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Fishing Rules & By-Laws
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"The underlying spirit of angling is that the skill of the angler is pitted against the instinct and strength of the fish and that the latter is entitled to an even chance".

Quotation from the Rules of the Tuna Club, Avalon, Santa Catalina - USA

LAKE MACQUARIE GAME FISHING CLUB INC.
FISHING RULES & BY-LAWS

1. RULES OF FISHING

Shall be fished in accordance with the "Rules of the Game Fishing Association of Australia (GFAA) and New South Wales Game Fishing Association (NSWGFA) at the time of capture or tag & release shall apply.

2. FISHING YEAR

Opening Day of Summer Season – First Sunday in September.

Opening Day – this is **NOT** a Club point score fishing day, it is the lead up to the Opening of the Summer Season Competition and is a "Sail Past and Family Barbeque Day. All members and their families are requested to attend.

Summer Competition

Opens – The weekend following Opening Day.
Closes – At the conclusion of fishing on Monday of the long weekend in June.

Competitions within the Summer Competition

Summer Competition Capture Point score
Summer Competition Tag & Release Point score
Mid-Week Capture Point score
Mid-Week Tag & Release Point score

Winter Competition

Opens – at the conclusion of fishing of Summer Competition
Closes – on the Saturday prior to Opening Day of the Summer Competition

Competitions within Winter Competition

Winter Competition Capture Point score
Winter Competition Tag & Release Point score

3. FISHING POINT SCORE DAYS – SUMMER COMPETITION

Point score days shall be conducted on Saturday or Sunday, all Public Holidays, Saturday and Sunday of long weekend with the exception of **Christmas Day** or such other days as the Committee may from time to time determine. (Refer Rule 7).

Where a boat or angler is representing *LMGFC* in a *NSWGFA* sanctioned tournament or *LMGFC* competition within NSW coastal waters then these days of the *NSWGFA* sanctioned tournament or *LMGFC* competition will be deemed to be normal competition days for personal and boat point scores and point scoring trophies (with such exceptions as defined). Boat/s or angler/s participating in a *LMGFC* competition shall be entitled to such points and awards etc., as those given for normal summer competition point score fishing days.

Boats travelling from home port on a normal *LMGFC* Summer Competition Day to compete in a *NSWGFA* sanctioned tournament and representing *LMGFC* will be eligible for boat and personal summer points only, as long as these captures are weighed on certified scales and the capture/tag certificate is signed by an official of the tournament in which the boat is entered (refer to Rule 17b).

Boats fishing sanctioned *NSWGFA* tournaments and fishing from home port and representing *LMGFC* must comply with:

Fish are caught within NSW Coastal Waters.

Must comply with rules of that tournament and any disputes must be lodged with that Tournament Committee as per tournament rules, the Tournament Committee's decision shall be final.

If a cut off time to be at the weigh station is in place for the last day of fishing and a vessel does not make this cut off time then these points will be applied to mid-week point score so long as the capture(s) /tag(s) meet all other rules of the tournament.

Fish must be weighed on certified scales as set down by *GFAA* rules.

If no certified scales are available, a certificate of accuracy for the scales on which the fish was weighed must be produced before point score will be allowed. (A photocopy will suffice).

A capture certificate must be completed and duly signed by the Weigh master of the tournament and handed to *LMGFC* Secretary or Capture Recorder **within 14 days of the capture or tag**.
Point score allocated as per day of capture or tag.
Vessels fishing away from the Club's port must complete a capture certificate for each tag & release, clearly recording the tag number, fish species and position of tag & release. In addition, all fields of information must be completed on the capture certificate for captures and tags (refer Rule 17)
Vessels travelling back to **LMGFC** home port after representing **LMGFC** at a sanctioned tournament and travelling from the sanctioned tournaments port on a summer point score day will be eligible for boat and personal point score only (refer Rule 17).
A **LMGFC** registered boat may fish a maximum of six (6) normal competition days for boat and personal point score, away from **LMGFC** ports on home port summer point score days, not including fishing in a sanctioned tournament where the boat and angler is representing **LMGFC** in a sanctioned NSWGFA tournament, e.g. A vessel visiting another port on holidays or extended visit after a tournament. The skipper is to notify the club **Secretary** of his intention to fish an away day from home ports, prior to the vessel putting to sea. Failure to do this will result in points for capture or tag being allocated to mid-week competition and the committee's decision shall be final. Capture/tag certificates must have the event field marked as away day summer point score with the name of the secretary/committee person notified prior to fishing and the port that was fished. Ports eligible for away days are any ports that are affiliated with NSWGFA.
No **LMGFC** boat or personal point score or *LMGFC/NSWGFA/NORTHERN ZONE* personal or boat trophies will be allowed for boat(s)/angler(s) who fish a non-sanctioned *NSWGFA* tournament.

Rule 3 (a) Coastal Waters Fishing Days

Fishing days eligible for coastal waters trophies are sanctioned tournaments fished away from LMGFC home port (excludes the Interclub) and away days.

4. FISHING POINTSCORE DAYS – MID-WEEK COMPETITION

All days and times other than those covered in Rule 3 and Rule 8 with the exception of **CHRISTMAS DAY – which is a non-fishing day**.

5. FISHING POINT SCORE DAYS – WINTER COMPETITION

Can be caught at any time, seven (7) days a week and MUST be fished from the home port. Vessel's fishing NSWGFA sanctioned tournaments will be eligible for boat and personal points only. Vessels can also nominate away days for boat and personal points as set down for summer point score.

6. TAG & RELEASE COMPETITIONS

i. **Summer Competition** – is a completely separate competition from Capture – both of equal standing and both follow the same rules.
ii. **Winter Competition** – is a completely separate competition from Capture – both of equal standing and both follow the same rules.

7. INTENTION OF FISHING

Vessels will notify Marine Rescue before heading to sea and notify the sked boat at the earliest opportunity once the sked boat has been nominated for the days fishing. Failure to do these will automatically be deemed mid-week point score and or suffer a points penalty deemed by the committee.
Members on weekend work rosters may make application to the Committee to fish for Summer Point score during weekdays providing these days are nominated in the application. These days are limited to a choice of two (2) days per week as per ***Rule 3 – Fishing Point score Days***.
A vessel cannot nominate both Saturday and Sunday for mid-week point score or any day of a long week – end. It is the intention of the rule to fish summer point score where applicable in a situation where a vessel nominates Saturday as mid-week and then does not fish Sunday for any reason the vessel must submit any captures or tags for summer point score providing the capture/tags were caught within the summer point score times of fishing.

Clarification – Committee Meeting – 7th November 1989
If a boat nominates Saturday as their Summer Competition point score fishing day, then all crew on board this boat is also classed as fishing summer point score. If an angler fishes on board another boat on the Sunday and this boat is fishing Summer Competition point score, it is expected that this angler will notify the Skipper of this boat that he/she has fished the previous day for summer point score whether or not he/she has weighed or tagged a fish. If this angler does weigh or tag fish on Sunday, then the angler's personal points and also the boat points for those particular fish will be deemed as
Mid-Week point score.

8. FISHING TIMES – SUMMER COMPETITION
7.00 am to 4.10 pm Eastern Standard Time OR
7.00 am to 5.10 pm Eastern Summer Time OR
6.00 am to 4.10 pm during the months of May and June.
Where boats or anglers are competing in *NSWGFA* sanctioned tournaments representing *LMGFC* where fishing times of the competition have been extended the additional time will be allowed for Club point score.
In *LMGFC* competition all fish hooked prior to the end of fishing time are allowed to be "played out", but must be reported to the "Duty Boat" of the day, before end of fishing is called.
Failure to report fish hook-ups or captures/tags before end of fishing will make captures/tags ineligible for Club point scores and trophies. The decision of the Committee in these matters shall be final.
Boats cannot start burleying or trolling before the allotted times for Summer Competition i.e. a boat cannot burley and fish Mid-Week and then start fishing Summer Competition. If a boat starts burleying or trolling before the allotted Summer Competition times then the points for that day will be ineligible for summer point score.

