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RULES FOR 2023

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ALL NEW ADDITIONS TO THE RULES THIS YEAR ARE IN BOLD.

Memberships are for calendar year.

No refunds under any circumstances.

Memberships are non-transferable.

No rain checks, or free spectators.

The lake will be CLOSED every Thursday.

THIS LAKE IS DRINKING WATER REGULATED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DEPT. OF HEALTH AND THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, DEPT. OF PUBLIC HEALTH.

THIS MEANS NO BODILY CONTACT.

1. GENERAL RULES:

- A. A Membership shall include you and your spouse, and single minor dependent children under eighteen (18) years of age that are claimed on income tax.
- B. All members/guests must stop and check-in and out at the Gatehouse upon entering and exiting the property. Membership card must be presented to the office before admittance. To replace a lost membership card, a duplicate may be obtained for \$10.00. All members will be photographed when receiving their membership cards.
- C. Members will be responsible for any and all damage they cause on club property.
- D. The regularly scheduled board meetings are held on the first and third Saturday of each month at 9:30a.m. If a legal holiday, then the following Saturday.

Membership	First Year	Renewal
Palmdale Membership	\$635.00	\$375.00
A.V. Associate	\$855.00	\$405.00
L.A. Associate	\$1,045.00	\$450.00

- E. If all membership dues or fees are not promptly paid by January 6th, 2023, the initiation fee must be
- F. Intoxication is PROHIBITED. Violators of these rules will be cited, fined or subject to loss of membership.
- G. Cleaning or cooking fish on club property is prohibited. Please do not dump fish in club trash cans, or commodes.
- H. All dogs must be kept on a leash except during hunting and dog training. The owner must clean up pet droppings. Members that do not clean up after their pet will be subject to a \$200.00 fine. Respect shall be given to all occupied areas.
- I. Do not throw garbage, debris, chemicals, or food into the lake or on club property. Please take extra care to ensure that nothing is blown into the lake from any boat, dock, or onshore fishing. Trash cans are provided around the lake. No garbage or fish in the porta-potties please. Violators will be cited. Littering is a \$200.00 fine and may result in revocation of membership.
- J. Anyone urinating in lake or on Club property and not in a recognized bathroom facility, will be subjected to loss of membership. Any guest violating this rule will also cause the host member to lose their respective membership.
- K. No overnight camping is ever allowed on club property.
- L. Any member may cite any other member, for any violation of club rules or regulations. Call the gatehouse upon seeing the infraction for further instruction. Both parties are required to appear before the board of directors at the following meeting. Club privileges can be suspended until the member receiving the citation appears. Refusal to show membership card upon request from any member is a violation of the Club Rules and Regulations and may result in a \$100.00 fine. REFUSAL TO SHOW MEMBERSHIP CARD UPON REQUEST BY ANY BOARD OF DIRECTOR OR STAFF WILL RESULT IN MEMBERSHIP REVOCATION.
- M. ALL CHILDREN AND GUESTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A MEMBER AT ALL TIMES WHILE ON CLUB PROPERTY. This includes escorting guests on and off property. No exceptions.
- N. No person is permitted on the dam, at any time for any purpose. **PER US DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY...** No fishing, hunting, walking, driving, etc.
- O. Anyone caught stealing from this club or from a member or guest of this club-on-club property shall:
- Be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.
 - Have membership revoked with no refund.
 - Never be allowed on this property.
- P. The Fin and Feather Club is absolutely not responsible for fluctuations in water level or other natural catastrophes that may affect fishing or hunting. There are no refunds of membership under any circumstances.
- Q. Sales of any merchandise on club property are prohibited by unauthorized affiliates unless approved by the board of directors. This includes but is not limited to: lures, bait, clothing, fishing equipment, etc.

2. BOARD OF DIRECTORS

- A. It shall be the Duty of the Board of Directors to pass on the qualifications of all applicants for membership, to transact all business and handle all funds of the Club and establish all Rules and Regulations necessary for the proper conduct of the Club.
- B. The Board of Directors shall have the power to suspend or expel any member guilty of unruly conduct, which may be considered detrimental to the best interest of the Club.
- C. To be eligible to become a Director of the Club, one must own real property and reside within the boundaries of the Palmdale Water District. Only local members shall be entitled to one (1) vote per membership and may not vote by proxy. Additional information and rules regarding the Board of Directors is available in the Gatehouse Office.

3. FISHING RULES

- A. All federal laws are enforced by the club and game warden and will pertain to wildlife and appropriate statutes. No fishing with corn and no chumming is ever permitted. Any and all violations will be dealt with severely, in addition to any fines and penalties imposed by any Governmental Agency. A current fishing license with appropriate stamps is required. No outside live bait other than night crawlers, mealworms, and red worms is permitted.
- B. Each angler must have his or her own basket or stringer.
- C. Each person shall abide by club fishing limits.

