

**ANGLIAN WATER SERVICES LIMITED
WATER INDUSTRY ACT 1991**

WATER PARKS BYELAWS 2004

Anglian Water Services Limited make the following byelaws under and by virtue of the powers and authority vested in them by Section 157 of the Water Industry Act 1991:

1. Citation

These byelaws may be cited as the Anglian Water Services Ltd Water Park Byelaws 2004.

2. Interpretation

2.1 In these byelaws:-

'Anglian Water' means Anglian Water Services Ltd.

'authorised officer' includes any police officer and any person duly authorised in writing by Anglian Water. Where these byelaws require an authorised officer to produce his authority, a police officer may satisfy the requirement by producing his warrant card.

'boat' includes any boat, vessel, raft, hovercraft, hydrofoil, windsurfer, jetski and craft of any kind howsoever navigated, propelled or moved, and whether inflatable or not.

'consent of Anglian Water' means consent or other authorisation in writing (whether granted expressly for the purpose of these byelaws or not) signed by an officer or other person duly authorised by Anglian Water.

'serious misconduct' means

- (a) any conduct interfering with or in the reasonable opinion of Anglian Water likely to interfere with the preservation of order in any water park;
- (b) any conduct resulting in or in the reasonable opinion of Anglian Water likely to result in damage to anything on a water park;
- (c) any behaviour interfering unduly with or in the reasonable opinion of Anglian Water likely to interfere unduly with the enjoyment of the water park by others; and
- (d) any indecent behaviour

and includes any conduct causing or likely to cause injury to persons.

'vehicle' means any cart, carriage, motorcar, motor bicycle or other wheeled vehicle, including any trailer or caravan but excluding a pedal cycle, invalid carriage, perambulator or pushchair.

'water park' means the reservoirs, lakes, ponds and enclosed waters referred to in byelaw 3 and includes the land, banks, and premises thereof which are owned or held by Anglian Water.

2.2 In these byelaws, reference to a location by way of two letters followed by a six digit number is a reference by way of a National Grid Reference Point.

3. Application

These byelaws shall apply to the water parks known by the names and situate on the National Grid Reference Points and in the parishes and districts respectively as follows:

Alton Water being a reservoir at TM 155357 in the District of Babergh.

Costessey Lakes and Taverham Mill lake	being four gravel pits at TG 163130 in the Parishes of Costessey and Taverham in the District of South Norfolk.
Covenham Reservoir	at TF 345960 in the Parish of Covenham St Bartholomew in the District of East Lindsey.
Crookfoot Reservoir	at NZ 432312 in the Parish and Borough of Sedgefield and in the Borough of Easington.
Foxcote Reservoir	at SP 714363 in the Parish of Foscott in the District of Aylesbury Vale.
Grafham Water	being a reservoir (formerly known as Diddington Reservoir) at TL 150680 in the District of Huntingdon.
Hart Lower Reservoir	at NZ 483342 in the Parish of Elwick in the Borough of Hartlepool.
Hart Upper Reservoir	at NZ 482342 in the Parish of Elwick in the Borough of Hartlepool.
Hollowell Reservoir	at SP 688728 in the Parish of Hollowell in the District of Daventry.
Hurworth Burn	at NZ 408337 in the Parish and District of Easington.
Hyde Lane Gravel Pit Newbourne Springs	at SP 725352 in the District of Aylesbury Vale. at TM 272 434 in the parish of Newbourne and District of Suffolk Coastal District
Pitsford Water	a reservoir at SP 758687 in the District of Daventry.
Ravensthorpe Reservoir	at SP 678708 in the Parish of Hollowell in the District of Daventry.
Rutland Water	being a reservoir (formerly known as Empingham Reservoir) at SK 942078 in the District of Rutland.
Tetney Blow Wells	at TA 320 006 in the parish of Tetney in the District of East Lindsey

4. Public Rights of Way and Public Highways

- 4.1 Nothing in these byelaws shall restrict, prevent or interfere with any public right of way.
- 4.2 Nothing in these byelaws shall restrict the rights enjoyed by members of the public on any public highway maintained by the local authority.

