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GAMEKEEPERS RADNORSHIRE

A gamekeeper is a person who looks after an area of countryside to ensure there is enough game for hunting and/or fish for angling. Typically, employed by a landowner to prevent poaching on his land, control unwelcome predators, and look after the health of the wildlife.

Normally it was the Lord of the Manor or trustee who applied for the licence by nominating, authorising and appointing the gamekeeper.

The Act For The Better Preservation of Game 1707 stated, that one gamekeeper could be appointed per manor, and that every deputation would have to be registered with the Clerk of the Peace. A stamp duty of £2 2s per year was charged, in addition to the annual 10s 6d annual cost of the gamekeepers licence. Laws were further reinforced with subsequent Acts.

- RD/JGW/23/34 Assignment of Mortgage 21 May 1868, Charles Yeomans, Game keeper of Glasbury.
- R/D/LEW/2/392 Appointment (deputation) by Richard Austin, Bishopsgate St City of London, Esq. Lord of the Manors of Ruslin and Yscoed, co. Radnor, of Lewis Morgan of Hendrevach, p. Nantmel, gent, to take and kill game in same p. or manors. Certified 16 July 177(6) by Clerk of the Peace entry of Morgan as gamekeeper, (in book kept in the office of John Sherburn.
- R/QS/Gamekeepers
/1717 Appointment by Priscilla Reid of Penllanoley in the parish of Nantmel, and by Evan Evans of Rhayader, of Edward Jones of the parish of Cwmtoyddwr, as gamekeeper on their estates in co. Radnor. 22 August 1835
- /1720 Register of appointments of gamekeepers within the county. 1845-1870
- /1718-19 Appointment by Sir John Walsh of Warfield Park, co. Berks., Bart of John Chaplin as gamekeeper in his Manor of Busmore, co. Radnor. Berks., Bart., and of Mark Williams as gamekeeper in his Manor of Swydd, co. Radnor. 1863

R/D/WWA/1A/F1/2000 Plan, land edged green is part of the Crown Manor of Mevenwith, to which Robert Lewis Lloyd Esq. is Appointed gamekeeper. 18 September 1891