

## Bounty Rules

We wish to avoid rules for the sake of rules and will always adopt a sensible approach.

Fish care and respect and consideration of all anglers are our primary concerns.

It is agreed that ALL anglers have read and agreed to the rules when booking.

These rules may be changed without notice and the latest version of rules in force at the time of arrival will apply to all anglers and a copy will be displayed in the clubhouse.

In event of doubts or disputes the Venue Manager's decision is final.

We particularly ask you to study the rules on Feed and Rigs (lead core and leaders).

### Unhooking Mats & Slings

- **Mats - we supply cradle unhooking mats and weigh slings free. So, please leave your at home. Non "cradle type" unhooking mats are not allowed for carp. Cat tarps and cat mats are permitted for Catfish.**
- **Slings - must be of a type that support the fish. Mesh slings are not permitted.**

### Arrival & Departure

- Access to swims is available from **2:00pm** and you need to vacate your swim by **10:00am**
- Swims are normally pre-allocated but if a draw is needed it will take place at 1:00pm
- The site is locked overnight and access will not be available until gates open at **8:00 am**.
- You are welcome to have a breakfast at Bounty but please do not arrive before 8:00 am
- All anglers must CHECK IN and CHECK OUT at the restaurant on arrival and departure.

### General

- Bounty is a NO KILL fishery (excluding Trout or small fish caught for live or dead baits).
- All swims must be left clean and tidy and free of litter, line, hooks, rigs, discarded bait, cigarette butts, tea bags etc. Use the bins provided in each swim.
- Anybody caught disposing of bottles, cans, litter in the lake or in the Riseau/Ditch behind the lake or adjoining land will be told to leave immediately without refund and will receive a lifetime ban.
- You may only fish the lake that you have booked (unless agreed with venue manager).
- No swimming or wading is permitted except to land fish, return fish, pose for photos or to release snagged fish (not snagged tackle).
- Vehicles may be taken to the swims to drop and reload tackle **but once unloaded must immediately be moved to the Car Park (the gate will be locked). No vehicle apart for the above reason will have access to the lake.**
- Parking for any reason is not permitted round the lakes.
- Defecating on the banks will NOT be tolerated - use the toilets or you will be told to leave, no refund.
- Dogs are allowed but they MUST be tethered and must not disturb others. Poop scoops to be used.
- You are on holiday, by all means have a drink and enjoy yourself but don't spoil it for others.
- Drunken or rowdy behaviour will not be tolerated, you will be told to leave, no refunds.
- Drinking your own alcohol round the restaurant\bar area is not permitted.
- No bank side open fires or BBQ's - this is illegal in the countryside in France.
- All lines are to be fished in your own swim - as shown on the map in the clubhouse.
- Bait Boats are permitted but must be used ONLY in the area of your own swim.
- Rowing boats are NOT permitted except with bailiff's consent to retrieve snagged fish. (or snagged lines to avoid a long range snap off). Life jacket must be used.
- No SHOUTING across the lake for any reason (Walkie Talkies can be hired).
- No loud radios, TV or music.
- Please keep lights, torches and head torches to a minimum at night.

### Bait and Feed

**Our fish stock is very valuable and their well being is our primary concern. Therefore, ONLY feed supplied and prepared at the venue may be used. This is not a ruse for us to make more money and we assure all anglers that reasonable prices will be charged for feed - no profiteering. Anybody ignoring this rule and turning up at the fishery with Feed or unsuitable baits will be asked to surrender them before fishing. (It will be returned at the end of your trip).**

- No feed products may be brought to or used at the venue - sorry no exceptions (proper method mixes are permitted but NOT Vitalin).
- Fresh/Frozen boilies only - No "Shelf life" boilies may be used - applies to all brands
- No Nuts of any kind - includes Tiger Nuts, sorry.
- No Plastic Baits of any kind i.e. plastic corn, plastic pellets, plastic bread (not even if used as a boilie stop). These are dangerous if left on snagged or snapped off rigs.
- Halibut Pellets – may be used for Hookbaits only.
- Left over feed and bait – MUST NOT be thrown into the lakes – Please take it home, or use the waste bins or hand to managers when leaving.
- Live baits – ONLY fish caught or purchased at the venue are to be used for livebait.

### Fish Care

- When fishing "snaggy swims" - rods are to be locked up and attended at all times.
- In open water swims anglers should not be more than 5 metres away from their rods if they are in the water.
- Do not leave bait attached to the hook when out of the water as it is a danger to the wildlife and attractive to rats.
- No sacking of any fish **AT ALL** and no tethering of Catfish (i.e. with stringers).
- All anglers MUST possess a Carp Care product such as Klinik and must use it. (if you do not have such a product in your kit you will be expected to buy it at the Clubhouse before you fish.)
- Use of cradle unhooking mats and proper weigh slings is MANDATORY (as supplied free).
- All Fish are to be handled with care and respect irrespective of size & species.
- On the bank Fish should be frequently soaked with water.
- Please retain Fish in the water as long as possible whilst preparing for photos.
- Do not take photo in a standing pose – "safe" squatting or kneeling shots please.
- Anglers may enter the water to release or photograph fish (in fact, we prefer it).
- Please take care when handling Grass Carp they are lively, easy to drop and very fragile.
- Deliberate "marking" of fish in any way is TOTALLY prohibited. Anybody found doing so will be told to leave immediately without refund and will receive a lifetime ban.

### Tackle & Rigs

- All anglers MUST observe rod limits . 3 rods max (plus 1 float rod for catching live baits).
- Dads & Lads, and 2 in 1 Swim = 4 rods (plus 1 float rod for live baits). If you are found fishing with more rods you will be asked to pay the full price.
- No fixed lead rigs. If you don't know what a fixed lead rig is – please ASK.
- Rig tubing must be used up the line from the hook link – minimum 24 inches (60cm).
- **Leadcore and Leaders are NOT allowed.** We have recovered numerous "name brand" leaders from fish and snags! In our opinion there are no "safe" leaders – no matter what the label says! Many of these are "death rigs" and we won't allow them.  
***If you insist on fishing death rigs please book elsewhere.***
- Safe rigs – in essence a fish MUST be able to shed a snapped line and lead.
- We DO allow heavy/weighted rig tube (such as ESP Anchor Tube).
- **Braid mainlines may now be used for both Carp and Cat fishing with a minimum of 24" rig tube.**
- Minimum 12lbs breaking strain line for Carp (we recommend 15-20lbs).
- Minimum 25lb breaking strain line when fishing for Cats.
- High abrasion resistant hooklinks (such as coated braids) are recommended for ALL fishing, especially at night (Cats will pick up Carp baits).
- Bent Hooks and Treble Hooks are not permitted.
- Barbless hooks are **NOT** permitted.
- We prefer Micro barbed hooks but allow full barbs if the barbs are flattened.