



BYELAWS

REVISED

2020 SEASON>

**CLUB OFFICIALS AND
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1. The Association's Byelaws supplement, but do not supersede, the NRW Byelaws and should be read in conjunction with them.
2. The 'Executive Committee' means the Management Committee of the Association.
3. 'Permit Holders' may relate to season, week and/or day tickets.
4. **BYELAWS**; these byelaws are made, and may, as the need arises, be amended or revoked by the Executive Committee. The Byelaws are binding on all permit holders of the Association.
5. **CONDUCT**
 - 5.1 Permit Holders shall at all times conduct themselves in a manner upholding the good name and reputation of the

Association, and shall comply with both the Association and NRW Byelaws.

- 5.2 Permit Holders shall not, whether acting as an individual or in conjunction with others, make any statement or enter into any agreement likely to place the Association's acquisition, tenure, protection or development of fisheries in question.
- 5.3 Any person caught or reported contravening the Association's Byelaws may be debarred from fishing forthwith and may not be eligible for future permits.
- 5.4 In the event of any Permit Holder being debarred from fishing for whatever reason, the person will be notified in writing of the decision to withdraw their permit along with the reason.
- 5.5 As a result of disbarment, the Permit Holder has 14 days from the receipt of written notice under byelaw 5.4 to object the decision in writing.
- 5.6 If objection is received within the allotted timeframe, the Executive Committee will consider the decision and response

before a final decision is made, which will be binding on the Executive Committee and the objector.

- 5.7 Any dispute shall be settled by the Executive Committee whose decision/s shall be final. There will be no refunds on permits as a result of disbarment.

6. APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

- 6.1 Unless otherwise decided by the Executive Committee, application for membership of the Association shall be made in writing, in such form and containing such detail as the Executive Committee deems appropriate. The Association will only collect personal data for the purposes of administering membership records and providing services and benefits to members.
- 6.2 Every application for membership shall be considered by the Chairman and Secretary who may, at their discretion, either accept the application or reject it, without having to state any

reason, or refer it to the Executive Committee for decision.

This byelaw is subject to the Equality Act 2010, and does not authorise discrimination against any person on the grounds of protected characteristics, except as permitted by law.

- 6.3 Upon election or admission to membership, and after payment of any applicable entrance fee and subscription, the permit holder shall be issued with a membership ticket.

7. MEMBERSHIP

- 7.1 Anglers present on Association water must be in possession of a valid membership ticket at all times.
- 7.2 Any person found fishing on Association water whilst not in possession of a valid membership ticket may be liable to prosecution.
- 7.3 Any permit holder finding another angler fishing on Association water may challenge that angler and, upon producing their own membership ticket, ask for proof of

membership. Failure to comply with this request must be noted to the Association secretary, along with the name, address and vehicle registration of the perpetrator/s, where possible.

- 7.4 Permits are not transferable. No refunds shall be given in the event of e.g. cancellations or adverse weather conditions.

8. ACCESS TO WATER / BEATS

- 8.1 Permit purchase entitles permit holders only to walk over land immediately adjoining Association fishing water. Access to Association water must only be gained via the agreed access routes marked on the Association's map and members must use and close all gates where provided.
- 8.2 Permit Holders must not wilfully do, and must at all times seek to avoid, damage to crops, fences or other property.
- 8.3 Permit Holders are not permitted to take dogs / pets onto Association waters.

- 8.4 The Association's parking facilities are not to be used for sleeping purposes.
- 8.5 Permit holders should utilise designated parking facilities only, respecting private land and usage at all times
- 8.6 Permit holders should park vehicles with care and consideration for others at all times. Vehicles should not obstruct gates or other forms of access.
- 8.7 Access to Association water outside of the allotted fishing season (see Byelaw 13) is prohibited, unless permission has been granted by the Executive Committee.

9. CONSERVATION – BAG LIMITS

- 9.1 **SALMON / GRILSE:** Compulsory Catch & Release throughout the season.
- 9.2 **SEA TROUT / SEWIN:** 1 per week (7 days between dispatch), subject to a maximum of 5 per season. Maximum length to be killed: 45cm / 18 inches. Once a fish is dispatched,

it must be tagged immediately with the supplied carcass tag. You may continue to fish after reaching your week/season quota, but on a strict Catch & Release basis. Compulsory Catch & Release after 31st August. **Schoolchildren are entitled to 1 per season**, adhering to the aforementioned rules on length and carcass tagging.

9.3 **BROWN TROUT:** Compulsory Catch & Release throughout the season.

9.4 **GRAYLING:** Compulsory Catch & Release throughout the season.