ENTRY

5. Prohibited Means of Entry

No person shall enter or leave a water park other than by access roads or other points of entry provided for that purpose.

6. Closing Gates

Where Anglian Water indicates by a notice conspicuously exhibited on or alongside any entrance gate to a water park or any gate in the water park that leaving that gate open is prohibited, no person having opened that gate or caused it to be opened, shall leave it open.

7. Unauthorised Entry

7.1 No person who, without the consent of Anglian Water,

- (a) is in a water park at an hour when it is closed to the public, or
- (b) is in any part of a water park to which entry to the public is prohibited, or
- (c) has entered a water park other than through a point of entry provided for that purpose,

shall remain in there for a longer time than is necessary to enable him to leave by the nearest exit after being required to do so by an authorised officer who produces his authority.

7.2 No person shall remain in a water park for a longer time than is necessary to enable him to leave by the nearest exit after being required to do so by an authorised officer who has reasonable grounds for believing that the person has committed an offence against these byelaws and who produces his authority.

7.3 No person shall attempt to enter a water park if entry is refused by an authorised officer by reason of serious misconduct by that person.

7.4 No person who has been banned by Anglian Water in writing from entering a water park by reason of serious misconduct shall enter or attempt to enter any water park for the duration of such ban without first obtaining Anglian Water's written permission.

7.5 An authorised officer may exclude from a water park any person convicted of a criminal offence performed in a water park.

8. Prohibited Entry and Activities

- 8.1 No person shall without the consent of Anglian Water enter or remain on any water park or any relevant part of the water park where they have been notified, whether by notice exhibited in a conspicuous position or by other means, that such entry is for the time being banned because of danger or potential danger to any person or property.
- 8.2 No person shall without the consent of Anglian Water carry on any activities in any water park or any relevant part of the water park where they have been notified, whether by notice exhibited in a conspicuous position or by other means, that such activities are for the time being banned because of danger or potential danger to any person or property.

VEHICLES AND PEDAL CYCLES ETC.

9. Parking of Vehicles

- 9.1 No person shall park a vehicle or cause the same to stand (whether attended or not) on any roadway or in any part of a water park which is not set aside or designated for that purpose.
- 9.2 No person shall without the consent of Anglian Water leave any motor vehicle in any water park between sunset and sunrise.

10. Prohibition of Vehicles

No person shall take or drive a vehicle into a water park:

- (a) if prohibited from doing so by an authorised officer;
- (b) if a notice to that effect is exhibited at the entrance; or
- (c) if a barrier is erected across the entrance.

11. Dangerous Driving, Speed Limits and Directions

- 11.1 No person shall drive or tow a vehicle in a dangerous manner, or without due care and consideration for others in a water park.
- 11.2 A person driving a vehicle or pedal cycle shall comply with all speed limit and other traffic signs and all reasonable directions given by any authorised officer who produces his authority.
- 11.3 No person shall cycle in any water park without due care and consideration for others in a water park.

12. Access

- 12.1 No person shall without the consent of Anglian Water, ride or drive a mechanically propelled vehicle in any part of a water park which is not laid out as a roadway for motor vehicles or provided for parking of vehicles.
- 12.2 No person shall cycle in any water park other than on roadways, routes or hard tracks provided.

13. Learner Drivers

- 13.1 No learner driver shall ride or drive any mechanically propelled vehicle in a water park other than for the purpose of driving under tuition to and from a designated car parking area.

13.2 No learner driver shall continue riding or driving any mechanically propelled vehicle in a water park after being required to stop driving by an authorised officer who produces his authority.

14. Racing etc

No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water use any part of a water park in connection with:

- (a) any race, hill climb, rally, regatta, or other similar function or practice involving the use of any conveyance.
- (b) any cycle, foot or horse race or any other competitive sport.

15. Washing Vehicles

No person shall wash any vehicle on a water park.

16. Aircraft

Save in emergency circumstances, no person shall without the consent of Anglian Water:

- (a) take off or land in any aircraft, seaplane, helicopter, microlite, hanglider or balloon from or into a water park, or
- (b) or descend by parachute into a water park.

