# R U L E S EFSA 400 Club

# <u>Name</u>

1. The name of the Association shall be EFSA 400 Club.

#### **Object**

2. The object of the Club shall be to raise funds by means of a private lottery conducted in accordance with Section 44 of the Betting Gaming and Lotteries Act, 1963. The said funds shall (after deduction of proper expenses and prize monies) be applied for the benefit of the EFSA in such manner and for such specific purposes as the Committee in its sole discretion shall think fit. The main object of the Club being the promotion of the name of the EFSA by means of supporting European Championships (by e.g. sponsoring youth anglers) or development projects.

#### Members

Membership shall be limited to 400 persons each of whom shall be a fully paid up member of the EFSA and to each of whom shall be allocated a Number for the purpose of the Lottery.

## Committee

- 4. The Club shall be managed by a Committee.
  - (a) The Committee shall comprise six members who are all paid up Members of the EFSA and the EFSA 400 Club and the President at the time being of the EFSA.
  - (b) Members of the Committee shall hold office for a period of three years, after which they shall be eligible for re-election at the Annual General Meeting.
  - (c) The Committee shall have power to co-opt provided that the number of co-opted members shall not exceed three.
  - (d) The Committee shall elect one of their number to be Chairman of their meetings and may elect one of their number to be a Vice-Chairman. If the Chairman is absent from any Meetings the Vice-Chairman (if any) shall preside; otherwise the members present shall before any other business is transacted choose one of their number to preside at that meeting.
  - (e) Within the limits prescribed by these Rules the Committee may from time to time make and alter rules and regulations for the conduct of their business.
  - (f) The Committee shall appoint one of their number to be Treasurer.

## Meetings

5. The Committee shall hold ordinary Meetings as may be required.
A special Meeting may be summoned at any time by the Chairman.

#### Quorum

The Quorum of the Committee shall be three.

## Voting

7. Every item shall (except as in these rules provided) be determined by a majority of members present and voting on the question. In case of equality of votes the Chairman shall have the second or casting vote.

## Finance

- 8. All monies of the club shall be paid into EFSA 400 account (to be set up) for distribution under the objects as in Rule 2 by the Committee of the Club 400 Club.
- 9. The Committee may from time to time invest any monies not required for the immediate purposes of the Club in such securities as the Committee in its discretion think fit.
- 10. All cheques drawn on the Club's account shall be signed by any two of the following officers:-Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Treasurer or Secretary.
- 11. The Committee shall appoint one of their number to be Promoter for any or all lotteries organised for the benefit of the Club.

### **Subscriptions**

12.

Every member shall upon joining the Club, pay the minimum sum of £13.00 annual membership in advance by annual or quarterly Bankers Standing Order, or one year in advance by paypal or cash. The Club's financial year shall commence on the 1<sup>st</sup> January in each year and shall end on the 31<sup>st</sup> December of that year.

Subscription income will be accounted for on a received basis and no prepayments will be calculated or arrears included as part of the Club's income for each financial year.

# Prizes and Draws

13. (a) In March, June, September and December a draw shall be made for the following prizes:-

<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of 50 percent of the receipts split as paid out to 4th place divided 40, 30, 20, 10%

- (b) In the event of the membership of the Club not attaining 400 persons or falling below 400, then the Committee shall have discretionary powers to distribute prizes in the best interests of the Club, but not less than half of the gross proceeds of the subscriptions shall be paid in any one year.
- (c) All prizes that are unclaimed for more than two years are to be written back in the accounts of the Club.

#### Defaulters

14. If any Member's subscription is in arrear at the date of any Draw that Member shall forfeit his right to participate in the said Draw, and if the total amount of arrears is not cleared within seven days next before the following Draw, that person shall forthwith and without notice forfeit his Membership. Any vacancy which arises in consequence of this provision shall be offered to the next person on the Membership waiting list upon terms determined by the Committee.

## **Annual General Meeting**

- 15. The Annual General Meeting shall be held alongside the EFSA AGM each year.
- 16. All Members of the Club shall be entitled to attend the Annual General Meeting.
- 17. The Annual General Meetings shall be convened by the Committee. Notice in writing of the Annual General Meeting shall be sent by post to every Member at least fourteen days before the date of the Meeting.
- 18. The Chairman of the Annual General Meeting shall be the Chairman of the Committee. In his absence the Vice-Chairman of the Committee shall act as Chairman. If neither is present the Meeting shall before any other business is transacted appoint a Chairman of the Meeting.
- 19. The Committee shall present to each Annual General Meeting the report and accounts of the Club for the preceding financial year ending 31st December.
- 20. The Committee shall ensure that the accounts of the Club are examined (without carrying out an audit) by persons properly qualified to do so before presentation of the accounts to the Annual General Meeting.
- All books of accounts, vouchers, minutes and papers shall be open to inspection by any Member of the Committee.

# Alterations

22. Alterations to these Rules must receive the assent of not less than one half of the Members of the Club present and voting. A resolution for the alteration of these Rules must be received by the Secretary at least twenty eight clear days before the Meeting at which the resolution is to be proposed. At least fourteen days clear notice of such proposed resolution must be given by the Secretary to Members of the Club.

## **Special Meetings**

23. A Special Meeting of the Club may be requested by any Member of the Club who with the written support of nineteen other Members serves notice upon the Secretary giving details of the reasons for which the Meeting is desired. The Secretary shall then send to each Member of the Club fourteen days Notice of such Special Meeting and of the purpose for which it is called. If the Secretary fails to call a Special Meeting within forty two days of receipt of the written request the Member and supporters may themselves serve fourteen days notice upon Members giving the date of the meeting and details of business to be transacted.

## **Dissolution**

24. The Club may be dissolved at any time by a resolution to that effect passed by a General Meeting (whether Annual or Special) by not less than one half of those Members present and voting. At least twenty eight days notice in writing shall be sent by post to each Member declaring the intention that such a resolution is to be proposed. Upon dissolution all monies held in the name of the Club shall (with the exception of advance monies which shall be returned to individual Members) be disposed of in accordance with the objects of the Club as determined by the Members' Annual General Meeting.

### **Notification of Winners**

25. Winners will be notified by post in the month following the draw and, once every year, each member will be notified of the winners in the preceding year.