

CONSTITUTION and BYLAWS of RANGER ROD & GUN CLUB, INC. Founded 1929 — Incorporated 1932

ARTICLE I Name of this Organization

SECTION 1. The name of the organization will be Ranger Rod & Gun Club, Inc.

ARTICLE II Constitution

Nature has given in abundance the following, WILDLIFE, FOOD and COVER, CLEAN STREAMS, CLEAN LAKES, VAST FORESTS, PRODUCTIVE FIELDS. It shall be the duty of this organization to protect the vast forests from being destroyed, the streams from being polluted, the lakes from being drained, and the productive fields and food from being ruthlessly decimated. Good sportsmanship will be practiced to correct the errors of mankind and assist nature in saving the abundance of things originally given.

ARTICLE III Executive Board

The Executive Board shall consist of all elected officers. The President will call and chair all meetings of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE IV Membership Eligibility

SECTION 1. Anyone who wishes to join this organization will be accepted as long as he/she meets the financial requirements, abides by the by-laws, is of good moral character, and has a positive attitude toward the principles of the Club. NEW members must be sponsored by an official or another existing member, and have their membership approved at the next regular monthly meeting. All adult members are requested to sign up for at least one (1) day of service to the Club. Please see the President, Vice President or one of the Trustees to fulfill this obligation.

SECTION 2. The Executive Board, when seeing fit to have dues changed, will bring the subject up at a regular scheduled monthly meeting. The General Membership will be notified by posting at the Club. Any changes to these by-laws require a written proposal to the board, posting at the Club for a minimum of three (3) months, and three (3) consecutive votes in favor of the changes, at three monthly meetings.

SECTION 3. Memberships will be available for purchase for the following year on December 1st of the present year. A discount *may* apply to all returning full adult memberships, if purchased before March 1st, after which time the regular dues schedule will apply.

SECTION 4. **A VALID MEMBERSHIP CARD MUST BE DISPLAYED AT ALL TIMES WHILE ON CLUB PROPERTY.** Copies or photos on your phone will NOT be accepted.

ARTICLE V Officers

SECTION 1. The elected officers of Ranger Rod & Gun Club, Inc. will be as follows: (1) President, (2) Vice President, (3) Recording Secretary, (4) Financial Secretary, and (5) Treasurer. Trustees and a Social Manager shall be appointed by the Executive Board of Ranger Rod & Gun Club.

SECTION 2. Duties of the officers are as follows:

PRESIDENT

1. The President has the authority to change a monthly meeting when seen fit, and the authority to call all special meetings.
2. The President will preside at all meetings.

3. The President will call and chair all meetings of the Executive Board.
4. The President, with the assistance of the Vice President, shall appoint an Officer or Trustee to Chair each of the Club's standing committees.
5. If a member is appointed to and accepts a position on a committee, and does not serve faithfully on that committee, the President has the authority to relieve him/her of the position.
6. The President shall appoint an officer or trustee to be in charge of the special Trap Committee Fund for purchase of material or repairs to the same.
7. The President may not chair any committee, but will be a member ex-officio of all committees and has the right to vote only in case of a tie.
8. The President, with the assistance of the Vice President, shall assign adults to their day of service to the Club.
9. The President shall be bonded in the amount set by the Executive Board.

VICE PRESIDENT

1. The Vice President has the authority to take charge of any regular or special meetings, (Added: and make decisions on any issues or concerns that may arise,) in the absence of the President.
2. The Vice President shall assist the President in appointing an officer or trustee to chair each of the Club's standing Committees.
3. The Vice President shall assist the President in assigning adults to their day of service to the Club.
4. The Vice President shall be bonded in the amount set by the Executive Board.

RECORDING SECRETARY

1. The Recording Secretary will record the minutes of all regular, special and executive meetings.
2. The Recording Secretary will do all the corresponding as required for or pertaining to the Club.
3. The Recording Secretary will maintain a file of all meeting agendas, minutes, Club and Bar Financial Reports, members in attendance at each meeting, and a list of new people who need to be approved for membership.
4. The Recording Secretary shall be bonded in the amount set by the Executive Board.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY

1. The Financial Secretary will collect all membership fees belonging to the Club, keeping a record of same, and reporting same at each meeting.
2. The Financial Secretary, after reconciling money collected with receipts, will turn over same to the Treasurer for deposit in the Club Checking or Savings accounts..
3. In the absence of the Treasurer, the Financial Secretary will also make deposits into the Club checking or savings accounts, as well as take charge of and pay all bills.
4. The Financial Secretary will keep a record of all new and regular members, making a report of same at each meeting.
5. The Financial Secretary shall be bonded in the amount set by the Executive Board.

