Night Fishing Policy for Junior Anglers at Cottington Lakes

Night fishing carries additional safety considerations, especially for younger anglers. At Cottington Lakes, our rules are designed to protect all visitors and ensure a safe, enjoyable environment for everyone. Please read the following guidance carefully before planning any night sessions.

Junior Anglers and Night Fishing

At Cottington Lakes, junior anglers aged 16 and under are not permitted to fish overnight unless accompanied by a responsible adult. This is to ensure their safety and to maintain responsible angling standards on site.

- Junior anglers must be accompanied by a parent at all times if they wish to fish during night hours (from 7pm onward).
- For specific lakes such as Pepper and Christine, juniors must be under the supervision of an experienced adult, and access may be restricted at the discretion of fishery staff.

Unaccompanied juniors found fishing during restricted hours will be asked to pack up immediately. Emergency contact numbers listed in our records will be used to arrange for collection.

Adult Responsibility

Accompanying adults must follow all Cottington Lakes rules and regulations, and ensure their junior companions behave respectfully on site.

Other adults (such as other anglers on the lake) must not agree to supervise juniors for night fishing unless they are a parent or designated guardian. Doing so may place both parties at risk, and Cottington Lakes does not accept liability in such situations.

Zero Tolerance Policy

- Loud noise after 10 p.m. is strictly prohibited.
- Theft and anti-social behaviour will not be tolerated under any circumstances and will be immediately reported to the police.
- All visitors are expected to clean up after themselves and use the bins provided.

Cottington Lakes reserves the right to ask any angler to leave the premises if rules are not followed. Disciplinary actions may include suspension or termination of membership.

This policy is in place to protect everyone's safety and enjoyment at Cottington Lakes. Thank you for your cooperation.