

NATIONWIDE: GOLDFISH SOCIETIES UK

Comprising:- Association of Midland Goldfish Keepers (AMGK); Bristol Aquarists Society (BAS);
North East Goldfish Society (NEGS); Northern Goldfish & Pond Keepers Society (NGPS)



CONSTITUTION

Purpose of the Organisation:

To administer, formulate and review the **Nationwide Goldfish Standards UK**, to promote and organise the annual **National Fancy Goldfish Open Show**, and further assistance and goodwill to affiliated members.

Structure and Management:

- 1.1** The four founding societies comprising:- Association of Midland Goldfish Keepers (AMGK), Bristol Aquarist's Society (BAS), North East Goldfish Society (NEGS) & Northern Goldfish and Pond keepers Society (NGPS)., being equal custodians of the organisation.
- 1.2** The administrative body of the organisation shall be known as 'The Board' comprising three representative 'Officers' elected from within each of the founding Societies. One 'Officer' from each society will be a 'Principal Officer' and will be the main representative for their society. In addition, one principle officer shall be elected as Chairman with an additional officer from the Chairman's society being put forward for the board. The other three principle officers, one from each society, will be elected to one of the following specific positions; Secretary, Hon.Treasurer and Standards/Judges.
- 1.3** "The Board" shall manage the organisation.
- 1.4** The review of existing and formulation of new standards shall be carried out to agreed protocols before being submitted to The Judges and Standards Committee for final approval.

Aims and Objectives:-

2.1 The organisation shall be known as: Nationwide Goldfish Societies UK.

2.2 The Aim of the organisation is to bring together specialist Goldfish Clubs and enthusiasts, in order to promote the general and specialist culture of the different varieties of Goldfish. To keep, breed and exhibit along with providing a standard, trained judges and endorsing the staging of shows around the country, concluding with the National Fancy Goldfish Open Show to be held annually.

2.3 The founding and member societies, have a duty to acknowledge and uphold the excellence of the established written standards, protecting the continuity, progress and preservation of all these varieties.

2.4 The main structure of the organisation has been agreed and established by the members of the founding societies comprising A.M.G.K., B.A.S., N.E.G.S., N.G.P.S.

2.5 Nationwide Goldfish Societies UK shall remain independent of all commercial organisations.

2.6 General and show accounts, to be presented annually.

2.7 All members are to be treated equally and without prejudice.

2.8 Founding and member societies are required to uphold the values of the Nationwide Goldfish Societies UK organisation and its standards whenever possible. All participating societies are required to share the workload of the National Show. In addition, the founding societies are responsible for the organisation in general.

2.9 Review of the standards will be considered when the need arises, the formulation of any new standards are to be in line with written protocol for establishing a standard.

2.10 Any changes to this organisation can only be made with the agreement of the founding societies.

2.11 Nationwide Goldfish Societies UK is a “not for profit” organisation. Money acquired through staging of the National Show will be kept to a figure to be agreed by the founding societies to ensure the smooth running of the National Show with any agreed surplus being distributed to the founding societies in equal measure.

2.12 If a society or individual is found to have brought the Nationwide Goldfish Societies UK into disrepute they may face any sanction deemed appropriate by the Board.

2.13 Copyright Standards and Constitution is vested with the **Nationwide Goldfish Societies UK**.