TREASURER

1. The Treasurer shall receive all monies collected, make deposits into the Club checking or savings accounts, as well as take charge of and pay all bills.
2. The Treasurer will pay all bills by Club check or traceable electronic transaction.
3. The Treasurer will report all bills received and paid at the regular monthly meetings, and will make a report on the Club's bank balance to the present date of the meeting. This report will be done in written or typed form, and will include all disbursements and bank deposits. A complete running record book will be maintained for the entire year, on a monthly basis.
4. The Treasurer shall be in charge of administrating all financial investments and report their progress every few months as interest accrues.
5. The Treasurer shall be bonded in the amount set by the Executive Board.
6. The Treasurer will have the books reviewed on a monthly basis by an independent auditor.

TRUSTEES

1. The Trustees will be responsible for all Club properties and have emergency repairs made with the consent of the President.
2. In case any committee needs money for repair or purchase of any materials before the next regular scheduled monthly meeting, for the benefit of the Club, the Trustees, with consent of the President, may grant the money for same, and notify the Treasurer to write a check for the amount, as long as the amount does not exceed \$1,000 for said emergency purchases. Excluding trap committee fund (see trap committee note under ARTICLE V, SECTION 2. President 7)
3. The Chairman of the Trustees, at his/her discretion may also appoint Junior Trustees to assist the Trustees.
4. The Trustees shall be bonded in the amount set by the Executive Board.
5. Terms of Trustees shall be on a yearly basis.

BOARD OF GOVERNORS

1. The Board of Governors shall be responsible for the operation of the social quarters of the Club.
2. The Board of Governors shall consist of four (4) members in good standing, appointed by the Social Manager, whose duties are to be assigned by the Social Manager.
3. The Board of Governors shall vouch for all immediate clubhouse repairs when presented for payment at a regular monthly meeting.
4. It shall be the duty of the Board of Governors to enforce all the rules of the clubhouse regarding conduct of members and their guests.
5. The Board of Governors shall have the authority to temporarily suspend any unruly member until the next regular monthly or special meeting.
6. Terms of the Board of Governors shall be on a yearly basis.
7. The Board of Governors shall be bonded in the amount set by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VI

Standing Committees and Their Duties

SECTION 1. The Standing Committees of Ranger Rod & Gun Club, Inc. will be as follows: (1) Fish, (2) Boats, (3) Trap, (4) Archery, (5) Rifle Range, (6) Events/Public Relations and (7) Membership.

FISH – They shall be responsible for procuring fish and stocking of the lake and will advise the Executive Board in matters of fish propagation. All purchases of fish and approval of species must come from the Executive Board and the General Membership.

BOATS – They shall be responsible for collecting and keeping a record of all boat and storage fees, issuance of all boat docks and boat stickers, (as well as those collected by the Membership Committee), and report same to the General Membership at each Monthly Meeting. They shall be responsible for enforcing all rules and regulations pertaining to boats on Club property. The Boat Committee shall be bonded in the amount set by the Executive Board.

TRAP – They shall handle all trap shooting events, maintain trap grounds and traps, control scheduling of trap events, and promote necessary safety in usage of these facilities. They shall also be responsible for a special trap fund, as stated above (see trap committee note under ARTICLE V, SECTION 2, President, 6.), and report same to the membership. The Trap Committee shall be bonded in the amount set by the Executive Board.

ARCHERY – They shall handle all archery events, maintain archery grounds and targets, control scheduling of archery events, and promote necessary safety in usage of these facilities.

RIFLE RANGE – They shall handle all rifle and pistol events, maintain rifle range grounds and targets, control scheduling of rifle range events, and promote necessary safety in usage of these facilities.

EVENTS/PUBLIC RELATIONS – They shall be responsible for the general promotion of the Club. They shall be in charge of Events and Fund-Raising activities, with approval of the Social Manager. They are also required to make a report of their costs and revenues to the General Membership after each event is held. The Events/Public Relations Committee shall be bonded in the amount set by the Executive Board.