<i>Type of Fish</i>	<i>Limit Per Day</i>	<i>Minimum Size / Slot Limit</i>
Trout	5	None
Catfish	3	16"
Bullhead	No Limit	None
Bass	2 after 7/15/23*	12" – 16"
Crappie	3 after 7/15/23*	12"-14"
Bluegill, Perch	5 after 7/15/23*	6"

Bluegill, Perch and Crappie permitted to be caught in a combination of five (5) per day except for a maximum of 3 crappie

- D. Bass, Bluegill, Crappie and Perch are catch and release until July 15th, 2023. There is no limit on Bullhead. After catching 5 Trout you must stop fishing. No person shall catch fish to help another child or adult fill their daily limit. Release of Trout, Carp and Striped Bass is prohibited. The Carp and Striped Bass must be brought to the office for verification. Bow-fishing for Carp by fishermen 18 years of age and older is permitted.
- E. Fishermen may use only one (1) pole at a time when fishing. **The Club does not honor the two-poles state stamp.** Exception: Second pole may be used only for carp with a permit from the office in the months May to September. **Fin and Feather Club does not recognize the two-pole endorsement.**
- F. ****Dependent Children five years of age and older must demonstrate angling proficiency to enjoy their own limit. Children four years of age and younger fish off their parents fishing limit. Children must attend to their pole at all times. ** A member with a four year old dependent is entitled to one single fishing limit.**

- F. Fish limits will be checked on a regular random basis by the Fin & Feather Directors, caretakers, office employees and designated volunteers. Anyone in possession of fish over their limit is subject to having their membership revoked and/or fined by the Board of Directors. *Please play by our simple rules folks.*
- G. NO FISHING ON DUCK BLINDS IS PERMITTED.

4. RULES PERTAINING TO FISHING OPENING WEEKEND

- A. Dues must be paid by January 6th, 2023.
- B. **ONLY 3 GUESTS WILL BE PERMITTED PER MEMBERSHIP ON OPENING WEEKEND.**
- C. DUES WILL **NOT** BE COLLECTED OR ACCEPTED ON OPENING WEEKEND.
- D. On opening weekend, guests and members will not be permitted to return to the club either day once they leave. No exceptions.
- E. No boats will be allowed on the lake unless they have first, passed safety inspection (life jackets for capacity of the boat, oars, fire extinguisher, and related safety equipment) and have passed mussel inspection at least 14 days prior to opening weekend. (See Boating Regulations)

5. VEHICLE RULES

- A. ***The speed limit for vehicle traffic around the lake is 15 MPH.* Anyone caught speeding is subject to citation and fine.**
- B. Everyone driving vehicles on Club property must have a valid Driver's License and adequate public liability and property damage insurance for their vehicle.
- C. All members shall park their vehicle as not to block or impede the flow of traffic.

6. BOATING REGULATIONS

- A. All boats brought to the Club must be owned by the member and have their membership number on each side of the vessels. Membership numbers shall also be placed on the left tongue of the trailer. The membership number stickers must be a minimum of three inches. The boat inspection sticker shall be placed next to the membership number on the right rear of the vessel. **YOU MUST HAVE THESE STICKERS ON YOUR BOAT BEFORE YOUR BOAT CAN PASS INSPECTION.** There is a maximum of two (2) boats with two (2) boat trailers allowed in boat storage area per membership. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** Any member with two boats must follow their membership number with the letter A and the letter B. Example: Boat number 456A, 456B.
- B. All boats brought to the Club must be at least twelve (12) feet in length and no longer than twenty-six (26) feet in length.
- C. **All boats must have a current paid club inspection sticker and trailer sticker before being allowed to be used on the lake.**
- D. **Any boats on property without stickers (even if paid) will be subject to impound and fines starting January 14th, 2023. YOUR MEMBERSHIP WILL BE RED FLAGGED (you will not be permitted on the**

property) UNTIL CORRECTED.

