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*Competitive Angling*

*Best practice for the safe angling competitions in England under COVID 19 restriction taken from the Angling Trust Guidance*

*2021 Fishing Series Method Statement*

 Running Competitions

Subject to the close season along with owner and fishery specific restrictions. Competitions will be permitted on all waters where current social distancing and covid guidance can be adhered to. This will include commercial fisheries, canals, rivers and lakes. All competitors will fish on allocated “pegs”. It is the organisers responsibility to ensure that these pegs are appropriately spaced to ensure that social distancing is maintained at all times.

Travel & Arrival at the venue

Competitors should travel in accordance with current Government guidelines only•

On arrival at the venue anglers/ vehicles should pay strict attention to signage and follow any one way system that is in place at the fisheries.

Please ensure you dip your nets if tanks are in place at venues

On arrival at the lake park under the instructions of the fishery and event organiser. Ensure you park in a position to enable current social distancing guidance,

On leaving the vehicle, Current social distancing measures must be adhered to at all times.

No physical greetings handshaking etc. to take place.

The Draw

The draw will be held in accordance with the organiser’s pre-stated process to ensure social distancing is maintained in line with current guidance.

In order to comply with rules on organised gatherings the draw will take place outside conforming to the rules on social distancing. In order to comply with the recommendations myself as the event organiser should be the only person to draw. I will have 2 buckets with me on the day

 1) Holding all the names of the anglers

2) Holding the pegs numbers,

 I will draw the name of an angler followed by a peg number once a peg is allocated the angler should immediately make their way to the fishing location as normal ensuring social distancing at all times.

Use of Nets

Keepnets and landing nets should be dipped as normal in accordance with the local fishery rules.

 At the end of the competition competitors will be expected to remain at their pegs until the weighing scales arrive. Strictly no anglers should follow the scales ANY ANGLER FOLLOWING THE SCALES COULD BE DISQUALIFIED. Ensuring safety and adherence to the social distance guidelines during the weigh-in is the responsibility of the organiser. Two weighing officials have been appointed, Tim Cooper to weigh the fish and myself to record the weights. Weighing officials will be wearing gloves and masks as a precaution and maintain social distancing measures at all times. The angler should remove their keepnet themselves and transfer the fish into the weigh sling without breaching social distancing guidance (weigh slings of a self-supporting design will be in use). The angler must then step away to allow the weighing official to come in and weigh the fish. The weighing official then calls the weight and the anglers must agree that they are happy with it. The weighing official then returns the fish to the water. The process is then repeated if several weighs are required. Current Social distancing guidelines should be complied with at all times. Once weighed in the angler will pack up and return directly to their vehicle/carpark.

Results and pay-outs

In order to avoid breaching Government rules on organised gatherings a full result sheet will be available on the Cambridgecharityfundraisers.com web-site.

Winnings will be posted directly to the angler home address.

Please ensure you comply with all the above details in order to have a safe and enjoyable day back on the lakeside.

Ian Darler

**Match Details**

* Wednesday 5th May 2021 Little Walden match lake draw 8.30am fish 9.30am-3.30pm
* Wednesday 2nd June 2021 Magpie Lake, Pidley, draw 8.30am fish 9.30am-4.30pm
* Wednesday 7th July 2021 Hundred ft. river at Mepal downstream of the Pickerels PH post code CB6 2AR draw 8.45am 10am–4.pm
* Wednesday 4th August 2021 Magpie Lake, Pidley draw 8.30.am fish 9.30.am-4.30pm
* Wednesday 1st September 2021 Raven Lake, Pidley, draw 8.45am fish 9.45am-4.pm
* Wednesday 6th October 2021 Jay Lake Pidley, draw 8.45am fish 9.45am-4.pm

Presentation match NOT included in the series

 But will be fished on Wednesday 3rd November 2021 Raven Lake

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