



## **1. NAME**

The name of the Club is Requin Angling Club (hereinafter referred to as the Club)

## **2. OBJECTIVES**

The Objectives of the Club is to:

- 2.1 Promote Freshwater Bank and Saltwater Shore Angling
- 2.2 Help maintain and promote Nature Conservation and Fish Preservation in all the Club's activities

## **3. MEMBERSHIP**

Membership of the Club shall consist of the following classes:

3.1 Honorary Life members, who shall be such members elected at the time, for outstanding service to the Club by the committee.

3.2 Ordinary members shall be those who have been duly elected in terms of section 4 and whose membership is not restricted in any way. An ordinary member shall be entitled to vote.

3.3 Family members comprise of an ordinary member, their spouse or partner and dependants (not over the age of 18 years unless a student at a tertiary institution).

3.3.1 Children 13 years and under, i.e. Penkop, can be added to any Family Membership provided the ordinary member accepts responsibility (guardian) for the child/ children and declares the child/children on their Membership Form

3.3.2 Only the ordinary member shall be entitled to vote.

3.4 In-active membership may apply to any member of the Club, who through force of circumstances moves away from the vicinity of the Club (thus restricting his active participation in Club events) or does not meet the required attendance (as stipulated in section 5), and wishes to retain association with the Club, may apply for inactive membership. Such membership shall not have voting rights and claims to records, or any other privileges extended to full membership.

3.5 The facets available to the members are:

3.5.1 Saltwater Shore Angling

3.5.2 Freshwater Bank Angling

3.6 Members are divided into the following categories based on age/gender:

3.6.1 Seniors: male members from the year the member turns 19 years of age upwards

3.6.2 Ladies: female members from the year the member turns 19 years of age upwards

3.6.3 Juniors: male/ female members up to and including the full year the member turns 18 years of age

3.6.4 Penkoppe: male/ female members up to and including the full year the member turns 13 years of age

## **4. APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP**

4.1 All applicants must be proposed by a member and introduced to the Club by his/her proposer at a General Meeting.

4.2 An applicant must apply for membership in the Club by making use of the various application forms issued.

4.3 Final acceptance of the applicant shall be at the sole discretion of the Committee.



## **5. ATTENDANCE**

5.1 A member shall be required to attend:

5.1.1 A minimum of two Club activities per year. Failure to do so shall result in such member being regarded as an inactive member (refer to section 3.4).

## **6. RESIGNATION OF MEMBERS**

6.1 Members intending to resign their membership of the Club shall notify their intention to do so in writing to the Secretary prior to the date upon which the next subscription becomes due, failing which they shall be liable for payment of the Membership Fee for the ensuing year.

## **7. COMMITTEE**

7.1 The management of the Club and all its business affairs shall vest in the Committee. The Committee shall consist of:

- 7.1.1 Chairman
- 7.1.2 Vice Chairman Freshwater
- 7.1.3 Vice Chairman Saltwater
- 7.1.4 Secretary
- 7.1.5 Treasurer
- 7.1.6 Records Officer Freshwater
- 7.1.7 Records Officer Saltwater
- 7.1.8 Freshwater Representative
- 7.1.9 Saltwater Representative
- 7.1.10 Public Relations Officer
- 7.1.11 Development Officer
- 7.1.12 Additional Member(s)

7.2 Committee members shall be nominated and elected at each Annual General Meeting. The elected members of the Committee shall hold office until the next Annual General Meeting or as circumstances warrant.

7.3 The election of the members of the Committee shall be by ballot or show of hands.

7.4 Any Committee member must have been a member of the Club for at least one full year.

## **8. POWERS AND DUTIES OF THE COMMITTEE**

8.1 The power to purchase and acquire for the Club any moveable or immoveable property which the Committee may deem necessary for the purpose of the Club.

8.2 The power to defend, institute, carry on, abandon, comprise and settle any action or other proceedings in any court of law, and to submit any claim by or against the Club and any dispute.

8.3 The power to authorize by resolution any members (at least two) of the Committee to sign on behalf of the Club, all powers of attorney contracts, agreements or other deeds or documents requiring signature on behalf of the Club.

8.4 The power to pass, amend or rescind by-laws for the regulation and control of the Club and its affairs and members, provided such by-laws do not conflict with this constitution.

8.5 To direct and provide receipt, custody, management, investments, remittance and expenditure of the monies and funds of the Club, provided that all cheques shall be signed by two persons, one of whom shall be the treasurer or in his/her absence, the Secretary, and the other a member of the



Committee, but cheques may be endorsed for deposit to the credit of the Club's banking account by the Treasurer alone or by the Committee for such purpose.

8.6 Notwithstanding the above no committee members/office bearer will have any rights to property/assets of the Club

## **9. DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURE**

9.1 In the event of a breach of the provisions of this constitution and / or a member bringing the Club into disrepute in the opinion of the Committee, such member will be called before the Committee. Failing an explanation acceptable to the Committee, such member may be cautioned, suspended or expelled by the Committee and a notice of the decision by the Committee will be recorded in the Club notices.

