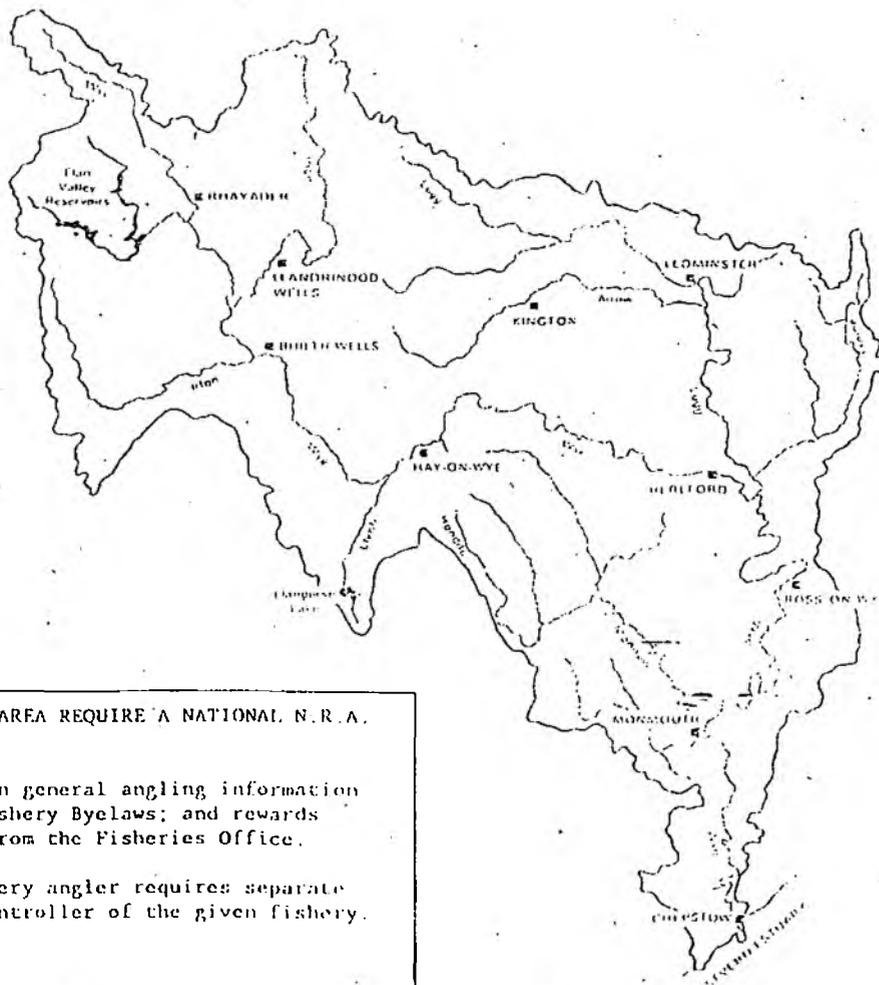


WHERE TO FISH ON THE RIVER WYE AND IT'S TRIBUTARIES.....

A guide to day ticket facilities.



(A) ALL ANGLERS FISHING IN THE WYE AREA REQUIRE A NATIONAL N.R.A. ROD LICENCE

A series of detailed leaflets on general angling information (including licence charges); Fishery Byelaws; and rewards for tagged fish are available from the Fisheries Office.

(B) IN ADDITION TO A ROD LICENCE every angler requires separate permission from the owner or controller of the given fishery.

(C) SEASONS (All dates inclusive)

Salmon - 26th Jan. - 17th Oct. (below Llanwrthwl Bridge)
 26th Jan. - 25th Oct. (above Llanwrthwl Bridge and all tributaries)

Trout - 3rd Mar. - 30th Sept. (rivers)
 20th Mar. - 17th Oct. (lakes and ponds)
 (No close season for rainbow trout in lakes and ponds)

Coarse - 16th June - 14th March.

Eels - No close season.

(D) ABOUT THIS LEAFLET

This leaflet has been produced to assist visiting anglers. Most of the fisheries listed offer day ticket facilities, sometimes associated with accommodation. Many tackle shops have details of local angling facilities and a visit to a local shop could be worthwhile.

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 Welsh Region
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THE RIVER WYEGENERAL

The River Wye (Nant Gwy) rises at 677 m (2221 ft.) O.D. on Plynlimon in the Cambrian Mountains, close to the source of the River Severn and drains a total catchment area of about 4180 square kms (1614 square miles) before joining the Severn estuary at Chepstow, about 250 km (156 miles) from source.