Ladies and Juniors Special Trophy Days – LMGFC

To be fished on two (2) single days in the season. The days to be decided by the Committee. In the event of bad weather or non-results on the day nominated, the Committee will allocate another day. These days are open to Lady and Junior members and Honorary Ladies and Juniors. Only financial Ladies and Juniors are eligible for personal point score, and other Club trophies and record claims.
Ladies Day held during the week of *NSWGFA* Interclub will be fished as Mid-Week Competition.

9. FISHING AREAS FOR CLUB POINT SCORES AND TROPHIES
Boats MUST leave and return to Club port
Anglers and boats fishing away from *LMGFC* port competing in a *NSWGFA* sanctioned tournament and representing *LMGFC* shall be entitled to personal and boat point score, will be eligible to compete for boat and personal trophies ONLY, with the exception of Coastal Waters Trophies. The *NSWGF*A Interclub shall be classed for boats and anglers representing *LMGFC* during official days of the tournament as the Club's i.e., *LMGFC* weigh station in addition to the one at the Clubs port at Lake Macquarie. Captures or tags will be treated as captures/tags weighed in at Swansea, except where certain conditions are laid down for certain trophies, which have prevailed from the time the trophy was donated.
All fish captured **MUST** be weighed at *LMGFC* weigh station at Swansea.

10. WEIGHING OF FISH FOR CLUB POINT SCORE & TROPHIES
The boat shall have arrived at the Club's port from the area where the fish would have been boated, on the day of capture or tag. In certain circumstances fish brought to the Club's port to be weighed in by a boat not being the boat concerned with the capture(s) may be considered by the Committee for inclusion in the relevant point score and/or awards. The boat concerned shall advice the "Sked Boat" of its intention and reason for transferring the fish following capture. If no attempt is made to advise the "Sked Boat" or base the Committee reserve the right to exclude this capture(s) from point score and trophy awards.
A fish must be hooked, fought and secured on the same vessel.
Fish must be weighed on the day of capture. If not, a written explanation must be submitted with a signed and completed capture certificate to the LMGFC Committee for their consideration. The Committee's decision will be final.

Fish must be weighed by the weigh master, a member of the Committee or Honorary weigh master. If none of these are available then all financial *LMGFC* members will be regarded as responsible weigh persons as long as they the member did not fish on the boat weighing the fish on that day. In the event of a World, Australian and NSW record claim, the capture **MUST** be weighed and checked by the Weigh Master and Committee person.
Fish must be weighed on certified scales.
It is the responsibility of the vessel concerned to arrange for weighing of fish under this regulation.
All fish must be weighed at *LMGFC* Weigh Station to be eligible for club trophies.
All fish must be weighed at Swansea or as in Rule 3 to be eligible for club point score.
Any crew found to leave the Weigh Station dirty will be penalised 2,000 pts. Any breach of this regulation has to be reported within seven (7) days in writing to the Committee of *LMGFC*.
Boats must give weigh master adequate notice of intention to weigh fish.

11. ANGLERS/BOATS ENTITLED TO FISH FOR CLUB POINT SCORE & TROPHIES
Anglers who are financial members of LMGFC. A financial member is a member who has paid his/her membership fee prior to the capture or tag of fish for which point score is claimed.
Anglers who have completed an application form for membership duly nominated by financial members and the application form together with the payment is in the hands of the Committee prior to the time of departure for fishing, shall be entitled to fish for point score and trophies, providing the application is accepted by the Committee at their next meeting.
Honorary and Life Members shall be entitled to compete for club trophies and club point score.
Personal Point Score – Club members may fish from boats not registered with the club for personal point score. When fishing from a non-registered boat the member must inform the Committee or "Sked Boat" of the day of his/her fishing intentions and captures/tags.
Dual Membership – Where a member or boat is registered with two (2) or more Game Fishing Clubs, point score or trophy entitlements will not be recognised unless the members nominate to fish for *LMGFC* prior to commencement of fishing. Furthermore, an angler or boat may not register his or her capture or tag with more than one (1) Game Fishing Club. The boat and angler must register his or her capture/tag with the same Club.
A boat owner/s who replaces their boat during the season with another boat will be eligible to retain their current point score as long as the new boat is registered and a "Boat Registration & Safety Declaration" form has been completed with the Club by the same owner/s of the boat being replaced.

12. ANGLERS & BOAT OWNERS WHO ARE NOT ENTITLED TO FISH FOR ANGLER/BOAT POINT SCORE OR COMPETE FOR ANGLER/BOAT TROPHIES
Club members whose fees are not paid by the 1st July are ineligible for point score and trophies until fees are paid.
Anglers who have not paid the membership fee prior to fishing.

13. CAPTURE POINT SCORE
Note: Grey Nurse Sharks are a protected species and MUST NOT be captured or tagged.
Note: Certain conditions apply to some of the following listed *species.

MARLIN – Black, Blue, Striped
SHARKS – *Blue, *Hammerhead(Smooth Only) Except for the Scalloped Hammerhead and Great Hammerhead , *Mako (all), *Porbeagle, *Thresher (all), *Tiger, *Whaler (all)

Tagging of White Sharks – The incidental hooking, fighting and tagging and releasing of a White Shark in Commonwealth Waters (outside 3NM) is permitted for scientific purposes
and T&R points will be awarded in all tournaments including club point-scores. This species cannot be targeted. For clarity, the NSW GFA President advised that a dispensation has been granted by the Federal Government.

FORMULA FOR CALCULATION OF CAPTURE POINT SCORES

Weight of fish (kgs) squared, times the factor divided by the line class used equals calculated points **weight of fish (kgs)^2 x the factor line class used**

Line Class	**4kg**	**6kg**	**8kg**	**10kg**	**15kg**	**24kg**	**37kg**	**60kg**
Factor	**29.5**	**19.5**	**14.5**	**11.5**	**7.5**	**4.6**	**3**	**1.7**

Marlin and Broadbill will score double calculated points
Yellowfin & Southern Bluefin Tuna & Other Game Fish will score triple calculated points
Sharks excluding Blue Sharks will score half calculated points
Blue Sharks will score one quarter calculated points
All Sharks are not eligible for point score on 4kg line

MAXIMUM POINT SCORES

Maximum points to be allocated for Capture on:
4kg, 6kg, 8kg, 10kg = 15,000 pts + 1 point per kilo
15kg, 24kg, 37kg, 60kg = 20,000 pts + 1 point per kilo

TACKLE & LINE CLASSES

Ultra Light Tackle	4kg, 6kg
Light Tackle	8kg, 10kg
Medium Tackle	15kg
Heavy Tackle	24kg, 37kg, 60kg

14. MINIMUM WEIGHTS

Marlin	**Adults:** a minimum of 70kg on line classes to 4kg to 10kg and a minimum of 90kg on 15kg line class and over. **Junior and Small Fry Anglers:** a minimum of 60kg on line classes to 4kg to 10kg and a minimum of 80kg on 15kg line class and over.
Shark – Tiger **NEW Minimum Weights**	**Adults:** 120kg on line classes to 6-10kg, 200kg on line classes 15-24kg, 250kg on line classes 37-60kg line classes
Shark – Blue **NEW Minimum Weights**	**Adults:** 100kg on line classes to 6-10kg, 125kg on line classes 15-24kg, 150kg on line classes 37-60kg line classes
Sharks	**ADULTS:** a minimum of 70kg on line classes 6kg to 10kg, a minimum of 90kg on line classes 15kg to 37kg, and 130kg on 60kg line class. **Junior and Small Fry Anglers:** a minimum of 60kg on line classes 6kg to 10kg, a minimum of 80kg on line classes 15kg to 37kg, and 120kg on 60kg line class.
Yellowfin Tuna & Southern Bluefin Tuna	15kg on line classes up to and including 15kg line, equal to line class for over 15kg line and for **junior anglers** equal to the line class in all cases.
Other Game Fish & Broadbill	Minimum weight to be equal to line class.

15.SHARKS – No capture points will be awarded for sharks on 4kg line.

16.

