

A photograph of a quarry lake. The water is a murky, greenish-brown color. In the foreground, there are several large, bushy plants with white flowers. The background shows a sandy, eroded bank with some sparse vegetation. The sky is a clear, bright blue.


#RESPECT THE WATER

**A quarry lake can look very
inviting on a hot summer's
day but can be a killer**

Please only enjoy water based activities where it is safe to do so

5 TIPS TO KEEP EVERYONE SAFER NEAR QUARRY LAKES

- Stay away from the edge of quarry lakes or quarry faces – they could give way. Over 40% of people who drown in the UK never intended to enter the water.
- If you've had alcohol don't enter the water, avoid walking alone and avoid routes near the water's edge.
- If you are spending time near a quarry lake – make sure you have checked for any safety information and children are fully supervised.
- **If you are in trouble in water**
'Float to Live' – tilt your head back with your ears submerged. Relax and move your hands to stay afloat. Once you have adjusted to the water look for a place to exit – call for help.
- **If you see someone in trouble in a quarry lake**
Never enter the water to try and help a person or animal

Please remember – warning signs and fencing are there to protect you.

PHONE 999 and ask for the Fire and Rescue Service

FLOAT tell them to stay calm and float on their back

THROW them something that floats or find something to reach them and pull them in, wait for the emergency services


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Visit the following sites for more information and resources

Respect the Water – <https://respectthewater.com>

Stay Safe – www.mineralproducts.org/Campaigns/Stay-Safe.aspx



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