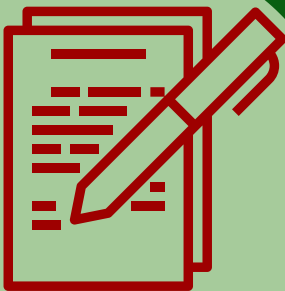
You will need to carry out a risk assessment that is tailored to your competition venue, if you need support with this please get in touch. We have a Covid-19 Resource Pack on our website which you are free to use.

# General Organisation



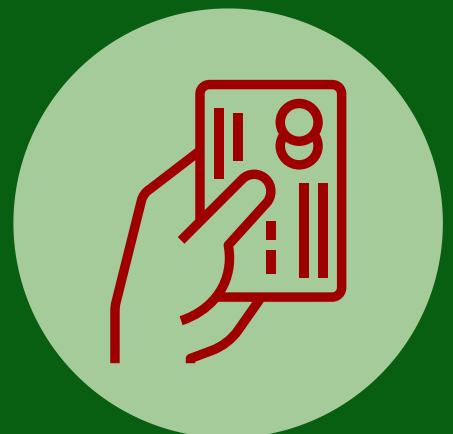
All angling competitions must only take place if the organisers can comply with Welsh Government Regulations on social distancing, gatherings, travel & sanitisation.

Competitors must be advised to stay at home if they or anyone in their household have any symptoms of Covid-19.



Organisers need to maintain a contact log of all competitors in case they are required for the Track & Trace system.

Organisers are advised to take competition bookings online or by phone. Online payments are also advisable where possible to avoid handling cash.

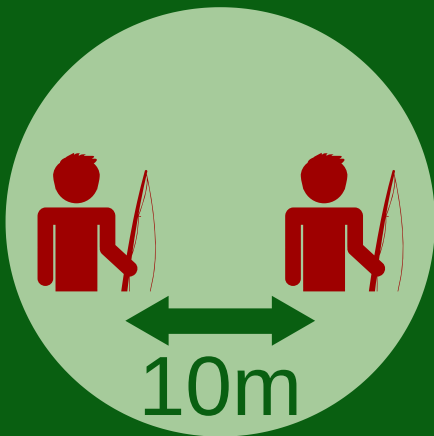


# Maintaining Social Distancing



Competitors must follow current restrictions when travelling to a competition. 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.

Organisers must ensure that current regulations on gatherings are complied with - no congregating before or after a competition at this stage.



Organisers must ensure pegged competitions allow at least 10m distance between anglers. On some fisheries this may mean some pegs are closed to enable this spacing for anglers.

Anglers walking to & from their peg should maintain social distancing at all times.

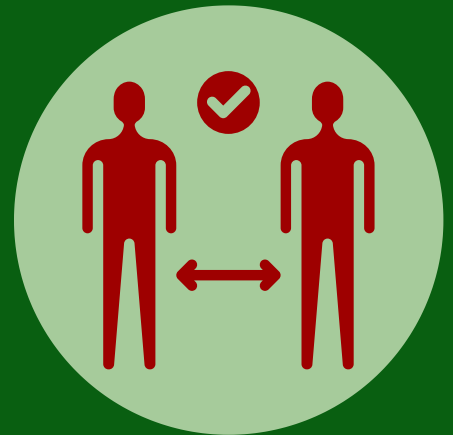


# Competition Management



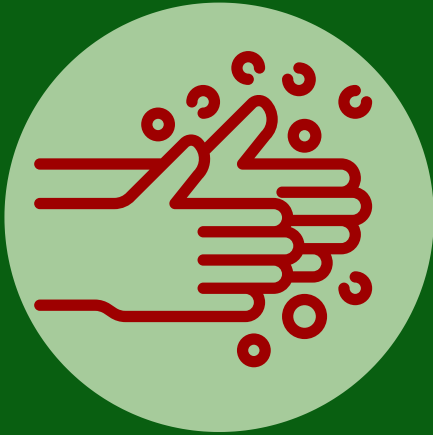
Arrange competition bookings online or by phone. Ask anglers to pay online to avoid handing cash & contact with anglers where possible. Arrange for peg draws & results to be carried out online where possible.

Follow the fisheries guidance on use of keepnets. Organisers should appoint officials to weigh & record catches. Use of PPE should be considered. Anglers should remain on their peg until the officials arrive to weigh their catch.



The angler should retrieve their keepnet from the water & transfer fish into the weighing sling. The angler then steps away to allow the officials to weigh & record the catch. The official will then return the fish to the water. The angler should pack up & leave the site, maintaining social distancing.

# Cleaning & Sanitising



Provide hand sanitiser gel or preferably, get anglers to bring their own. Encourage anglers to use it regularly.

Ask anglers to clean surfaces they have touched with hand sanitiser gel - gates, stiles, handrails etc. Any equipment used should be thoroughly cleaned and sanitised after use.

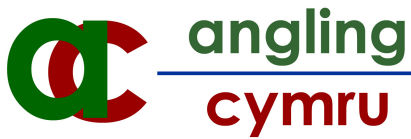


What Personal Protective Equipment do you need? Make sure you protect organisers & stewards whilst carrying out draws, weigh-in's, results & cleaning. Consideration should be given to carrying out First Aid. Welsh Government Guidance on PPE should be followed.

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.



# 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](http://www.anglingcymru.org.uk)



Welsh Federation of Coarse Anglers  
[www.welshfederationofcoarseanglers2009.co.uk](http://www.welshfederationofcoarseanglers2009.co.uk)



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