

## **TAPPERNS AND OSIER LAKE, THEALE**

### **TAPPERNS AND OSIER LAKE RULES**

Anglers must possess a valid EA Licence.

Anglers fish the lakes and backwater at their own risk.

No liability can be accepted for loss or damage.

Disciplinary action will be taken against any angler for damage or theft.

Anglers are not allowed on the venue until 1 hour before sunrise and must be off the venue by one hour after sunset.

Strictly no NIGHT FISHING.

Personal occupation only guarantees a swim.

Junior anglers under the age of 14 can only access Tapperns Lake when under the supervision of an adult. Osier Lake. A senior current RFC Permit holder must accompany juniors wishing to fish this lake.

Cars parked in the Car Park must have a prominently displayed current RFC or TRBL car permit at all times. Gate must be locked at all times. Car Park to be used for fishing Tapperns and Osier Lake only.

Anglers must observe "NO FISHING" notices.

One Angler only per platform except for Junior Anglers under supervision. No more than two rods may be used at any one time and rods must not be left unattended.

The use of Firearms or Ammunition, boat, radio or TV is forbidden.

Tents and fires are not permitted.

Anglers are forbidden to swim, or damage fences, trees, flora and fauna.

No fish may be moved from or into the lakes.

Keepnets are allowed for the retention of silver fish only, all carp and tench to be returned immediately. In matches, two nets must be used, one of which must be a carp net. On all occasions, nets, including landing nets must be dipped.

All fish must be returned to the water as soon as possible.

No litter shall be left anywhere on the venue. It should be taken home or placed in the bins provided. Anglers are responsible for any litter within 5mts of their peg.

No fishing is allowed between platforms or on Bridge.

Access to platforms is by designated footpaths only, walking between platforms must only be by means of the paths.

The island will be closed from 15<sup>th</sup> March to the 16<sup>th</sup> June every year, for wildlife conservation. When fishing, members of the RFC or TRBL shall have in their possession a current permit; any member of either club may challenge them.

No guests are allowed with the exception of inter-club matches

Barbless hooks only shall be used on Tapperns Lake. Osier Lake shall be at the angler's discretion.

Soft and coated braided hook lengths are allowed in Reading Fishing Club waters.

Free running or safety rigs only on feeders and leads only. No non-running bolt rigs are allowed.

Registered disabled anglers can gain access to the venue via Hayward's Farm. Keys can be obtained by payment of a £5.00 deposit, which will be refunded on their return. These anglers must supply their car registration number to their club when applying for keys. Disabled Anglers using this facility must fish from Disabled pegs only.

Bait bans and restrictions:-

No floating baits in matches

Ground bait limited to 2 kilos at all times

Trout pellets and particles (e.g hemp/sweetcorn) restricted to 2 kilos in total per day.

2 kilos of boilies maximum per day allowed on Osier Lake only.

No nuts of any kind

All cans including drink cans are **banned on the venue.**

Anglers caught drinking from or using cans will face disciplinary action.

### **ANY ANGLER FOUND BREACHING ANY OF THE ABOVE RULES WILL BE DISCIPLINED**

**30. Carp anglers must have a suitable size unhooking mat and landing net.**

### **TAPPERNS AND OSIER LAKE PIKE FISHING RULES**

#### **No Pike Fishing Allowed unless you are in possession of the following:**

Long nosed forceps

Semi Barbless Hooks

An Unhooking Mat of a minimum of 36" length

A landing net of 36" diameter.

No Live baiting  
Suitable tackle for the species (e.g. minimum 15lb line and 2.5TC rod.  
Pike fishing will only be allowed between 1<sup>st</sup> October to March 14<sup>th</sup>.

**PLEASE HANDLE THESE FISH WITH CARE.**

**SUNRISE AND SUNSET**

To avoid confusion the following standard times will be followed on Tapperns Lake.

Month	Sunrise AM	Sunset PM
April	6.35	19.34
May	5.33	20.24
June	4.48	21.08
July	4.49	21.21
August	5.25	20.48
September	6.14	19.47
October	7.01	18.38
November	6.55	16.33
December	7.44	15.55
January	8.06	16.02
February	7.39	16.50
March	6.45	17.41