The Wye passes through parts of the counties of Powys, Hereford and Worcester, Gwent and Gloucestershire. The Wye is largely unspoilt from its source to the sea, flowing as it does through areas with virtually no industry except agriculture and few sources of pollution. The length of the Wye affords a great variety of scenery. In its initial stages it is essentially a mountain river flowing from Plynlimon south-east to Glasbury through steep valleys and gorges; often over rocky steps. From Glasbury it meanders east through lowlands susceptible to flooding. From Hereford, the river flows south through a wide valley to Ross-On-Wye where it snakes through the wooded limestone gorges down to Chepstow to enter the Severn Estuary beneath the approach road to the Severn Suspension Bridge.

The lower Wye is within the Wye Valley Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty which include part of the Forest of Dean and Tintern Forest Park. A further part is within the Brecon Beacons National Park. Offa's Dyke traverses part of the area.

The Wye is of particular importance to nature conservation. It was identified by the Nature Conservancy Council in "A Nature Conservation Review" as being the only river in Britain of Grade 1 status and was the first river in England and Wales to be designated as an SSSI for the whole of its length. Many of the reservoirs and lakes have been designated Sites of Special Scientific Interest by the Nature Conservancy Council. The Elan Valley has been listed by the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds as an area of considerable ornithological interest.

WATER QUALITY

Water quality in the Wye and its tributaries is high. The National Water Council's "Suggested Classification of River Quality - 1978" places the Wye and its tributaries mainly in Class 1A/1B with only a few stretches receiving a lower rating. The Wye is a source of drinking water and is used for agricultural spray irrigation.

FISH

The flashy nature and pool-and-riffle topography of the Wye make it an ideal environment for migratory fish in their ascent from pool to pool. It is fitting therefore, that its best known angling feature should be its annual salmon run. Despite an increase in grilse runs and a predominance of small spring and summer fish, averaging about 11lb; the river still retains a run of large spring fish (3 sea years) averaging about 18 pounds in weight; and a sprinkling of springers with four years sea life. A few fish of 40 lb plus are caught: the heaviest in recent years being fish of 43 lb (1987) and 51 lb (1962).

Although sea trout are caught every year, they are few, and brown trout predominate. There are an increasing number of stillwater fisheries stocked with brown trout and rainbow trout. Probably the best trout fishing in the area is on the Monnow and its tributaries (to which salmon have no access). The Upper Lugg and Arrow also provide good trout fishing with minimal competition from salmon. Most of the Wye and its major tributaries, Ithon, Irfon, Edw, Llynfi and Elan contain reasonable trout populations. Certain of

the Elan reservoirs are restocked annually and there are numerous good stillwater trout fisheries throughout the area.

Most species of coarse fish are found in the area, with chub and dace generally predominating. They are present in all but the upper reaches and thrive in the middle reaches of the Wye and Lugg systems. Grayling are abundant in all the faster waters and provide quite good sport on a fly especially in the trout close season. Roach are now quite common in the middle Wye and the lower Lugg. Good pike to 20 lb plus are taken most seasons on spinners and baits, particularly from the Wye and Lugg. Eel are present throughout the catchment. Barbel are increasing in numbers with the best fishing centered around the Wye in Hereford and the lower Lugg.

There are many stillwater coarse fisheries in the catchment with Llangorse Lake the most notable containing bream, roach, pike, eels, and perch. Llandrindod Wells lake provides very good carp fishing. Many pools in the Kington/Leominster area provide excellent carp and tench fishing.

The following list of fish species are found in the Wye catchment; including the most recent addition - the barbel.

Atlantic salmon	Roach	Bullhead
Sea trout	Perch	Ruffe
Brown trout	Carp	3-spined stickleback
Rainbow trout	Tench	Brook lamprey
Chub	Barbel	River lamprey
Dace	Bleak	Sea lamprey
Pike	Gudgeon	Twaite shad
Grayling	Rudd	Allis shad
Eel	Minnow	Flounder
Bream	Stoneloach	

Guidance to Anglers (taken from the "Wye Handbook")

Please take your rubbish home, especially discarded tackle. Hooks and nylon line are dangerous to birds and animals. If you snag a line in bushes, trees or weed, do your best to clear it and the hook completely.

