

TOURNAMENT RULES

1. **Fishing Hours:** Sunrise (no check-out) to lines out of the water at 4 pm.
2. **Size:** Fish must be in the legal slot (14" to 23"). Only one fish may be entered per angler.
3. **Scoring:** Officials will process fish from 12 to 5 pm. Fish may be brought by water or land to SKIO. One point will be given for each separate spot on each side of the fish. Multiple spots that touch in any way will be counted as one spot.
4. **Extra Points:** Two extra spots will be awarded for fish alive in condition to be released.
5. **Gear:** Rod and reel only. Circle hooks are encouraged.
6. **Prizes:** Top three fish in men's, women's, and junior's categories (age 14 and younger).
7. Each vessel must have an operational VHF radio capable of transmitting and receiving on channel 68.
8. Protests are to be made to the Rules Committee Chairman in writing, with the signatures of two witnesses by 5 pm.
9. Captains and crews are responsible for following all state and federal boating and fishing regulations. Violations of these rules are grounds for disqualification. Understanding the rules is the responsibility of each Captain and crew. Any amendments to the rules and rule clarifications will be announced at the Captains' Meeting. All Captains are strongly advised to attend or insure the attendance of a representative.
10. There will be no refund of entry fees unless the tournament is cancelled due to a named tropical storm or hurricane warnings; any refund amount is subject to deductions for operating expenses. If postponed, fishing will occur on Sunday, October 9. The alternate fishing day will be October 28.
11. In case of a tie, the place will go to the earliest fish counted.
12. Any winner in excess of \$600.00 (in accordance with the internal revenue service) will have IRS Form #1099 mailed directly to you.