

## 'Rules for Reservoir Day-Ticket Holders'

**01.** Anglers must abide by the closed seasons which are stated as:

EMBSAY: Brown Trout is from the 1st October to the 24th March Inclusive.

Fishing for Rainbow, Blue, Spartic & Tiger Trout is allowed all year with the exception of a closed period from 28th February to the 24th March inclusive.

**02.** Every angler holding a ticket from the Association shall, on request, show the same to any owner or occupier of land or servant of the same upon which the Association's members have fishing rights; to any bailiff or member of the Association. The same applies for Environment Agency rod license.

**03.** Holders of day-tickets must not leave refuse or litter of any kind on the banks of the reservoirs. Anyone found doing so is liable to expulsion from the venue, no refund will be offered.

Anglers must take all discarded fishing line home, in order to prevent unnecessary suffering to birds and wildlife, thus avoiding adverse publicity falling on the Association and the Angling Fraternity in general.

**04.** If anyone holding an Association's ticket be known to willfully or carelessly do any damage to property of any occupier of land on the Association's preserves, or be the cause of the same, he shall be required to pay to the person whose property is damaged an amount equivalent to the damage done or caused to be done. Anyone contravening this rules will be liable to having their ticket revoked without refund. This rule shall also apply in the case of any member being found guilty of trespassing on other preserves.

**05.** No angler shall take fish out of the Association's waters under the lengths and in greater number than specified below. All undersized fish to be liberated, and no attempt made to disgorge the hook when same has been swallowed, but the line must be cut close to the fish's mouth and the fish returned to the water as gently and quickly as possible, and with the least injury practicable Forceps are recommended for unhooking lip hooked fish. All anglers **MUST** carry a measure to accurately ascertain the length of fish.

**06.** Anglers must enter the waters by the recognised entrance and must not cross fields except down wall or hedge sides.

**07.** Anglers must not leave any rod and line with its hook and bait in the water unattended.

**08.** Fishing is not allowed on any waters between dusk and dawn.

**09.** Anglers are strictly forbidden in any way to pollute or throw any substance in the water in the reservoirs or streams running into them, or damage any of the fences, walls or other works of Yorkshire Water. Any member found so doing will be immediately expelled from the venue with no refund offered and will be required to pay the cost of reinstating damage.

**10.** Dogs are not permitted to be in the attendance of an angler whilst fishing.

**11.** Anglers fishing with a day-ticket may only fish with one rod and line at any one time. A second rod and line may be partially but not fully assembled ready for use

**12.** The use of a net other than a landing net is strictly prohibited. Keep nets may be used for Fish when the Environment Agency rules allow.

**13.** Anglers shall neither cause nor permit —

**(i)** Any litter, fragments of food or other refuse, matter or things to be left on the banks or discarded in the water.

**(ii)** Any fires to be lit or any other act whereby damage by fire may be caused.

**(iii)** The use of any noisy instrument or loudspeaker.

14. Anglers must use non-toxic split shot in accordance with the Environment Agency Bylaws 4f. This prohibits the use of lead weights attached directly or indirectly to fishing lines of between 0.06 gms. [split shot No.8] and 28.35 gms [1oz.]

**15. ALLOWED BAIT:**

**Embsay Reservoir**

Fly, worm, minnow and spinning only. **Ground baiting or loose feeding is strictly prohibited.**

**Whinny Gill Reservoir**

All legal baits and lures.

Note: Ground bait is only allowed in reasonable quantities to prevent water pollution.

**16. SIZE AND BAG LIMITS:**

Rainbow Trout only 28cm (11 inches), 2 fish per day.

**All other trout and other species are to be returned to the water alive.**

17. Any pollution or dead or dying fish must be reported to both the Environment Agency and the Club Secretary ASAP.

18. Junior anglers (aged between 13 and 16 inclusive) are permitted to fish all the Association's waters but must be in possession of a day ticket and Environment Agency rod licence. Juvenile anglers aged 12 and under - May fish all the Association's waters, without the need of a day ticket, but **MUST** be accompanied by an adult who need not be a member of the Association. In the interests of safety it is recommended that juniors are accompanied by an adult at all times.

19. No person may put a boat or floatation tube on any of the reservoirs nor may he fish from a boat owned by a member of the Sailing Club. Wading is permitted at Embsay but restricted to a maximum of thigh depth.

20. Whinny Gill reservoir is closed to the general public and as such, any person wishing to fish this venue on a day-ticket, must do so with an existing member of Skipton Angling Association.

21. At Embsay Reservoir, fishing is not permitted from the dam wall or from within the sailing boat compound.

**DISCLAIMER**

Upon purchase of a valid day-ticket, the holder is allowed access to the relevant venue on the specific date as stipulated on the ticket provided that all rules, regulations and safety information has been read and fully understood.

It should be noted that all reservoirs, rivers and streams are dangerous places and the Association cannot be held responsible for any member availing himself or herself of the privileges gained by access to the Associations venues.

It is a condition of the day-ticket that the holder agrees to indemnify the Association and its officials, servants, agents or members against all actions, claims, costs or demands in respect of injury to himself/herself arising out of or in connection with any of the Association's activities and notwithstanding that the same may have been caused by or contributed to by the negligence of the Association or its offices, agents, servants or members.

The Association does not provide any special places, platforms or other installations to fish from and does not accept any responsibility for any person or persons on any of their fishing waters.

Accordingly, day tickets are only offered on the understanding that those using the privileges do so entirely at their own risk.