MEMBERSHIP – They shall consist of an Officer and a minimum of three (3) active members in good standing. The committee will endeavor to increase the membership of the Club and verify the eligibility of new members. They shall be responsible for collecting all membership fees, and, in the absence of a boat committee member, they will collect boat fees, storage fees, and the assignment of boat docks and boat stickers. They will also be responsible for

supplying new members with a copy of the Club Constitution and By-Laws. and for registering adult members for community service assignments. The Committee will set days and times for signing up for membership. The Membership Committee shall be bonded in the amount set by the Executive Board.

NOTE: The President is a member ex-officio of all committees, and has the right to vote in case of a tie (see ARTICLE V, SECTION 2. President 7.)

ARTICLE VII Meeting Time

All regular monthly meetings will be held at 7:00 pm on the first Wednesday of each month, unless circumstances dictate otherwise. (See ARTICLE V, SECTION 2. President 1.) Please try to attend the meetings.

Order of the Meetings

1. Roll call of officers.
2. Reports of all standing and special committees.
3. Financial Secretary and Treasurer's report.
4. Unfinished business.
5. Old business.
6. New business.
7. Communication.
8. Nomination of officers. (at the October meeting only)
9. Election of officers. (at the November meeting only)
10. Installation of officers. (January 1st or at the January meeting only)
11. Adjournment of meeting.

No meeting can or will be held unless there be a quota of seven (7) members present, including the officers.

ARTICLE VIII Election of Officers

SECTION 1. The officers to serve for one (1) year are as follows: President, Vice President, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary and Treasurer. The term of office shall be from January 1st or until the Installation of New Officers at the January meeting, until December 31st.

SECTION 2. Nominations will be held during the October regular monthly meeting. Elections will be held during the November regular monthly meeting. Installation of elected officers will be held during the January regular monthly meeting.

SECTION 3. To take part in the nomination and election of officers, a member must be in good standing, be at least 18 years old, and have attended at least three (3) regular monthly meetings between the installation of officers in January, and the nomination of officers in October (inclusive). To be nominated for an Executive Office, a member must be at least 21 years old and have been in good standing for the three (3) consecutive years preceding his/her nomination. In order to run for an Executive Office a member must also have attended a minimum of six (6) full regular monthly meetings in the months between the installation of officers and the nomination of officers (inclusive).

SECTION 4. A nominee with the highest number of votes is elected. If a nominee with a lesser number of votes, after election, gives his consent to fill a position which has no nominee, he/she may be so elected.

SECTION 5. Elections will be held by secret ballot. The President is to appoint a committee, before elections, to conduct the elections and tally votes, with not less than three (3) on the committee.

SECTION 6. All officers and trustees must be sportsmen of good character.

ARTICLE IX Rules and Regulations

SECTION 1. Trespassing.

Any person or persons, or any member of the Club, caught in the act of, or having been reported in the act of stealing or destroying Club property or properties, or any non-member caught trespassing or destroying or stealing property or properties of the Club, or its members, shall be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law and subject to permanent Club suspension.

SECTION 2. Swimming and Scuba Diving.

Swimming and Scuba Diving are strictly prohibited except in an emergency, for the purpose of saving a life, or as permitted for the benefit of the Club upon written request.

SECTION 3. Fishing.

The Opening Day of the Fishing shall be the Last Saturday in April, unless circumstances dictate otherwise.

