



[Phoenix Angling Club](#)

Constitution

1. The name of the club shall be the **Phoenix Angling Club**.
2. The objectives of the Club shall be to promote angling as a friendly and social sport for the good of all.
3. (a) Membership of the Phoenix Angling Club shall be limited to 100 members. Existing members shall have until 31st May to renew their membership. After this date it will be assumed that any memberships not renewed are available for resale to new members. Concessionary membership shall be limited at the discretion of the Committee.

(b) A waiting list of people wishing to join the Club will be held by Committee members and when places become available they will be awarded strictly in order as denoted by the waiting list and are to be approved by the committee.

(c) The Committee reserves the right to revoke membership at any time.
4. All members shall conform to Club Rules. Any member failing to do so will be required to appear before the Committee who shall decide on the appropriate action to be taken.
5. The Club shall not assume any responsibility whatsoever for any accidents to members or loss to or damage to members' property or vehicles whilst on Phoenix AC property or tenancies. Members are advised to insure their own tackle.
6. Management. The affairs of the Club shall be managed by the Officers and Committee elected each year at the AGM to be held on the second Monday of April.
7. The Committee shall consist of no more than nine members. No Committee meeting shall be held without a quorum of 4 Committee members being present. Members may be co-opted to serve as required.
8. The Committee shall have the power to make by-laws and regulations not provided for in these rules; these to be submitted for endorsement at the AGM.
9. Rules shall not be altered in any way except at an AGM or at an Extraordinary General Meeting called for that purpose. Proposed alterations must be signed by the Proposer and seconded and be in the Hon. Secretary's hand by 1st April each year. An Extraordinary General Meeting will only be held at the written request of at least 10 members.
10. In the event of dissolution for any reason whatsoever, any balance of cash in hand after realisation of assets and payments of debts shall be handed over to a charity or charities

Water Rules

1. Members must at all times carry their membership card whilst fishing Club waters and must produce them when asked no matter by whom. Failure to do so may result in an angler being asked to leave the water. Every member is a Club bailiff and is expected to enforce Club rules.

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2. All members are to be in possession of an appropriate Environment Agency Rod Licence whilst fishing Club Waters.
3. Members of Phoenix AC are to park in the designated Parking areas only.
4. The Countryside Code is to be adhered to at all times and can be found here: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-countryside-code>
5. All members will adhere to the Environmental Agency rod fishing bylaws: Anglian Region, at all times. <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/regional-rod-fishing-byelaws-anglian-region>
6. Phoenix Angling Club operates a strict catch and release policy.
7. No more than two rods (baited tackle) may be used by a single angler at any time.
8. The welfare of fish is paramount. All fish to be handled with the utmost care. An appropriate weigh sling, bag etc, must be used at all times when weighing fish.
9. The weighing of fish by means of suspension on the weighing scales by the gill etc, is strictly forbidden. Offenders will have their membership revoked.
10. Due to the absence of the native White Claw crayfish in our waters (according to the EA), no crayfish to be returned to the water alive, in accordance with the Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981(As amended) S14.
11. No bait shall be taken to the bank in tins e.g. Luncheon Meat and Sweetcorn. All baits of this type should be decanted into plastic bait boxes before arriving at Club waters.
12. It is the responsibility of the angler that their swim is clear of all litter. Failure to comply with this rule will result in disciplinary action.
13. Modifications to the numbered/pegged swims will only be carried out by arranged work parties, organised by the Committee.
14. The construction of fishing platforms etc, is strictly forbidden.
15. Night Fishing. Overnight accommodation is restricted to 1 bivvy (or small 2 man tent) and/or one fishing umbrella only. Any additional tents, gazebo's etc are not permitted.
16. Defecation in any of the pegs or adjacent bankside is strictly forbidden. Any member found guilty of such behaviour will be expelled from the club.
17. Guest tickets will be available from the Membership Secretary, General Secretary and Match Secretary prior to fishing, for members wishing to take a guest.
18. Members are required to attend at least one work party. Dates in calendar.
19. No Manned Boats, or similar floatation devices, to be used on Phoenix AC waters.
20. No open fires or disposable barbeques to be lit on any Club Waters.

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