

TOURNAMENT RULES

REQUIREMENTS

- The tournament is open to all anglers with a valid TEXAS FISHING LICENSE.
- Official tournament hours are from 12:00 a.m. September 22th to 4:00 p.m. September 24th 2017 weigh-in. Tournament will take place rain or shine. No refunds.
- All legal means and methods of fishing are permissible.
- All PUBLIC waters in the State of Texas **SOUTH OF INTERSTATE 10** are open to this tournament. Private canals, reservoirs, etc. NOT OPEN TO PUBLIC are NOT eligible to be fished for this tournament. **ONLY** Youth Division entrants may fish private waters.
- Weigh-in times will be Saturday (September 23) from 1-3 p.m. and Sunday, September 24, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Hallettsville Knights of Columbus Hall. Fish will be weighed individually for pot divisions and for stringer total.

Weigh in Site: Hallettsville KC Hall Pavilion
321 US Hwy 77 South
Hallettsville, TX 77964

- All anglers must be **IN LINE by 4 p.m.** to be considered present. NO EXCEPTIONS.
- A fish weighed in on Saturday can be replaced with a bigger fish on Sunday.

CATFISH STRINGER DIVISION

- 1-4 people per team, no age requirement.
- An individual can only serve on one team and only one boat can be used per team.
- Only team members may be present on the boat with the exception of a youth entrant.
- Heaviest stringer of up to **3** catfish, any combination of Yellowcat, Blue, and Channel.
- All catfish entered must be ALIVE at weigh in time. If fish is deemed deceased by the weigh-in warden, a 10% penalty will be deducted from weight of the deceased fish.
- All legal means and methods of fishing are allowed but lines cannot be in the water before the official tournament start time (12 a.m. September 22nd).
- Cash prize amounts will be a percentage of total income, determined by the number of teams entered. Cash prizes for 1st (30%), 2nd (20%), & 3rd (10%), 4th and 5th places will receive non-cash prizes.

YOUTH DIVISION

- Free to enter
- Entrant must be 12 years of age or younger as of September 24, 2017
- Combined weight of up to 3 catfish, any combination
- Prizes given to the top 3 entrants with the heaviest stringer
- Fish are to be caught with pole and line only and youth entrant cannot be a member of a team. Youth entrant can be present on a team boat but only enter fish caught with their pole and line.
- Catfish can be caught in any public or private body of water
- Entered catfish can be either dead or alive

POTS

- Fish entered into catfish stringer division are allowed to win pots.
- Prize will be 50% of pot total
- Yellowcat Pot: Heaviest Yellowcat wins
- Bluecat Pot: Heaviest Bluecat wins
- Blackjack Cat Pot: any catfish that weighs the closest to 21.00 lbs. without going over wins.

TIES

- In case of a tie in any division or pot, the winner will be decided by first to weigh in.

RULES and WEIGH-IN

1. **NO** Professional anglers or guides will be allowed to participate or be present on the boat during the tournament.
2. All entrants must comply with fishing and boating rules set by the TPWD.
3. All fish that are to be transported for the weigh in must be transported in water that is not taken from any public body of water. Please use well water when transporting fish.
4. All fish entered at weigh in must be caught during official tournament hours.
5. All fish entered at weigh-in will be inspected for determination of entry eligibility. There will be a 10% weight reduction for any deceased fish at weigh-in.
6. All fish entered by the team must be caught by the team and be in the team's physical possession at weigh-in. No one can enter a fish for another team. Only a team member can weigh in fish for their team. Not all team members need to be present for weigh in.
7. Any and all winners could be subject to polygraph testing at the Tournament Committee's request.
8. Any entrant or team found to be in violation of tournament rules and regulations will be subject to disqualification from this tournament and banned from any future tournaments.
9. All decisions made by the tournament committee are final. Weights measured by weigh in warden are final and not to be contested.

REGISTRATION

1. Entry is \$200 per 4 person team for catfish stringer division
2. Each pot entered is \$50. Team must be entered into Catfish Stringer Division to enter pots.
3. Youth division is free. Age 12 and under.
4. **Enter by August 1st and receive a \$20 discount! (Postmarked date of entry form will be the official entry date)**
5. Entries submitted after September 8, 2017 may not have shirts present at the time of weigh in. Shirts will be mailed to team captain, in this case.
6. No entries will be accepted after September 20, 2017, **NO EXCEPTIONS!**

Mail Entries to:

Knights of Columbus Hall
P.O. Box 46
Hallettsville, TX 77964

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