

Devon and Severn IFCA News

Opportunity to take part in research into recreational sea angling in England and Wales.

Adam Fisher, a post-graduate researcher at the Countryside and Community Research Institute (CCRI) at the University of Gloucestershire, is carrying out research exploring differences in the views and behaviours of recreational sea anglers in England and Wales.



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Please note that this survey is being shared to support the recreational sea angling and research communities as D&S IFCA seeks to develop recreational sea angling in the District. This research is not a D&S IFCA initiative and D&S IFCA will not be handling any returned data.

A key part of Adam's research involves engaging with anglers through an online survey and aims to inform the future of UK fisheries management.

This is a real opportunity to take part in research that will inform the future of angling policy. Plus, those who submit a completed survey will be given the opportunity to enter a prize draw competition to win £100 in vouchers for an angling store of their choice.

Click on the link to take part in the survey - <https://glos.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/values-attitudes-and-behaviours-of-recreational-sea-angle-7>

The survey questions focus on why anglers take part in recreational sea angling, anglers' views on nature, the impact of fishing, behaviours anglers think are appropriate, and actions anglers carry out when angling. The survey questions take about 10–15 minutes to complete.

Anyone over the age of 18 who lives in England or Wales and takes part in recreational sea angling at least three times a year is encouraged to complete the survey. Recreational sea angling is defined as fishing with a rod and line from any type of shoreline (e.g., estuaries, beaches, rocks, or harbours) or afloat a boat or kayak, with no financial payment for fish caught.

There are no right, or wrong answers and your responses will be kept strictly confidential (in accordance with GDPR standards). You will not be identifiable in any reports resulting from the survey. You are free to withdraw your responses from stored datasets at any time, and if you do not wish your anonymised responses to be included in any resulting reports, please contact the lead researcher (below) within 30 days of submitting your answers.

If you have any further questions about the research, please contact Adam Fisher on 01242 714122 or email adamfisher@connect.glos.ac.uk.

Please complete the survey by Friday 18th March 2022