

General Rules and By-Laws for Members

- Any member whosoever contravenes the Association's Constitution and/or Rules shall be answerable to the Committee.
- The Committee is empowered to suspend or terminate membership if deemed appropriate.
- Membership Book or Day Permit and Environment Agency Rod Licence must be produced at the request of the Association's Bailiff(s), Officer(s) or member(s). Failure to produce these documents will result in the angler having to leave the Association's venue.
- Members of the Association will at all times when using the Association's venues, conduct themselves in a responsible manner in respect to fish, wildfowl, the environment, other anglers, local residents and members of the public.
- Members will assist the Association's Officers in upholding the Constitution and Rules.
- Membership is not transferable to any other person.
- The Association's Bailiffs instructions must be adhered to at all times.
- The Committee reserve the right to open or close the venues whenever it is deemed necessary.
- The closed season for the Association's venues is 1st May to 15th June, both days included. No fishing is allowed during this period unless authorised by the Committee.
- Membership of the Association is from 1st April to 31st March, both days included. The open season for the Association's venues is 16th June to 30th April, both days included. Fishing is allowed during this period from 6.00am to 10.00pm unless otherwise stated by the Committee. No member intending to fish is allowed on the banks of the Association's venues before 5:30am or to remain after 10:30pm.
- Keepnets must not be less than 2 metres in length and must have a minimum diameter of 40 centimetres. Bailiffs have the right to inspect keepnets at any time and may, at their discretion, require fish to be released should they believe that any distress is being caused.
- Carp landing nets to be a minimum of 36 inches.
- Landing nets and keepnets with knotted meshes or meshes of metallic material are not permitted.
- Carp (excluding Crucian Carp) are NOT to be retained in nets or sacks.

- Carp unhooking mats MUST be used. Minimum size to be 36" x 24". Base of mat must be adequately padded.
- All hooks larger than size 12 must be of a barbless type.
- Fishing is prohibited on the Eastern bank of Pwll-y-Waun (Meadow) lake between pegs 1 and 25 and on the Northern bank between pegs 4 and 5. Fishing is only allowed on designated pegs on the Association's venues.
- Full members (senior and junior) only, may vote at an AGM.
- Members are responsible for removing all general litter, and fishing related litter, on the peg they are fishing on before and after fishing.
- Baits being fished on the surface of the water are not permitted.
- No additional swims are to be cut.
- Two rods may be used by all members, provided they are used in an appropriate and responsible manner. Members not using two rods responsibly will be requested to use one rod only in future.
- Senior members are entitled to use 3 rods from the beginning of November to the end of February each season. Please note that 3 rods can be used only if 2 rod licences are held by the member.
- No fishing prior to matches on designated lakes.
- Any member who holds an Environment Agency junior rod licence will be classed as a junior member until such time as a senior licence must be purchased.
- Any senior member who holds an Environment Agency Concessionary rod licence will qualify for concessionary membership, proof may be requested (e.g. copy of EA rod licence).
- Junior members are permitted to use one rod only. Juniors under 12 years of age must be supervised by an adult.
- All members are responsible for ensuring that gates providing access to the Association's venue(s) are locked at all times.
- There are no bait restrictions, but all multiple baits such as seeds, nuts, peas and beans must be well soaked, well cooked and used in moderation.
- Bailiffs are authorised to confiscate the membership book or day permit of any angler who is considered to be endangering their own, or other person's safety, by being under the influence of alcohol, drugs, solvents, etc., and will be asked to leave the Association's venue.

- No rod or line must be left unattended with a baited hook in or out of the water.
- All fish must be landed and returned to the water in a safe and responsible manner as soon as possible.
- Dogs are permitted on the Association's venues providing owners clean up after them, and exercise proper control over them.
- The Association cannot accept responsibility for loss or damage to any member's or day permit holder's vehicle or property however caused whilst they are using the Association's venues.
- No fish are to be introduced to the Association's venues, or to be transferred between the Association's venues, without the approval of the committee.
- The use of bait boats, model boats or any other type of boat is not permitted on the Association's venues, except when authorised by the committee.
- Permanently fixed leads are not permitted whilst fishing for carp (excluding crucian carp) - RIGS WILL BE CHECKED BY THE ASSOCIATION'S BAILIFFS.
- Lighting of fires is not permitted.
- A copy of these rules must be carried by members when using the Association's venues.
- The Committee shall be the sole authority for the interpretation of the Association's Rules and By-Laws and the decision of the Committee upon any question of interpretation, or any matter affecting the Association not provided for by the Rules and By-Laws, shall be final and binding upon all members of the Association.
- Ignorance of any Rule or By-Law will not be accepted as an excuse by the Committee.

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