9.5 **A GENERAL NOTE ON CATCH & RELEASE;** please do everything in your power to safeguard the recovery of the fish. **DO NOT** take the fish up onto the bank or onto dry gravel / stones – keep it in the water, even if just inches deep. Use forceps to safely remove the hook-hold, taking care not to damage the fish in the process. If the fish is deeply hooked then cut the line as close to the hook as possible, rather than trying

to remove the hook. Even if the fish is bleeding heavily / dead, it must be returned to the river.

10. CONSERVATION – METHODS

- 10.1 No bait fishing – this applies to all species. Bait fishing is allowed by disabled anglers at the designated disabled platform on Tyrdref Beat (Beat 12) only – disabled anglers should also refer and adhere to NRW regulations on bait fishing.
- 10.2 No treble hooks – this applies to all species and methods.
- 10.3 No multiple sets of hooks on spinners e.g. Rapalas. Please remove additional hooks.
- 10.4 No spin fishing between the hours of sunset and sunrise – please refer to local times for reference / accuracy.
- 10.5 Those on trout tickets are limited to fly only.

11. FISHING REGULATIONS / ETIQUETTE

- 11.1 No Permit Holder should fish closer than fifteen yards from the next angler.
- 11.2 Anglers should fish through the water on a 'cast and step' basis – a step is roughly one yard. If an angler remains static (for example; because of disability or infirmity), anglers sharing the water may fish around the static angler, whilst respecting the fifteen-yard rule.
- 11.3 If an angler is already fishing a given pool then other anglers wishing to fish that pool should begin above the angler already present, unless the angler is static, in which case you may start below.
- 11.4 Please note and respect fly only beats. Notably; Beat 2 – Cellan Fishery. Beat 8 - from the top of Prysge Pool to the neck of Vicar's Pool – signs in situ for ease of reference. Beat 15a - Kingsmeadow – when river level is below marker located by the

river in the first pool upon entering the meadow on the left bank.

- 11.5 Day tickets will run for a 24-hour period; either midday to midday or midnight to midnight, according to the preference of the angler. Timing/choice to be stipulated at point of purchase and is not transferable.
- 11.6 Odds & Evens; the Odds & Evens rule is in place and is strictly enforced on the following beats: Beat 10 - Cwm-Mackwith (entire beat). Beat 13 – Rhydygalfe (entire beat, both banks). An example of how this rule works is as follows; if you have an even numbered (e.g. 22) permit (day, week or season) then you may fish these waters from midday on an even date (e.g 12th July) through to midday on the following day (13th July).
- 11.7 Trout ticket holders may only fish upstream of, and including, Beat 9 (Church Farm). Fishing from sunrise to sunset only – no night fishing. Rods should be no heavier than a #5 rating and flies should be used / chosen purely to pursue trout. Any

deviation from these rules will void your ticket, following which you may either upgrade to a regular day ticket or leave the Association waters. Violation may also revoke your future entitlement to trout tickets.

11.8 Multiple rods may be carried, but only one used per permit holder at any one time.

11.9 Fishing from a boat, float tube or any watercraft is strictly prohibited.

12. **CATCH RETURNS**; a catch return form is supplied upon purchase of a day, week or season permit. These should be returned, including forms indicating nil returns, before the 14th November.

13. SEASONS

- 13.1 **BROWN TROUT**; the season opens on 3rd March for all beats above Lampeter Bridge. For beats below this point it is 1st April. Season close is 30th September.
- 13.2 **SEA TROUT / SEWIN**; the season opens on the 1st of April and closes on the 17th October on all beats.
- 13.3 **SALMON / GRILSE**; the season opens on the 1st of April and closes on the 17th October on all beats.
14. The Executive Committee reserves the right to amend, add or revoke byelaws at any time.
15. Any complaints or suggestions must be made in writing to the Secretary.
16. When utilising the Association's water / beats, you do so at your own risk. The Association accepts no responsibility or

liability whatsoever for any losses, accidents, damages etc. to any person or property whilst fishing or on their way to / from fishing the Association water.

KEY RULES

- No bait fishing for any species on Association water.
 - No treble hooks to be used – singles & doubles only.
 - Only one hook on a spinner (single or double).
 - Brown trout; catch and release throughout season.
 - Grayling; catch and release throughout season.
 - Salmon/grilse; catch and release throughout season.
 - Sea trout; all fish above 45cm / 18 inches to be released. Max kill 1 per week (7 days from date of dispatch) & 5 per season.
- All killed fish to be carcass tagged with supplied tags.
- Compulsory catch and release after 31st August.
- Please observe 'Odds&Evens' rule at Beats 10 & 13.