

Cockermouth Angling Association – Cogra Moss risk assessment - June 2023

No	Risk	Assessment of risk (assumes no control measures in place)			Risk Control Measures	Assessment of residual risks (with control measures in place)		
		Impact	Likelihood	Risk rating		Impact	Likelihood	Risk rating
1	Drowning – Cogra is a dangerous deep water	3	3	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be aware and wade within own capability and with care • Observe steel wading route posts between shore and knock Island • There are a series of casting points in the water on the southern shore made of compacted stone (replaced old casting platforms). There is a drop off into deep water at the end of these casting points so exercise care. 	3	1	4
2	Slip hazards	2	2	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be aware that banks are slippery. Note that felt soles without studs are hazardous on grass banks. • Styles and bridges are put in place to support access but cannot be subject to constant monitoring. 	2	1	3
3	Trip hazards from long grass, other vegetation and uneven banks. On the South shore the old railings are on the ground and covered in vegetation representing a specific hazard.	2	2	4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anglers to take care 	2	1	3

4	Injury to members of the public from back casts	3	2	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anglers to exercise extreme care in areas where members of the public may be present. Cogra is used by walkers constantly and anglers are to give way to walkers at all times. 	3	1	4
5	The scaffolding platform adjacent to the North East Island (Blake Island) is not in use and has not standing boards so should not be used to cast from	2	2	4	Anglers not to cast from out of use platform	0	0	0
6	Weil's disease – Serious disease in human beings that requires hospital treatment	3	2	5	<p>Bacterial infection carried in the urine of rats which contaminates water and banks of lakes, rivers and ponds. Early symptoms are similar to flu and normally starts 3 to 19 days after exposure to contaminated water. Doctor should be consulted.</p> <p>Precautions to be observed are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cover any cuts, sores or scratches with waterproof plasters or gloves Disinfect any wounds that occur at the waterside Wash hands or cover food with wrapper before you eat and do not put hands or equipment in your mouth after immersing in water Do not touch dead animals especially rats and do not leave food or rubbish on the bank side 	2	1	3

Key to impact and likelihood: 3 = High 2 = Medium 1 = Low

If anglers note any safety or issues relating to repairs please notify the secretary: via e mail: administration@cockermouthanglingassociation.co.uk

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