

## **TAURANGA SPORT FISHING CLUB (Inc)**

### **RULES AND CODE OF CONDUCT**

***Every club member is to be conversant with these Rules and Code of Conduct and behave in a manner consistent with its contents at all times during club visitations and Club activities.***

1. Members will place a priority on the safety of other members.
2. Members and their guests will take a responsible approach to the consumption of alcohol.
3. Members will not bring any of the club activities which include the sport of fishing into disrepute.
4. Members will not participate in verbal or physical abuse of other members.
5. Members will not use inappropriate language around members, visitors or at Club functions or events.
6. Members are to conform to any dress or behavioural requirements set down by the Tauranga Sport Fishing Club (Inc.) or any other host club whilst on their premises.
7. Members will be courteous to the management and staff of the Tauranga Sport Fishing Club (Inc.) or any other host club and will comply with any directions issued by them.
8. Members will not participate in sexual harassment or intimidation.
9. Members will always and in all forums, act in the best interests of the Club.
10. No member shall give gratuity to any employee of the Club.
11. Any member removing any items which are the property of the Club, from the premises without consent of the Committee and signing the Property Loan book; or wilfully breaking, tearing or injuring any property of the Club and refusing to replace or make good the same shall render himself or herself liable to suspension or expulsion.
12. A Property Loan Book shall be kept for the purpose (mentioned in Rule 11) by the Bar Manager.

13. Any member convicted of bookmaking or indictable offence or committing an offence within or without the Club likely to prejudice the Clubs Charter shall ipso facto cease to be a member.
14. Drunkenness, swearing, obscene language and other disorderly conduct shall not be permitted in the Club premises, and members persisting in offending may, after being cautioned by any officer of the Club or Committee Member render themselves liable to suspension or expulsion. (Any Committee Member may instruct the Club staff not to serve a member or their guests with intoxicating refreshment). Any such suspension must forthwith be reported in writing to the President giving the reasons therefore, and a meeting of the Committee shall adjudicate accordingly.
15. Members and their guests under the influence of illegal drugs shall not be permitted in the Club premises, and members persisting in offending may, after being cautioned by any officer of the Club or Committee Member render themselves liable to suspension or expulsion. (Any Committee Member may instruct the Club staff not to serve a member or their guests). Any such suspension must forthwith be reported in writing to the President giving the reasons therefore, and a meeting of the Committee shall adjudicate accordingly.
16. Suspension by a Committee Member or an Officer of the Club shall mean total exclusion from the Club's premises from the time of the committal of the offence until such time as the matter has been dealt with by the Committee which may cancel the suspension or confirm it for a determined period of time. The member shall not be given the right to appeal.
17. Any disciplinary action taken will be entered in the Minutes of the Committee meeting together with the name of the member complained about.
18. The Committee shall be the sole responsible authority for the interpretation of these Rules and the decision which shall be given with seven (7) days of the said Committee upon any question of interpretation or upon any matter affecting the Club and not provided for by the Rules made thereunder shall be final and binding on the member/s until set aside or varied by a Special General Meeting of the Club to be held within fourteen (14) days of the date of such decision of the said Committee.
19. No games or betting which would constitute a breach of law shall be allowed on the Club premises.
20. No petition, except for the purpose of convening a Special General Meeting as provided for in Rule 18 shall be allowed to circulate or signatures sought on the premises of the Club.

21. No business cards or notices shall be posted or hung on the premises nor shall any member give the address of the Club in any advertisement or use the Club address for business purposes without the prior sanction of the Committee.
22. Members of the Committee shall at all times render every assistance to the Officers and staff of the Club to maintain order and to prevent infringement of the Rules, or the terms of any Charter which may from time to time be granted.
23. No member of the staff may influence an election in any way or manner.
24. Any breaches of the above Rules and Code of Conduct may be dealt with under the Club Constitution "Membership Rights and Duties ".
25. Each member shall familiarize themselves with the Club Constitution and abide by its terms.