Tag and Release Pointscore

NSWGFA Eligible Tag Species — line class/points

	4-10kg	15kg	24kg	37kg	60kg
MARLIN					
Marlin - Black	12,500	11,500	10,000	8.500	7,500
Marlin - Blue	12,500	11,500	10,000	8,500	7,500
Marlin - Striped	12,500	11,500	10,000	8,500	7,500
OTHER BILLFISH					
Broadbill Swordfish	12,500	11,500	10,000	8,500	7,500
Sailfish	6,250	5,750	5,000	4,250	3,750
Shortbill Spearfish	6,250	5,750	5,000	4,250	3,750
SHARKS – minimum 100 cm					
*Shark - Blue	3,125	2,875	2,500	2,125	1,875
*Shark – Smooth Hammerhead Only	3,750	3,450	3,000	2,550	2,250
* Shark – Mako (all)	3,750	3,450	3,000	2,550	2,250
* Shark – Porbeagle	3,750	3,450	3,000	2,550	2,250
* Shark – Thresher (all)	3,750	3,450	3,000	2,550	2,250
*Shark - Tiger	3,750	3,450	3,000	2,550	2,250
*Shark – Whaler (all)	3750	3450	3000	2550	2250
*Shark – Great White	3,750	3450	3000	2550	2250
TUNAS					
Tuna – Albacore	625	575	500	425	375
Tuna – Longtail	625	575	500	425	375
Tuna – Bigeye	1,250	1,150	1,000	850	750
Tuna – Dogtooth	1,250	1,150	1,000	850	750
Tuna – Bluefin & Southern Bluefin	1,250	1,150	1,000	850	750
Tuna – Yellowfin	1,250	1,150	1,000	850	750
MISCELLANEOUS					
Narrow Barred (Spanish) Mackerel	625	575	500	425	375
Wahoo	625	575	500	425	375
*Yellowtail Kingfish - minimum 70cm	310	290	250	210	190
Barracuda	31	29	25	21	19
Cobia	31	29	25	21	19
*Mahi Mahi (Dolphin Fish)	31	29	25	21	19
JUNIOR PERSONAL POINTS ONLY					
Tuna – Kawa Kawa	13	12	10	9	8
Tuna – Striped – Catch & Release Only	13	12	10	9	8

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is permitted for scientific purposes and T&R points will be awarded in all tournaments including club point-scores.
This species cannot be targeted. For clarity, the NSW GFA President advised that a dispensation has been granted by the Federal Government.
*The maximum number of Yellowtail Kingfish and Mahi Mahi tagged and released by one angler be limited to five (5) of each species per day, with a maximum of ten (10) of each species per boat per day shall also apply.

* Striped Tuna and Kawa Kawa are eligible for Junior personal point score and applicable trophies only in Club competitions and tournaments.
Boats fishing Summer Competition MUST advise "Sked Boat" of all fish tagged and released for the day.

17. CAPTURE CERTIFICATES AND TAG & RELEASE CARDS

(a) Must be in the hands of the Secretary or Capture Recorder within seven (7) days of the date of the capture or tag & release. Failure to comply with this rule could mean disqualification of the fish for point scoring purposes.

(b) If competing in an away NSWGFA sanctioned tournament and fishing away from club port representing LMGFC then capture certificates and tag cards must be in the hands of the Secretary or Capture Recorder within 14 days of capture or tag & release.

(c) All capture certificates must be fully completed and duly signed by the Weigh Master and Checker. The Committee reserves the right to reject a capture certificate that has not been completed in accordance with the above rules.

(d) All tag & release cards **MUST** be returned to the club Secretary or the Capture Recorder with a fully completed Capture Certificate.

(e) If the Recorder receives an incomplete Tag Card and Capture Certificate the Recorder will return such cards and certificates to the Skipper the Skipper then has 14 days to return the corrected cards and certificates to the Recorder from the date of posting.

18. TROPHIES TO BE COMPETED FOR:

Additional trophies may be added to this list at the discretion of the Committee and will be published in the Mako Newsletter.
All trophy fish must be weighed at LMGFC weigh station with the exception of Coastal Waters Trophies.

Winter Competition

May be fished for seven (7) days a week from the club port.
Heaviest Tuna
Heaviest Shark
Heaviest Marlin
Heaviest Other Game Fish
Most Meritorious Capture
Champion Junior Angler – Capture
Champion Junior Angler – Tag & Release
Champion Adult Angler – Capture
Champion Adult Angler – Tag & Release
Champion Boat Capture
Champion Boat Tag & Release

Juniors Day Trophies & Ladies Day Trophies

Held during normal Summer Competition season and must be fished from club port. Juniors or Ladies do not have to be LMGFC members to be eligible to fish for the following trophies; non-members are not eligible for record claims or club point score and other trophies.
Heaviest Shark
Heaviest Gamefish
Champion Tag & Release Angler

Heaviest Jewfish & Snapper Trophies

Must be fished for during normal Summer Competition hours and must be fished from club port.

Land Base Trophies

May be fished for anytime with boundaries restricted to the whole of NSW only.
Champion Angler Capture
Champion Angler Tag & Release

Fly Fishing Trophies
Fished on normal Summer Competition days from club's port.
The Don Mc Cloy Trophy – Champion Boat Tag & Release

Mid-Week Trophies
May be fished for anytime outside normal Summer Competition hours and must be fished for at club port plus Ladies Day held during NSWGFA Interclub tournament.

(i)	Pat Kremmer Trophy	Heaviest Marlin
(ii)	LMGFC Trophy	Heaviest Shark
(iii)	Hans Meyer Trophy	Heaviest Tuna
(iv)	LMGFC Trophy	Champion Male Capture Angler
(v)	LMGFC Trophy	Champion Lady Capture Angler
(vi)	LMGFC Trophy	Champion Junior Capture Angler
(vii)	LMGFC Trophy	Champion Male Tag & Release Angler
(viii)	LMGFC Trophy	Champion Lady Tag & Release Angler
(ix)	LMGFC Trophy	Champion Junior Tag & Release Angler
(x)	LMGFC Trophy	Champion Boat – Capture
(xi)	LMGFC Trophy	Runner-up Champion Boat – Capture
(xii)	LMGFC Trophy	Champion Boat – Tag & Release
(xiii)	LMGFC Trophy	Runner-up Champion Boat – Tag & Release

Tackle Shack Trophy – Champion Boat Billfish
Total Billfish tagged + captured and may be fished for 7 days a week and from any NSW port.

Monthly Awards
Held on the 1st Sunday of fishing each month from September to June. Highest point scoring boat either in capture or tag & release.

Line Class Trophies
Must be fished from club port & Interclub port on normal Summer Competition days.
Sharks: 6kg, 8kg, 10kg, 15kg, 24kg, 37kg & 60kg
Gamefish: 4kg, 6kg, 8kg, 10kg, 15kg, 24kg, 37kg & 60kg

1st Marlin tagged for season – Newcastle 4WD Centre Trophy
May be tagged at any time and from club port (excludes Interclub port).

Kooragang Cement Trophy – 1st Marlin captured for season
May be captured at any time and from club port (excludes Interclub port).

Last Marlin captured **for the season – Offshore Charters Trophy**
May be captured at any time and from club port (excludes Interclub port).

Last Marlin tagged **for the season – Toni & Garry Russell Trophy**
May be tagged at any time and from club port (excludes Interclub port).

Kestrel Boat Trophy – Most Marlin tagged by boat
Fished on normal Summer Competition days and from club port.

Tag & Release and Capture – Personal Trophies

Fished on normal Summer Competition days from club port & Interclub port.

Frank Spruce Trophy	**Heaviest Tuna**
Fred Vanags Trophy	**Heaviest Other Game Fish**
Toby Nichol Trophy	**Heaviest Shark**
Lake Macquarie Yacht Club Trophy	**Heaviest Marlin**
George Wanless Trophy	**Heaviest Tiger Shark**
Tom Woods Trophy	**Mako Shark**
Hans Meyer Trophy	**Heaviest Hammerhead Shark**
Reg Griffiths Trophy	**Most Meritorious Capture by a Junior**
L.J. Hooker Trophy	**Most Meritorious Capture**
Elsie Lonsdale Trophy	**R/up Junior Angler T&R**
Garry & Debbie Cook Haulage Trophy	**Heaviest Shark by Adult Lady Angler**
Garry & Debbie Cook Haulage Trophy	**Heaviest Marlin by Adult Lady Angler**

T&R Release – Personal & Boat Trophies

Fished on normal Summer Competition days from club port & sanctioned NSWGFA Tournaments.

