

COLLINGHAM ANGLING ASSOCIATION

Byelaws

“To promote and encourage angling across all disciplines, regardless of ability and social standing, and to provide, as far as is reasonably possible, a safe environment for all members, recognising its responsibilities to vulnerable groups”. It is incumbent on all members to behave appropriately and be considerate and respectful of both other anglers and the fishery itself, and to uphold the standards of The Association at all times.

The committee shall have the power to make, repeal and amend such byelaws as they may from time to time consider it necessary for the well-being of the association. Byelaws which are repealed and or amended shall have effect until set aside by the committee or ratified at an Annual General Meeting.

A) Clubwaters

Collingham Angling Association controls the following waters.

a. River Trent - Collingham – from Cromwell Weir downstream on east bank to Collingham parish boundary omitting 2 short stretches (separated by 3 association pegs) at The Jolly Barge. Access via Westfield Lane for Weir field or via Carlton Ferry Lane (Trent Lane).

BRITISH WATER WAYS Strongly advise no fishing from boats in the weir area.

b. River Witham - Bassingham – Left bank downstream between footbridge and road bridge and 1 field left bank downstream of roadbridge. Access via footpath near church downstream and road bridge upstream and downstream.

c. River Fleet – East bank for 2 fields, situated between Besthorpe and Girton, access via Tinkers Lane off A1133 Gainsborough Road.

d. Millennium Complex, Spalford – Access via gates from Wigsley Road (A key for the gate may be obtained from the committee).

With the exception of the Millennium Complex, club waters will be closed during the coarse fish close season. Association members holding a Salmon and Sea Trout licence may fish for migratory fish on the River Trent during this period in accordance with E.A. byelaws.

All anglers fishing association waters MUST hold the appropriate current EA rod licence(s).

General Byelaws.

- 1) **Membership cards must be carried at all times!.**
- 2) No Litter!. Site bins are not for anglers rubbish - if you have brought it with you then take it home!.
- 3) No fires - Small scale self-enclosed Bar-B-Qs are allowed but care must be taken not to spoil neither other angler's enjoyment nor the environment.
- 4) Facilities - With the exception of the toilets situated in the fishing lodge at The Millenium Complex there are no toilet facilities. Members fishing on association water are to make sufficient provisions for the duration of their visit. Any member caught defecating on association property will be expelled.
- 5) All matters relating to Association business shall be confined within the membership. Any member found divulging the same to non-members will be expelled.
- 6) No fish to be removed or transferred to, from, or between Association waters without the express consent in writing from the committee.
- 7) Guest Passes;
 - a) Members are permitted to invite one guest to accompany them on club waters at the Millennium Complex and on the association river stretches, the cost of which will be fixed from time to time by the committee and ratified at AGM. See 27 and 39 below.
 - b) Members are permitted 2 guest passes per season per venue and individual guests are only permitted twice per season per venue.
- 8) Juniors;
 - a) No junior member under 12 to be unsupervised at any time.
 - b) All junior members to be supervised between sunset and sunrise (see below).
 - c) Any person supervising juniors must fish either together or in adjacent pegs.
 - d) Intermediate members may supervise junior members but strictly on a one-to-one basis only. Adults may supervise up to 2 juniors, those adults who are not members are not permitted to fish, unless on a guest pass.
 - e) Should a junior member wish to be supervised between sunset and sunrise by an adult who is not a member, then the club must be notified via email in advance, stating their name and membership number together with the name and address of the supervising adult and a contact phone number.
- 9) Members shall not;
 - a) Damage fences, leave litter, illegally remove fish or wilfully disturb or kill any game.
 - b) Wilfully alter, deface or in any way disturb any notices erected in respect of club business,
- 10) Members must behave respectfully at all times and shall not cause an affray, use excessive bad language in a threatening manner, make derogatory remarks to another member in person and/or on social media **nor bring the association into disrepute in any way.**
- 11) **Any transgressions may result in expulsion from the Association or result in any such lesser punishment as deemed appropriate by the committee. Minor infringements, in the judgement of committee members, may be subject to a '3 strikes and you are out' policy. Any member expelled shall not be eligible for any subscription refund and shall not be eligible to re-apply for membership.**

Millennium Complex Byelaws.

Please take ALL litter home!

