

Modern Slavery Statement

This statement is made pursuant to s.54 of the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and sets out the steps that Angling Direct plc has taken and is continuing to take to ensure that modern slavery or human trafficking is not taking place within our business or supply chain.

Modern slavery encompasses slavery, servitude, human trafficking and forced labour. Angling Direct plc has a zero-tolerance approach to any form of modern slavery. We are committed to acting ethically and with integrity and transparency in all business dealings and to putting effective systems and controls in place to safeguard against any form of modern slavery taking place within the business or our supply chain.

Our business

Angling Direct plc operates a number of fishing tackle retail outlets in the UK and a distribution centre serving the website business.

Our policies

We operate a number of internal policies to ensure that we are conducting business in an ethical and transparent manner. These include:

- 1. Modern-slavery policy. This policy sets out the organisation's stance on modern slavery and explains how employees can identify any instances of this and where they can go for help.
- 2. Equality, Diversity & Inclusion policy. We operate a robust recruitment process, including conducting eligibility to work in the checks for all employees to safeguard against human trafficking or individuals being forced to work against their will.
- 3. Whistleblowing policy. We operate a whistleblowing policy so that all colleagues know that they can raise concerns about how colleagues are being treated, or practices within our business or supply chain, without fear of reprisals.

Our suppliers

Angling Direct plc maintains a preferred supplier list. We conduct due diligence on all suppliers before allowing them to become a preferred supplier. This due diligence includes an online search to ensure that particular organisation has never been convicted of offenses relating to modern slavery and on site audits which include a review of working conditions. Our modern slavery policy forms part of our contract with all suppliers and they are required to confirm that no part of their business operations contradicts this policy.

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In addition to the above, as part of our contract with suppliers, we require that they confirm to us that:

- 1. They have taken steps to eradicate modern slavery within their business.
- 2. They hold their own suppliers to account over modern slavery.
- 3. For UK based suppliers. They pay their employees the national minimum/Living wage as appropriate.
- 4. For international suppliers. They pay their employees any prevailing minimum wage applicable within their country of operations.
- 5. We may terminate the contract at any time should any instances of modern slavery come to light.

This statement was approved by the Board of Directors on 5th July 2022

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