

THE AKA AFFILIATE CLUB CHARTER
ARTICLE I - DEFINITION, STRUCTURE AND OPERATION

An active affiliate club of the AKA shall be a locally organized club, devoted to the keeping, breeding and dissemination of information on killifish, and which shall subscribe to these articles of affiliation.

In order to qualify as an affiliate, the club must have a minimum of four members, in good standing, of the AKA. Non-members of the AKA in the affiliate club should be encouraged to become members of the AKA.

Affiliate club structure and operation will not be regulated by the AKA, except as herein provided. However, in order to qualify as an “active” club, affiliates must hold a meeting at least four times per year.

ARTICLE II - AFFILIATE CLUB DESIGNATION

The affiliate club shall be known by its chosen name with the postscript: “AFFILIATE OF THE AMERICAN KILLIFISH ASSOCIATION, INC.”

ARTICLE III - AKA AFFILIATE CLUB COORDINATOR

The Board of Trustees of the AKA will initiate the position of “Affiliate Club Coordinator” to act as liaison between the individual affiliate clubs and the BOT. The coordinator shall oversee the affiliate clubs, be responsible for the administration of this charter and shall be available to the affiliate clubs to answer questions, bring their concerns and suggestions to the BOT, or take other action as necessary.

ARTICLE IV - BENEFITS

1. The AKA will provide a copy of JAKA for the club’s library.
2. The AKA will give a 10% discount on the “offered” price of the AKA publications on orders of \$100 or more. Such orders are to be bought by the affiliate club and sent to a person designated by the club.
3. The AKA will provide media programs at no charge.

In return for these benefits, the affiliate agrees to the following:

- A. Guarantee that at least at least four of their members are AKA members in good standing, with the further proviso that an attempt will be made to encourage 100% membership in the AKA.
- B. Attempt to support or sponsor one or more killie classes in their local general aquarium club show via direct participation per Article VI.
- C. Attempt to support and solicit entries for killie shows or classes organized or sponsored by sister affiliates per Article VII below, and the provisions of the KEY program.

D. Support the AKA via distribution of promotional materials in local general aquarium society functions and through local aquarium merchants. This shall include the distribution of posters, application blanks, etc. which will be furnished by the AKA.

E. At least once per year, attempt to give a talk and/or media program on killies at the local general aquarium society meeting. The AKA will supply the program of choice.

F. Agree to promote the sale of AKA products both within and outside the affiliate club.

ARTICLE V - RESPONSIBILITIES

1. The affiliate club will forward at regular intervals the club's newsletter or meeting notice to the Affiliate Chairperson and BNL Compiler for inclusion in the BNL.

2. Each year a brief summary of the club's activities and membership roster is to be forwarded to the Affiliate Club Coordinator.

3. The club will designate a local member to act as liaison with the Affiliate Club Coordinator.

ARTICLE VI - AFFILIATE CLUB SPONSORED KILLIE CLASSES IN LOCAL AQUARIUM SOCIETY SHOWS

The affiliate agrees to attempt to sponsor one or more killie classes or enter killies in their local general aquarium society show, if any, as follows:

A. NO CURRENT CLASSES - If there is no killie class presently, the affiliate shall attempt to have one established by guaranteeing and supplying entries if necessary. If successful, the affiliate shall aid in securing sanctioning in accordance with the KEY program.

B. ESTABLISHED CLASSES - If there is an established class (es), the affiliate is to attempt to insert itself and the AKA as the sponsor in accordance with the provisions of the KEY program.

C. If "A" or "B" is accomplished, the AKA will provide those benefits listed under the KEY program, and in addition provide:

1. Poster or sign, "Sponsored by the American Killifish Association, Inc."
2. Advertising and/or membership applications.

D. MATERIALS FOR A DISPLAY TABLE - If possible, the affiliate shall attempt to secure a table to display AKA supplied materials.

E. The affiliate shall attempt to provide and/or recommend judges for the show.

ARTICLE VII - AFFILIATE RUN "ALL KILLIE SHOWS" OR MINICONVENTIONS

By themselves, or in conjunction with sister affiliates, the affiliate club should consider the establishment of a yearly event, open to the public, devoted entirely to killifish. Upon sanctioning under the KEY program, the AKA agrees to publicize such efforts and provide materials per Article VI - C, above.

The affiliate agrees to support sister affiliates' killie shows with entries and auction materials wherever possible.

ARTICLE VII - AMENDMENTS TO CHARTER

Amendments to this charter may be made by a vote of the BOT as per AKA Charter and By-Laws.