# **TOURNAMENT RULES**

### **REQUIREMENTS**

- The tournament is open to all anglers with a valid TEXAS FISHING LICENSE.
- Official tournament hours are from 6:00 a.m. September 14<sup>th</sup> to 4:00 p.m. September 16<sup>th</sup> 2018. 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.
- Weigh-in times will be Saturday (September 15th) from 1-3 p.m. and Sunday, September 16th, 1 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**

- 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.
- Any adults on the team boat must be listed as a team member. Children (12 and under) on boat do not need to be listed as a team member.
- Heaviest stringer of up to <u>3</u> 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 (6 a.m. September 14th).
- Cash prize amounts will be a percentage of total income, determined by the number of teams entered. Cash prizes for 1<sup>st</sup> (30%), 2<sup>nd</sup> (20%), & 3<sup>rd</sup> (10%), 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> places will receive non-cash prizes.

# **POTS**

- Fish entered into catfish stringer are allowed to win pots.
- Prize will be 50% of pot total
- Yellowcat Pot: Heaviest Yellowcat wins (10% penalty for a dead fish will apply)
- Bluecat Pot: Heaviest Bluecat wins (10% penalty for a dead fish will apply)
- Alligator Gar Pot: Heaviest Alligator Gar wins (fish can be dead or alive without penalty).
- Blackjack Cat Pot: any catfish that weighs the closest to 21.00 lbs. without going over, wins. (any dead fish weighed in for this pot weighing 21.00 lbs or less will receive the 10% penalty)

# **TIES**

• In case of a tie in any division or pot, the winner will be decided by the time and date of tournament registration. The team that entered the tournament first will win the tie.

#### **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. (see Alligator Gar & Blackjack Pots for exceptions)
- 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 OR receive a citation from TPWD during this tournament will be subject to disqualification from this tournament and possibly 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.
- 10. Fish may be donated if the team chooses to do so.

#### **REGISTRATION**

- 1. Entry is \$200 per 4 person team for catfish stringer.
- 2. Catfish pots are \$50. Alligator Gar Pot is \$25. Team must be entered into Catfish Stringer to enter pots.
- 3. Enter by August 1<sup>st</sup> and receive a \$20 discount!
- 4. Up to 4 shirts will be given to each team. Shirts will be mailed to team captain after tournament. Additional shirts can be ordered by the end of the tournament, upon special request and will cost \$15 each.
- 5. No entries will be accepted after 5 pm, September 13, 2018, NO EXCEPTIONS!

Turn entry forms into the KC Hall office or Mail Entries to: Knights of Columbus Hall P.O. Box 46 Hallettsville, TX 77964

Follow KC Big Cat Roundup on Facebook or at www.kchall.com for tournament updates.

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