(i)	**Belmont North Quality Meats Trophy**	**Champion Junior Angler T&R**
(ii)	**Belmont Auto City Trophy**	**Most Billfish T&R by a Junior Angler**
(iii)	**Blackwatch Boats Trophy**	**R/up Lady Angler T&R**
(iv)	**Fisherman's Warehouse Trophy**	**Champion Lady Angler T&R**
(v)	**LMGFC Trophy**	**R/up Male Angler T&R**
(vi)	**Michael Mahoney Shield**	**Champion Male Angler T&R**
(vii)	**LMGFC Trophy**	**R/up T&R Angler overall**
(viii)	**Ted Koos Trophy**	**Champion T&R Angler overall**
(ix)	**Complete Marine Mechanics Trophy**	**R/up T&R Champion Boat**
(x)	**Ringal Valley Trophy**	**Champion T&R Boat**
(xi)	**Premier Concrete Trophy**	**Champion T&R Boat under 21'**
(xii)	**Newcastle Stevedoring Trophy**	**Most T&R Sharks by a boat**
(xiii)	**All 4 x 4 Spares Trophy**	**Most T&R Yellowfin Tuna by a boat**
(xiv)	**All 4 x 4 Spares Trophy**	**Most T&R Other Game Fish by a boat**
(xv)	**Boss Hogg Trophy**	**Champion T&R Angler Small Fry**

Capture – Personal & Boat Trophies

Fished on normal Summer Competition days from club port & sanctioned NSWGFA Tournaments.

Pelican RSL Trophy	**Champion Junior Lady**
Mick Baker Trophy	**R/up Junior Angler Capture**
Joyce Guidoux Trophy	**Champion Junior Angler Capture**
Lillian Bull Trophy	**R/up Lady Angler Capture**
James Marine Trophy	**Champion Lady Angler Capture**
Chef Meyer Trophy	**R/up Male Angler Capture**
Hans Meyer Trophy	**Champion Male Angler Capture**
LMGFC Trophy	**R/up Angler Capture overall**
W.G. Guidoux Trophy	**Champion Angler Capture overall**
Merv Scott Trophy	**Champion Boat under 21' Capture**
Marmong Cove Marine Shield	**R/up Champion Boat Capture**
Christopher Jones Trophy	**Champion Boat Capture**

Note: If a junior angler turns 16 years of age during the current season and has point score in both the junior and senior section, then these two point scores can be added together for determining Champion Angler overall.

(q) **Runner-up & Champion Boat Tackle Sections – Capture**

Ultra-Light – Light – Medium - Heavy

Note: Champion Boat & Runner-up Boat Capture is determined by:

The leading boat in each tackle section is given 5 boat points
The 2nd boat in each tackle section is given 4 boat points
The 3rd boat in each tackle section is given 3 boat points
The 4th boat in each tackle section is given 2 boat points
The 5th boat in each tackle section is given 1 boat point

At the conclusion of the Summer Competition, the boat points from each tackle section are added together to determine Champion Boat Capture.

Local Waters Boat Trophies – Tag & Release and Capture
Fished on normal Summer Competition days from club port & Interclub port.

(i)	**Kurri Tackle Shield**	**Champion Boat T&R – local waters**
(ii)	**L.M. Marine Services Trophy**	**Champion Boat Capture – local waters**

Coastal Waters Trophies
Fished from other NSW ports on normal Summer Competition days – does not include club port (or Interclub port).

(i)	**Caltex Bowl**	**Heaviest Marlin Coastal Waters**
(ii)	**Pelican Boat & Bait Trophy**	**Heaviest Fish in Coastal Waters**

Ken Hoff Hard Luck Trophy
Boat or Angler with best "Hard Luck" story of the season.

Tom Roche Trophy – Novice Junior
Presented to a Club Junior Angler who is having his/her first year with the club and has either captured or tagged a fish and would not be receiving any other trophy for that season.

The Outrage Trophy – Heaviest Broadbill
Conditions
The fish must be point score legal and can be fished for from the end of Summer Season each year through to the end of the next season (i.e. 24 hours a day, seven days a week for the full twelve months).

The Neil Grieves Trophy: **Most skeds run**

The Committee reserves the right to designate any trophy.
Note: All LMGFC trophies listed are not perpetual trophies.

19. LINE CLASS

No capture will be accepted in a higher or lower line class.

20. SAFETY RULES – LMGFC REGISTERED VESSELS

(a) All Club vessels must carry a registered compliant **406 Mhz** EPIRB.
(b) All Club vessels must be fitted with two working radios either a VHF and 27Mhz or preferably two VHF (the 2nd can be hand held)
(d) All vessels must have a completed and signed "Safety Declaration Form" to be registered with LMGFC. The Boat Registration Form must be forwarded to the club secretary.

The vessel or anglers fishing from the vessel will not be eligible for any point score or trophies until the Boat Registration Form is submitted. safety declaration form has been approved. At any time there have been changes made to the vessel other than what was originally detailed the Skipper or Owner must inform the club Secretary of these changes to the original information provided with a new photograph if required. Registration submission will be by mail, email.

21. FISHING GEAR

(a) The Weigh Master and the Club Committee reserve the right to sample and test game fishing line used by Club boats for point score captures/tags, also checking of any tackle used for game fishing in the capture/tag, gaffing and boating of a fish. Non-compliance with this rule could lead to disqualification of capture/tag and the Committee's decision will be final.

(b) Fishing tackle must comply with the Game Fishing Association of Australia (GFAA) and NSWGFA rules (current year) with regard to fishing gear/rods and lines etc.

22. ORANGE FLAG

An orange flag measuring 16" x 20" can be flown warning other vessels that they are fighting a fish. Any vessel causing the loss of your fish, whilst you are flying this flag maybe protested against. All protests must be in writing within seven (7) days to the Committee of LMGFC. The Committee's decision will be final.

23. RADIO SKEDS

(a) The Base Station of LMGFC call sign is "Lake Macquarie Game Fish Base". The Base station of LMGFC shall conduct all LMGFC transmissions on VHF Channel 80 where possible with 27MHz Channel 27.940 as a backup.

(b)

(i) Radio Skeds will be conducted on VHF Channel 80 on each points scoring day if 3 or more boats are fishing. 27 Mhz radio channel will be 27.940 Mhz and may be used as an alternate radio, but only in conjunction with the main Sked on VHF Channel 80. If less than three (3) boats are fishing then they MUST communicate 2 hourly with each other and/or the Marine Rescue.

(ii) Radio Skeds will be conducted at ten minutes past the hour every two hours starting at 7.10am-Eastern Summer Time and 8.10am Eastern Standard Time.

(iii) Vessels will notify Marine Rescue before heading to sea with their intention to fish and notify the sched boat at the earliest opportunity once the sched boat has been nominated for the days fishing.

(iv) Vessels will report on each Radio Sked accurately their position using the LMGFC Grid Map. In the event a grid map is not available the vessel must provide water depth in fathoms and position in relation to known land marks or preferably a GPS position if available. Fishing report for the period since the last sked using the 000 system, anglers name and line class. On the last sked vessels must report total captures and / or tags for the day with an estimated time of arrival back in port. Vessels must report any hook ups to the sked boat prior to the end of fishing to be eligible for summer point score.

(c) In the event of vessels at sea not willing to conduct Radio Scheds, the LMGFC President or Committee person will nominate a vessel.

(d) All vessels must report on each radio Sched with the correct information. In the event of a vessel not reporting or giving false information, the Skipper will be required to give an explanation to the Club's Committee, and this could result in a points penalty being imposed.

(e) All vessels must sign off when they have returned to inshore waters with the "Sked Boat" of the day or Standby Base and Marine Rescue.

(f) Completed sked sheets must be returned to the club Secretary within seven (7) days.

(g) Failure to comply with any of these Radio Sked rules could result in a points penalty being imposed and the Committee's decision will be final.

(h) Should any vessel suffer total radio failure, the skipper must attempt to notify another vessel of the problem and then MUST return immediately to port. Once in port it is the responsibility of the skipper to sign off with Marine Rescue Lake Macquarie and arrange for the sked boat to be notified.