- (B) Persons Allowed to Fish: All full and youth members with a Fishing Privilege stamp affixed to their valid membership card, and a valid Pennsylvania Fishing License with Trout Stamp properly displayed, are permitted to fish in Club waters at the prescribed times and under the prescribed rules. **A VALID MEMBERSHIP CARD MUST BE DISPLAYED AT ALL TIMES WHILE FISHING ON CLUB PROPERTY.** All *children under ten (10) years old*, while shore fishing, or around shore waters, must wear an appropriately sized life vest (jacket).
- (C) Hours for Fishing (Regular Season).
1. On Opening Day and Contest Days, the starting time shall be 8:00 AM. Thereafter, daily fishing hours, in the regular season, shall be 6:00 AM—1:00 AM. The premises must be vacated by 1:30 AM.
 2. In the event of an extended Pennsylvania Trout season in September and October, fishing hours shall remain at 6:00 AM to 1:00 AM.
- (D) Seasons, Sizes and Creel Limits (*see chart*)
- (E) Winter Season.
1. Winter Season runs from the end of our extended season, which closes November 15th, to December 31st, or until ice has formed along the shore of the lake, and shore fishing isn't possible in a safe manner. This will be at the discretion of the Executive Board.
 2. Docked boats are required to be removed from the lake when the extended season closes.
 3. Once ice has formed, no one shall attempt to break holes in the ice at any spot in order to fish. **NO ICE FISHING IS ALLOWED ON THE LAKE.**
 4. Only shoreline fishing will be allowed, and only at the areas that normal shoreline fishing takes place. This will be controlled by the gates and a sign that says either "Open or Closed to Fishing." This is primarily due to plowing, and excessive snow or ice on the shoreline.
 5. Fishing will be allowed from 7:00 AM to 8:30 PM with a daily creel limit of two (2) fish during this time. All fishing must cease by 8:30 PM.
- (F) Devices for Fishing.
1. Two (2) rods are permitted for all members. However, on Opening Day and Contest Days only one (1) rod per person will be allowed. This regulation includes boat and shore fishermen.
 2. All rods must be attended when the line is in the water.
- (G) Bait: Any legal bait or lure acceptable to state regulations, except lamprey eels and corn.
- (H) Chumming of any kind is strictly prohibited.
- (I) All fishing shall follow prescribed rules except when otherwise posted.
- (J) Only four (4) trout may be caught per day. Remember: "Whether you keep them, release them, or give them away, once you've caught four (4) you're done for the day."
- (K) Do not clean your fish at the lake. Take your fish home to clean them. Do not leave entrails by or in the water, along the shoreline, or in trash cans.

SECTION 4. Boats.

- (A) All *children under the age of twelve (12) and adult non-swimmers* in a boat, canoe or kayak, must wear an appropriately sized life vest (jacket). ALL PERSONS in a boat between November 1st and April 30th are required to wear an appropriately sized, coast guard approved life vest, in accordance with PA boating regulations.
- (B) Description, Definition, Size and Capacity, and Boating Rules.
1. Only boats or canoes no shorter than 6' (feet), no longer than 16' (feet), and no wider than 67" (inches) are permitted to be docked on the lake. However, boats wider than 67" will be allowed if the member purchases two (2) docks. Fishing canoes and Fishing Kayaks may be stored on canoe racks. This is a FISHING lake. Pleasure boating is not allowed. No sporting kayaks, float tubes, or pontoon boats are allowed on the lake. Car-topped or trailered boats may exceed limits set in this section, but may not exceed 22' (feet) in length.
 2. Boat capacity must be strictly adhered to. No boat may be loaded with more than one (1) person per seat, unless specified on the boat capacity plate.
 3. Boats must be of good quality and safe construction. If the Boat Committee feels a boat is not safe they have the right to recommend to the Executive Board that the boat be removed and the owner reimbursed for his docking space.
 4. Rubber boats must be five-chambered, State-Certified and approved by the Executive Board and the Boat Committee.
 5. All boats must be equipped with an appropriately sized, Coast Guard Approved Life Preserver for each person on the boat, and *children under twelve (12) years of age* must wear a life vest (jacket) at all times in the boat on Club waters.

