

Central Jersey Kayak Bass Fishing Club

By-Laws and Rules

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AS A KBF PARTNER, CJKBFC WILL FOLLOW THE OFFICIAL KBF RULES FORMAT FOR ALL TOURNAMENTS, ALL RULES APPLYING TO KBF WILL ALSO APPLY TO CJKBFC.

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Article I Name, Purpose, and Goals

Section 1. Name

1. The Association shall be called Central Jersey Kayak Bass Fishing Club (CJKBFC) and shall operate as an LLC for one year until membership votes to become a nonprofit organization.

Section 2. Purpose and Goals

1. To support and promote the sport of kayak bass fishing from paddle, peddle, pole and electric motor in Central New Jersey and surrounding areas. To improve our skills as bass anglers through competition and the friendly exchange of ideas and techniques. To organize and conduct select fishing events while protecting the environment and practicing Catch-Photo-Release.

Article II Membership

Section 1. Requirement

1. Members are required to maintain a current Kayak Bass Fishing Membership at the time prior to participation in any tournaments.

2. Any person the age of 18 years or over may become a member of the CJKBFC by completing an online application including the CJKBF's Waiver and Release. All anglers under the age of 18 must be

accompanied by a parent or guardian at all times. (Parent or guardian must obtain club membership along with child)

3. Members can enter all tournaments held by CJKFBC either live or online.

4. Only CJKBFC members can qualify for Kayak Bass Fishing National Championship spots and earn club angler of the year (AOY) points.

Section 2. Membership Fees

1. The Club officers shall determine the amount of annual dues for membership.

2. Continuing membership yearly dues are due by the February regular club meeting of each year.

3. Anyone who has not paid his/her dues by the above deadline will be dropped from the active roll and placed in delinquent status until all dues are paid. They may not participate in any club activities, social media platforms, vote, or accumulate any points until dues are paid in full.

4. Membership dues and signup fees are not refundable under any circumstances.

Section 3. Membership Rights

1. Membership in good standing gives an individual the right to fish in all club tournaments and other club events, hold club office, vote in club elections and other club business.

Section 4. Members in Good Standing

1. In order to be considered a Member in Good Standing one must be current with Dues payments.

2. Members must participate in at least 3 meetings during the calendar year (not including Facebook Live postings) and participate in at least 3 live tournaments.

3. Continuing members in Good Standing from the previous year will be considered in Good Standing until current year obligations are met.

4. New members and continuing members not in Good Standing will be viewed as pending until current year obligations are met. Once new members and continuing members not in Good Standing have completed the current years participation requirement all earned NC spots and AOY points earned will be awarded.

Section 5. Non Members.

1. Non CJKBF and or KBF Members will be permitted to participate in 2 live tournaments per calendar year. Participation in more than 2 live events per calendar year will require membership in both.

2. Non CJKBF and or KBF Members will be permitted to participate in any/all Monthly Online events.

Article III Officers, Elections, Meetings, Committees

Section 1. Officers

1. The elected officers are charged with making the decisions required for operation of the Club, subject to review and consensual approval of the membership. The Officers of the Club will be President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Tournament Directors (2) and Media Director.

Section 3. Officer Duties

1. President: It shall be the duty of the President:

A. To schedule, prepare agenda for, and preside over all meetings.

B. To appoint temporary vacancies subject to approval by the membership.

C. To appoint various committees as necessary.

D. Be responsible for the club website

E. To execute all agreements and instruments requiring an official signature.

F. To supervise all club functions

2. Vice President: It shall be the duty of the Vice President:

A. To be responsible for a program at Regular Meetings.

B. To assist the President in the discharge of his/her duties.

C. To preside in the absence of the President.

D. To chair the Activities Committee, requesting volunteers to serve.

3. Secretary: It shall be the duty of the Secretary:

A. To maintain and distribute complete and accurate records including minutes of club meetings

B. To maintain custody of all reports and documents connected with the Club.

C. To keep a current and correct Membership roster.

D. To conduct the Club's correspondence, perform clerical tasks.

E. To maintain all member tournament results and rankings

4. Treasurer: It shall be the duty of the Treasurer:

A. To collect all monies due, to have charge of the funds and checking accounts of the Club, and to keep a correct record and account of all monies received and paid out. Disburse funds as directed.

B. To deposit the funds of the Club, in the name of the Club, in a depository or depositories approved by the Executive Committee.

C. To present at each Meeting a report stating the financial condition of the Club.

D. To present a written annual financial statement for the prior calendar year at the Regular Meeting of each February.

E. To be responsible for obtaining any tournament, Angler of the

Year, Big Bass Award, or other award, trophies, plaques.