(i) If a vessel misses two (2) consecutive radio skeds the Sked boat will notify Marine Rescue and commence emergency procedures

24. JUNIOR MEMBERS

Junior members will not fish any Club event unless accompanied by an Adult with the exception of Juniors fishing from land-based positions. A Junior is an angler who has not reached the age of 16 years.

25. MINIMUM NUMBER TO FISH

Minimum number of two (2) persons must be on any boat participating in any LMGFC event.

26. UNWANTED FISH

All unwanted fish must be disposed of in an appropriate manner, well clear of the heads. If this rule is not adhered to the Committee has the right to take whatever action they feel is appropriate and the Committee's decision shall be final.

27. FISHING AWAY AT TOURNAMENTS

It is expected when LMGFC members are participating in NSWGFA sanctioned away tournaments representing LMGFC that they conduct themselves in a manner befitting their Club. If a complaint is received from the host Club of this tournament regarding any LMGFC member the Committee reserves the right to take appropriate action and the Committee's decision will be final.

28. FISHING RULES/BY-LAWS

As well as the reprinting of the club fishing rules/by-laws each year, these fishing rules are to be revised at the end of the Summer Season each year at a meeting, to see what our requirements are and whether these rules are to be updated or changed. We are to fish by these rules without changes until the following revision at the end of the season. If a member wants to place a notice for a change of or addition to any fishing rule during the season, the motion will be noted and placed on the agenda for the revision of fishing rules at the end of that season. All Government Statutory requirements must be complied with including minimum fish size and bag limits.

29. BOAT WASH

The Committee may impose a penalty of up to 2,000 points if any vessel causes damage to any other vessel or property caused by excessive boat wash in the channel. Any breach of this regulation must be reported within seven (7) days in writing to the LMGFC Committee.

30. NSWGFA INTERCLUB COMPETITION – SELECTION OF TEAMS

The selection of LMGFC teams to fish the Interclub Competition will be determined by LMGFC Committee at that time.

31. MEMBER OF COMMITTEE

Who may have an interest or who may appear to have an interest in a dispute or consideration before the Committee, shall excuse himself or herself from voting or officiating at such dispute or consideration, but are free to talk on the subject under discussion and give his or her opinion or observations.

32. DEFINITIONS

Home Port

Lake Macquarie. Club registered vessels must point score out of Swansea.

Junior / Small Fry

The above are eligible for male or female trophies unless the trophy states Adult Male or Adult Female. The exception to this is when Champion Angler trophies are being competed for when Small Fry, Junior, Male, Female and overall trophies are available, the angler trophies will be awarded to the respective class.

33. INTENT OF THE RULES

In the case of a dispute the LMGFC Fishing Rules/By-Laws the LMGFC Committee's decision shall be final.

Northern Zone Competition Rules

Fishing days will be the first Saturday OR Sunday of the first full weekend except for the Clubs first nominated Zonal day of each month or the Clubs' first competition Saturday or day of each month thereafter. Boats can only fish one Northern Zone Day per month except for the Overnight Tournaments to be held twice per fishing year coinciding with the full moon, when boats can fish all weekend.

If any Club boats fish Saturday for Northern Zone point score and the weather turns bad for Sunday, then only Saturday will count for Northern Zone points for that month. If the entire weekend is not fishable, then it will carry to the following weekend except **for the Overnight Tournaments, which are not transferable.**

Fishing days will begin in July of each year and finish in June the following year.
Fish must be captured or tag & released from the Clubs' homeport or in a NSWGFA sanctioned tournament.
This competition is only to be fished out of Northern Zone Ports.

In addition to NSWGFA sanctioned tournaments, a boat may fish a maximum of two (2) Northern Zone Competition days in another Northern Zone Clubs' Port.
Captures and Tags must be lodges by mail or fax to the Northern Zone Chairman within the month of capture and/or tag & **release**
Northern Zone Chairman must notify each club within 14 days of the end of each month the current point score updates
Each club to nominate its five (5) best captures plus five (5) highest point scoring tag & **release boats. (on form supplied)**
Northern Zone Competition Point score for Capture will be awarded as follows:
200 **points for the highest point scoring capture each day**
180 points for the second highest point score capture
160 points for the third highest point score capture Etc...Etc...
These points are for determining Champion Club Overall
Points will be awarded as per the current NSWGFA Point score.
Maximum Point scores will apply
Tag & Release points will be awarded as P6! the current NSWGFA Point score.

Non - compliance with the rules will result in loss of Capture and/or Tag & Release Points.

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Angling Rules
From the time a fish strikes or takes a bait or lure, the angler must hook, fight and land or boat the fish without the aid of any other person, except as provided for in these regulations. (CLARIFICATION to ANGLING RULE 1.) If the mate is letting out a bait or lure and the reel is in free spool, the rod can be put back in the cover board or handed to the angler. Under no circumstances can any drag be put on the reel. This situation is legal. The rationale is that the hook has not been set with the reel out of gear. When retrieving a bait or lure the fish would be disqualified immediately if the rod is put back into the cover board or transferred to another person as the reel is in gear and the hook has been set.

If a rod holder is used and a fish takes the bait or lure, the angler must remove the rod from the holder as quickly as possible.

In the event of a multiple strike on separate lines being fished by a single angler, only the first fish fought will be considered for an Australian record.

If a double line is used, the intent of the regulations is that the fish is to be fought on the single line for most of the time that it takes to land the fish.

The harness may be replaced or adjusted by a person other than the angler.

Use of a rod belt or waist gimbal is permitted.

When angling from a boat, once the leader is brought within the grasp of the mate, or the end of the leader is wound to the rod tip, more than one person is permitted to hold the leader.

One or more gaffers may be used in addition to persons holding the leader. The gaff handle must be in hand when the fish is gaffed.

The Angling Rules and Equipment Regulations shall apply until a fish is weighed.

Rules and Equipment Regulations

The Angling Rules and Regulations have been formulated to promote ethical and sportsmanlike angling practices, to establish uniform regulations for the compilation of Australian Gamefish Records and to provide basic angling guidelines for use in fishing tournaments and any other group angling activity.

The word 'angling' is defined as catching or attempting to catch fish with a rod, reel, line and hook as outlined in the GFAA Angling Rules and Equipment Regulations. However, there are some aspects of angling that cannot be controlled through rule-making. Angling rules cannot ensure an outstanding performance from each fish and Australian records cannot indicate the amount of difficulty in catching the fish.

Captures in which the fish has not fought or has not had a chance to fight do not reflect credit on the angler, and only the angler can properly evaluate the degree of achievement in establishing the record.

Only fish caught in accordance with GFAA Australian Angling Rules and within the intent of these rules will be considered for Australian records

Line, Backing, Double, Leader
Line
Monofilament, multifilament and lead core multifilament lines may be used. For line classes, see Australian Record Requirements.
Wire lines are prohibited.
{b)Line backing

Backing not attached to the fishing line is permissible with no restrictions as to size or material.
If the fishing line is attached to the backing, the catch shall be classified under the heavier of the two lines. The backing may not exceed the 60kg (130Ib) line class and must be of a type of line approved for use in these angling rules.

(c)Double line

The use of a double line is not required. If one is used, it must meet the following specifications:

A double line must consist of the actual line used to catch the fish.

Double lines are measured from the start of the knot, braid, roll or splice making the double to the furthermost end of the knot, splice, snap, swivel or other device used for securing the trace, leader, lure or hook to the double line.
Saltwater species: In all line classes up to and including 10kg (20Ib) the double line shall be limited to 4.57m (15ft). The combined length of the double line and leader shall not exceed 6.1m (20ft). The double line on all classes of tackle over 10kg (20Ib) shall be limited to 9.14m (30ft). The combined length of the double line and leader shall not exceed 12.19m (40ft).
Freshwater species: The double line on all classes of tackle shall not exceed 1.82m (6ft). The combined length of the double line and the leader shall not exceed 3.04m (10ft).

{d)Leader

The use of a leader is not required. If one is used, it must meet the following specifications:

1. The length of the leader is the overall length, including any lure, hook arrangement or other device, and is measured to the bend of the last hook. The leader must be connected to the line with a snap, knot, splice, swivel or other device. Holding devices are prohibited. There are no regulations regarding the material or strength of the leader.

