



Uxbridge Rovers Angling & Conservation Society

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Batchworth Lake Venue Rules

Opening Dates: 1st January – 31st December

IMPORTANT Anyone found to be breaking these rules will be suspended immediately from the club until they have attended a disciplinary meeting with the clubs committee to decide on a suitable outcome.

- The removal of fish from this venue will be viewed as a criminal act.
- Batchworth Lake is open for fishing all year round.
- The Aquadrome gate opening hours from 1st May until 30th September 8am – 9.30pm. From 1st October – 30th April 8am – 6pm. Gates will be locked promptly. Anglers do not have access to keys.
- Anglers should park in the Aquadrome car park or surrounding streets depending on parking restrictions. Cars/motorcycles/quads must NEVER be driven around the lakes pathways. The same applies to your visitors. You are responsible for your visitors.
- URACS Club membership, Night Permits and EA licence MUST be carried at all times. You may be asked for photo Identification to prove you are the named ticket holder. While we appreciate some members like to keep a copy of their membership on a mobile phone, if a bailiff asks to see your ticket a flat phone battery WILL see you packing up.
- We need your help to police all our waters. You are the eyes and ears of the club. If you see someone else fishing, ask if they are a member. If they are breaking the rules, are a nuisance or you suspect they don't have a membership and don't feel comfortable to approach them yourself, contact the fishery manager or one of the bailiffs straight away.
- Night fishing is allowed only for those aged over 18 who purchase the necessary night permit.
- To purchase a Night ticket, you must first be a club member and on the night ticket waiting list. Contact the club to be considered for a night ticket.
- Day fishing times are permitted to one hour before sunrise until one hour after sunset. No exceptions.
- A single bucket can be left in a swim to reserve it for a MAXIMUM of 20 minutes. This is to allow anglers time to fetch their tackle from their car, NOT to continue walking the lake. Any issues contact the Bailiff team.

- Before fishing please take the time to politely talk to any members fishing near where you plan on fishing to discuss where they are. A little common sense goes a long way here. Any problems contact a bailiff or the fishery manager. Bailiffs decision is final.
- A maximum of three rods may be used, providing your EA licence covers this.
- Barbless hooks only. NO semi barbed, NO crushed barbs NO excuses! Regular Rig checks WILL be carried out. Please do not feel offended if a bailiff asks you to reel in for an inspection. Batchworth is a VERY snaggy venue and anyone found breaking this rule WILL be suspended immediately from the club until they have attended a disciplinary meeting with the clubs committee. Crushed barbs are allowed ONLY for trebles on lures.
- All anglers should carry a LARGE padded unhooking Mat or Cradle and a minimum of 42" landing net regardless of target species.
- A carp care kit Must be carried and we encourage anglers to treat any minor injuries. Any more serious injuries should be reported to either the fishery manager or Bailiff team BEFORE returning the fish!
- ALL fish deaths should be reported to the Fishery manager or Bailiff team straight away.
- NO BBQ'S BBQ Trays or Fires! No exceptions! This rule applies to any visitors to the aquadrome and is enforced by the council.
- No litter to be left behind. Please take all litter and old line with you! There are plenty of bins on site, please use them. If there's litter in the swim when you arrive, please help and bin it also.
- Please keep radios and tablets on a low volume.
- The use of bait boats is not permitted.
- The use of Drones is not permitted.
- The use of Boats is strictly not permitted. Use of a boat only permitted with the fishery managers permission and with suitable life jackets being worn. Anyone reported using a boat for ANY reason without permission will be removed from the club.
- Wading is not permitted. The margins drop off very quickly in places. Safety first.
- No access is permitted to the islands, No fishing from the islands.
- No fishing over the ski boat buoy cables! The buoys are connected under the water by cables. These cables run the length of the lake and are dangerous for fish safety.
- NO fishing from the Ski Boat Jetty.
- MINIMUM of 12lb mainline, NO braided mainline unless predator fishing with a lure rod.
- NO fixed lead setups, All leads MUST pass freely! safety first, all rigs/setup must be safe. Regular checks WILL be carried out.
- All fish must be returned to the water as quickly as possible following capture.
- The use of sacks to retain fish is strictly prohibited.
- Floating retention slings only to be used for a very short period of no longer than twenty minutes to rest the fish and allow you to prep your weighing scales and camera. Anyone found to be breaking this rule with captive fish longer than twenty minutes without the fishery managers permission will be suspended

immediately from the club. If its caught at night, then photograph and return it at night, NO slings till the morning please.

- No rods to be left unattended at any time.
- When snag fishing PLEASE use common sense! Fish locked up and be ready to react quickly!
- NO live baiting
- Lure anglers should use a wire trace and follow the venues barbless hook rule.
- Alcohol only to be consumed in moderate amounts. Please try to be discreet, the Aquadrome is a family venue. Anyone deemed to be in an unfit state to fish will be asked to leave the venue.
- No bankside vegetation or trees should be cut; no swims should be modified without the permission of the fishery manager or Bailiff team.
- Please see the club rules for details of rules in regard to publishing photos and videos of the fish OR venue. We do operate a strict publicity ban! Permission MUST be obtained from the fishery manager before anything is published.
- Please see the separate club rules in regard to predator fishing.