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PRE-SEASON GEAR CARE CHECKLIST

Waders & Clothing

- ☐ Check waders for leaks and repair puncture holes.
- ☐ Check wading boot laces for wear and replace if necessary.
- ☐ Replace missing wading boot studs.
- ☐ Wash and re-proof waterproof jacket.

Rods, Reels & Fly Lines

- ☐ Remove reel spools and wipe away any surface dirt.
- ☐ Check for corrosion within the drag system. If you find any major damage, bring your reels into Sportfish and our team can take a look at them.
- ☐ **Do not** add lubricant or oil to a reel with a 'dry drag' system. **Do** add a small amount of GT85 spray to fly reels with an open cork drag system.
- ☐ Check over fly lines for damage or cracking. Replace if necessary.
- ☐ Strip lines off reels and clean in warm (not hot) soapy water.
- ☐ Check backing line for damage or degradation. Replace if necessary.
- ☐ Apply fly line dressing to clean floating lines with a soft line cleaning pad.
- ☐ Check braided and welded loops for fraying or damage and replace if necessary.

Don't Forget

- ☐ Check that floatants and sinkants haven't dried out. Replace if necessary.
- ☐ Replace old tippet spools with fresh leader material.