Saltwater species: In all line classes up to and including 10kg (20Ib) the leader shall be limited to 4.57m (15ft). The combined length of the double line and leader shall not exceed 6.1m (20ft). The leader on all classes of tackle over 10kg (20lb) shall be limited to 9.14m (30ft). The combined length of the double line and leader shall be limited to 12.19m (40ft).

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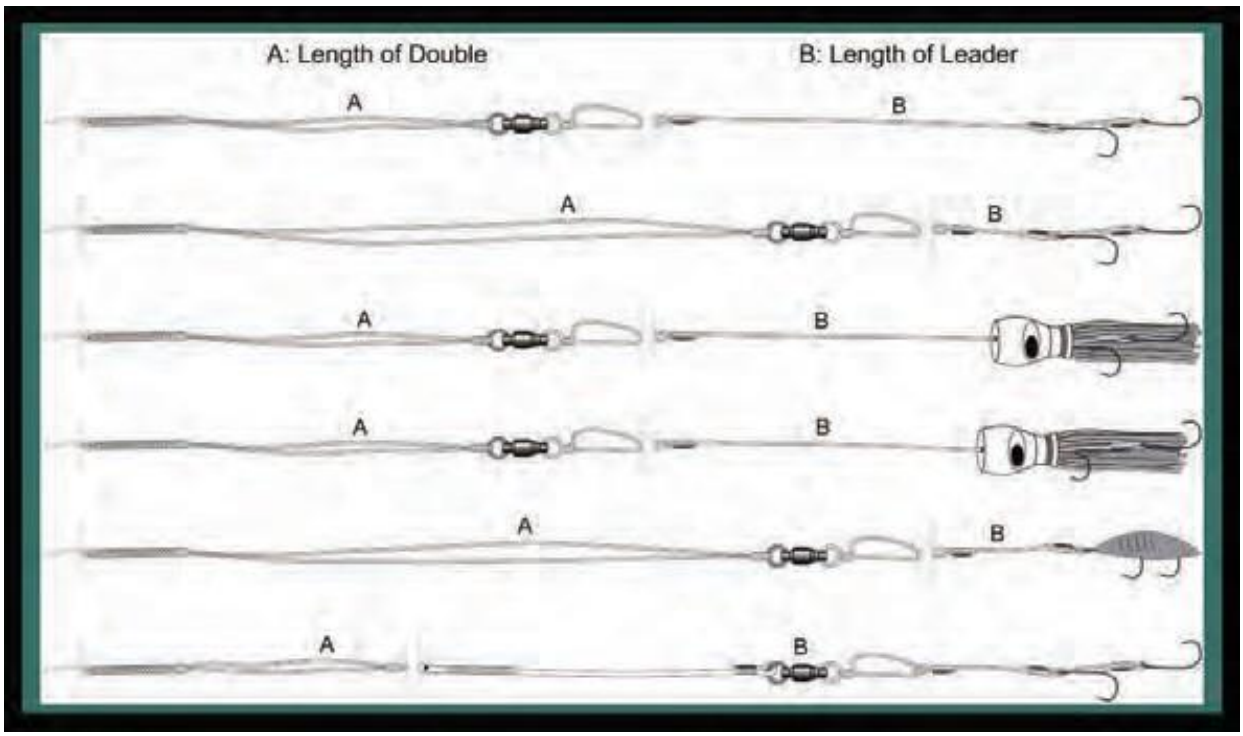


Rod, Reel

Rod

Rods must comply with sporting ethics and customs. Considerable latitude is allowed in the choice of rod, but rods giving the angler an unfair advantage will be disqualified. This rule is intended to eliminate the use of unconventional rods.

The rod tip must be a minimum of 101.6cm (40in) in length. The rod butt cannot exceed 68.58cm (27in) in length. These measurements must be made from a point directly beneath the centre of the reel. A curved butt is measured in a straight line. (Above measurements do not apply to surf-casting rods.)

Reel

Reels must comply with sporting ethics and customs.

Power-driven reels of any kind are prohibited. This includes motor, hydraulic or electrically driven reels and any device that gives the angler an unfair advantage.

Ratchet handle reels are prohibited

Reels designed to be cranked with both hands at the same time are prohibited

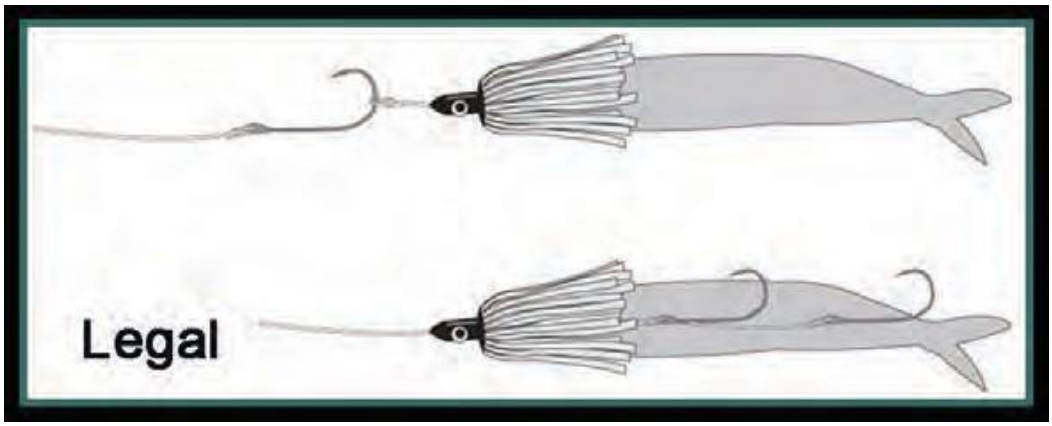
Hooks for fishing with natural bait

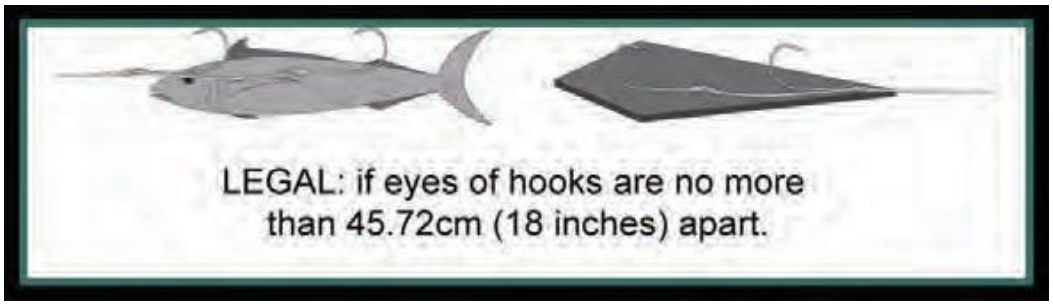
Hooks for fishing with natural bait
For live or deadbait fishing no more than two single hooks may be used. Both must be firmly imbedded in or securely attached to the bait. The eyes of the hooks must be no less than a hook's length (the length of the largest hook used) apart and no more than 45.72cm (18in) apart. The only exception is that the point of one hook may be passed through the eye of the other hook.

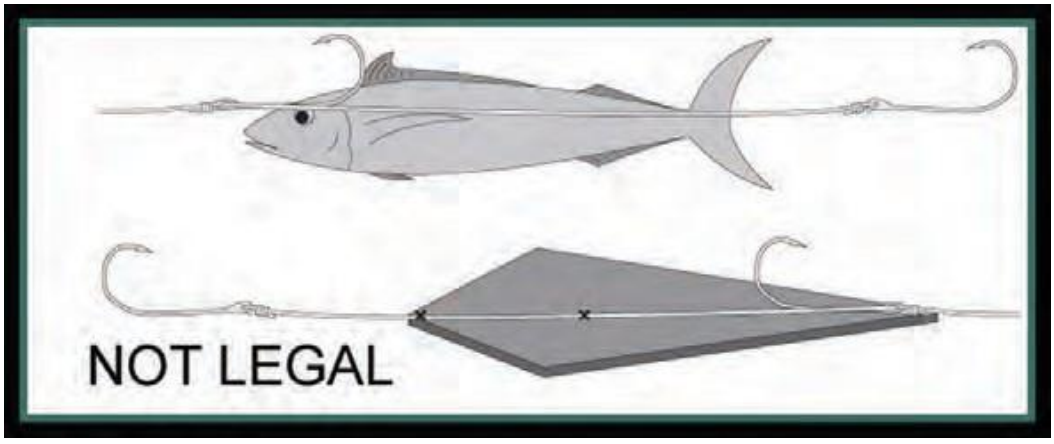
The use of a dangling or swing hook is prohibited. Double and treble hooks are prohibited.