6. Electric motors of 12-24 volt maximum are permitted on Club waters. A boat so powered must carry a valid Pennsylvania boat registration number.
7. Boats must carry a Club registration sticker, with the current year, when on Club waters. Said sticker shall be affixed to the rear of the boat toward the port/left side.
8. Night Fishing: All boats, whether hand-powered or electric-powered, must have a State-Approved white light, equivalent to a white gas or propane lantern, visible 360° (degrees), at all times between dusk and 1:00 AM, and from 6:00 AM to sunrise. Powered boats must have running lights during the same time, in accordance with PA boating regulations.
9. The use of Internal Combustion Engines is **NOT** allowed on Club waters in all instances, with the exception of the Club boat(s) or members' boats used for stocking and emergencies. All other gas powered motors must be blocked up out of the water.
10. Shore Boundaries: All members, while fishing from boats on Club waters, are required to stay twenty (20) feet away from any stone walls, and are likewise required to obey a seventy (70) ft. distance from shore fishermen. This shall apply to the entire shore fishing area except on the west side of the point, west of the Clubhouse, where a forty (40)-foot distance from shore applies. Failure to comply with these regulations and distances will compel the Boat Committee or the Trustees to set buoy lines in necessary areas to determine boundaries.
11. No pleasure boating is allowed on Club waters. Boats are for fishing. Therefore, anyone riding in a boat must have the fishing privilege stamp affixed to a valid, current Full Membership Card, prominently displayed. **A VALID MEMBERSHIP CARD MUST BE DISPLAYED AT ALL TIMES WHILE ON CLUB PROPERTY.**
12. Boat fishermen are allowed to launch and dock their boats during fishing hours in the open season, except on Opening Day and Contest Days (see #20).
13. Preseason Docking and Removal of Boats: Preseason docking times shall be announced at the March meeting. All members must remove their boats by 5:00 PM on closing day of the extended season. If a member fails to do so, the boat will be removed and put into storage by the Boat Committee or the Trustees, with said member being charged a fee of \$100.00 (\$50.00 for removal and \$50.00 for storage).
14. All docked boats shall be secured with a proper chain, and preferably locked to prevent theft and/or break away due to weather conditions. All chains, ropes and locks must be removed when the boats are removed from Club waters.
15. Care of Boats: Boat owners are totally responsible for proper care and condition of their boats, including bailing the water out of the boat after EVERY rain storm. Boat owners are required to provide the club with a valid current phone number with answering service, so notification can be provided. Any boat left unattended for thirty (30) consecutive days will be removed from the lake by the Club and stored in the boat house. A removal fee of \$100.00 plus a storage charge of \$50.00 will be charged, and the owner will be notified by phone. To retrieve your boat from storage, see an Officer, a club Trustee or a Boat Committee member. Fifteen (15) days after notification the boat dock will be considered vacated.
16. No Junior member, under 12 years of age, shall be permitted to take a boat on Club waters unless accompanied by a senior member, or an authorized junior member, 12 to 15 years old.
17. A Junior member between the ages of 12 and 15 years inclusive, desiring authority to operate a boat by him or herself, shall present written permission from his/her parent or guardian, and then demonstrate his/her ability to operate same to an Officer of the Club. The Officer may then approve and issue an authorization to the junior member to operate a boat on Club waters.
18. There will be no fishing from docked boats by anyone, owners of the boats included. There is also no fishing from the boat-launch courtesy docks.
19. No watercraft of any kind is allowed on the back pond at the east end of the Lake.
20. Opening Day and Contest Days, boats may be launched sixty (60) minutes prior to fishing time. However, no fishing shall be allowed until 8 AM.
21. A person under the influence of drugs or narcotics, or any intoxicated person, shall not be allowed to operate a boat on Club waters. If anyone is caught being under the influence of alcohol or drugs, he/she shall be brought before the Executive Board for disciplinary action.
22. All watercraft) shall be docked by 1:00 a.m.

SECTION 5. Siren.

2 Blasts — Start/Stop Fishing

SECTION 6. Guests

NO NON-MEMBERS OR GUESTS ARE ALLOWED ON CLUB PROPERTY. This does not apply to visitors participating in the trap league, a pool league or any other scheduled event open to the public. A member may bring a

guest(s) onto the property in order to introduce them to the Club. The guest(s) will NOT be allowed to fish, shoot, go out on a boat, or use any of the Club facilities. A guest must apply for membership after their 2nd visit with a member in good standing. The member shall be liable for the conduct of his/her guest(s). A member, immediately upon entering the Clubhouse, must sign in any guest wishing to partake of the social bar, and have his/her purchases made by the member. It shall be the member's responsibility to inform the bar server of their guest(s). Guests may not play any Small Games of Chance or PA Skill machines.

SECTION 7. Littering

Litter is to be placed in the proper receptacles. There are dedicated receptacles for aluminum cans only.

SECTION 8. Membership Cards and Fishing

A VALID MEMBERSHIP CARD MUST BE DISPLAYED AT ALL TIMES WHILE ON CLUB PROPERTY. A valid, current Membership Card, with (Added: the Club) fishing privilege stamp affixed, must be worn on an outer garment while fishing Club waters. A valid, current Pennsylvania Fishing License, with a valid, current Pennsylvania Trout Stamp, must also be worn on an outer garment while fishing Club waters. A valid Membership runs from the day Memberships open (December 1st of the current year), until December 31st of the Membership year.

