THE MEIKLEOUR TRUST

#4 The Dairy, Meikleour, Perth PH2 6FB
VAT Reg No: 345072862

TERMS & CONDITIONS 2027

1. RENT
Rents for the period 15th January to the end of the season are attached. Prices are per boat or per wading / bank rod, with VAT to be added at the prevailing rate (currently 20%). Each boat carries two rods. There are two boats (and so four rods fishing from boats) and four wading / bank rods. Bookings can be from just one wading / bank rod up to the entire beat.

2. RESERVATIONS
Bookings and enquiries should be made at the Estate Office. Lettings are confirmed upon receipt of a non-refundable 50% deposit due at the time of booking. The remaining balance is due four weeks in advance of the fishing date. If the booking is made within four weeks of the fishing date, the total cost is due at the time of booking.
The tenant in whose name the fishing is booked must be one of the rods and is responsible for his/her party. In the event of the tenant being unable to fish he/she is asked to give the Estate Office the name of his/her nominee. It is important that all guests be familiar with these *Terms and Conditions*.

3. ROD SHARING
Rod sharing is not allowed unless given written permission by the estate office. When two adults are sharing only one is allowed on the beat at any one time.

4. CANCELLATIONS
If you need to cancel, we will do our best to resell your rods. If successful, we will refund the amount recovered, less any commission incurred.
We strongly recommend that tenants take out their own cancellation insurance (widely available online), in case for any reason they are unable to come.

5. SUBLETTING RODS
Subletting rods is strictly not allowed.

6. BOUNDARIES

(a) The downstream limit is marked by the line between the two white posts on each bank where the River Isla joins the River Tay.

(b) The upstream limits are marked by a notice board on each bank of the March Pool. Please see the attached map.

7. GHILLIES, BOATS AND WADING / BANK RODS

There are two ghillies, with up to eight rods fishing at any one time. Our two ghillies are our two boatmen, bank fishing come without ghillie service but instructions and guidance are provided in the morning to all rods. Please note that bank rods need to be at Ferry Cottage Boathouse for 8:30 am in order to meet our ghillies, after 9am our ghillies might be on their boat.
Depending on conditions, the boats may need to transport the wading / bank rods to the appropriate pool. Similarly, the ghillies may need to assist the wading / bank rods, even when with other customers in the boat.
The head ghillie will decide where to place all the rods and boats. He will try to accommodate any specific requests, but may not be able to on all occasions. He will try to ensure that all rods and boats have access to all appropriate parts of the beat over the course of the day.

8. ACCESS

All rods start at Ferry Cottage Boathouse, meeting and greeting time is 8:30 am. This is just off the main road on the Stanley side of the bridge over the Tay. The postcode is PH1 4QW. There is another secondary car park and fishing hut on the other bank but this is not the meeting point (see map). If you wish to park there during the day ask your ghillie for direction and padlock code.

9. HOURS OF FISHING

The boats will be available from 09.00 until 17.00 and the ghillies will be on duty from 08.30 until 17.30 with one hour off at lunchtime. The decision as to where and when the boats may be used rests with the head ghillie. Tenants may not take out boats themselves. If you would like to wade or fish from the bank before or after these times, please discuss with the head ghillie first.

N.B. Holders of trout fishing permits have permission to fly fish for trout from 8am until 6pm (or sunset, if earlier). They are obliged to give way to salmon anglers, and you should not feel inhibited in asking them to do so.

10. CATCH

We strictly adhere to the Tay District Salmon Fishery Board recommendations which are currently:

15 January to 31 May

- **All fish are to be released**.
- Furthermore it is a **criminal offence** to keep any salmon, including a heavily bleeding one, from the start of the season to the end of March.

1 June to 15 October

- **All fish of any size to be released**

Sea Trout

- **All sea trout are to be released throughout the entire season.**

If fishing out with normal hours, particulars of any catch (i.e. weight, lure and pool), including nil returns, should be given to the ghillies at the next normal-hours encounter or, if that is not practical, the tenant responsible is asked to leave a note with the details.

Fish Handling: We kindly ask our guests to keep fish handling to a minimum, ideally we would like fish to be kept in the water at all times.

Note about heavy bleeders and diseased fish: we are a catch & release only beat but if a fish needs to be dispatched it remains the property of Meikleour Estate which will send all dispatched fish to the Tay hatcheries for study. Any accidental fish kill must be reported, we have a legal obligation to do so.

11. FISHING METHODS

Baiting with prawn or shrimp is illegal. Any other legal method of angling is permitted. Advice should always be sought from the ghillies in case of further changes.
Note about worming: We kindly ask our guests to refrain from worming at any time of the year. Please note that worming is strictly prohibited before June 1 and after August 31.

12. DOGS

Dogs are welcome. Please ensure they are kept under control (we have pets that do roam about the river banks) and clear up after them.

13. GENERAL LIABILITY

We accept no responsibility for loss or damage to the property of tenants' or any members of his/her party. Nor do we accept responsibility for any injury to the tenant or any members of his/her party. In the interests of safety, no alcohol may be offered to the ghillies. Although we accept no liability for personal fishing accidents, it is recommended that anglers (whether fishing from the boat, bank or wading) and any other boat passengers should wear life jackets, which are available to borrow if necessary. You should ensure that your own insurance covers your equipment.

14. GYRODACTYLUS SALARIS

Please help us prevent an outbreak of Gyrodactylus Salaris, which has had catastrophic effects on some foreign rivers. If you have fished outwith the UK in the last three months, please let your ghillie know. If you are in any way uncertain if your equipment is sterile and safe, disinfection can be easily done in our fishing hut.

15. EQUIPMENT AVAILABLE TO BORROW / PURCHASE

Boat fishing guests can borrow estate rods (we have 4 estate rods for 4 boat fishers), please inform the estate office of your requirement beforehand. We do not charge a rent, but tenants are kindly required to purchase their own flies and lure beforehand as these are “consumable” and can easily be lost or damaged. Our head ghillie can advise you ahead of your trip. Kindly note that estate rods to borrow are currently not available to bank fishers.

16. CONTACT DETAILS

Estate Office 01250 883424 (Monday to Friday 8:30am to 4pm)
Pamela Mundie

Head Ghillie
Calum McRoberts 07713 565983 (Monday to Saturday until 5pm)

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