



## Bewl Water General Rules

- A permit must be purchased before fishing commences.
- Each permit is valid for one angler only and is not transferable.
- All anglers must complete their catch records (including nil return) by filling out the permit, emailing [fishing@bowlwater.co.uk](mailto:fishing@bowlwater.co.uk) or using the online form.
- Any Method fishing is permitted from boat only and includes the use of worms, maggots, spinners, corn, soft pellets, paste attractors, and artificial lures (including spinners, spoons, jigs and plugs), but does not include the use or the use of fish bait (live or dead). All trout caught using Any Method fishing must be taken.
- Fly fishing is permitted from bank or boat by means of fly rod, line & reel with artificial fly or lure tied with traditional materials.
- Trolling (fishing with a lure whilst the boat is under power) is prohibited
- Only one rod may be used at any given time. Multiple rods may be made up as reserves.
- Only one hook may be used per rod with the exception of treble hooks on spinners/lures.
- Fly fishermen may use a team of flies.
- Loose feeding of particles, maggots or ground bait is not allowed.
- Keep nets are not allowed.
- A maximum of 8 Rainbow Trout may be taken and your session will cease when the bag limit has been reached. If you wish to catch more, you must purchase a further permit from the lodge after the eighth fish has been taken. All other fish (including Pike and Perch) must be returned alive to the water. Under no circumstance must any other fish than Rainbow Trout be killed.
- If required to do so by any fishery officer, any angler shall show all the fish, equipment and tackle in his possession.
- Anglers must park in the designated area.
- You must be 18 years or older to hire a boat. Under 18's are not permitted to power the engine. Proof of age may be requested. The red kill cord should be attached to the user when the engine is running.
- Life jackets must be securely worn at all times. Hire of such is included in the fee. Should a lifejacket auto-inflate through misuse, being dropped in the water or vandalised a fee of £60 per lifejacket will be chargeable and payable prior to departing Bewl Water.
- Boats are not allowed within 100 metres of the draw-off tower, overflow tower, dam wall or water sports frontage and are not allowed to enter to enter the Nature Reserve past the 'No Entry' buoys. Any additional restrictions or special events will be advertised at the Fishing Lodge.
- Anglers may not cast within 50 metres of other boats or bank anglers
- Swimming is prohibited.
- The use of drugs or alcohol for all anglers at Bewl Water is prohibited. Bewl Water staff reserve the right to confiscate alcohol prior to a fishing session and refuse access to the water to anyone suspected of drinking prior to fishing.
- All boats must be back on the jetty by the time displayed on the clock on the jetty.
- Bank fly fishing only permitted from sunrise until one hour after sunset.
- Standing in the boat is prohibited. Standing causes the boat to be unstable, especially during windy conditions in open water.
- Excessive noise, shouting or amplified music whilst fishing is prohibited.
- Every person visiting the reservoir shall indemnify the Company against loss or damage to the Company's property or any other property that might arise from his or her presence or activities at or on the reservoir. The Company cannot accept liability for loss or damage howsoever caused.
- Persons contravening any regulation or byelaw in force at the time will have all fish in their possession confiscated and will be required to leave the reservoir. Serious breaches of rules, regulations or byelaws will result in an indefinite ban for the parties involved.
- Boats must be returned to the jetty at the time specified on the jetty when leaving. Please note that this changes seasonally.
- Anglers must park in the designated area.
- A maximum of three people are permitted in a fishing boat.
- No fishing in the nature reserve. Please observe the no entry buoys and the map.
- Do not tie up to the overflow and draw off towers.



## Bewl Water Advice

- Assess the risk, and be very aware of the environment, including (but not limited to) fishing from the bank. Be polite and respectful to all other water users.
- Be aware of changing wind conditions. If in doubt, ask a ranger or in the lodge.
- Do not cross in front of a casting line and allow enough space for others to pass behind you.
- All accidents or damage should be reported to the Rangers or lodge staff.
- Wear suitable warm clothing. Use of sun cream in hot weather is recommended. Personal protective equipment and accessories should be considered.
- Some algae found in the water are potentially harmful and may prove poisonous to dogs. Always wash after fishing. Weil's disease can cause serious illness. Please keep cuts and scratches covered. See your G.P. if you experience flu like symptoms.
- If in the eventuality of you or your fishing partner falling overboard, operate the RED kill cord and **row** to the aid of the casualty. Phone for immediate assistance. Climb into the front or rear end of the boat and NOT the sides.

## Bewl Water Boat Usage

- Start your engine before leaving the pontoon jetty or anchor point. Do not untie the rope until the engine has run for at least a minute. Pull the anchor before putting the boat into forward/reverse.