SECTION 9. Hunting on Club property

Hunting for small game and waterfowl is strictly prohibited.

SECTION 10. Trap Shooting

Trap shooting will be allowed on trap grounds, on designated days only. To join the Trap League, see the Trap Committee chairman. No independent trap shooting is allowed. Trap shooting days will be designated and posted by the Trap Committee. You may also sign up to shoot practice rounds at the scheduled Trap League Shoots.

SECTION 11. Rifle Range

The rifle range may be used on designated days only, 8:00 AM until sunset. The Rifle Range must be vacated after dark. Days and Times, at the discretion of the Rifle Committee, will be posted in the Clubhouse and at the Rifle Range. All rules posted at the Rifle range are to be strictly adhered to. Patterning shotguns is permitted on targets suspended from the structure between the rifle and pistol ranges ONLY. Slug guns are permitted on backboard targets. You must be a member, and 18 years old, to shoot unaccompanied at the Rifle Range. Members under 18 years old must be accompanied by an-adult member over the age of 18 years to shoot. You are **NEVER** allowed more than three (3) rounds in any firearm. No center fire 50 Caliber rifles allowed. No rifles on the pistol range. **A VALID MEMBERSHIP CARD MUST BE WORN ON AN OUTER GARMENT WHILE USING THE RANGE.** ALL Members must sign in at the Range, whether shooting or not.

SECTION 12. Archery Range

All rules posted at the Archery range are to be strictly adhered to. Only field tips are to be shot at all targets. Broadheads are to be shot at the Styrofoam blocks ONLY. Archery Range is open from 8:00 AM until sunset, and then immediately vacated. **A VALID MEMBERSHIP CARD MUST BE WORN ON AN OUTER GARMENT WHILE USING THE RANGE.**

SECTION 13. Dogs

Dogs must be kept on an attended leash, of 6 feet in length or less, at all times, and not allowed to run free. Dogs are not allowed to swim in the lake. Dog handlers are responsible for their dogs at all times when on Club property. Violators will be subject to suspension and/or fine of \$50.00 or more and indefinite suspension of the animal, as determined by the Executive Board. The only exception is the use of the trap range, for the sole purpose of training your dog, and only on non-trap-shooting league days. Dog handlers are responsible for removing their dogs' feces from Club property.

SECTION 14. Sportsmanship

All members are to conduct themselves as true sportsmen, and show consideration for the rights of others. No loud or offensive music at any time.

SECTION 15. Glassware

NO glassware, glass bottles or glass containers are permitted on Club property, except for inside the Clubhouse.

SECTION 16. Premises

The "Premises" is defined as areas other than the immediate Clubhouse area before the first gate. The entire Club property must be vacated by 1:30 AM.

SECTION 17. Illegal activities

Illegal activities will not be tolerated. Anyone caught with any illegal substance, in any capacity, will be suspended, and have their Membership revoked. The state police will also be notified. This is in effect everywhere on Ranger Rod & Gun Club property.

SECTION 18. Discrimination

Ranger Rod & Gun Club Inc. is committed to a Club free of discrimination and harassment based on race, color,

religious creed, ancestry, age, sex, national origin, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or any other protected characteristic as may be defined by applicable law. Offensive or harassing behavior will not be tolerated by or against any member. No member is exempt from this policy. Any member reported to be engaged in discriminatory behavior may be subject to disciplinary action, including suspension or revocation of membership privileges.

SECTION 19. **Fires.**

Fires are only permitted when there are no burning bans or fire warnings in effect, in stone or steel fire pits, and only to the extent that they do not conflict with local/state ordinances. No open fires, bon fires, or fires using construction materials that contain nails, screws, or other such items that may be likely to cause flat tires. Flames must never be more than 3 feet high. Fires must never be left unattended, and **ALL FIRES MUST BE COMPLETELY EXTINGUISHED BY 1:00AM**. Fires in the immediate Clubhouse area, near boats, boat docks or other structures are expressly prohibited. You are responsible for your fire at all times.

