



LINCOLNSHIRE JUNIOR ANGLING ACADEMY – CONSTITUTION

1. **Title:** The club shall be called the Lincolnshire Junior Angling Academy and herein after referred to as the LJAA and will be affiliated to the Angling Trust. It is to be registered as a Community Amateur Sports Club (CASC).

2. **Objectives:**
 - 2.1 To provide a non-profit making, non-compulsory school of angling for juniors.
 - 2.2 To provide tuition/ instruction, theoretical and practical covering all aspects of angling and relevant topics.
 - 2.3 To issue awards of merit at an annual presentation evening.
 - 2.4 To promote the conservation of fish and the preservations of fisheries.
 - 2.5 To encourage the enjoyment of the countryside, implementing understanding of the countryside code.
 - 2.6 To ensure a duty of care to all members as per our child protection policy.
 - 2.7 To provide a service in a way that is fair to all.
 - 2.8 To ensure all present and future members receive fair and equal treatment.

3. **Membership: All members are subject to regulations of this constitution and accepted the codes of conduct/ rules of membership.**

Membership will be open to all Juniors from the ages of 8yrs up to and including the age of 23yrs. There will be three classes of “Juniors;”

8yrs to 11yrs inclusive – CADETS

12yrs to 15yrs inclusive – JUNIORS

16yrs to 23yrs inclusive – INTERMEDIATES

3.1 Honorary Membership: Is open to former graduates at the discretion of the members

3.2 Membership Fees: Will be determined at the AGM and paid by annual subscription.

Expulsion of Members: Any member, including members parents/ guardians who demonstrate inappropriate conduct may be suspended or expelled by resolution of the committee where any fees and subscriptions will be forfeited.

4. **Finance:** All LJAA monies will be held in a bank account in the LJAA name and will be the responsibility of the treasurer. The financial year end date will be December 31st. Any cheques drawn on the account should carry two signatories.

5. **Officers:** Official positions of the LJAA shall be as follows –

5.1 Chairman

5.2 Vice Chairman

5.3 Treasurer

5.4 Welfare Officer

LJAA officers will be responsible for adopting new policies, codes of conduct and rules that affect the LJAA organisation.

6. **Election of officers:** Is to be carried out by LJAA members at the AGM. All officers are to be elected for a minimum of 1 year.

7. **General Meetings:** The AGM will be held on the first weekend of the year following New Year's Day. Any required EGMs (Emergency General Meeting) can be called at any appropriate time throughout the year by the elected officers. The AGM will follow this format;

7.1 To confirm previous years minutes.

7.2 To select the venues for the forth coming years events.

7.3 To welcome any new members.

7.4 To receive audited accounts from the from the treasurer.

7.5 Election of officers and members Captain.

7.6 AOB opened to the floor.

7.7 All meetings will be taken by the chair or their absence, the vice chair.

7.8 All decisions will be made on the majority vote by the members in attendance.

8. **Alterations to the constitution:** Can only be considered at the AGM or EGM when written notice of the proposal is received. The alteration or amendment must be proposed by a member and seconded by a member and will only be passed with a majority vote.

9. **Dissolution of the LJAA.**

9.1 If at any general meeting, a resolution is passed calling for the dissolution of the LJAA, an EGM will be called not less than 1 month thereafter to discuss and vote on the resolution.

9.2 If at any EGM the resolution is carried the officers will proceed to realise any LJAA assets and discharge any debts and liabilities.

9.3 After discharging all debts and liabilities, the remaining assets shall **NOT** be paid/ distributed amongst the members but given or transferred to some other voluntary organisation of similar objective to the LJAA, at the officer's discretion.