Remember that when you are concealed by bushes, it is difficult for other river users to see you or your tackle in time to take avoiding action. Hail if you think you have not been seen.

Other river users will welcome a sign to indicate what you would like them to do; for example, keep clear, pass quickly or hold back. Respond to a hail from an approaching craft.

Bear in mind that canoes and other craft do not always disturb fish and if they are properly handled and pass by quietly and quickly they may do little or no harm to fishing on deep, wide water.

Acknowledge considerate behaviour by other river users.

Take care when casting to avoid hitting or frightening other river users. Look in front and behind to check the area is clear. Remember, hooks, lines and weights can be dangerous.

Respect the rights of navigation and do not cast a fly or bait immediately in front of an approaching craft.

Take care not to block riverside footpaths with your tackle.

DAY FISHING FACILITIES IN THE WYE AREA

RHAYADER AREA:

STILLWATER: ELAN TROUT FISHERIES - CABAN COCH, GARREG DDU, PEN-Y-GARREG,
CLEARWEN (fly only)
CRAIG GOCH (fly or spinning)

contact: D. POWELL NEWSAGENT, WEST STREET, RHAYADER, POWYS.
ELAN VALLEY VISITOR CENTRE
Trout.

LLYNGWYN LAKE: Brown and rainbow trout

contact: D. POWELL NEWSAGENT, WEST STREET, RHAYADER, POWYS.

BUILTH WELLS AREA:

RIVER: GROE PARK AND IRFON ANGLING CLUB - 1, 3 and 7 day tickets for
trout and salmon. 1 day tickets for coarse from 1st November to
1st March

contact: MRS. MORGAN, 23, GARTH ROAD, BUILTH WELLS, POWYS.
PARK HOTEL, BUILTH WELLS, POWYS.
Salmon, Trout, Coarse

BUILTH WELLS ANGLING ASSOCIATION WATER - 1st October to 1st March

contact: MRS. MORGAN, 23, GARTH ROAD, BUILTH WELLS, POWYS.
Coarse

ITHON - LLANDRINDOD WELLS ANGLING CLUB WATER

contact: SELWYNS, 4, PARK CRESCENT, LLANDRINDOD WELLS, POWYS.
Trout, Coarse

ITHON -

contact: J. LLOYD, SEVERN ARMS, PENYBONT, LLANDRINDOD WELLS,
POWYS.
Trout, Coarse

STILLWATER: LLYN ALARCH, BUILTH WELLS

contact: MRS. MORGAN, 23, GARTH ROAD, BUILTH WELLS, POWYS.
Trout

FFOREST FISHERY, LLANDEGLEW; PENYBONT.

contact: MR. POWELL, GWERNARGLWYDD FARM, LLANDEGLEW, PENYBONT.
(TEL.: 059787 455)
Trout

LLANDRINDOD WELLS LAKE

contact: THE PROPRIETOR, THE LAKESIDE, LLANDRINDOD WELLS, POWYS.
(TEL.: 0597 823404)
Coarse

HAY-ON-WYE AREA:

RIVER: HAY TOWN WATER (Hay Road Bridge-Loging Brook)

contact: GRANTS NEWSAGENTS, HAY-ON-WYE. (TEL.: 0497 820309)
Trout, Coarse

STILLWATER: LLANGORSE LAKE, BRECON

contact: LAKESIDE CARAVAN PARK, LLANGORSE. (TEL.: 087484 226)
Coarse - from boat only

RIVER: FORD FAWR and RIVER LLYNFI (Wye confluence - 1.25 miles - Old
Railway Bridge)

contact: MRS. LLOYD, BRIDGEND COTTAGE, GLASBURY-ON-WYE, VIA
HEREFORD (TEL.: 0497 847227)
Trout, Coarse

STILLWATER: THE DDREW POOLS

contact: MRS. ECKLEY, THE DDREW, LLYSWEN, POWYS.
Coarse

KINGTON AREA:

STILLWATER: FLINTSHAM POOL, TITLEY

contact: PETER JONES, FLINTSHAM HOUSE, TITLEY, KINGTON, HEREFORD.
Coarse

HEREFORD AREA:

RIVER: EVENPITS BRIDGE (right bank)

contact: MORDIFORD POST OFFICE. (TEL.: 0432 870235)
Salmon, Trout, Coarse

HEREFORD AND DISTRICT ANGLING ASSOCIATION WATER

contact: HATTON'S TACKLE SHOP, HEREFORD. (TEL.: 0432 272317)
PERKIN'S TACKLE SHOP, HEREFORD. (TEL.: 0432 274152)
Salmon, Trout, Coarse

