



## Tournament Rules

**This tournament will be fished along Florida's Nature Coast** (Taylor, Dixie, Levy, and Citrus counties). Target species are **trout and redfish**, with **photo submission** for judgment. *Catch-and-release is preferred.*

The tournament will be held **Saturday, November 18**, with submissions **due by 2 pm** and a mandatory **weigh-in at 4 pm** at **Captain's Cove Outfitters** in Inglis. There will be no formal captain's meet prior to the tournament; instead, materials will be distributed upon registration.

Anglers must register by Sunday, November 12, or pay a **late registration penalty**.

### **Region:**

- Nature Coast (Taylor, Dixie, Levy, and Citrus counties).

### **Divisions:**

- Boat
- No-Motor
  - Kayak, paddleboard, and wading (no trolling motors)

### **Teams:**

- 2 anglers per team
- More than one team is allowed per boat
- No-motor teams must stay within casting distance at all times
- Prizes are awarded per team. Teams may not place multiple times within the main division of the tournament

### **Competition:**

- The main tournament competition is determined by points based on the aggregate length of a team's catch. The largest fish of both target species are counted. *Please review the point system below.*
  - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place
- No-Motor
  - 1<sup>st</sup> place only

- Most points from a no-motor division team
- Anglers can place in both this and the main competition
- Other prizes:
  - Smallest redfish
  - Redfish with most spots
  - Biggest fish (seatrout or red) on an artificial

#### **Calcutta:**

- For an additional wager of \$20, teams will be entered into this side tournament
- The largest slot redfish will win a cash prize of 80% of the Calcutta entry fee pool
- Only those who enter the Calcutta are eligible for this prize
- If fewer than 10 teams sign up, Calcutta participants will be refunded their entry fee

#### **Point system:**

- Photo submissions to allow for catch and release
- 1 point per inch (fish outside the slot included)
  - If the fish is longer than the measuring device, the max length on the measuring device is used (*i.e. If a 35in. fish is measured on the 33in. tournament ruler, then it is counted as 33in.*)
- Single biggest of both target species are counted (*i.e. if a team submits a 20in. redfish and a 25in. trout, they will receive a total of 45 points*)

#### **Photo Submission:**

- Submit photos to [UFSaltyGators@gmail.com](mailto:UFSaltyGators@gmail.com)
- Photo submissions must feature:
  - the standard measuring device supplied by Salty Gators in tournament packet
  - an “unknown item” which will be announced via email the night before
  - the entire fish with the head positioned exactly on the 0 mark and tail pinched
- For the “Most Spots on a Redfish” category, two photos must be submitted (*one showing each side of the fish*). The length of the fish in each photo must match perfectly
- All photo submissions must be received by 2:00 pm
- Failed attempts to send due to lack of phone service will not be counted if received late

#### **Rules:**

- Lines in at 7:00 am
- Natural and artificial baits are both permitted
- All fish submitted must be caught on hook and line (including smallest redfish)
- Teams must check in to the weigh in at **Captain’s Cove Outfitters** in Inglis between 4:00 and 4:30 pm (*all members must be present*)
- Failure to check in by 4:31 pm will result in automatic disqualification
- Tie breakers for all categories will be based on check in time (*first team to check in wins*).

#### **Tournament Awards and Prizes:**

### Main Competition (Most points, aggregate bag)

- **1<sup>st</sup> Place:** \$1,000 value
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Place plaque
  - \$300 cash
  - Engle cooler
  - Costa sunglasses
  - Nice Shimano Rod and Reel combo
- **2<sup>nd</sup> Place:** \$600 value
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place plaque
  - \$150 cash
  - 2 nice Shimano rods
  - 2 Engle tumblers
  - Engle 30 Qt. Cooler
  - Sponsor apparel pack
- **3<sup>rd</sup> Place:** \$400 value
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place plaque
  - \$100 cash
  - 2 Shimano rods
  - 2 Engle Tumblers
  - Sponsor apparel pack

### No-Motor Division

- **1<sup>st</sup> Place:** \$250 value
  - Plaque
  - \$100 cash
  - AFTCO weatherproof jacket

### Special Categories (*Smallest Redfish, Most Spots on a Redfish, Biggest Fish on an Artificial*)

- \$100 value prize pack for each
  - Engle tumbler
  - Sponsor apparel pack

### Calcutta

- Winner receives the cash pool of entry fees in an 80:20 split with charity.

*\*All prize values are based on a 30-team tournament. Specifics are subject to change without notice.*

**Non-Anglers** are invited to attend the **weigh-in party** as well. There will be free food and drink provided, beer, liquor samples from our sponsor, and a raffle for upwards of \$2,000 worth of prizes.

These include:

- Full-day fishing charter
- Costa sunglasses
- Shimano reel
- 2 Tumblers and a bottle of Rum packs  
and much more.

**Registration:**

Anglers can register via this link: <https://goo.gl/forms/DisQJVkAeYirqlDi1>

The registration fee enters anglers into all contests except the Calcutta wager. Anglers will also receive an official tournament measuring device, a Captain's Gear Pack from our sponsors, and a ticket to the weigh-in party raffle.

Anglers **must register by Sunday, November 12**. A late registration fee of \$10 per angler will be assessed for any teams that register after this date.

**Thank you, and Go Gators!**