A two-hook rig for bottom fishing is acceptable if it consists of two single hooks on separate leaders or drops. Both hooks must be imbedded in the respective baits and separated sufficiently so that a fish caught on one hook cannot be foul-hooked by the other.

All record applications made for two-hook tackle must be accompanied by a photograph or sketch of the hook arrangement.
5. .A lure may be used in conjunction with a natural bait, provided the hook satisfies t requirements of hooks for fishing with natural baits (g) & the lure touches the bait during normal fishing/trolling practices. The hook must NOT precede the bait/lure combo by more than the length of the hook.







NOT LEGAL: if eyes are less than hook's length apart.

LEGAL: if eyes are no less than hook's length apart and no more than 45.72cm (18 inches) apart.

LEGAL: point of one hook may be passed through eye of other hook.
Note: hooks connected in this way are ganged hooks and not to be confused with gang hooks in Rule H2.

Hooks and Lures

(h) Hooks and lures

1. When using an artificial lure with a skirt or trailing material, no more than two single hooks may be attached to the line, leader or trace. The hooks need not be attached separately. The eyes of the hook must

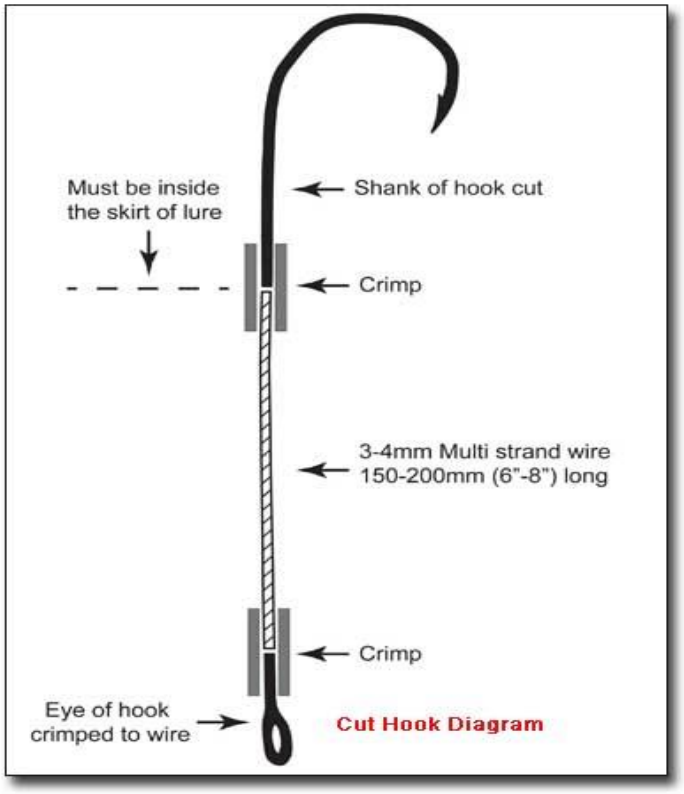
be no less than an overall hook's length (overall length of the largest hook used) apart and no more than 30.48cm (12in) apart. The only exception is that the point of one hook may be passed through the eye of the other hook. The trailing hook may not extend more than a hook's length beyond the skirt of the lure. A photograph or sketch showing the hook arrangement must accompany the record application. Clarification: If a hook is cut, then the length of the hook will be deemed to be to the cut - anything beyond the cut will be deemed as leader. See illustration 01.

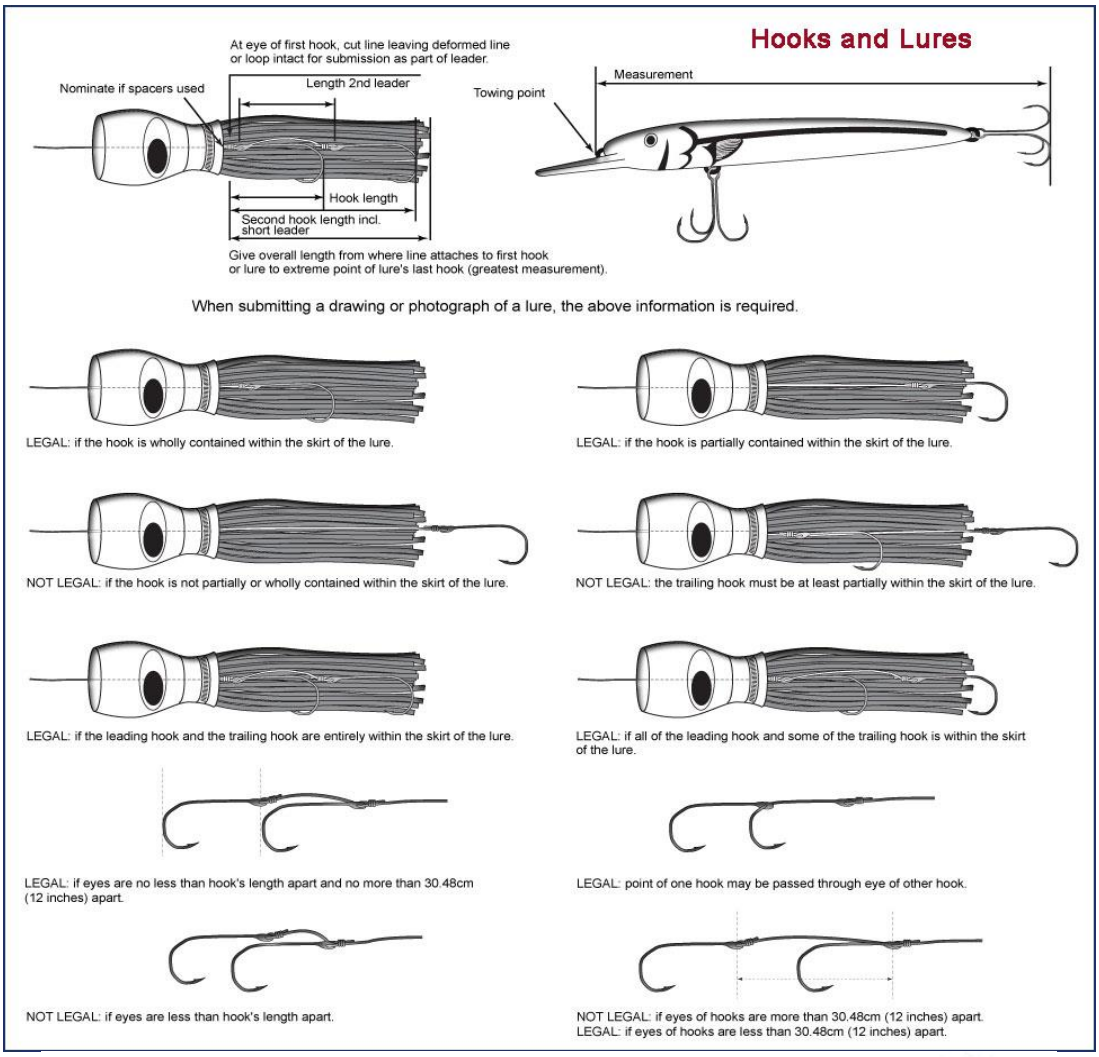
2. Gang (double or treble) hooks are permitted when attached to plugs and other artificial lures that are specifically designed for this use. Gang hooks must be free-swinging and shall be limited to a maximum of three hooks (either single, double or treble, or a combination of any three). Bait may not be used with gang hooks.

