

The New Waterway Wanderers Scheme 2010

Background

Most of the fishing rights on the canal network are licensed to angling clubs but some stretches may not be let for various reasons. To make these waters available the new Waterway Wanderers scheme has been designed by British Waterways for the benefit of both angling clubs and individual fishermen. The scheme provides access to many miles of canal fishing in numerous locations throughout England and Wales at very competitive prices.

Permit Details

Permits for Individual Anglers

The new Waterway Wanderers permit is an annual permit that runs for 12 months from the date of issue.

Adult permits £20

Senior citizens £10 (over the age of 65)

Juniors £5 (16 or under on the date of purchase)

Individual members of the Angling Trust are also entitled to the £10 concessionary rate upon receipt of a photocopy of their membership card.

Season Permits for Angling Clubs

Any bona fide angling club registering in advance with the Waterway Wanderers Administrator may join the Waterway Wanderers club scheme. Registration is free of charge but all clubs registering must hold third party public liability insurance. Registered clubs with 10 or more joining members could purchase season permits at the concessionary rate of £10. All club permits would be bought in blocks of 5 with a minimum purchase of 10. This also entitles the registered club to a certain number of free matches (a £10 booking fee is required but no peg fees) on any fishery within the Waterway Wanderers Scheme as set out in the table below.

Number of Participating members	Number of Matches with no peg fee (only the booking fee is required)	Maximum size of free match
10	2	10 pegs
15	3	15 pegs
20	4	20 pegs
25	5	25 pegs
30	6	30 pegs
35 and upwards	10	100 pegs

Registered clubs wishing to book additional matches in addition to the free allocation may do so at a rate of £3 per peg plus the booking fee. Note that not all club members will be required to purchase a Waterway Wanderers permit.

Availability of Day permits

Day permits are available from patrolling Waterway Wanderers bailiffs on the bank at a cost of £5. No concessionary rates are available on day permits from patrolling Waterway Wanderers bailiffs.

Match Fishing Arrangements

The arrangements for registered clubs are outlined above. For non registered clubs wanting to book a match the match peg fee will be £5 per peg plus a £10 booking fee with a minimum match size of 10 pegs.

Enquiries and Obtaining Permits

For all permits, match bookings and club registration enquiries contact:

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Waterway Wanderers Fishing Rules

Permit holders may use a maximum of two rods.

No native fish species to be removed from the fishery under any circumstances.

Zander and non native crayfish must not be returned to the water once caught.

No fishing in the close season on waters where the close season currently applies.

Keepnets may be used but anglers must adhere to the Angling Trust keepnet code.

Permits must be carried at all times and must be made available to authorised bailiffs and British Waterways staff on demand.

Anglers are strongly advised to hold insurance covering their third party risk arising out of their angling activities. (included as part of individual Angling Trust membership)

All permit holders are required to hold an Environment Agency rod licence

No fishing in the vicinity of overhead powerlines as signed by British Waterways.

Fishing must not take place within 25 metres of a lock approach, swing bridge or water point.

No fishing between boats on permanent towing path moorings or at visitor moorings where so signed.

Where visitor moorings are not signed as to whether fishing is permitted, it is assumed that during the boating season those wishing to moor have priority, at other times access will be on a first come first served basis.

Anglers are requested to follow the spirit of the Waterways Code and act responsibly at all times.

Useful Contacts

To become an Angling Trust member and obtain a discounted season permit

telephone: 08447 700 616

To obtain a rod licence:

telephone: 08448 005 386

Waters Available on the Waterway Wanderers permit

The following waters are covered by the Waterway Wanders scheme

Grand Union Canal

- Mainline Lock 99
- Clitheroes Lock (Brentford) to Bridge 200 (Hayes)
- Braunston tunnel to Warwick (check with Carl)

Grand Union Canal Leicester Line

- Bridge 23 – Bridge 36
- Bridge 38 – 47
- Bridge 60 – top of Foxton Locks
- North portal of Saddington Tunnel – Bridge 84

Grand Union Paddington Arm

- Bulls Bridge Junction to Bridge 6 (Kensal Green)

Limehouse Cut

- Limehouse Basin to Blackwall Tunnel Approach Road

Oxford Canal

- Bridge 136 at Fenny Compton to Hawkesbury Junction

Regents Canal

- Islington Tunnel to Commercial Road Lock

Ashby Canal

- Bridge 30 – Bridge 44 (Market Bosworth)

Ashton Canal

- Ducie Street Junction – Lock 17
- Lock 18 – ASDA Tunnel

BCN – Daw End Canal

- Catshill Junction – Rushall Junction (Brownhills – Great Barr)

BCN – Main Line Canal

- Coseley Tunnel – Factory Junction Bridge
- Factory Junction Bridge – Spon Lane Junction
- Netherton Branch
- Netherton Branch Canal (Dudley Port Junction) - Bromford Junction

- Gower Branch
- Spon Lane Junction - St Vincent Street Bridge
- Bromford Junction - Smethwick Junction
- Railway Bridge – Wellington Road – Dudley Road Bridge (Soho Loop)

BCN – Stourbridge Canal

- Stourbridge Town Arm
- Brettle Lane Bridge to Leys Road Bridge(Brierley Hill)
- Wordesley Junction – Fens Pool
- Stourton Top Lock – Wordesley Aqueduct

