

**APPLICATION FOR AN AUSTRALIAN ANGLING RECORD FISH CAPTURE  
 AUSTRALIAN ANGLERS ASSOCIATION RECORDS AUTHORITY  
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**COMMON NAME OF FISH:** .....

**SCIENTIFIC NAME OF FISH:** .....

**IDENTIFICATION SOURCE:** .....

Please quote "Reference Book" including edition number and page number and / or Scientific Authority used for ID

**DIMENSIONS OF FISH**

Mass: ..... Kg .....gm

Length: (overall) ..... (cm)

Girth: (Fins flat) ..... cm

Place of Capture: ..... Date of Capture: .....

Member of Association / Club (Name:) .....

**DECLARATION TO WITNESS OF CAPTURE**

I (Name of Witness) residing at .....

do declare that the applicant (name) .....

captured the fish in accordance with the details above: **Signed:** ..... **Date:** .....

Please Note Rules 4(b) and 5 (b)

**DECLARATION TO WEIGHING OF FISH**

(To be completed by the owner or officer-in-charge of tested and verified scales.  
 A copy of the Certificate of Certification is be attached to the record claim).

I (Name of Weighmaster) .....

residing at .....

Do declare that I weighed the fish described above and certify that the weight of the fish was .....Kg .....gm

**Signed:** ..... **Date:** .....

**DECLARATION OF APPLICANT**

I certify that the fish described above was caught by myself in accordance with the Rules of the AAARA and that all details submitted are correct.

Signed: ..... **Date:** .....

**Name of Applicant:** .....

**Address of Applicant:** .....

..... **Post Code:** .....

# RULES

## 1. ELIGIBILITY:

Open to any angler, either amateur or professional who is a current financial member of a club affiliated with a State Division which is affiliated with the Australian Anglers Association.

## 2. ACCEPTABILITY:

Acceptance of claims for records and fish identifications will be up to the discretion of the current AAARA committee, referred to as the Records Authority and any disputes should be referred to the Federal AAA Executive.

The only fish acceptable for an angling record are those caught in Australian and Territorial waters on gear and equipment specified within the rules. Species excluded are crustaceans, mammals, molluscs, reptiles and any fish that may be declared fully protected by State or National legislation.

## 3. LODGEMENT:

- (a) The application must be received by the AAARA Committee within ninety (90) days of capture.
- (b) The application must be made by an angler, through their State Division, on an AAARA or official State Record Application Form and must be accompanied by the appropriate fee along with clear photographs of the fish, preferably against an object of known size.
- (c) The fee for each application is **\$10.00**. Fees are NOT refundable.
- (d) If a claim is deemed unacceptable by the AAARA for any reason, it shall be returned to the claimant. It may then be completed correctly and resubmitted without further fee.

## 4. CONDITIONS OF CAPTURE:

- (a) The applicant must have hooked, landed, boated or beached their own fish. Assistance may be given in gaffing, gilling or netting the fish, provided such help does not entail handling the applicant's rod, reel or line.
- (b) Fish taken by spearing, netting, trapping, on powered fishing equipment or long-lining will not be considered.

## 5. CERTIFICATION:

- (a) The fish **MUST** be weighed on a certified scale and verified by a reliable witness. Note that Club scales **MUST** have been tested and verified. A copy of the current calibration certificate is to be attached to the claim form.
- (b) Witness to capture. If no witness to capture is available, a Statutory Declaration will be necessary to support the claim. Where a Statutory Declaration is provided in lieu of a witness declaration, the Records Authority reserves the right to require further evidence to be produced.
- (c) The fish, when weighed, must be free of all foreign matter, (sand, weed, etc).
- (d) Where a fish has been cleaned, headed or otherwise mutilated prior to weighing, no allowance shall be made for loss of mass.

## 6. RECOGNITION OF CLAIMS:

When a new Record is awarded, the applicant will be issued with a Certificate and the Record duly recorded in the AAARA Records Book.

Record Lists will be updated periodically and published through appropriate channels.

A copy of the current Records List can be obtained from the AAARA on payment of a fee of **\$10.00**.