BOATS AND BOATING

17. Use and Sailing of Boats etc.

17.1 No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water launch, use or sail any boat on any water in a water park.

17.2 No person shall use or sail on any water in a water park any boat otherwise than in accordance with such terms and conditions as may be specified in any such consent.

18. Buoyancy & Life Jackets

18.1 No person shall without the consent of Anglian Water use or sail a boat in a water park unless the boat contains sufficient buoyancy aids or life jackets to support the number of occupants therein.

18.2 No person shall without the consent of Anglian Water use sail or be a passenger on a sailing boat or fishing boat or windsurfer in a water park without wearing a life jacket or approved buoyancy aid.

18.3 No person shall without the consent of Anglian Water water-ski in a water park without wearing a life-jacket.

19. Overloading

No person shall use or sail any boat in a water park carrying more than the maximum number of persons recommended by the manufacturer or in a manner which causes the boat to be, in the opinion of an authorised officer of Anglian Water, overloaded

20. Person in Charge of Boat

No person shall:

- (a) use or sail any hired boat without following the instructions of the owner or the person providing the boat for hire on its operation, capabilities and safety procedures;
- (b) use or sail any other boat unless they are fully conversant with the craft or under the control or tuition of such a person.

21. Reasonable Consideration etc. to be Shown

No person shall use or sail any boat in a water park without reasonable consideration for other persons enjoying the amenities of the water park, or in such a manner or at such a speed as to cause annoyance, undue inconvenience or danger to any other person boating on or fishing on or in the water or on the shoreline, or as to prevent for an unreasonable time any other person on the water exercising such rights as he may be entitled to exercise.

NON BOATING SPORTS

22. Swimming etc

No person shall bathe, swim, wade, dive, paddle, jet-ski, water-ski, ice-skate, go onto any ice or carry on any other activity involving or potentially involving contact with water in any water park except with the consent of Anglian Water.

FUEL

23. Fuel

23.1 No person shall use a mechanically powered boat in a water park unless Anglian Water has authorised the use in that water park of the fuel used by that boat.

23.2 No person shall fuel or attempt to fuel any vehicle or boat in a water park other than at a designated fuelling point with containment facilities.

23.3 No person shall carry fuel in a water park (except in the fuel tank of a vehicle or boat) other than along authorised routes for the purpose of supplying existing fuelling facilities.

FISHING

24. Consent

No person shall fish in a water park without the consent of Anglian Water, and otherwise than in accordance with such terms and conditions as may be prescribed by any such consent.

25. Disposal of Lines & Hooks

No person shall deposit or leave anywhere in a water park any fishing line or fishing hook likely to cause injury to any person, animal or bird.

26. Bait

Except with the consent of Anglian Water, no person shall for the purpose of taking fish throw or discharge into any water in a water park any matter edible by fish, or any live or dead bait.

27. Unauthorised Release of Fish

No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water, introduce any fish or spawn of fish into water in a water park or have in his possession any fish or spawn of fish intending to introduce it into such water.

ANIMALS

28. Dogs

- 28.1 No person in charge or a dog shall, without reasonable excuse or without the consent of Anglian Water, permit the dog:
- (a) to enter or remain in a water park unless the dog is held on a lead and is restrained from behaviour giving reasonable grounds for annoyance;
 - (b) to worry or disturb any bird or animal whilst in the water park; or
 - (c) to enter any water in a water park.
- 28.2 For the purposes of the byelaw, the keeper of the dog shall be deemed in charge of the dog, unless the dog has been placed in or taken into the charge of some other person at the time of offence under this byelaw has been committed.
- 28.3 In paragraph (2) above, the 'keeper' shall include the person who brings the dog into the water park.

29. Animals to be Controlled

No person shall cause or permit any animal in his charge to enter or remain in a water park unless such animal is under proper control and is effectively restrained from causing annoyance to any person, or from worrying or disturbing any other animal or waterfowl or from entering the water.

