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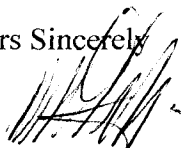
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Dear Sirs

As an association representing 180 anglers we would like to make some positive suggestions regarding free access to inland waters. It is vital that a fair set of rules is drawn up giving some serious consideration for all parties who enjoy our rivers. It is our view that all canonists should be registered with a number clearly marked on the vessel. This would identify those who do not stick to the rules, they should be registered and hold a licence at a small cost say five-pound per annum. They should be respectful of fishing rights together with areas where fish and spawning and redds have been laid. This together with agreed accesses from landowners and riparian owners. Open access will split the two main interests apart, there has to be rules, which are workable to which both parties can pursue their hobbies. Anglers in Wales have over many years acquired fishing rights at some considerable cost and put a vast sum of money into the economy of Wales via tourism, licence fees, etc. We are not apposed to canoeist's use of our rivers but we do feel very strongly that reasonable compromise must be reached. Let us hope that good common sense will prevail.

Yours Sincerely



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