## **10. MEETINGS**

10.1 An Annual General Meeting will be held within fifteen months of the last Annual General Meeting. Three weeks notice of this meeting shall be given to all the members.

10.2 General Meetings and / or Special General meetings shall be called by the Committee from time to time and the members shall be given three weeks notice.

10.3 The quorum at the Annual General Meeting or Special General meetings will comprise of 25% of the members. Should there not be a quorum present at any called meeting, a further meeting will be called and any members present will comprise a quorum. The quorum at any General Meeting will comprise of a minimum of ten ordinary members.

10.4 Year end for financials will be 31 December of each year.

## **11. RULES**

11.1 The Club may from time to time produce Rules for the orderly running of the Club. These Rules will include but not be limited to the following:

11.1.1 Rules for the Application and Ratification of the Club's Records

11.1.2 Rules for Award of Trophies and Prizes

11.1.3 House Rules per facet

11.2 These Rules are binding on the Members of the Club and any other participants in Competitions or Events organized by the Club.

11.3 Copies of the Rules for any Competition or event organized by the Club shall be available to the members and/or participants.

11.4 Amendments to the Rules of the Club may be made by the Committee or the Organizers of the event if they are delegated by the Club to do so.

## **12. RECORDS OF THE CLUB**

12.1 The Records Officer shall keep the records of the Club together with all copies of correspondence.

12.2 The Records Officer shall be required to hand over all Records of the Club in their possession to the new office bearer after elections at the Annual General Meeting.

## **13. FEES**

13.1 Fees applicable to the various activities of the Club will from time to time be set by the Committee. These fees will include but not be limited to:

13.1.1 Membership Fees



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- 13.1.2 Affiliation Fees to Provincial/ National bodies
- 13.2 The Treasurer shall keep a list of the fees which shall be made available to members on request
- 13.3 The Treasurer shall issue a receipt for all fees collected on behalf of the Club
- 13.4 Membership Fees fall due prior to the Annual General Meeting
- 13.5 Defaulting members will not be refunded in any way
- 13.6 Failure to make payment of Membership Fees by the Annual General Meeting or notifying the committee at the Annual General Meeting for reasons acceptable to the Committee of nonpayment of Membership Fees, full membership shall be forfeited.

### **14. LIMITATION OF LIABILITY**

- 14.1 Liability of any Member shall be limited to the amount of money due by such member to the Club.
- 14.2 No liability shall attach to the Club in respect of:
  - 14.2.1 The property of any member or guests which may be lost, damaged or stolen on or from premises arranged by the Club;
  - 14.2.2 Any injury or loss of life to members or guests while such persons are participating in the activities of the Club.

### **15. INDEMNITY**

- 15.1 Members of the Committee of the Club shall not be liable for anything done or omitted to be done or supposed duty unless it was due to their own willful neglect or default and they shall be indemnified by the Club for any liability they may incur to any other persons as a result of such exercise, unless that liability arose from such willful neglect or default aforesaid.

### **16. HEADQUARTERS & COMMUNICATIONS**

- 16.1 The headquarters and postal address of the Club shall be the address of the Chairman in office at any given time.
- 16.2 The Club will communicate with its members via email, cell phone, website and/or social media site.
- 16.3 All members are to ensure that the Club has an updated copy of their contact details at all times.
- 16.4 The Club will not be held responsible for any issue arising from it not being able to communicate with any member whose contact details are not up to date.

### **17. LEGAL ACTIONS**

- 17.1 The Club may sue or be sued in any court of Law in the name of the Secretary and service of any legal process may be effected on the Chairman or Secretary for the time being.
- 17.2 Members with grievances against any other members or the Club must follow all formal channels prior to taking legal actions.

### **18. INTERPRETATION OF THE CONSTITUTION AND RULES**

- 18.1 In the case of any dispute or any doubt as to the meanings of any clause in this constitution or as to the meaning of any rule of the Club, the interpretation of the Committee shall be final and binding upon Members.

### **19. DISSOLUTION**



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19.1 The unencumbered assets of the Club will be distributed equally between the governing bodies of the facets at the time.

**20. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION**

20.1 Amendments to the Constitution may only be made at an Annual General Meeting and / or Special General Meeting. A quorum must be present and amendments must be carried by a seventy five percent majority.

**21. COPY OF THE CONSTITUTION**

21.1 A copy of the Constitution shall be made available by the secretary of the Club for inspection by members on request.

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Chairman – Graham Vollmer

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Vice-Chairman – Riaan Barnard

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Secretary, Treasurer, Records Officer – Joanna Barnard

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Saltwater Representative – Kumesh Naidoo

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Freshwater Representative – Riaan Barnard