

The Shannon Blueway offers a myriad of paddling journeys to experience, set in idyllic locations, with everything from secluded canal sections to vast open lakes. The network of Blueway trails in this North Shannon area centres around Carrick-on-Shannon, spanning north towards Lough Allen, west to Boyle, south to Lanesborough, and east as far as Belturbet. Visit bluewaysireland.org for details of all trails in this area. The Blueway from Carrick-on-Shannon to Lanesborough offers 50km of paddling options in total. Within that 50km, a series of "journeys" are described, guiding the user between access points along the route. Choose your journey according to the level of experience of your paddling group.

In the unlikely event of an emergency dial 999 or 112 to contact emergency services. Use VHF channel 16 to contact the coast guard.

We welcome feedback about your paddling experience. Please contact us at info@bluewaysireland.org

For further information please contact Waterways Ireland at either; Northern Regional Office, Carrick-on-Shannon: +353 (0)71 965 0562
Lock keepers:
- Albert Lock, Jamestown Canal +353 (0)71 963 7115
- Roosky Lock +353 (0)71 963 8018
- Termonbarry, Cloondara and Richmond Harbour Locks +353 (0)87 922 2020

*Users of this trail do so at their own judgement and risk



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For more information about this and other

www.invasivespeciesireland.com

5. Disinfect boat and gear regularly when possible.
 4. Dry boat and gear between trips.
 3. Wash boat and gear at wash stations where provided. material, mud or debris.
 2. Remove any attached plant or animal
 1. Drain water from your boat on site.
- you should:
pathogens on Irish waters. Prior to leaving any location help stop the spread of invasive species and harmful

INVASIVE SPECIES



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1. Be considerate of other people. Park appropriately - do not block entrances or other cars. Do not damage property.
2. Respect farm animals and wildlife. Leave habitats, plants and animals as you find them.
3. Protect the environment. Do not light fires. Leave no litter behind you. Stick to the outlined trail.

LEAVE NO TRACE



Rooskey to Lanesborough

Shannon Blueway



Paddling Trail

Be careful when using open water crossings, avoid getting stranded far from shore. Be aware that wind and visibility can change, especially in open water sections, so take care.

Canoeing is an adventure sport. When you go canoeing follow the five points below to stay safe:

Planning - Plan your trip well in advance by consulting with the trail website and local providers.

Experience - Ensure the trail is a suitable match for your group's experience. If you are inexperienced use a local guide.

Conditions - Consult the weather forecast and the water level gauges in advance of your trip and only go canoeing in favourable conditions.

Equipment - Always wear an approved buoyancy aid. Wear a helmet on Grade 2 and 3 trails. Bring extra and suitable clothing - preferably a wetsuit - as well as equipment to deal with an emergency.

Emergencies - Ensure everyone in your group can swim to the bank or shore in the event of a capsized. Be ready and equipped to help one another if someone should get into trouble.

PADDLING ADVICE