

General terms and conditions and Fishery rules.
(to be considered prior to buying a permit)

General

A fishing permit allows the holder to fish with ONE ROD AND LINE ONLY in the designated waters on all days of the week during legitimate times and seasons in conformity with all requirements of the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act 1975 and the Bye-Laws of Northumberland County Council, the Environment Agency. By purchasing a permit, the holder has hereby agreed to abide by all the Rules, regulations and laws. Failure to do so may result in prosecution and/or suspension of the permit.

Fisheries Offered

Wansbeck Riverside Park

Wansbeck Riverside Park Fishery is situated between the white post 100 metres downstream of Sheepwash weir and a point 25 metres above the amenity weir. North Bank: North Seaton amenity weir to white marker post 100 yards downstream from Sheepwash Road Bridge. South Bank: North Seaton amenity weir excluding ACS DOBFAR land to a white marker post at stream foot. All boundaries marked by white posts. Fishing from kayaks is not allowable within 100 meters of Castle Island as the area is a dedicated Local Nature Reserve and must remain disturbance free. (see relevant site maps for full detail).

Tyne Green Country Park

Tyne Green Country Park Fishery is situated between the remains of the Border Counties Railway Bridge in the West to the Hexham Road Bridge in the east, from the South Bank only. (Please see relevant site maps for further details, EA rules on fishing near structures for Trout, Sea Trout and Salmon Apply)

Bolam Lake Country Park

Bolam Lake fishery has fishing for pike and perch. There is no fishing from boats or in the nature reserve. There is a closed season from 15 March to 15 June inclusive. (Please see the relevant site map for full details of the boundaries of the area allowable for fishing).

All fisheries

Seasons	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Brown Trout, 22 March – 30 September. ● Sea Trout, 3 April – 31 October. Salmon, 1 February – 31 October (between 1st February and – 5th June Catch and release only). ● Course fish, closed season 15th March to 15th June inclusive
Fishing Times	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Fishing is permitted from 1 hour prior to sunrise G.M.T to 1 hour after sunset. No Night fishing is permitted.
Bag Limit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Daily bag limit of 4 fish to be taken. (Trout, Migratory Trout & Salmon)
Fish Size	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● No Brown Trout of less than 25 cm in length shall be removed from the fishery. ● Environment Agency rules on Migratory Trout and Salmon apply. ● All course fish to be returned to the water alive.
Methods of Fishing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Only one rod may be used at any time. ● A maximum of three single or one treble hook should be used. Fly, natural or artificial – worm or maggot are allowed. Sea fish Dead Baits are permitted for Pike. ● Spinning is permitted in accordance with Environment Agency rules ● All landing nets and keep nets must be of Knotless mesh, and disinfected after every use to prevent the transferal of fish borne diseases.
General Rules	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All anglers must conform to the requirements of the Salmon and freshwater fisheries act 1975 and the bye-laws of Northumberland County Council. ● Anglers must hold the appropriate Environment Agency rod licence and Northumberland County Council Permit. ● All licences and permits must be carried whilst using the fishery and must be produced upon request of the Environment Agency Bailiffs or Northumberland County Council Staff. ● All designated nature reserves are out of bounds to all anglers except to walk through to get to allowable fishing areas. Strictly NO Fishing is to take place within any designated area. ● When fishing, all other water users must be given due consideration, rowers and kayak users / canoe users have a right of way on the water. ● When fly fishing next to the towpaths/footpaths, pedestrians have the right of way. ● Access to the fishery should be by recognised routes only. Vehicle access is restricted, anglers must park in official car parks only; unless authorised by Northumberland County Council. ● Anglers must not bring dogs or other animals on to the lakeside or river bank whilst fishing. ● Any fish caught must not be offered for sale. ● Breaches of the rules, regulations or laws will result in your permit being withdrawn and/or possible legal action.

