



Fishing Code

Where to fish

Waterbodies under the jurisdiction of the Malvern Hills Trust at which fishing is permitted (subject to certain conditions which are explained below) are the Mill Pond, Hollybed Common (Castlemorton residents only) and the River Severn at Clevelode (Malvern Hills Trust permit holders only).

Conditions – all areas

Fishing on land under the jurisdiction of Malvern Hills Trust is permitted with the following conditions:

1. Anglers must hold a current [Environment Agency licence](#) and must comply with the [Environment Agency's byelaws](#),
2. Fishing should only take place in the permitted areas as marked on site between 6am until dusk. No rods or lines are to be left overnight,
3. The following rules must also be observed:
 - Only two rods per angler for coarse fishing. Only one rod per angler for salmon or trout,
 - Please only use barb-free hooks,
 - Landing nets may be used,
 - Use of a gaff or a tailer when fishing for salmon, trout, freshwater fish, smelt, lamprey or eel is prohibited,
 - **All** fish are to be returned to the water immediately and keep nets must not be used,
 - No match fishing is permitted,
 - Use of lead weights is prohibited.

For your own safety please remain on shore. Wading is not permitted.

4. **Please ensure that you take all litter, including discarded tackle home.** Birds and wildlife can be killed by discarded tackle. The Hills and Commons are also very popular for visitors, often with dogs and small children who may be injured by tackle,
5. Disturbance to wildlife and other visitors must be kept to a minimum,
6. Please follow any additional advice from Malvern Hills Trust Rangers, Volunteer Bailiffs or staff, or any on-site signage.



Additional conditions for Clevelode, River Severn.

1. Anglers must have a valid Malvern Hills Trust permit to fish on Malvern Hills Trust waters at Clevelode, River Severn. The permit should be carried at all times when on site and produced if requested by any Malvern Hills Trust Warden or water bailiff,
2. Anglers must abide by national and regional byelaws in respect of Closed Seasons for respective target species on the River Severn. These currently are;

- **Coarse fish** - No fishing permitted between 15th March and 15th June inclusive,
- **Brown trout and rainbow trout** - No fishing from 8th October to 17th March inclusive,
- **Salmon** - No fishing from 8th October to the 31st January inclusive.

When fishing for game species during the coarse fish closed season you must not use any float or bait (which term includes ground bait) other than artificial or natural fly (which term excludes bloodworms, jokers and other midge larvae), spinners, minnows, worms, prawns or shrimps.

3. Parking at Clevelode is very limited. Vehicles should be left parked in accordance with Malvern Hills Trust regulations e.g. on the hard standing access track and not on the grass. When parking please do not obstruct access to local properties.

Note that the normal Malvern Hills Byelaws still apply in addition to the rules above. Barbecues, fires and camping are not permitted on the site.

Any person contravening these rules may be required by a Malvern Hills Trust Rangers or bailiff to stop fishing and could be liable to withdrawal of their permit or prosecution under the byelaws.

This right is by the consent of the landowner, the Board of the Malvern Hills Trust.

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