5. Media Director: The CJKBFC media director will be responsible for:

A. Creating compelling messaging, storylines, and narratives that advances CJKBFC in the fishing community by:

B. Helping shape the communication strategy for CJKBFC with the

executive board of major tournaments, by media and influencer of campaigns including messaging, thought leadership bylines, news releases and other deliverables.

C. Helping lead overall content strategy and the ability to build strategic storylines and execute with results from inception to completion.

D. Working across various internal and external teams to develop mixed media assets including videos, images, infographics, datagrams and other storytelling techniques as deemed appropriate and needed.

E. Maintaining a strong and engaging social media presence for CJKBFC.

F. Maintain and update the club webpage

6. Tournament Directors (3): It shall be the duty of the Tournament Directors:

A. To conduct and monitor Tournament activities, including investigating protests and enforcing tournament rules.

B. To conduct all coordination for Tournament sites, to include obtaining all permits and permissions for hosting tournaments.

C. To implement the provisions of the rules of Tournaments, plan and conduct the events, and act as the presiding judges.

D. To report Tournament results and season point standings.

Section 4. Elections

1. The Officers of the Club shall be elected annually by a majority vote of the members present. Only Members in good standing with dues for the current year having been paid in full are allowed to vote.
2. The President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Media Director and Tournament Directors (2), shall be elected at the February general membership meeting. The term of office of each Officer shall be one year. Newly elected officers will assume duties of their respective positions immediately following the annual elections. There is no limitation on the number of times a member can be elected to an office.

Nominations

1. Candidates for all elected offices shall be nominated during the February general membership meeting by nomination made from the floor by any Member and seconded by any other Member. Candidates must be present to accept nomination and office.

Voting

1. Voting shall be by a show of hands for each candidate. . Election shall require affirmative votes from a majority of the members present. Members must be present to vote. Proxy votes are not permitted

Vacancy

1. In the event of a vacancy occurring in any office, the vacancy shall be made known, and a successor for the remaining term of office shall be elected at the next meeting of the Club.
2. Announcement of the election via email to Members at least one week in advance of the Club meeting.
3. Nominations to fill the unexpired term of a vacant office shall be made from the floor of the Meeting at which the election to fill the vacant office is held, Voting shall be conducted as described in article 4. Voting above.

Section 5. Quorum

Meetings Quorum

1. A quorum for the transaction of business at a regular membership meeting, or a special meeting, including election of officers, shall consist of the members in attendance.
2. A quorum for the transaction of business at Executive Committee meetings shall consist of three (3) of the seven (7) Members.

Section 6. Meetings

1. Regular meetings shall be held at predetermined times and locations or online via Facebook live and will be open to all club members. Any club business may be discussed and voted upon, so attendance is strongly suggested.
2. Special Meetings shall be called by the President at the discretion of the Executive Committee to address critical issues or circumstances and will be conducted in the form of a regular monthly meeting, excluding calls for new and old business and Treasurer's report.
3. Notice of Special Meetings shall be sent via email to Members at least one (1) Week in advance of the meeting date. No business shall be transacted at a Special Meeting except that for which notice is given.

Section 7. Committees

1. Committees will be joined on a voluntary basis at regular club meetings..
2. The members of the committee will nominate a chairperson to represent the group and act as liaison with the Vice President or Media Director.
3. Committees may include Social Media activity, Sponsor acquisition, Charities, End of the Year awards and banquet.

Article IV Operating Funds

Section 1. Operating Fund

1. All funds payable to the club shall be deposited by the Treasurer in a depository approved by the Executive Committee. These funds shall be the Operating Fund of the Club.

Article V. Association Termination,

Section 1. Association Termination

1. In the event of termination of the Club any remaining Club funds and assets shall be dispersed to a charitable organization selected by a majority decision of the Executive Committee.

Section 2. Removal of membership

1. A member shall be removed from the club membership roll for any one of the following:

2. Failure to pay dues.

3. Any action which would reflect dishonor and disgrace on the club.

4. Disqualification for use of drugs or alcohol, or continued unsafe boating practices.

Removal must be voted on and approved by a majority of the voting club members.

Article VI End of year awards

Section 1. End of Year Awards

1. A social gathering will be held at the end of the Tournament year for all members in good standing, all Club Year End Awards will then be presented.

Article VII Amendments, Enacting Clause

Section 1. Amendments

1. The By-laws of the Club may be amended at a regular meeting by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present, provided that written or verbal notice of the proposed amendment has been

distributed to the entire membership at least two weeks before the meeting it will be voted upon. The By-Laws, when amended, shall be revised and reposted on the Club Website.

Section 2. Enacting Clause

1. These By-Laws shall take effect upon ratification of members.