30. Animals not to Graze

Except in pursuance of a lawful agreement with Anglian Water or otherwise in exercise of any lawful rights or privileges, no person shall turn out or permit to remain in a water park any cattle, sheep, or other animal.

31. Horse Riding

31.1 No person shall ride on horseback in any part of a water park which is not designated as a path or place for horse riding and the way marked as such.

31.2 No person shall ride on horseback in a water park in a reckless or dangerous manner which could impair the safety of the public.

32. Abandoning Living Creatures Etc.

No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water, deposit, release or allow to remain on or into a water park any living creature or vegetation with the intention of abandoning the same.

STRUCTURES

33. Posts and Fences Tents Booths & Camping

33.1 No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water, pitch, erect or permit to remain in a water park any caravan, tent, booth, windbreak, pole, clothes line, building, shed, post, fence, railing or other erection or construction whatsoever.

33.2 No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water and whether in a tent or vehicle or not, camp or sleep out in any part of a water park.

34. Removal of Structures

No person shall without the consent of Anglian Water, remove or displace any sign, barrier, railing, post or seat, or any part of any erection or structure, any boat or any life saving equipment, any stone revetment or any machine or implement used in the laying out or maintenance of a water park.

ENVIRONMENT

35. Pollution and Litter

Without prejudice to the provisions of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 and the Water Resources Act 1991, no person shall: -

(a) cause or permit any poisonous, noxious or polluting matter to enter in or upon any water park;

(b) leave on any part of any water park any litter or waste of any nature with intent to abandon it, provided that this byelaw shall not apply to leaving rubbish in receptacles specifically provided for it nor to the tipping or depositing of materials approved by Anglian Water in the course of operations and in places which Anglian Water has authorised.

36. Flora & Fauna

36.1 No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water take, wilfully disturb, injure or destroy any living creature or the eggs of any living creature, or use any net, snare, instrument, lamp, lure or other means for the taking or destruction of any such living creature or its eggs.

36.2 No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water wilfully remove any tree, shrub, plant, or other vegetation, whether living or dead.

37. Nature Reserves

No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water enter any part of a water park which is for the time being designated as a Nature Reserve.

BEHAVIOUR

38. Safety

No person shall take part in any activity in a water park without taking all reasonable precautions for the safety of themselves and others.

39. Harassment

No person shall intentionally disturb or interrupt or annoy any other person in the proper enjoyment of a water park, or engage in any game, sport or other activity which may endanger such person.

40. Noise

No person shall in a water park use offensive language or make or permit to be made any noise to the reasonable annoyance of other persons.

41. Radios etc.

41.1 No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water, operate or cause or permit to be operated any radio or television receiver, record, compact disc, mp3, mini disc or cassette player, or tape recorder (except for making recordings), amplifier, video player, electronic game, citizens' band radio, electronic broadcasting and receiving equipment or other similar instruments to the reasonable annoyance of other persons.

41.2 No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water, play or cause or permit to be played any musical instrument.

42. Roller skates, skateboards etc.

No person shall skate on rollers, skateboards, wheels or other mechanical contrivances to the danger of other persons using the water park.

43. Sledges, toboggans etc.

No person shall use a sledge, toboggan or other similar contrivance to the danger of other persons using the water park.

44. Climbing

No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water, climb any tree or structure or building except those provided and clearly signed for this purpose and then only in accordance with such terms, conditions and instructions as are displayed.

45. Fire

45.1 No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water, light any fire or discharge any firework in a water park.

45.2 No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water, light any barbecue in a water park except in any area designated for such use.

45.3 No person shall abandon, throw, or let fall in a water park any lighted match, lighted cigarette, or any other article containing any inflammable gas or spirit or any inflammable substance, or any bottle or broken glass so as to cause or to be likely to cause damage by fire.

46. Weapons

No person shall in a water park discharge without lawful authority any firearm or air weapon. Nothing in this byelaw shall prevent the use of a starting gun or maroon for the purposes of starting or controlling boat races or competitions.

47. Throwing of Missiles etc

No person shall throw or discharge any missile, catapult (except any used by anglers for baiting purposes), stone or boomerang in a water park.