LETTON COURT

contact: R. F. PENNINGTON (TEL.: 05446 294 day) 04973 665
[evening])
Salmon, Coarse

RED LION HOTEL

contact: RED LION HOTEL, BREDWARDINE. (TEL.: 09817 303)
Salmon, Coarse

STILLWATER: DOCKLOW POOLS

contact: MIKE BOZWARD, WESTEND FARM, DOCKLOW. (TEL.: 056 882692)
Coarse

TILLINGTON POOL

contact: TILLINGTON COURT, TILLINGTON. (TEL.: 0432 760271)

ROYAL OAK POOL

contact: ROYAL OAK INN, PORTWAY.

CLEHONGER POOL

contact: PERKIN'S TACKLE SHOP, HEREFORD. (TEL.: 0432 274152)
All 3 pools Coarse

ARROW FISHERIES, LEOMINSTER

contact: GEOFF DAW, LITTLE VERN, MARDEN, HEREFORDSHIRE.
(TEL.: 056 884 540)
Serpentine Lake, Match and Pleasure coarse fishing

TRELOUGH POOL

contact: BERRINGTONS, THE ESTATE OFFICE, THE VALLETS, WORMBRIDGE,
HEREFORD. HR2 9BA. (TEL.: 098121 727)
Trout

LETON COURT - OX-BOW LAKE

contact: R. F. PENNINGTON. (TEL.: 05446 294. [day] 04973 665
[evening])
Coarse

ROSS-ON-WYE AREA:

RIVER: ROSS-ON-WYE ANGLING CLUB TOWN WATER

contact: G. B. SPORTS, BROAD STREET, ROSS-ON-WYE, HEREFORDSHIRE.
Salmon, Coarse

WYE LEA FISHERY

contact: MR. COLIN BATEMAN, BRIDSTOW, ROSS-ON-WYE, HEREFORDSHIRE.
(TEL.: 0989 62880)
Salmon

WYE FOWNHOPE (through H. & D.A.A.)

contact: PERKIN'S FISHING TACKLE SHOP, HEREFORD.
(TEL.: 0432 274152)
HATTON'S FISHING TACKLE SHOP, HEREFORD.
(TEL.: 0432 272317)
Coarse

STILLWATER: GREEN POOL (must be member of Hereford Fly Fishing Club)

contact: H. F. F. C.
Trout

NEW HOUSE FARM POOL

contact: MR. THOMAS, NEW HOUSE FARM, PENCOMBE, HEREFORDSHIRE.
(TEL.: 0885 400248)
Coarse

MUNDERFIELD HAROLD POOLS, BROMYARD, HEREFORDSHIRE.

contact: MRS. MORGAN, (TEL.: 0885 483231)
Coarse

DRUMMONDS DUB LAKE, ROSS-ON-WYE, HEREFORDSHIRE.

contact: G. B. SPORTS, 10, BROAD STREET, ROSS-ON-WYE,
HEREFORDSHIRE. (TEL.: 0989 63723)
or
P.G.L., ALTON COURT, PENYARD LANE, ROSS-ON-WYE,
HEREFORDSHIRE. (TEL.: 0989 764211 Fax.: 0989 765451)
Coarse

MONMOUTH AREA:

RIVER: WYE - SYMONDS YAT EAST AND WEST (through NEWPORT ANGLING
ASSOCIATION)

contact: THE MONMOUTHSHIRE SPORTSMAN, 6-10, JAMES STREET,
MONMOUTH. (TEL.: 0600 715289)
Coarse

WYE - LOWER LYDBROOK

contact: G.H.CROUCH, GREENWAY COTTAGE, STOWEFIELD ROAD, LOWER
LYDBROOK, GLOS. (TEL.: 0594 60048)
Salmon, Coarse

MONNOW - MONMOUTH ANGLING SOCIETY WATER

contact: THE MONMOUTHSHIRE SPORTSMAN, MONMOUTH.
Trout, Coarse

MONNOW - SKENFRITH ANGLING CLUB WATER

contact: BOB FFOREST-WEBB, 1 TRELESDEE COTTAGES, ST WEONARDS,
HEREFORDSHIRE. HR2 8PU. (TEL.: 09818 497)
Trout, Coarse