ARTICLE X Penalties and Appeals

SECTION 1. **Penalties.**

Members witnessing a violation are to report the incident to an Officer. If an Officer is not available, the incident should be reported, and recorded, at the Clubhouse. Any member who violates any of the rules or regulations in ARTICLE IX, Sections 1 through 19, or any sub-sections thereof, and the violator is reported to an officer, or is caught by any officer in the act of committing a violation, shall be notified by certified mail, by the Recording Secretary, to appear at a hearing of the Executive Board for disciplinary action.

The Executive Board, upon proper testimony or evidence has the right to suspend said member or violator for the offense.

Any member so accused, and properly notified by the Recording Secretary by certified mail, who fails to attend the hearing of the Executive Board, shall be automatically suspended indefinitely, and must then petition the General Membership by LETTER for reinstatement, via the Executive Board, at a subsequent Monthly Meeting.

SECTION 2. **Appeals.**

If a member feels he/she was unjustly suspended, he/she shall have the right to appeal to the Executive Board at the next General Membership Meeting. Suspension shall remain in effect until after a decision is made by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE XI Membership Fees, Boat Fees and Fishing Privilege Stamp

SECTION 1. **Fishing Privilege Stamp.**

- (A) All **Adult and Youth Membership Cards**, to be valid, must be current, and have the Fishing Privilege Stamp affixed to their card.
- (B) Membership Cards **MUST** be shown when requested by any officer, trustee, or any member of the Club. As previously stated, **A VALID MEMBERSHIP CARD MUST BE DISPLAYED AT ALL TIMES WHILE ON CLUB PROPERTY.**

SECTION 2. **Membership Fees.**

- (A) Anyone desiring to fish at Ranger Rod & Gun Club must pay the Full Membership fee as posted at the Clubhouse. A Full member is allowed use of ALL Club facilities.
- (B) A Range Membership allows the member to use all the Club facilities with the exception of fishing or boating on Club waters.
- (C) A Social Membership allows the member to use ONLY the Clubhouse and Pavilion. A Social Member is NOT permitted anywhere on the premises out of the immediate Clubhouse area. A Social member is not allowed to fish or ride in a boat on Club waters, shoot at any of the ranges, or vote at any meetings, or in any elections. All NEW applicants for Social Membership must meet the eligibility requirements, their application must be presented on a Club Social application, signed by the applicant, endorsed by an Official or existing member as a sponsor, and be accompanied by the application fee applicable at the time. NEW applications for Social Memberships must then be presented at a regular monthly meeting for approval before they are allowed to use any of the Clubhouse facilities (unless signed in by another member). Access to the Clubhouse shall be by key card, to be obtained for an additional one-time fee. **ALL SOCIAL MEMBERS MUST** purchase a Club Key Card (as required by PLCB law).

(D) Membership Fees are as follows:

Full Memberships (Fishing, Ranges, Social Club)

Adults 16+ years as posted at Club House and Website

Youth 12–15 years as posted at Club House and Website

6–11 years as posted at Club House and Website

0–5 years as posted at Club House and Website

Range Only Memberships (includes Social Club) as posted at Club House and Website

Social Memberships (MUST purchase a key card) as posted at Club House and Website

Lifetime Members are exempt from payment of annual fees, except for the purchase of a key card, for a one-time fee.

(E) A discount *may* apply to all returning full adult memberships purchased before March 1st, after which time the regular dues schedule will apply.

(F) All NEW membership applications must be endorsed by the applicant and by an Official or another existing member as a sponsor, accompanied by the application fee applicable at the time, then presented at the next regular monthly meeting for approval before they are allowed to use the Clubhouse facilities (unless signed in by another member).

SECTION 3. Boat Fees and Docking.

(A) Boat docks shall be allocated to members for a fee posted at the Clubhouse and on the Website. Each boat owner has the option to renew his/her boat dock, provided his/her dues and fees are paid by 8 a.m. on Opening Day. Any transfer of boat dock ownership must be approved and recorded at the Club. Boat docks are subject to availability, with present owners being given 1st consideration.

(B) The boat storage fee for winter season in the Club boathouse is posted at the Clubhouse, and on the Website, and payable in advance. If the boat is not removed from the Club boathouse by the end of June, and a valid current boat dock has not been issued, an additional fee will be charged for summer storage, good until all boats must be removed from the lake. Failure to remove your boat from summer storage will incur another fee for Winter Storage. Boats left in storage without payment for over four (4) years shall be considered abandoned.

