

OFFICIAL RULES FOR THE MOOSE LAKE WALLEYE TOURNAMENT JUNE 22&23, 2018 (ENTRY DEADLINE JUNE 21, 2018)

1. WARNING

This is a catch and release tournament, anyone caught breaking the rules of this tournament will be disqualified from this and/or all future tournaments and/or will be charged with fraud under the criminal code of Canada. Abuse of tournament officials, volunteers or other competitors will not be tolerated and disqualification will result.

2. ELIGIBILITY

All persons 18 years or older are eligible to enter. Anglers 18 years and under must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

3. WAIVER

Promoters and organization assisting in tournament operations, their agencies and agents are not responsible for death, injury, damage, liability, theft, fire or any loss to any entrants. This includes heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin. Signed entry form is acknowledgement of this waiver.

4. REQUIREMENTS

A.) Each contestant will be in possession of a valid Alberta fishing licence.

B.) EACH CONTESTANT WILL BE REQUIRED TO HAVE A U.S COAST GUARD OR CANADIAN APPROVED PERSONAL FLOTATION DEVICE AND WILL WEAR THIS P.F.D WHEN BOAT SPEED IS GREATER THAN 10 KM PER HOUR. NON COMPLIANCE WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION FOR THAT DAY.

C.) All contestants are required to observe Canadian rules and regulations concerning safe boating.

D.) All boats will require to meet U.S Coastguard or Canadian Safety Regulations.

E.) Live wells must be in use at all times. These live wells must be aerated to retain live fish.

F.) The use of electric trolling motors, electronic and electrical depth finders, thermometers, GPS systems, O₂ meters are allowed. Cell phones or underwater viewing devices are allowed during tournament.

5. TOURNAMENT BOUNDARIES

Boundaries are the lake; there is no fishing in any of the tributaries.

6. REQUIRED ACTIVITIES

A.) At least one member of each fishing team must attend the pre-tournament rules reading to be held at the registration tent on

Thursday, June 21, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m

B.) All contestants are required to cooperate with the members of the press for interviews or photographs.

7. PROTESTS

A.) Any contestant has the right to make a protest against another contestant. A protest form will be available from the tournament rules committee and must be filled out and presented to the rules committee within one hour of the close of the fishing day.

B.) A \$150.00 protest fee will be required if the protest is found to be valid by the rules committee.

C.) Any contestant involved in a protest must be available for three hours following the end of the fishing day.

8. PRIZES

A.) All prizes will be based on most weight during the two day of this tournament.

B.) Prizes will be awarded on a team basis.

C.) In case of a tie, the teams with the earliest weigh in for day 2 will be declared the winner. If the teams are tied from different flights the one hour difference comes into play.

9. WEIGH IN

A.) The scale will be open throughout the fishing day.

B.) Each team will be responsible for their own catch. Under no circumstances may anyone other than the contestant handle or touch the catch until presented for weigh in.

C.) A team member will accompany the catch to the scale. Each team will receive a copy of their scale ticket. The scale tickets are to be initialized by a team member.

D.) Fish will be inspected in live wells on the boats. All live well lids will remain closed from marker buoys into dock master.

E.) All weights and clips must be removed prior to reaching marker buoys and weigh in.

F.) If a weight is found on fish by fish master, it will be removed and the live well lid will be closed for 1 min and then the fish will be called. No working fish at weigh in.

G.) A re-weigh may be requested, but second weight will become official weight.

H.) Boats will be weighed in the order they arrive at weigh in boat.

I.) NO FIZZING OF FISH

J.) ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST HANDLE FISH USING COTTON GLOVES OR THEIR EQUIVALENT AT WEIGH-IN.

10. FISHING HOURS

A.) Friday, JUNE 22, 2018

Flight 1-Fishing day begins @ 7:00 AM- Ends @ 3:00 PM

Flight 2-Fishing day begins @ 8:00 AM- Ends @ 4:00 PM

B.) SATURDAY, JUNE 23, 2018

Flight 2-Fishing day begins @ 7:00 AM- Ends @ 3:00 PM

Flight 1-Fishing day begins @ 8:00 AM- Ends @ 4:00 PM

C.) Contestants who return late will be penalized a zero weights for remaining unweighed fish.