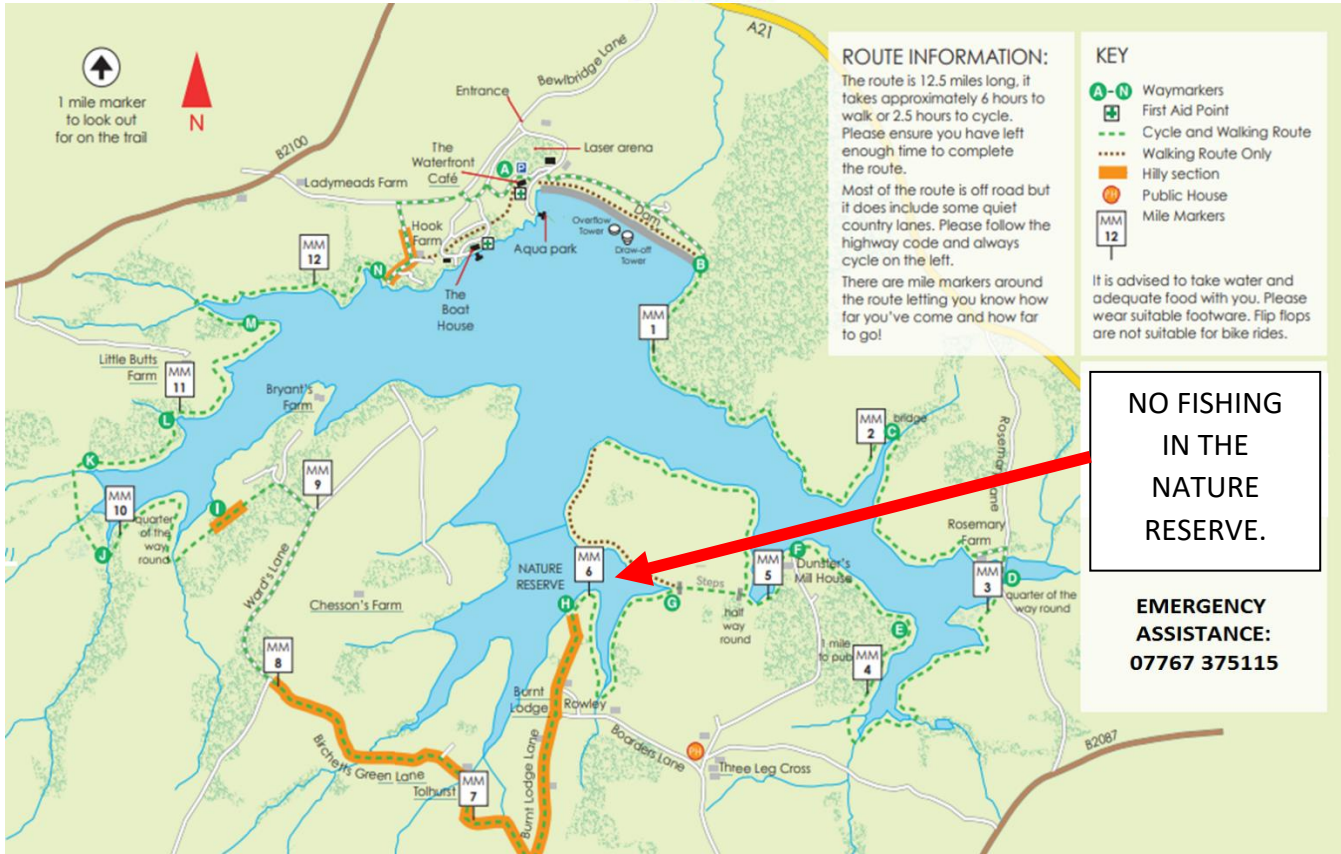
To start the engine:

- Ensure the kill cord is attached to both yourself and the engine.
- Ensure the engine is in neutral and the throttle is in the position indicated by an orange arrow.
- Squeeze the lemon shaped pump several times to aid petrol flow.
- Pull the choke out.
- Pull the starting cord in a firm underarm manner to your waist. It may take a few pulls depending on the engine temperature.
- With the engine running, give a few revs before pushing the choke button back in.
- Allow the engine to run for one minute before leaving the jetty/pontoon.

I have read and understand the general rules and boat use instructions.

Full Name (Capitals).....

Date .....



**ROUTE INFORMATION:**

The route is 12.5 miles long, it takes approximately 6 hours to walk or 2.5 hours to cycle. Please ensure you have left enough time to complete the route.

Most of the route is off road but it does include some quiet country lanes. Please follow the highway code and always cycle on the left.

There are mile markers around the route letting you know how far you've come and how far to go!