- E. NO CANOES, INFLATABLE BOATS, RUBBER BOATS, SAILBOATS, CATAMARANS, KAYAKS, AIRCRAFT CARRIERS, RAFTS, FOLDING BOATS, JETBOATS OR FLOAT TUBES ARE ALLOWED IN THE LAKE AND ANY BOAT WITH A BALLAST TANK IS PROHIBITED.
- F. It is the responsibility of the boat owner/operator to provide approved floatation equipment. Only boats with current inspection stickers will be allowed on the lake. A fee of \$50.00 will be charged for a current year's sticker. It is the responsibility of the boat owner to keep their boat in a safe operating condition for use on the lake.
 - In order for your boat to be kept in the boat storage area, it must be able to pass boat inspection and be stickered. Boats that are not able to pass boat inspection must be removed from club property.
- G. All children under eleven (11) years of age are required to wear life jackets at all times when in a boat, on the blacktop, on docks or any designated area. Coast Guard approved floatation devices must be available at all times to each person in the boat (Cushions are not Coast Guard approved).
- H. Waders and/or waterproof boots must be worn when launching a boat (only, if necessary, to step in the water). There is a \$50.00 fine for violation of this rule. Waders are not to be used for any type of fishing.
- I. There is a no wake speed limit for boats. Any boat causing a wake is subject to citations and fine.
- J. Any boat equipped with a head shall have it sealed at all times while on Club property. Such equipped boats are subject to inspection by the Boat Safety Committee at any time.
- K. During high winds or at the discretion of our caretaker a red flag may be raised. All persons in boats must vacate the lake immediately. They may shore fish if desired. This rule applies to everyone regardless of your swimming ability, structural integrity of your vessel or nautical experience.
- L. When the owner of the boat or trailer has not had their boat inspected or is no longer a member, a \$75.00 impound fee plus a storage fee of \$30.00 per month will be charged until the property is removed.
- M. Fisherman using docks for fishing must bring in their lines and allow boats to come into the dock. No boats shall be left tied to the Club floating dock, or any other Club dock, over ten (10) minutes, except for Club purposes. If it is necessary to leave your boat for any length of time, please move it to the shoreline so that other people may use the area for loading and unloading their boats.
- N. No boat will be permanently tied to the end of any docks.
- O. No tires are to be used as boat bumpers on docks.
- P. ALL BOATS AND PERSONAL PROPERTY LEFT ON THE LAKE OR CLUB PROPERTY WILL BE AT THE OWNERS RESPONSIBILITY AND RISK.
- Q. All members in boats must stay at least 200 feet from shore when fishermen are present. Buoys will be used as markers 200 feet from shore. Do not tie boats to buoys or Solar Bees (aerators) at any time.

- R. Any boat is subject to re-inspection at any time, for any reason.
- S. No children shall be permitted to play in any beached boat. No fishing from beached boats is allowed without that owner's permission. VIOLATORS WILL BE CITED.
- T. **All boats must be removed from around the lake no later than 10/14/2023**
- U. Due to two species of mussel (Zebra and Quagga) The Fin and Feather Club now must conduct an inspection on all incoming boats. Any boat entering the property must pass a mandatory mussel inspection. The inspection is free of charge as a courtesy to our members. After passing inspection, all boats must be quarantined for a minimum of fourteen (14) days. Members must purchase a Palmdale Water District certified cable that will be clip-sealed to the boat, motor and trailer. The cable is a one-time purchase and can be used year after year. In addition to the cable, you are still required to pay for the boat registration sticker. If you wish to store your boat on property, the Club will provide an area to place your boat during the quarantine period. After your quarantine period is up, you must move your boat into the boat storage area, where you may keep your boat for the remainder of the year without another inspection. In order to pass the inspection, please ensure your boat is completely cleaned, drained and dry. Also, please be sure to remove life jackets or any other materials out of boat compartments prior to the inspection. Anytime a boat leaves the property without a cable and seal, the boat must pass inspection and sit through a 14-day quarantine before re-entering the property. If storing your boat at home your seal will be clipped upon entering property and reapplied upon exiting. You must have your inspection paperwork in order to have your seal removed or applied. If you do not have your paperwork your boat will not be allowed to enter the premises. If you want to use your boat opening day you must have your boat inspected at least fourteen (14) days prior to the date of use (to allow for quarantine period.) Note: If a boat has been used on an infected lake within the past thirty (30) days you are subject to a 28-day quarantine and reinspection. Boats not removed from quarantine area fourteen (14) days after release date will be impounded. To schedule an inspection, please call the office to make an appointment.
- V. **All boats must be in usable condition to be stored on property.**
- W. Boats are not allowed to be parked in the quarantine area for longer than the quarantine period. You must move your boat to the boat yard for storage. Violators will have their boats impounded.
- X. **All boats and trailers must be towable. NO EXCEPTIONS.**

7. RULES PERTAINING TO GUESTS

- A. Each membership is allowed a maximum of five (5) guests per day for fishing, although they are not allowed to have more people in their boat than the Club approved capacity. Members will be charged a fee of \$25.00 per day for each guest. Each member is responsible for the conduct and safety of each guest and shall remain in their company at all times. This includes escorting guests on and off property. Violators will be cited.
- B. Members may bring in their grandchildren if they are under eighteen (18) years of age to fish. Only the member's limit may be taken out unless a guest ticket is purchased for the grandchild, or the child's parents are members, and their membership card is shown.

