

**Photographic Competition to mark  
the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of The Book of the Aze**

**RULES & GUIDELINES**

- 1 The theme of the competition is 'The spirit of the Aze' (with 'The Aze' being defined as I below). It is being organised to mark the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the publication in 1876 of the 4<sup>th</sup> edition of George Palmer's 'The Book of the Aze'. Copies of this historic book can be found in local libraries.
- 2 The main competition is for portfolios of new photographs taken and submitted by a single photographer. Photographers may submit more than one portfolio if they wish, and they may also submit individual photographs. All photographs must be taken and submitted in accordance with the RULES & GUIDELINES set out here.
- 3 The geographical scope of 'the Aze' comprises all of the rivers and sections of river named below, and any unnamed smaller permanent watercourses (including ditches and drains) which discharge into them. The rivers and sections of river are:
  - (a) the estuary of the Aze to the south of the A303, plus the unnamed tributary which flows through Farnouth before discharging into the Aze;
  - (b) the section of the Lower Aze between the A303 and Weycroft Bridge (just north of Axminster), plus the short section of the river Yarty to the south of the B3261 (Trafalgar Way) up to and including the point where the two rivers merge;
  - (c) the section of the Lower Aze between Weycroft Bridge and Chard Junction, plus the El Brook, the Blackwater and the Forton Brook;
  - (d) the Upper Aze, from Chard Junction to its source near Chedington (north of Beaminster), plus the several unnamed tributaries which flow into it;
  - (e) the main section of the river Yarty from its source at Maple Hill just Yarcombe to the bridge carrying the B3261 (Trafalgar Way), and the Curry brook (which joins the Yarty just to the north of the Trafalgar Way);
  - (f) the Upper Goly from its source SW of Offwell to its discharge (via the Lower Goly) into the Aze, plus all of its tributaries (including in particular the Offwell Brook and the Urnbome Brook).
- 4 A simple map showing the catchments described above can be found below. Further confirmation of the locations, extents and catchments of all of the above-named stretches of river can be found at [beta.environment.data.gov.uk/catchment/axminster/OperationalCatchment/1131](http://beta.environment.data.gov.uk/catchment/axminster/OperationalCatchment/1131) For the avoidance of doubt the geographical scope of this competition does not include the river Lim or the Branscombe stream, or any of the other unnamed streams which flow into Lyme Bay rather than into the Aze.