**KEY**

- A-N Waymarkers
- + First Aid Point
- Cycle and Walking Route
- Walking Route Only
- Hilly section
- Public House
- MM Mile Markers

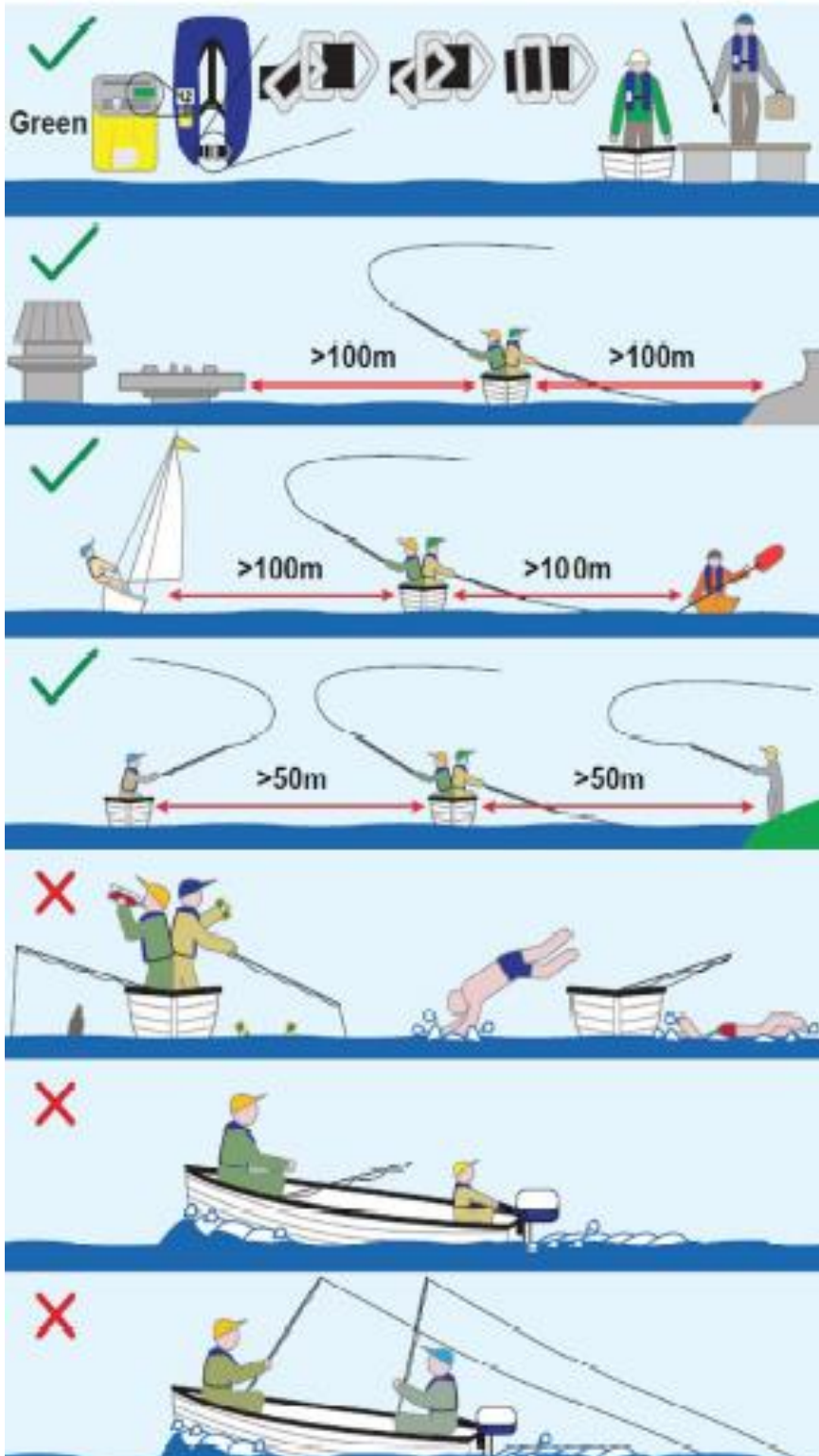
It is advised to take water and adequate food with you. Please wear suitable footwear. Flip flops are not suitable for bike rides.

**NO FISHING  
IN THE  
NATURE  
RESERVE.**

**EMERGENCY  
ASSISTANCE:  
07767 375115**

# BEWL WATER FISHERY

## Safety Advice and Fishery Rules



### Use of Kill Cords

Each boat engine has a red 'Kill Cord'.

One end of this has a plastic fork which must be inserted beneath the red button for the engine to run while the other end should be worn around wrist or clipped to a firm point on your clothing whenever the boat is underway.

In the event of you falling from the boat while underway the cord will pull the fork from the red button stopping the engine.

This will ensure that the boat remains close to you as well as preventing the uncontrolled boat from injuring you or others.

**PLEASE USE THE CORD WHENEVER YOU USE THE BOAT ENGINE BUT ENSURE THAT IT IS LEFT ATTACHED TO ENGINE AFTER USE**

Clip this end to clothing or loop around wrist

