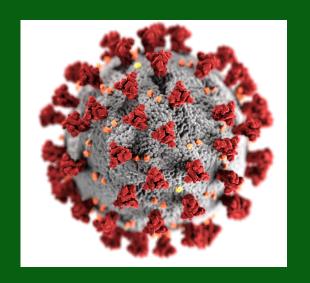


# Competitions Guidance Sea Angling

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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.

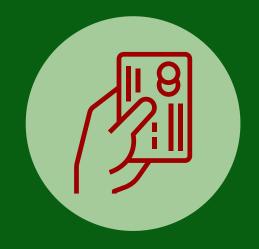
Competitors must be advised to stay at home if they or anyone in their household have any symptoms of Covid-19.





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**

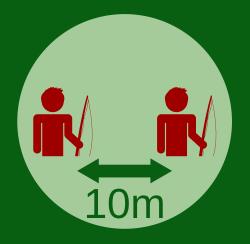




Competitors must follow current restrictions when travelling to a competition, including car sharing. Think about parking - ask people to stay in their car if another angler is unloading & wait until they have left the car park. Similarly on return to the car park.

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. For roving competitions anglers must be advised to maintain their social distance from others.

Boat angling competition organisers must ensure anglers have at least 2m space on the boat. Procedures for embarking & disembarking must be in place. Strict hygiene & sanitisation measures must be taken. Charter Boat Skippers will have procedures in place which anglers should follow.





#### **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.

For measure & release competitions anglers should present their fish for measuring to their neighbouring angler, placing the fish in a bucket of fresh sea water near to the measuring anglers peg. The angler will walk away from the bucket whilst

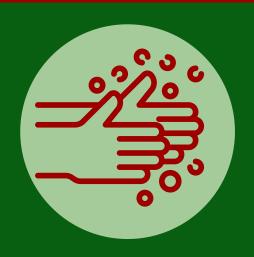
the fish is measured & recorded on the match card. then retrieve the bucket and release the fish back to the sea.





Where fish are to be returned to a weighing point the organisers must put procedures into place to ensure social distancing is maintained. Any organisers weighing fish should consider their PPE & hand sanitiser must be available.

## **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



Welsh Federation of Sea Anglers www.wfsa.org.uk



Welsh Government Website www.gov.wales



Public Health Wales Website www.phw.nhs.wales