48. Public Gatherings

No person shall take part in any public gathering, procession or exhibition in a water park unless such public gathering procession or exhibition has been authorised in writing by Anglian Water.

49. Sale of Goods etc

No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water, sell or offer or expose for sale or let to hire or offer or expose for letting to hire in a water park any commodity or article or any food or refreshment of any kind, or offer any service for reward.

50. State of intoxication

No person shall enter or remain in any water park whilst creating a nuisance due to being in a state of intoxication or under the influence of drugs.

51. Begging etc.

No person shall beg for or solicit money on any water park.

52. Interference with Anglian Water property

No person shall without the consent of Anglian Water climb onto or gain access to or otherwise obstruct, damage or tamper with any dam, building, structure, revetment, drain, watercourse, valve, sluice, pump, gate, plant (whether fixed or mobile), cables, power pylons and lines, machinery or other equipment or apparatus on any water park.

53. Flow of Drains and Watercourses

No person shall without the consent of Anglian Water obstruct the flow of any drain or watercourse, or move, work or operate any valve, sluice, gate, plant (whether mobile or fixed), or machinery or similar apparatus in any water park.

54. Washing

No person shall wash except in a designated area any person, animal, plant/vegetable matter or other thing in a water park.

55. Model Aircraft etc

No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water, launch or use any mechanically powered model aircraft, model vehicle or model boat in a water park.

56. Metal Detectors

No person shall, without the consent of Anglian Water, carry or use a metal detector in a water park.

ADMINISTRATION PENALTIES AND DEFENCES

57. Unauthorised Assumption of Powers

No person shall purport to exercise any powers of Anglian Water or of an authorised officer in relation to a water park unless a police officer or authorised to do so by Anglian Water.

58. Obstruction

No person shall intentionally obstruct, disturb or interrupt any authorised officer in the proper execution of his duty.

59. Consents to be Produced

Any person doing an act which if done without the consent of Anglian Water would constitute an offence under these byelaws shall, if so required by an authorised officer on production of evidence of his authority, produce to such officer evidence of such consent, or, if he is unable to do so to give such officer his name and address.

60. Removal of Notices

The unauthorised removal of any notice referred to in these byelaws shall not invalidate any prohibition imposed by such notice.

61. Activities authorised by lease etc.

Nothing in these byelaws shall restrict, prevent or interfere with any activity carried out (a) by Anglian Water or (b) by a third party or parties acting under and in accordance with a contract, lease, licence or other written agreement granted by Anglian Water except to the extent (if at all) that a contrary intention is expressed in any such document.

62. Savings for Fire Authorities and Other Emergency Services

Nothing in these byelaws shall restrict, prevent, interfere with or prejudice the due and proper exercise of any statutory rights or powers which are now or hereafter may be vested in or exercised by any fire authority or other emergency service.

63. Penalties and Defences

63.1. Any person who contravenes any of the foregoing byelaws shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding level 3 in respect of each offence.

- (a) in the case of byelaws 8, 11, 21, 36, 39, 46, 53, 57 and 58 not exceeding level 3 in respect of each offence, and
- (b) in the case of other byelaws, not exceeding level 2 in respect of each offence.*

63.2. In any proceedings for an offence under these byelaws, it shall be a defence for the person charged to prove;

- (a) that he took all reasonable precautions and exercised all due diligence to avoid the commission of the offence, or
- (b) that he has a reasonable excuse for his act or his failure to act.

The common seal of Anglian Water Services Limited was hereunto affixed the 8th day of December 2004.

Geoffrey Ward
Authorised Signatory

**Section 37(2) of the Criminal Justice Act 1982, as amended, fixed a standard scale of fines. Currently (April 2005) Level 2 is £500, and Level 3 £1000)*

The foregoing byelaws are hereby confirmed by the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs in accordance with Schedule 10 to the Water Industry Act 1991 and shall come into force on 21 April 2005.

Signed by

John Roberts
Head, Marine and Waterways Division

On behalf of the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.

Date: 7th April 2005.