



## Wokingham Countryside Service

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### **SPECIMEN GROUPS - FISHING RULES 2021-22**

1. Night fishing is only permitted through the following groups.

<b>White Swan Specimen Group</b>	-	membership	50
<b>Black Swan Specimen Group</b>	-	membership	50
<b>Longmoor Lake Specimen Group</b>	-	membership	40
<b>Twyford Reserve Specimen Group</b>	-	membership	30
<b>River Loddon Specimen Group</b>	-	membership	15
<b>White Swan Winter Specimen</b>	-	membership	15
<b>Gold Membership</b>	-	membership	25

All members must be 16 years old at the beginning of the season.

2. All of the Country Park Rules and those of the Environment Agency will be upheld at all times. Any member of the group who breaks these rules will have their night permit immediately withdrawn and will be banned from the Fishery and all other sites run and managed by Wokingham Borough Council.
3. All group members will make every effort to minimise disturbance on arrival, departure and whilst fishing. Lights must be used as little as possible and should be small and unobtrusive.
4. Permits will be issued to all members each year and should be read and understood. Any member who is unsure or needs clarification must contact the Countryside Service who will help with any miscommunication of the rules.
5. All night season permit holders have authority and should challenge any person fishing whom they suspect does not hold a valid ticket, and may ask any unauthorised person to leave the property. Unauthorised persons are not allowed on the Fishery at night.
6. Permits will be carried at all times when fishing and must be produced at the request of the Country Park staff or other night permit holders.
7. No person is permitted to fish for a continuous period longer than 72 hours, after which the individual and their equipment will leave the Fishery for a minimum period of 48 hours. Anglers fishing 48 hours must leave the water for a minimum of 24 hours.
8. The decision of Wokingham Borough Council and its representatives is final.
9. Strictly No Zig fishing between 1<sup>st</sup> June and 31<sup>st</sup> December
10. Maximum an angler may leave his swim is 2 hours, anything more and all tackle needs to be removed from the complex.
11. Waders are to be used only for landing fish.



12. River Loddon members may fish from 16<sup>th</sup> June until 14<sup>th</sup> March inclusive. All lake specimen group members may fish all year minus a one month floating close season. This will be enforced when fish stocks begin to spawn.
13. White Swan and Longmoor, Lake Specimen Group members **only** may fish with 3 rods for Carp between 1<sup>st</sup> November and 31<sup>st</sup> March inclusive.  
White Swan Winter Specimen Group members may fish with 3 rods between 1<sup>st</sup> November and the last day of February inclusive.  
Black Swan and Twyford reserve members may fish with 3 rods all season.
14. Black Swan anglers using boats must adhere to Activity Centre rules regards boat use at all times. All members will be expected to read the rules and sign that they have understood and commit to follow them.
15. Gate to Dinton Pastures Anglers Car Park:
  - a. Please respect our neighbours when entering and leaving the site by quietly locking and unlocking the gate.
  - b. Please lock the gate after you at all times. Anyone found leaving the gate open will be asked to leave the syndicate and will forfeit any refund of their remaining subs.
16. Black Swan anglers please note that during the summer months boat traffic may be high in and around pegs 40, 1+2 during the daytime. During busy periods anglers would be expected to reel in and wait until the area is less busy.
17. Black Swan anglers may only use boats for baiting up with ground bait, the carrying out of baited lines is strictly prohibited and will result in the immediate banning from the fishery.
18. Black Swan Pegs 41 and 42 (on Goat Island) will, for a trial period be open to angling and can only be fished with the following conditions.
  1. Only fishing from the pegged swim and nowhere else on the island.
  2. No access elsewhere on the island.
  3. Booking system will initially be in place for managing availability.
  4. Anglers to organize their own access safely. Please be advised by Activity Centre staff about maximum boat loading limits.
  5. Boats and activity Centre craft have priority when passing through the channel at all times so back leads are strongly advised.