MONNOW - OSBASTON WATER (through CWMBRAN ANGLING CLUB)

contact: THE MONMOUTHSHIRE SPORTSMAN, MONMOUTH.
Coarse

MONNOW - THE MALTHOUSE

contact: W. E. PRICE, THE MALTHOUSE, SKENFRITH, ABERGAVENNY,
GWENT. (TEL.: 060084 219)
Trout, Coarse

MONNOW - TRESENNY FARM

contact: T. VAUGHAN, TRESENNY FARM, GOSMONT, ABERGAVENNY, GWENT.
(TEL.: 0981 240438)
Trout, Coarse

MONNOW - BRIDGE INN

contact: M. STEVENS, BRIDGE INN, PONTRILAS, HEREFORDSHIRE.
(TEL.: 0981 240408)
Trout

HONDDU - WHITEBROOK FISHERIES

contact: WHITEBROOK FISHERIES LTD., CRUCORNEY TROUT FARM,
LLANVIHANGEL, CRUCORNEY, ABERGAVENNY. (TEL.: 0873

890545).

HONDDU - PANDY

contact: WARDEN, PANDY CARAVAN SITE, BRECON, POWYS.
(TEL.: 0873 890370)
Trout, Coarse

STILLWATER: COPPICE FARM TROUT LAKE

contact: COPPICE FARM, ST. WEONARDS, HEREFORDSHIRE.
(TEL.: 09818 267)
Trout

HARTLETON LAKE TROUT FISHERY

contact: G. B. SPORTS, 10, BROAD STREET, ROSS-ON-WYE;
HEREFORDSHIRE. (TEL.: 0989 63723)
Sole Permit Supplier
Trout

ESTUARY AREA:

RIVER: WYE - TINTERN

contact: MR. J. JONES, THE ROCK, TINTERN. CHEPSTOW, GWENT.
Coarse

WYE - WHITEBROOK

contact: Mr. V. CULLIMORE, TUMP FARM, WHITEBROOK, MONMOUTH, GWENT.
Coarse

WYE - REDBROOK. (from 01/10 to 31/12 only).

contact: THE POST OFFICE, REDBROOK, MONMOUTH, GWENT.
Coarse

WYE - FAIROAK FISHERY

contact: THE COT, ST. ARVANS, CHEPSTOW, GWENT.
(TEL.: 0291 689711)
Trout

ROD LICENCE AGENTS IN THE RIVER WYE CATCHMENT

ALL POST OFFICES

S. AND A. HOUGHTON, DISSERTH CARAVAN PARK, DISSERTH, HOWEY, LLANDRINDOD WELLS, POWYS. (TEL.: 0597 8927)

J. AND I. BURRELL, IRFON RIVER CARAVAN PARK, UPPER CHAPEL ROAD, GARTH, BUILTH WELLS, POWYS.

E. EDWARDS, PARK HOTEL, 4, THE STRAND, BUILTH WELLS, POWYS. (TEL.: 0982 5533)

MR. TANSLEY, GAMMARCH HOTEL, LLANGAMMARCH WELLS, POWYS. (TEL.: (05912 205)

R. AND W. DAVIES, LAKESIDE CARAVAN PARK, LLANGORSE, BRECON, POWYS.

MR. TAYLOR, THE RED LION HOTEL, BREDWARDINE, HEREFORD.

MR. AND MRS. BREWIN, FAIROAK FISHERY, THE COT, ST. ARVANS, NEAR CHEPSTOW, GWENT.

The N.R.A. has a facility to accommodate postal applications:-

NATIONAL ROD LICENCE ADMINISTRATION CENTRE,
NATIONAL RIVERS AUTHORITY,
P.O. BOX 432,
RICHARD FAIRCLOUGH HOUSE,
KNUTSFORD ROAD,
WARRINGTON.
WA4 1HH

ROD LICENCE PRICES FROM APRIL 1994

	Salmon and Sea Trout	Non-Migratory Trout and Coarse Fish
Full Annual	£45.00	£15.00
Concessionary Annual	£22.50	£7.50
8 day	£13.50	£4.50
1 day	£4.50	£1.50

- * A salmon and sea trout licence is also valid for non-migratory trout and coarse fish.
- * Concessionary licences are available to those aged 12 to 16 years, 65 years or over and those receiving invalidity benefit or severe disability allowance. Persons receiving a war pension which includes unemployment supplement will also qualify.
- * Children under the age of 12 do not require a licence.

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