(C) An annual launching fee, posted at the Clubhouse and the Website, including issuance of the necessary valid, current sticker will be required for all trailered or car-topped boats.

(D) No watercraft will be allowed on Club waters without a valid sticker.

SECTION 4. Membership fees.

Membership Fees are not to be considered as money collected just for the purchase of trout. These funds may also be used for stocking other species of fish, bait fish, lake and property management and improvement, or any other matter pertaining to Club maintenance, marketing or public relations.)

ARTICLE XII

Any items pertaining to safety, legislation, grounds, expenses, and all other matters of the Club are the jurisdiction of the Executive Board and Trustees. We recommend that all members read the public bulletin boards on a monthly basis. Everyone is required to obey all signage, especially STOP signs and Speed Limit signs. The Speed Limit on ALL Club roads is five (5) miles per hour at all times.

**IGNORANCE OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS
IS NOT AN EXCUSE FOR VIOLATIONS.**

ARTICLE XIV

SECTION 1. Before these by-laws or any single by-law can be amended, the amendment must be put in writing and presented to the Executive Board at a regular monthly meeting. Per Article IV Section 2.

SECTION 2. General Rules

The rules contained in the current edition of Robert’s Rules of Order—Newly Revised shall govern the Club in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with these by-laws, or any special rules of order the Club may adopt.

These by-laws were prepared and enacted by consent of the General Membership at the regular monthly meeting of Ranger Rod & Gun Club, Inc. on December 6, 2023, after compliance with Article IV, Section 2, in notifying the General Membership by posting at the Club for three months, and being voted on at three (3) consecutive regular monthly meetings, from October 2023 to December 2023.

These by-laws were formulated by the By-Laws Committee of Ranger Rod & Gun Club, Inc., by the following people, presently in these designated positions:

By-Laws Committee

Diane Zero Meckel: Treasurer, Chairman of By-Laws Committee, Membership Committee, Event/Public Relations Committee, Ranger Rod & Gun Club; Lifetime Member

Carrie-Ann Fitzgerald: Financial Secretary, By-Laws Committee, Chairman of Membership Committee, Event/Public Relations Committee, Ranger Rod & Gun Club

James Shafer: Chairman of Trustees, By-Laws Committee, Ranger Rod & Gun Club

William Seibert: Chairman of Fish Committee, By-Laws Committee, Ranger Rod & Gun Club

James Fitzgerald: Chairman of Rifle Range Committee, By-Laws Committee, Ranger Rod & Gun Club

Brenda Keyser: Event/Public Relations Committee, By-Laws Committee, Ranger Rod & Gun Club

Melissa Clementoni: By-Laws Committee, Ranger Rod & Gun Club

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SPECIES	SEASONS	MINIMUM SIZE	DAILY LIMITS
All Species of Trout: Brook Brown Golden Rainbow Tiger	REGULAR: The day after Opening Day until Labor Day, 6am to 1am. Opening Day & Contest days, 8am to 1am	7 inches	Four (4) Combined Species
	EXTENDED: The day after Labor Day until Winter Season, 6am to 1am	7 inches	Three (3) Combined Species
	WINTER SEASON: November 15th to December 31st (or until unsafe ice conditions), 7am to 8:30pm	7 inches	Two (2) Combined Species
Crappies	May be caught whenever lake is open. *see footnote	12 inches	Six (6)
Walleye	State opening in May until the lake closes. *see footnote	20 inches	One (1)
Bass largemouth smallmouth	State opening in June until midnight October 31st. *see footnotes	Bass Slot Limit in effect: 13" to 17"..... 0" to 12"..... over 17"	...Four (4) per day ...Must be released ...Must be released
Channel Catfish	May be caught whenever lake is opened. *see footnote	12 inches	Three (3)
All other species as per state regulations	May be caught whenever lake is opened. *see footnote	State Regulation	State Regulation

*As Ranger Lake is primarily a Trout Fishing Lake, fishing for any other species must automatically follow the dates listed for Trout fishing. When the Lake is closed to Trout fishing all fishing of any type shall cease.

There will be no targeting of BASS before the State Opening of Bass season, which opens in the middle of June.