

Participants & Eligibility

1. Contestants must enter as a two person team. Any person under the age of 18 must be teamed with a parent or legal guardian
2. Partner substitution will be allowed at the discretion of the tournament committee in the event of illness or emergency. (If both partners drop out prior to the tournament their team will be replaced with an alternate team at the sole discretion of the tournament committee).
3. Entry fees are refundable up to July 15th 2017. A \$50.00 cancellation fee will be charged. Cancellations after July 15th. 2017 are non-refundable
4. This is a Live Release tournament. The use of an aerated live well is mandatory. An acceptable substitute for an originally installed boat manufactured livewell . The well can be a portable or built in container of at least 45 quarts(11.25 gallons or 51 litres) Regardless of construction of the live well must be fitted with both a water exchange pump and separate aeration pump system. We recommend you transport fish in a rear live well to prevent physical damage to the fish.
5. All Alberta sport fishing Regulations must be adhered to. All provincial and federal acts and regulations must be observed unless more stringent rules are specified by the tournament committee. Entrants must possess the applicable fishing license.
6. Only those fish caught on a barbless hook and line in a legal normal and usual manner will be accepted for weigh in. Fishing with bait (as specified in the Alberta sport fishing regulations) and artificial lures is permissible. **Fizzing is not allowed and any fish brought in with fizz marks on it, whether you or someone else fizzed the fish. That fish will be disqualified from your daily limit but will count towards your daily catch limit and cannot be replaced. IT IS MANDATORY TO FISH USING BARBLESS HOOKS. FISHING IS PROHIBITED IN WATER OVER 18 FEET DEEP. FISHING IS PROHIBITED WITHIN 1 MILE OF THE WEIGH STATION AT THE 2ND. MARINA. BREAKING THE RULES WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION FROM THE TOURNAMENT.**
7. Live fish only will be weighed in. All fish will be called in the live well. Any fish that cannot sound or are called dead by the tournament officials will be disqualified from your daily weight but will count towards your daily catch limit and cannot be replaced. Fish that are belly up or on their side will be placed in a swim tank and given 60 seconds to maintain an upright position, in the tank, showing regular gill movement and ability to sound to the bottom of the tank. Fish that do not meet these standards will be declared dead
8. No substitutions will be allowed after weigh in. Exceeding the maximum team possession limit will result in disqualification for that day
9. A maximum of four (4) Walleye per team, per day will be eligible for weigh-in. Each team is only allowed two walleye in their boat at one time. This will create two weigh-ins during each day. Only two walleye can be weighed in a one time. Only Walleye 50 cm. with a pinched tail or longer are eligible for weigh in. **If you bring in a short fish it will be disqualified and you will be assessed a 2 lb. penalty that will come off of your total weight**
10. Greatest weight will determine the winner. Ties will be broken by time.
11. All weights & clips must be off of all the fish & taken out of the live well prior to inspection at the weigh in or those fish found with weights on will be disqualified. All fish brought in to the weigh-in must be weighed in. All lids must be closed when coming in.
12. Each team will receive a copy of their weigh in ticket. The ticket will be initialed by one team member. If a team requests a second weigh in, they will receive their second weigh in weight(even if the weight is less)
13. All teams will conduct themselves in a sportsmanlike, courteous, safe and ethical manner. Failure to do so will result in a teams disqualification at the discretion of the tournament officials. No verbal abuse will be tolerated.

- 14. In the event of bad weather or if the wind speed is above 30 K.P.H. the tournament is cancelled one day then Monday Sept. 4th. 2017 will be the alternate fishing day.**
We will pick 10 teams at the rules meeting, then the captains will meet every morning to discuss the wind speed and to determine if the weather is fit to hold the tournament that day. We will use the weather network from Grouard as the official site for determining wind and the forecasted wind for each day
15. Overall cash will be awarded on the basis of the total combined weight at the conclusion of the tournament for the event. Overall weight will be decided by the last days weight and will be declared a winner. All ties will be decided by the earliest weigh in.
16. Pre-fishing ends Friday Sept. 1st 2017 at 4:00p.m. No pre fishing will be allowed after this time.
17. Disqualification from the tournament for any reason will result in forfeiture of all entry fees
18. No boats may come in contact with shore or any other boat during tournament hours. If you see a boat in distress you may aid in their assistance. Report the distress immediately. You will not be disqualified, regardless of time. The distress boat will be disqualified if coming in late
19. Only one entry form per team is allowed. More than one entry will result in disqualification of all entries for those individuals.
20. Mandatory: All boats must be inspected at launch time each day. If you launch any place other than the weigh-in marina, you must have your boat inspected at the weigh-in dock before going fishing .Teams must check in at the outer marker boat when finished fishing each day. All teams must check in at the end of the day. Key tags must be handed in after completion Day 1 & Day 2
21. Only those waters west of a line from Big Point to a line running south to Driftpile Point and to the entrance to Grouard Channel are eligible for fishing. Refer to the map in your registration kits. All boats outside of the tournament boundaries will be disqualified. G.P.S. co-ordinates are
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| Big Point N 55" 28.703 | Driftpile Point N 55" 23.000 |
| W 115" 34.228 | W 115" 37.910 |
21. Tournament official boats will be on the lake during the tournament. Tournament officials may board a contestant boat at any time.
22. Overall cash will be awarded on the basis of the total combined weight at the conclusion of the tournament. 23. The Friday 7:30 p.m. rules meeting is mandatory for at least one team member to attend. Rules and details of the tournament will be explained and questions answered at this time. Exceptions can be made at the discretion of the tournament officials.
24. While waiting in line for weigh-in. You must stay on lake side of marker buoys
25. Maximum of 100 Boats only
26. Life Jackets must be worn whenever you are travelling over 10 K.P.H.
27. The field will be divided into 2 flights.
- The 1st. Flight leaving at 7:00 and returning at 4:00
The 2nd. Flight leaving at 8:00 and returning at 5:00
- Contestants who leave earlier than their assigned starting time or return later after their assigned time will be disqualified for the day.
28. All protests by contestants must be lodged to tournament director within 30 minutes of completion of daily weigh in A \$100.00 cash fee and protest in writing are required. A special committee meeting will determine any course of action or disqualification. If the protest is not found valid the protest fee will not be returned. The decision of the protest committee is final.
29. The tournament committee has the right to refuse any entry into the golden
30. Presentations will be Sunday Sept 3rd 2017 at app. 7:30 at the stage

IMPORTANT CHANGES FOR 2017

- 1. WIND SPEED HAS BEEN REDUCED TO 30KPH FOR CANCELLATION**
- 2. WE WILL PICK 10 TEAMS AT THE RULES MEETING TO MEET EACH MORNING TO DISCUSS THE WIND SPEED AND DETERMINE IF IT IS TOO WINDY TO CONTINUE WITH THE TOURNAMENT FOR THAT DAY**
- 3. WE WILL BE USING “THE WEATHER NETWORK” FROM GROUARD AS THE OFFICIAL SITE FOR DETERMINING WIND SPEED AND THE FORECASTED WIND SPEED FOR EACH DAY**

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