

MITRE ANGLING CLUB BYE LAWS

1. All members must obtain a current Environmental Agency Licence before fishing.
2. Statutory close seasons must be observed (see Returns Book).
3. All river fishing is **catch and return only**.
4. The size limit for still waters is **12"** (30cm). A **maximum of 2 trout per week** can be taken from still waters. This bag limit covers all waters combined and is not per water. It can comprise brown trout from Cant Clough and rainbow or blue trout from Elslack and Audley. All brown trout must be returned to Elslack and Audley. No eels may be killed.
5. Catch returns must be completed and returned to the Catch Returns Officer as per the instructions in the member's yellow Returns Book. Daily returns must also be completed at Audley, Cant Clough and Elslack reservoirs.
6. A Membership Identity Card must be displayed at all times when fishing.
7. Junior members must be accompanied by an adult.
8. An upturned Returns Book or car window sticker must be displayed when parking at Club waters.
9. Limit signs, where erected, must be observed.
10. Fishing conditions specified for individual waters must be observed:
 - a. Cant Clough Reservoir and the River Doe are **fly fishing only**.
 - b. The River Wharfe during the Trout Season is **fly fishing only**. Out of the Trout Season worms are allowed.
 - c. Pendle Water is fly or worm fishing only, as per Barrowford Angling Club rules.
 - d. At Audley and Elslack Reservoirs fly fishing and worm fishing are allowed all year. Coarse fishing is allowed at Audley during the trout closed season (1st October – 31st March following). Trout caught whilst coarse fishing must be released.
11. A subscription meeting will be arranged by the committee.
12. All hooks must be barbless or with crushed barbs.
13. Spinners are only allowed on the Aire, Ribble and Calder and must be single hook and barbless or with crushed barbs.
14. No more than one rod may be used for fishing at any one time.
15. No live baiting is allowed on Club waters.
16. Members and guests must sign in where appropriate before fishing and guests must carry a completed Guest Ticket.
17. Mitre Angling Club does not accept any liability whatsoever in respect of 1) personal injury, or 2) loss or damage to either vehicles or personal property whilst fishing Club waters.
18. Record large fish lengths in inches and photograph to enter for the annual Best Fish Trophy.
19. No ground baiting is allowed on Audley, Elslack or Cant Clough reservoirs.
20. No dogs allowed, except when accompanying the bailiff.
21. All members are poaching officers and are encouraged to challenge suspect behaviour. They are also entitled to inspect bags, hooks and the display of membership badges.