

**PETITION FOR CHAPTER CHARTER**  
**WITH**  
**THE IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE OF AMERICA, INC.**  
*Defenders of Soil, Air, Woods, Waters and Wildlife*

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**Submitted to:** The Izaak Walton League of America Executive Board via the National Office.

**From:** ..... Chapter **Date Submitted:** .....  
(Proposed IWLA Chapter's name)

**City:** ..... **State:** .....

**Copy Submitted to:** ..... State Division (If applicable) **Date Submitted:** .....

We, the signers of this petition, desiring to aid in the preservation and the restoration of the outdoors, hereby petition for a charter for a local Chapter of The Izaak Walton League of America with all the rights, privileges and authority appertaining thereto.

We subscribe to the following objectives of The Izaak Walton League of America:

To develop opportunities for the enjoyment of the great outdoors as an essential part of the character building and the spiritual and physical development of our people; to encourage the protection and restoration of the land as the basis for a clean and decent out-of-doors and green forests, clean waters, an abundant wildlife; to safeguard the public health and aquatic life by the elimination of pollution; to conserve our water resources, to discourage unwise drainage and water developments which ignore or destroy existing public aquatic values, and to further the League's efforts to foster the wise use of all natural resources.

We understand that The Izaak Walton League of America has no political or religious affiliations and is not organized for profit or gain.

We will be guided and governed by the Policies, Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws of The Izaak Walton League of America, and will cooperate with it and all units established thereunder.

We will carry forward the ideals of The Izaak Walton League of America, and will undertake a constructive, public-welfare program of conservation activities. We will keep the national office of The Izaak Walton League of America ("the National Office") advised of our plans and progress.

We have established our annual, individual chapter membership dues to be \$ ..... for individual; \$..... for family; \$..... for student; and \$..... for youth (Amount does not include annual The Izaak Walton League of America national dues and state Division dues, if applicable).

We have submitted at least ten (10) new chapter members and our proposed chapter's articles of incorporation and bylaws.

We agree to act as a temporary committee of charter members and have selected the following temporary officers:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Signature of Temporary Chapter President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Signature of Temporary Chapter Treasurer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Signature of Temporary Chapter Vice-President

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name and Signature of Temporary Chapter Secretary  
**NOTE: Secretary and treasurer may be combined.**

Name of Temporary Chapter Membership Dues Recipient (Membership Officer): .....

Name of Chapter Founder (Who will receive a founder's pin and certificate): .....

Name of Other Chapter to be Credited with Sponsorship/Organization (If applicable): .....

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## PROPOSED CHAPTER CONSERVATION PROGRAMS

On behalf of the ..... Chapter, below we give information concerning the natural resources conservation needs of this community and our plans to provide solution for them. These programs shall be recorded in the National Office as our immediate objectives, and we will submit it to our Chapter for adoption and such enlargement as may be deemed wise at our first regular meeting.

We desire the privilege of supplementing this program from time to time, and will keep the National Office advised of our plans and the progress we make. It is understood that the National Office, League officers and other volunteer leaders will give us advice and assistance on our conservation problems.

Our local needs, and what we propose doing to meet them, are briefly summarized as follows:

### **OUR CONSERVATION PROGRAMS — OUR FORMULA FOR A SUCCESSFUL CHAPTER — INCLUDE:**

*Briefly outline below your chapter's proposed conservation programs under the proper headings.  
For example: WATERS – Establish stream monitoring teams and organize streamside clean-up events.*

The Chapter's main purpose is:

1. SOIL –
2. AIR –
3. WOODS –
4. WATERS –
5. WILDLIFE –
6. COMMUNITY –
7. YOUTH –
8. OTHER CONSERVATION ISSUES (Specify) –

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Temporary Chapter Secretary

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**NOTE:** Be sure to outline your proposed programs when applying for a chapter charter. Plan programs to fit your conservation needs, then build your Izaak Walton League Chapter and your membership to accomplish these goals.

Working chapters are always growing, thriving organizations. No chapter can survive without one or more definite conservation programs.

You may submit on separate sheet (or attach maps, photos or sketches) such additional information as may be necessary to give the National Office a proper understanding of your local conditions and how you propose to correct them.

If you need assistance, contact the National Office (IWLA Chapter Relations) toll-free at: (800) IKE-LINE, extension 216, or: [chapters@iwla.org](mailto:chapters@iwla.org)



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