



AYCLIFFE ANGLING CLUB

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Member of the Angling Trust
School Aycliffe, Newton Aycliffe DL5 6QZ

Club Match Rules

1. All matches will be pegged (decided by recorded draw).
2. Competitors must stay within confines of the numbered pegs until the final signal or they leave the water.
3. A Competitor may fish as far as half the distance between his/her peg and the peg either side when there is more than 20 anglers present in the match, If less than 20 anglers you may fish to your side of the next peg. When competitors are drawn on opposite banks, the limit will be half the distance between banks, the competitor will restrict all his/her activities, tackle, bait and groundbait to these limits.
4. No limit to the number of tackles assembled but only one rod, line and hook to be used at any one time. The remainder to be pointed away from the water unbaited.
5. **Groundbait:** Refer to "Rule 11" of lake rules.
6. All fish in season to count except minnows, sticklebacks and crustaceans.
7. **Keep nets:** Refer to "Rule 15" of Club rules.
8. Competitors must strike, play fish and land their own fish except juniors, who are allowed assistance to land fish if in difficulty.
9. **Any person found leaving litter of any kind will not be allowed to weigh in. All litter to be taken home.**
10. No live or dead baiting, Spinning, treble hooks or artificial lures.
11. The surface of the water must not be broken before the starting signal other than to place rods on the rest, place keep nets, mix groundbait and to plumb depth.
12. No tackle to be left unattended.
13. Competitors will fish between the start and finish signal only. Any competitor hooking a fish just prior to the finish signal will be allowed 15 minutes after finishing signal to land and weigh the fish.
14. Fishing times to be declared before the match commences.
15. All weights will be recorded and rounded up to the nearest half ounce.
16. The first 36 names to fish matches
17. Any complaints must be logged with match secretary (or his/her deputy) within 10 minutes of time being called. Complaints will be dealt with by the match secretary (or his/her deputy) and any disciplinary procedure deemed necessary, subject to full committee ratification, will be within his/her jurisdiction. Any or all prizes will be withheld pending such decision. The match secretary has the authority to adjust match rules in emergency conditions.
18. No wading allowed.
19. All competitors must weigh all fish caught.
20. **Pairs Matches:** Pegs to be drawn from a hat. only named pairs accepted. No entry allowed after the draw has been made.
21. No entry to matches will be accepted after the draw has been deemed closed.
22. Any junior member holding a junior licence at the beginning of the year will be allowed to fish all junior matches for that year whether he/she reaches the age of 16 or not.
23. The use of optics/bit alarms is prohibited during matches
24. No juniors will be allowed to enter senior matches
25. Pools for all club matches will be optional

The following additional rules will be applied to the summer night series:



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26. Competitors will fish to club match rules.
27. In the event of a tie on points the aggregate weight of all matches will decide.
28. All fish must be weighed in, any competitor caught failing to do so will result in disqualification from series and may also be banned from fishing some or all club matches during the season.
29. Match secretary will decide selection of club teams.
30. **Net Limit:** 60lb Net limit, over 65lb the net will be disqualified and not counted.

Details of the current pool amounts and points system in operation, can be obtained from the match secretary.