- 12) The gates to the complex are to be kept locked at all times and there is a strict 10mph speed limit in force.
 - 13) Barbless hooks only, the exception being barbed hooks for pike and lure fishing.
 - 14) No braided mainlines, with the exception of lure fishing and spod or marker rods.
 - 15) Night fishing is only permitted in Kestrel, Kingfisher and Swan Lakes.
 - 16) No matches to be held other than those given express permission by the committee. Association bye-laws and match rules apply in all cases.
 - 17) Parking only in the areas designated and to be in an orderly manner. No racing of motor vehicles within the complex. Local rules will apply to take in account weather and local conditions.
 - 18) No Keep-nets on millennium complex save for committee approved matches and/or fishery management business.
 - 19) No unattended rods.
 - 20) Any dog on the complex must be on a lead at all times and under the owner's control.
 - 21) All fishing on Willow and Centenary to be from nominated platforms.
 - 22) Only one rod permitted to be used at any one time in Willow and Centenary Lakes with the exception of pike fishing.
 - 23) All fish that are weighed to be weighed in approved weigh slings.
 - 24) All pike caught on Willow or Centenary lakes must NOT be returned but placed in Kingfisher or Kestrel.
 - 25) No fish are to be brought on to the complex and put into any of the lakes without the relevant health and movement licenses or certificates, and CAA committee approval.
 - 26) No Motorhomes or Caravans allowed on the Millennium complex overnight.
 - 27) There are 2 guest tickets available for the use of members who wish to invite a guest to fish with them on the club's water at Spalford (see 7 above). Tickets are available for either sunrise to sunset or for 24 hours, must be reserved through the club secretary and are payable at the time of booking.
The club secretary will record the name of the member and full details of the guest. The member and guest must fish in adjacent pegs and the member shall be responsible for ensuring that the guest complies with the Club's rules applicable to a member. Failure to do so will result in the member being required to attend before the Committee to show just cause why he/she should not be expelled from Association.
- ### **Kestrel, Kingfisher and Swan Lakes.**
- #### **These rules apply to anglers fishing for specimen carp.**
- 28) All anglers should carry a landing net of 36 inches minimum, suitable for specimen fish. A good quality unhooking mat and a Carp-Care Kit should also be carried at all times.
 - 29) Minimum of 12lb main line with a maximum of 1 meter leader.
 - 30) No bolt rigs, the fish must be able to eject the lead, should the line break at any point.
 - 31) Fishing from designated pegs only.
 - 32) No sacking of fish, fish may be kept in a floatation device for up to 1 hour.
 - 33) Bait boats must be operated from the peg you are fishing, must only travel in a straight line until hook-length is dropped and must not cross lily pads nor weed lines. Hook-lengths must only be dropped to an area where an angler can safely cast to.

River Trent & Fleet Byelaws

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The following stretches of the River Trent are designated as members only pegs; W1a - W4 - for the first 7 days of every month.

Pegs P1 - P15 - except when required for large scale external match bookings (P74 -80). JB1 - 3. Downstream from Carlton Ferry Lane to the end of the club's stretch (the CF's).

34) Temporary memberships for the Fleet and Trent may be obtained on the bank, issued by the river bailiffs. No temporary memberships will be issued on any of the stretches allocated as private pegs. Prices will be set from time to time by the committee and ratified at AGM.

35) Temporary memberships will be valid from sunrise to sunset on the day of issue utilising the official times displayed on the Collingham Angling Association web page.

36) All temporary members must be clear from Collingham Association waters and land 30 minutes after sunset and will not be allowed on until 30 minutes prior to sunrise. This includes car parks and tracks along the flood banks over which the association has authority.

37) Night fishing is allowed for association members only on both The Trent and The Fleet (see exclusions-38 below).

38) No night fishing will be allowed for any reason on Trent Pegs W1a to W4 nor JB1 to 3.

39) There are 2 guest tickets available for the use of members who wish to invite a guest to fish with them on the club's water on the River Trent and on the club's property (through the gate/South end) of the River Fleet (see 7 above). Tickets are valid for a maximum of 24 hours, must be reserved in advance through the river bailiff, and are payable at the time of booking.

The river bailiff will record the name of the member and full details of the guest.

The member and guest must fish in adjacent pegs and the member shall be responsible for ensuring that the guest complies with the Club's rules applicable to a member. Failure to do so will result in the member being required to attend before the Committee to show just cause why he/she should not be expelled from the Association.

40) No guest tickets will be issued on any of the stretches allocated as members only pegs.

41) Pegs W1a to W4 are to be booked in advance through the river bailiff and are to be paid

in advance. The river bailiff will record the name of the member and full details of the member.

42) No member or temporary member shall fish from the wall at Cromwell Weir.

Anyone

found doing so will be immediately expelled.