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Public urged to exercise caution near Yorkshire reservoirs this Easter

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Yorkshire Water manages more than 30 reservoirs across the region

People have been urged to be careful when visiting Yorkshire Water's reservoirs this Easter weekend.

The company, which operates more than 30 sites, is asking visitors to keep themselves and wildlife safe.

In particular, people are being reminded to be vigilant around the water, not to use disposable barbecues and to keep their dogs on a lead.

Yorkshire Water said its team of rangers would be out and about over the long weekend to advise visitors.

Lead ranger David Spencer said: "It's important that those who do visit do not take risks that could impact the local natural environment and wildlife, or that puts them in harm's way.

"Parents should stay alert to their children being tempted to enter the water. Sadly, we've seen incidents in Yorkshire in recent years when people have lost their lives in reservoirs and other open water.

"Following the Countryside Code and ensuring to take litter home, keep dogs on leads, park considerately, and be friendly to other visitors and our rangers will help to make trips to our reservoirs enjoyable for everyone now, and in the months to come."

Disposable barbeques are not permitted on any of Yorkshire Water's sites, with some covered by Public Space Protection Orders, meaning people could face on the spot fines if they are found to be using one.

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