



# Anglers Welcome Scheme

Visitors with an interest in angling have been considered by VisitScotland in our development of the Anglers Welcome scheme which recognises the special efforts made by operators to provide for them, and to help them choose suitable accommodation.

## ANGLERS WELCOME SCHEME

Salmon, cod, carp, perch, sea-trout, rainbow trout and wild brown trout, skate and sea bass – to name but a few of the types of fishing available in Scotland. It's every anglers dream come true and one made all the better by the great Scottish scenery and warm hospitality.

For centuries anglers have been coming to Scotland to fish and no matter where you start in the country, there is something to interest each and every one. We need to ensure that the hospitality encountered by our visiting anglers meets, or preferably exceeds, their expectations.

Visitors who enjoy fishing like to be made to feel welcome. They appreciate having storage boxes for rods; a daily weather forecast; freezer facility for bait or catch; facilities for gutting or preparing catch, or facilities for washing fishing tackle. Equally important is the local knowledge of where to fish.

Those wishing to apply for the Anglers Welcome scheme should display a positive attitude towards anglers and a genuine desire to meet and anticipate their needs.

You can choose to become a participant of the Anglers Welcome Scheme. To become a member, you must provide the following and your Quality Advisor will verify that the required facilities exist when they visit.

## ANGLERS WELCOME SCHEME FOR CARAVAN AND CAMPING PARKS

- 1 The location and opening times of local late-opening eateries and grocery shops
- 2 A separate space should be available for drying outdoor clothing and footwear at an ambient temperature so clothes can dry overnight.
- 3 A chest freezer/deep freezer should be available for guests' use.
- 4 An area for gutting and preparing fish, an outdoor area with running water is acceptable
- 5 Information on local slipways and boat launching areas, for sea anglers
- 6 Information on location/opening times of the nearest tackle and bait shop (and directions).

- 7 Safe storage should be considered for rods and equipment
- 8 Information on local permits and Ghillie services should be available
- 9 Daily and weekly Met Office information, or similar, to be provided as well as tide tables (where a marine location).

## ANGLERS WELCOME SCHEME FOR HOSTEL ACCOMMODATION

- 1 Information on location and opening times of nearest local late-opening eating establishments and grocery shops including directions.
- 2 A separate space should be available for drying outdoor clothing and footwear at an ambient temperature so clothes can dry overnight.
- 3 Information should be provided on local slipways/boat launching sites, for sea anglers
- 4 A chest freezer/deep freezer should be available for guests' use with access at reasonable times.
- 5 You should provide facilities for washing fishing gear, and for gutting and preparing fish, within self-catering kitchen is acceptable.
- 6 Information on location/opening times of the nearest tackle and bait shop (and directions).
- 7 You should provide a safe storage area for guests' rod boxes/equipment.
- 8 Information on local permits and Ghillie services should be available
- 9 Daily and weekly Met Office information, or similar, to be provided as well as tide tables (where a marine location).

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