- C. Members may bring up to 25 guests free of charge for picnics in the park area west of the Gatehouse Office. Guests are not allowed in any other area unless the \$25.00 guest fee (five guest limit) is paid. SEE RULES AND PRICING FOR PARK AREA IN THE GATEHOUSE OFFICE.

8. JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP

- A. If you have a dependent that is turning 18, they may join the club at the qualifying renewal rate to become a full member. This must be done at 18. Once the dependent is 19, they will no longer be eligible.

9. DOCKS

- A. All docks must have dock numbers visible from the lake side.
- B. All dock owners must have name and membership number posted to their docks.
- C. Construction of new docks must have prior approval of both the Club Board of Directors and Palmdale Water District.
- D. No tires or fragments of tires are to be used on any docks.
- E. No permanent vertical structures, except windbreaks four (4) feet by eight (8) feet may be built on docks. All dock walkways will have at least one handrail running the entire length of the walkway. NO CARPETING IS ALLOWED. All docks are subject to inspection by the Dock Committee and must be always kept in operating condition.
- F. All new dock walkways must be at least 30 (thirty) inches wide and not over 6 (six) feet wide. All existing docks are allowed to remain.
- G. The Club prohibits renting or selling of private dock space to anyone.
- H. All members may fish from any dock at any time. Except when the dock owners politely request you to leave. Every dock owner has a "dock owner" designation on their card. It is well within the rights of all members to request said membership card from any other member.
- I. Any member leaving a dock in dirty condition will be fined.
- J. Dock agreements must be updated in the office within 14 days of addition or removal of any member. Dock signs must be updated within 30 days of addition or removal of any member.
- K. All owners of docks that need repairs or clean up shall have thirty (30) days after that date of notification to complete necessary work. If repairs are not made to the dock, IT WILL BECOME CLUB PROPERTY and dock owners WILL be cited.
- L. One dock is allowed per membership.

10. TRAP RANGE

- A. The Trap Range consists of six (6) trap fields and is open to all members and their guests.
- B. The Trap Range opens at 9:00am on Sundays all year long.
- C. Dues must be paid prior to January 6th, 2023, if you want to shoot at the discounted member rate.

11. DUCK BLIND REGULATIONS

- A. No use of screws or nails in the dock is allowed when building a duck blind.
- B. If there is damage to a dock, the Club will perform all repairs and buy all material with duck blind deposit.
- C. The Club inspects repairs on the dock and deems them adequate.
- D. The Club will return the unused portion of the deposit to the duck blind owner. The dock owner does not receive any funds from deposit.

More info and hunting rules are available in the office.

THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE PALMDALE FIN & FEATHER CLUB, INC. ARE SUBJECT TO REVISION AT ANY TIME BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

Persons entering or using the facilities of the Palmdale Fin & Feather Club, Inc. or Palmdale Water District do so AT THEIR OWN RISK.

12. FISHING WHILE HUNTING

- A. Fishing will be permitted on non-hunting days throughout November 18TH, 2023.
- B. Fishing is not permitted on docks that are being used for duck blinds.
- C. Fishermen **MUST** avoid duck hunting blinds and decoys while fishing.
- D. Boats are only permitted while fishing for daily use. (Boats must be taken home or to dry storage, not left on shore or on the lake.)

IMPORTANT DATES:

Last day of hunting season: January 11th, 2023

Opening day of fishing season: January 14th, 2023

Boat stickers must be on boat by: January 28th, 2023

Adult and Kids Fishing Derby: March 25th, 2023

Carp Derby: May – September 2023

Catfish Derby: August 26th, 2023

Annual BBQ: September 24th, 2023

Duck Blind Drawing: September 30th, 2023

Boats must be removed from lake by: October 14th, 2023

Fishing Season Ends: November 18th, 2023

Election Meeting: December 4th, 2023

The Club will be **CLOSED every Thursday** plus all additional days below:

Friday	March 24 th , 2023	Trout Derby Preparation
Friday	September 23 rd , 2023	BBQ Preparation
Sunday	September 25 th , 2023	BBQ Clean-Up
Sunday	December 24 th , 2023	Christmas Eve
Monday	December 25 th , 2023	Christmas Day
Tuesday	December 26 th , 2023	Day After Christmas
Monday	January 1 st , 2023	New Year's Day

- Keep in mind that the Club is closed to regular business (RV/Boat Retrieval) on BBQ Day September 24th, 2023
- Hunters must pay dues by January 6th, 2023, to continue hunting.
- **WE WILL BE CLOSING EARLY AT 4:00PM ON THE 4TH OF JULY.**

General Meeting dates for 2023 are Saturdays (unless a holiday) at 9:30AM in the Trap Range as follows:

December 4th (Election Meeting)