D.) Shot Gun Start

11. BOAT SECURITY, MISC.

A.) All boats will be identified with a color/numbered decal. Team numbers will be assigned when applicants are notified of their acceptance.

B.) If an emergency exists, patrol boat personnel will be clearly marked.

C.) Boats may be inspected before and during the tournament.

Tournament officials will be checking boats at launch area and patrol boats will be on the water during tournament.

12. FISHING

A.) Only walleye caught on a hook and line in normal manner will be accepted.

B.) Each fisherman will be allowed to have only 1 line in the water at a time. Spare rods and equipment may be carried in the boat.

C.) Live baits and artificial baits and lures are allowed, electric luring devices are prohibited. No live minnows allowed.

D.) Only fish that are 51cm or more in length (pinched tail) are allowed to be weighed.

E.) Each team may weigh 4 fish per day.

F.) A contestant must not leave the boat to land a fish or untangle equipment or for any other reason during fishing day.

G.) NO MORE THAN 2 FISH MAY BE IN LIVE WELLS AT ONCE.

IF YOU BRING IN FISH TO BE WEIGHED ALL FISH IN LIVE WELLS MUST BE WEIGHED.

H.) Participants will conduct themselves as true sportsmen when fishing near another boat. No boat may touch another.

I.) Any team not abiding by the Alberta fishing regulations will be disqualified. J.) Any team found putting dead fish back in the water will be disqualified.

K.) No team member will be allowed to fish after 4:00 PM.

On Thursday, June 21, 2018.

L.) Any fish brought in under 51cm will be disqualified. The team will not be able to fish to replace a disqualified fish.

M.) Fish called as unreleasable will be given zero weight and count as 1 fish weighed. If one fish is unreleasable you must bring in one fish at a time to weigh. Two unreleasable fish will result in disqualification for the day.

N.) INCLEMENT WEATHER: SHOULD INCLEMENT WEATHER OCCUR (WINDS IN EXCESS OF 35 KPH, FOG, THUNDER AND LIGHTNING) THE THE START OR CONTINUATION OF THE TOURNAMENT WILL BE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE TOURNAMENT CHAIRMAN, IF THE TOURNAMENT IS SUSPENDED ON ANY DAY ALL BOATS WILL RECEIVE 0 WEIGHT FOR THAT DAY. IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT ALL BOATS HAVE MARINE UHF RADIOS FOR 2012 CFE'S. IF NO FISHING OCCURS ON JUNE 24 OR 25 2016 PRIZES WILL BE GIVEN AWAY BY LOTTERY BY 5:30 P.M., Saturday, JUNE 23, 2018

O.) Barbless hooks only

13. OTHER PRIZES

A.) Contingency prizes may be made available by contributors, supporters and other parties.

B.) Only live releasable fish will qualify for any Big Fish Award.

14. MISCELLANEOUS

A.) If one of the team members drops out before the tournament, he/she may be replaced by the choice of the remaining team members. The tournament committee must be notified of the change before the tournament.

B.) If an entire team drops out, the place will be filled by the tournament committee and not by the choice of them that drops out. The entry

fee will only be returned if that place can be filled by another team.

C.) Each team will consist of one captain and one partner only.

D.) Prizes will be awarded after 6:00 p.m. Saturday, June 23, 2018.

15. SPIRIT OF THE RULE

All rules have loopholes. It is the intention of the organizers to provide an honest sportsmanlike tournament. In the interest of good sportmanship, contestants are reminded that the spirit of the rule will prevail in all judgment cases.

PRE FISHING ENDS - 4:00PM JUNE 21, 2018
REGISTRATION THURSDAY
5:00 - 7:00 PM
RULES MEETING: THURSDAY @ 7:00PM
STEAK SUPPER: FRIDAY JUNE 22, 2018 6:00PM
BONNYVILLE RODEO GROUNDS

