**Whittle Dene Coarse fishery**

Permits for this fishery can be purchased from the fishing lodge which is situated in the car park by Reservoir House.

This fishery operates an honesty box system where Anglers are required to fill out their own day permit, insert the correct cash payment inside the envelope and post it into the floor safe. Please note the top copy of the permit should be retained and carried as proof of purchase.

**New for 2020**

Anglers can now purchase their day permits in advance by using our online leisure booking facility that can be accessed via our website.

<https://www.watersideparksuk.com/fishing/>

Please retain your online receipt for inspection upon request and proof of purchase.

**Permit Prices**

Day permit - £7

Credit Cruncher afternoon permit from 2.30pm until close - £5

Please note:

Up to two children under the age of 17 can fish for free on their parent, grandparent or guardian’s permit.

For more information please contact one of the following:

Our Ranger team on 01669 621368

Our Leisure Team on 0345 155 0236

# Fishing rules and important information

* All anglers aged 16 or over must be in possession of their own individual Environment Agency rod license in addition to the fishery permit.
* Each angler must buy a permit before starting to fish and the purchase of a permit is acceptance of the fishery rules.
* Up to two children under the age of 17 can fish for free on their parent, grandparent or guardian’s permit.
* Anglers are required to use Miro barbed or barbless hooks.
* All coarse fish must be returned unharmed to the reservoir.
* Litter and nylon waste must not be discarded, please use the bins provided or take it home.
* All Brown trout caught must be returned unharmed to the reservoir.
* Any Rainbow trout that are caught can be retained for the table.
* Bank fishing times are from 8am to 8pm or sunset (whichever is sooner) Monday to Sunday.
  + All normal coarse fishing rules apply however the use of live fish baits e.g. minnows etc is not allowed.
* Waterside Parks Rangers reserve the right to inspect permits, tackle and catches.
* Northumbrian Water reserves the right to change any rules or policy and to close part or all of any fishery without notice or redress.
* Please follow the Clean Check Dry guidance as displayed

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# General Safety information

## For your comfort and safety and to help get the most out of your experience, it is important that you read and follow these safety rules and guidance notes when visiting and fishing at our sites.

## We would also encourage adults and parents to point out these safety considerations to children:

* Look out for and abide by any safety notices or warning signs – they are there to protect you.
* Children under the age of 14 years must be accompanied by an adult.
* Please make yourself familiar with lifesaving equipment before fishing.
* To avoid slipping, please wear ankle supporting footwear with good grip and take extra care on dam walls and grassy banks.
* Always check behind you before casting in case anyone is passing by.
* Keep rods and lines away from overhead power cables.
* In an electrical storm, cease fishing, put the rod down and move well away from it.
* Beware of adders (Britain’s only venomous snake); if you spot one please leave it alone, they are harmless if left undisturbed.
* Waterside Parks Rangers reserve the right to cancel or suspend fishing due to adverse weather or any other safety consideration.
* Unauthorised swimming in all Northumbrian Water reservoirs is prohibited.
* Be prepared to help others in difficulty but do not put your own life at risk.
* The lighting of fires is not allowed.
* For the comfort and safety of all visitors to our sites all dogs must be kept on a lead.

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