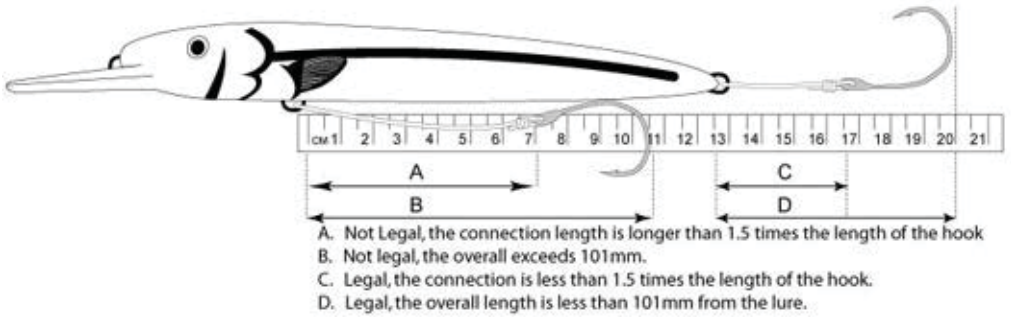
3. Clarification: Assist hooks or other such single hooks that are attached to a lure with a lead constructed of monofilament, multifilament, wire or other such material must conform to the following: When using assist hooks on any artificial lure, other than a skirted lure, the lead

4.A photograph or sketch of the plug or lure must be submitted with record applications.

5.A gang hook in the intent of this rule is a hook with two or more prongs (ie: multi-pointed hook, not to be confused with ganged hooks as per diagram in Rule G1).







Disqualifying Acts & Situations
THE FOLLOWING ACTS WILL DISQUALIFY A CATCH:

1. Failure to comply with equipment or angling regulations.
2. The act of persons other than the angler touching any part of the rod, reel or line (including the double line), either bodily or with any device during the playing of the fish, or in giving any aid other than that allowed in the rules and regulations. If any obstacle to the passage of the line through the rod guides has to be removed from the line, then the obstacle (whether berley, floatline, rubber band or other material) shall be held and cut free. Under no circumstances should the line be held or touched by anyone other than the angler during this process.
3. Resting the rod in a rodholder, on the gunwale of the boat or any other object while playing the fish.
4. Handlining or using a handline or rope attached in any manner to the angler's line or leader for the purpose of holding or lifting the fish.

5. Shooting, harpooning or lancing any fish (including sharks) at any stage of the catch.
6. Berleying with or using as bait the flesh, blood, skin or any other part of mammals other than hair or pork rind used in lures designed for trolling or casting.
7. Using a boat or device to beach or drive a fish into shallow water in order to deprive the fish of its normal ability to swim.
8. Changing the rod or reel while the fish is being played.
9. Splicing, removing or adding to the line while the fish is being played.
10. Intentionally foul-hooking a fish.
11. Catching a fish in a manner that the double line never leaves the rod tip.
12. Using a size or kind of bait that is illegal to possess.
13. Attaching the angler's line or leader to part of the boat or other object for the purpose of holding or lifting the fish.
14. If a fish escapes before gaffing or netting and is recaptured by any method other than as outlined in the angling rules.

15. The act of any person touching any part of the leader when striking or hooking a fish.

THE FOLLOWING SITUATIONS WILL DISQUALIFY A CATCH:

1. When a rod breaks (while the fish is being played) in a manner that reduces the length of the tip below minimum dimensions or severely impairs its angling characteristics

2. Mutilation to the fish, prior to landing or boating the catch, caused by sharks, other fish, mammals or propellers that remove or penetrate the flesh. (Injuries caused by leader or line, scratches, old healed scars or regeneration deformities are not considered to be disqualifying injuries.) Any mutilation of the fish must be shown in a photograph and fully explained in a separate report accompanying the record application.

3. When a fish is hooked or entangled on more than one line.

Rules T&R and M&R
RULES FOR TAG & RELEASE AND MEASURE & RELEASE

1.(a) No tournament shall be approved by a State Association that awards points for free release for GFAA tag species. No Tag & Release points shall be awarded in State Association-approved tournaments unless GFAA approved tags are used.
1. (b) Measure & Release is allowed for species that have been determined by the GFAA from time to time - see section titled GFAA eligible gamefish for Measure & Release and section Guidelines for Measure & Release.

Note:
(i) All GFAA Angling & Equipment regulations shall apply.
(ii) All applicable Tag & Release rules shall apply - ie items 1, 2 & 3 of the acts that disqualify a Tag & Release.
(iii) No fish can be released after measurement unless it is in a healthy and vigorous state.
(iv) The GFAA Measure & Release card is to be used to record species release information.

2. The use of the 'billfish only' tag is MANDATORY to be eligible to win any GFAA Trophies and Awards.

THE FOLLOWING ACTS WILL DISQUALIFY A TAG & RELEASE:

1. Failure to comply with GFAA angling rules and equipment regulations or tournament tag and release rules.
2. Failure to comply with all other regulations that disqualify a capture.
3. Use of a gaff (other than release/jaw gaff for the purpose of tagging).

TYPES of TAGS

Small Pelagic Tag

Large Pelagic Tag

Metal Shark Tag

Billfish Tag

GFAA Eligible Gamefish Species - Tag & Release

Albacore ***Thunnus alalunga***	**Marlin, black **** ***Makaira indica***	**Shark, thresher *** ***Alopias spp.***	**Tuna, skipjack** ***Katsuwonus pelamis***
Amberjack ***Seriola dumerilii***	**Marlin, Pacific blue **** ***Makaira nigricans***	**Shark, tiger *** ***Galeocerdo cuvier***	**Tuna, southern bluefin** ***Thunnus maccoyii***
Barracuda ***Sphyraena spp.***	**Marlin, Striped **** ***Tetrapturus audax***	**Shark, whaler *** ***Carcharinus spp.***	**Tuna, yellowfin** ***Thunnus albacares***
Bonito ***Sarda spp.***	**Rainbow Runner** ***Elagtis bipinnulatus***	**Spearfish **** ***Tetrapturus spp.***	**Wahoo** ***Acanthocybium solandri***
Broadbill ** ***Xiphias gladius***	**Sailfish **** ***Istiophorus platypterus***	**Trevally, big eye** ***Caranx sexfasciatus***	
Cobia ***Rachycentron canadum***	**Samson fish** ***Seriola hippos***	**Trevally, giant** ***Caranx ignobilis***	**BY STATE** **South Australia, Victoria and Western Australia (south of the Tropic of Capricorn) ONLY**
Eagle Ray * ***Myliobatis australis***	**Queenfish** ***Scomberoides spp.***	**Trevally, gold spot** ***Carangoides fulvoguttatus***	
Kingfish (yellowtail) ***Seriola Ialandi*** **(70cm minimum size)**	**Shark, blue *** ***Prionace glauca***	**Trevally, golden** ***Gnathanodon speciosus***	**Trevally, silver ***** ***Pseudocaranx dentex*** **(35cm minimum size)**
Mackerel, broad barred ***Scomberomorus semifasciatus***	**Shark, gummy *** ***Mustelus antarcticus***	**Tuna, bigeye** ***Thunnus obesus***	**Snapper ***** ***Pagrus auratus*** **(40cm minimum size)**
Mackerel, narrow barred ***Scomberomorus commerson***	**Shark, hammerhead *** ***Sphyrna spp.***	**Tuna, bluefin** ***Thunnus thynnus orientalis***	
Mackerel, shark ***Grammatorcynus bicarinatus***	**Shark, mako *** ***Isurus spp.***	**Tuna, dogtooth** ***Gymnosarda unicolor***	**Salmon, Australian ***** ***Arripis trutta*** **(40cm minimum size)**
Mackerel, spotted ***Scomberomorus spp.***	**Shark, porbeagle *** ***Lamna nasus***	**Tuna, longtail** ***Thunnus tonggol***	**Mulloway (Jewfish)** ***Argyrosomus japonicus***
Mahi Mahi (dolphinfish) ***Coryphaena spp.***	**Shark, school (tope) *** ***Galeorhinus galeus***	**Tuna, mackerel (kawa kawa)** ***Euthynnus affinis***	

NOTES:
All species must be a minimum of 60cm in length except sharks & where specified above
All Sharks and Eagle Rays [*] are to be tagged with the Metal Shark Tag
All Sharks must be a minimum of 100cm In Length
Billfish [**] are to be tagged with the Billfish tag
Species marked with [***] are to be tagged with the small pelagic gamefish tag
JUNIOR TOURNAMENT - Maximum of 5 tagged fish of any one species to be entered on any one day