BCN – Tame Valley Canal

- Balls Hill Bridge – Gorse Farm Bridge
- Piercy Aqueduct – Walsall Road Bridge
- Aldridge Road Bridge – Salford Junction

BCN – Walsall Canal

- Rolling Mill Street Bridge – M6 Bridge
- Midland Road Bridge – Bull Lane Bridge
- Ridgeacre Branch
- Ryders Green Junction – Pudding Green Junction

BCN - Wyrley & Essington Canal

- Coopers Bridge – Yorks Bridge
- Hollands Bridge – Forest Footbridge
- Perry Hall Bridge – New Bentley Bridge
- Deans Road Bridge – Horseley Fields Junction

Birmingham & Fazeley Canal

- Lancaster Street Bridge – Science Park (Aston Road Tunnel)
- Avenue Road – Salford Junction

Birmingham & Warwick Canal

- Bridge 98 – Bridge 109 (Nechells)

Caldon Canal

- (Leek Branch) Hazelhurst Junction – Br 6 (Horse Bridge)
- Bridge 2 – Bridge 5
- Bridge 6 – Bridge 10
- Bridge 11 – Bridge 45

- Bridge 54 – Bridge 55

Coventry Canal

- Bridge 20 – Bridge 34
- Bridge 40 – Bridge 43 (Atherstone)
- Bridge 48 – Bridge 50 (Below Polesworth)
- Bridge 54 – Bridge 55
- Bridge 59 – Bridge 63
- Bridge 69 – Bridge 71 (Amington)
- Bridge 74 – New A5 Bridge
- Fazeley Junction – Sutton Road Bridge (Fazeley)
- Balls Bridge – Tamhorn House Bridge
- Hademore House Bridge – Whittington Bridge
- Bridge 80 – Huddlesford Junction (Whittington – Huddlesford)
- Bridge 86 – Bridge 88
- Bridge 90 – Fradley Junction

Grand Union Canal

- Napton Junction – Bridge 21
- Bridge 24 – Bridge 51
- Bridge 54 – Shrewley Tunnel
- Shrewley Tunnel – Bridge 62
- Bridge 69 – Bridge 71
- Bridge 79 – Bridge 83
- Bridge 86 – Bridge 89
- Bridge 98 – Bridge 109

Huddersfield Narrow Canal

- Aspley Basin – Lock 11E (Library Lock)
- ASDA Tunnel – Lock 19W

Lancaster Canal

- Ashton Basin – Kendal
- Glasson Branch

Leeds & Liverpool Canal

- (Rufford Branch) Bridge 1 – Bridge 7
- (Leigh Branch) Wigan Junction – Bridge 8 (Plank Lane Swing Bridge)
- Bridge 80 (Moss Lane) – Bridge 87 (Jackson's Bridge)
- Bridge 91b (Finnington Bridge) – Bridge 226 (Office Lock Bridge – Leeds)

Llangollen Canal

- Hurleston Junction – Bridge 13
- Bridge 22 – Bridge 25
- Bridge 33 – Bridge 50
- Bridge 51 – Bridge 55
- Bridge 59 – Bridge 70
- Bridge 70 – Br 49aW (Kings Bridge)

Macclesfield Canal

- N/A

Manchester, Bolton and Bury Canal

- N/A

Monmouthshire & Brecon Canal

- Bridge 45 – Bridge 51
- Bridge 53 – Bridge 95a (Tods Bridge)
- Bridge 96 – Ashford Tunnel
- Bridge 162 – Theatre Basin

Montgomery Canal

- Frankton Junction – Bridge 83 (Redwith Bridge)
- Bridge 91 – Bridge 92
- Bridge 134 – Bridge 153

Peak Forest Canal

- Dukinfield Junction – Bridge 38 (Whaley Bridge)
- Bugsworth Arm

Rochdale Canal

- Castle Street Bridge – Bridge 64 (Manchester Road Bridge)

Shropshire Union Canal

- (Middlewich Branch) Barbridge Junction – Bridge 32 (Middlewich Junction)
- Bridge 13 – Stretton Aqueduct A5
- Bridge 17 – Bridge 20
- Bridge 59 – Bridge 82
- Bridge 83 – Bridge 91
- Bridge 96 – Bridge 107
- Bridge 113 – Bridge 117
- Bridge 120 – Bridge 147

Stratford Canal

- Kings Norton Junction – Brandwood End Tunnel (Kings Norton)
- Bridge 3 – Bridge 19
- Bridge 22 – Bridge 25
- Lock 5 – Bridge 35
- Bridge 36 – Bridge 47 (Lowsonford)

Staffordshire & Worcestershire Canal

- N/A

St Helens Canal

- N/A

Trent & Mersey Canal

- Bridge 52 to Woodend Turn (Fradley)
- Bridge 58 – Bridge 71 (Armatage, Rugeley)
- Bridge 74 – Bridge 75
- Bridge 77 – Bridge 79
- Lock 25 (Sandon Lock) – Lock 36 (Stoke Bottom Lock)
- Lock 37 (Cockshutts Lock) – Bridge 117
- Bridge 126 – Harecastle Tunnel (South)
- Harecastle Tunnel (North) – Bridge 145
- Bridge 156 – Bridge 158
- Bridge 160 – Bridge 163

Weaver Navigation

- Witton Brook

Worcester Birmingham Canal

- Bridge 70 Kings Norton Tunnel – Bridge 75