

Forth District Salmon Fishery Board – Triennial Elections 2025

Dear Proprietor,

Triennial Elections for membership of the Forth District Salmon Fishery Board on 8th May 2025

A meeting of proprietors has been called at Dunblane Cathedral Hall on 8th May 2025.

The meeting has been called to comply with Part 3. Section 47 of the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries (Consolidation) (Scotland) Act 2003 for the purpose of electing a Committee. That Committee will become the District Salmon Fishery Board provided that at least three qualifying proprietors have been elected.

It is necessary for the person voting to attend the election in person. Where a proprietor cannot attend the election in person he/she may appoint a mandatory to act on their behalf. Any qualifying proprietor may stand for election as a Board member. Nominations should reach the Clerk no later than fifteen days before the election (by 23th April). The names of all candidates will be posted at the election.

Please contact the Clerk (clerk@forthdsfb.org) in order to be sent:

- a mandate form
- a candidature form.

It was agreed by the outgoing Board that the new Board should have places for ten elected proprietors. Immediately following the election, it is intended that the Board should co-opt up to a maximum of nine representatives of salmon fishermen and representatives of tenant nets-men (subject to number of elected proprietors).

On arrival at the meeting, proprietors should register with the Clerk who will hand out the appropriate voting papers. Where a proprietor is represented by a mandatory at the election the mandatory should present himself as such and provide written proof of mandate to the Clerk on registration.

Please bring this letter with you to identify your fishery.

Yours sincerely,

W Kenyon

Wendy Kenyon
Clerk to the Forth District Salmon Fishery Board

Notes on voting and electoral procedures

These notes are designed to clarify voting and electoral procedures. If any proprietor has questions, please email the Clerk, Wendy Kenyon: clerk@forthdsfb.org

Qualifying proprietors

A qualifying proprietor is the proprietor of a salmon fishery entered in the valuation roll. No vote will be allowed for a fishery which is not entered in the valuation roll.

Authorisation to Act as Mandatory

You must attend the meeting in order to vote. If you are unable to be present, you may nominate in writing a Mandatory who is able to attend the meeting. For your and my convenience a form for this purpose is attached which you should complete and sign **and give to your Mandatory** for presentation at the Election so that he or she may obtain a voting form at the meeting and vote on your behalf. **It is up to you to agree with your mandatory for whom he or she should cast your vote.** Where a fishery is jointly owned, or owned by a company, trust, or other body who wish to appoint a mandatory, the mandate form should be signed by the joint owners, directors, or trustees of the body as appropriate.

Voting papers

A voting paper for every fishery each proprietor owns will be available from the Clerk on registration at the election.

Voting

Only qualifying proprietors or their mandated representatives as described above attending the election may vote at the election.

A qualifying proprietor shall have one vote in respect of each fishery they own with a value in the valuation roll of up to £5,000 and an extra vote for each further £5,000 or part thereof up to maximum of four votes.

- **Upper proprietors may only vote for Upper proprietor candidates**
- **Lower proprietors may only vote for Lower proprietor candidates**
- A proprietor with more than one vote may split their votes between multiple candidates.
- If at the election two or more candidates are tied for the last place/s available, a second vote will be taken between the tied candidates only to decide which of them shall be elected.