

2012 ABC Fishing Tournament

Rules & Regulations

1. Entry Fee is \$350 (Members) or \$400 (Non-Members) for **OFFSHORE** Division, which includes one boat and a maximum of six (6) anglers. The entry fee for the **INSHORE** Division is \$200 (Members) or \$225 (Non-Members), which includes one boat and a maximum of three (3) anglers. The entry fee for the **COMBO** Division (Inshore and/or Offshore) is \$450 (Members) or \$500 (Non-Members), which includes one boat and a maximum of six (6) anglers.

OFFSHORE and **COMBO** entrants will receive 4 tournament T-shirts and the **INSHORE** entrants will receive 2 tournament T-shirts.

Additional T-shirts may be purchased at the event. No entries will be accepted after The Captain's Meeting on Wednesday, July 18, 2012.

All Entry Fees are Non-Refundable.

1. This is a boat tournament, six anglers per boat maximum in the **OFFSHORE** Division and three anglers per boat maximum in the **INSHORE** Division. The Captains' Meeting will be held at Hooters, North Monroe St., Wednesday, July 18th at 5:30 p.m. Anglers must be at least 18 years of age to enter as a Team Member. Professional fishing guides and commercial fishermen who earn at least 25% of their income during the 12 months preceding the tournament by guiding, catching or selling marine fish are restricted from entering this tournament. Teams may charter a commercial boat as long as the captain and / or deck hand do not participate in the tournament.

3. The rules of this tournament may be amended verbally or in writing at the time of the Captain's meeting. Anglers are responsible for knowing all the rules.

4. Only fish weighed in the presence of a registered Team Member from the boat that caught the fish will be considered officially entered in the tournament. The **OFFSHORE** Division is limited to the largest, by weight, Grouper (Gag & Red) and largest King Mackerel for species of fish eligible for prizes. The **INSHORE** Division is limited to the largest, by weight, Speckled Trout, largest Red Fish and largest Spanish Mackerel eligible for prizes. All fish presented for weigh-in must be fresh, in edible condition and must be caught on tournament day. Acceptability of fish will be determined by the Tournament Judge. All fish must adhere to size and bag limits of the State of Florida. Anglers are urged to release those fish not to be entered. Releases should be in keeping with the best conservation methods.

5. All entries must be weighed at the Moorings, Carrabelle. Any fish may be cut open. **Any fish to be considered for weigh in must be in line and signed-in no later than 6:00 PM EST.** The earliest that fish may be weighed in is 3:00 PM EST. No fish will be weighed before 3:00 PM EST for any reason.

6. Rule violations, the eligibility of entrants or entered fish, disqualifications, and any other matters not specifically covered by these rules will be decided by the Tournament Judge in consultation with the Tournament Chairman. The Tournament Judge may disqualify any person who commits any violation of tournament rules. Decisions of the Tournament Judge are final and binding on all entrants.

7. **No boat may leave the dock before 6:00 AM EST. Boats can leave from any Port of Departure. You must declare which inlet you will be leaving from on the entry form.**

8. Anglers must hook and fight their own fish on a single rod and reel. Anglers are allowed to keep their fish. Entrants are responsible for removing their own fish, following the final award ceremony. Any fish remaining in cold storage after the close of the final awards ceremony shall become the property of the tournament. International Game Fish Association rules will prevail. All fish must be caught on rod and reel. Electric reels are allowed. Deck mounted winch devices ("one-armed bandits") are prohibited. Live bait is permitted. Any protests concerning conduct or rules violations must be filed in writing with the Tournament Judge the day of the tournament no later than 6:30 p.m.

9. Tournament winners will be awarded their prizes during the ceremonies held approximately one hour after final weigh-in at center stage.

10. In the event of a tie in weight, the winner shall be determined by the earliest weigh-in time.

11. No refunds will be given. The Tournament Officials have the right, but not the obligation, to reschedule the date of the tournament for weather or sea-related reasons. However, whatever tournament date the Tournament Officials choose, the Tournament will be held on that date, regardless of weather conditions. All boats, anglers, and tournament participants are responsible for their own well-being and each participant is solely responsible for his/her own determination of safe sea/weather conditions.

12. All participating anglers must possess a valid Florida Saltwater Fishing License unless fishing with a commercial charter boat and applicable permits.

13. Prizes are as follows:

OFFSHORE	Largest Grouper (Gag or Red)	First Place	\$1,500
		Second Place	\$750
		Third Place	\$500
	Largest King Fish	First Place	\$600
INSHORE	Largest Speckled Trout	First Place	\$500
	Largest Red Fish	First Place	\$500
	Largest Spanish Mackerel	First Place	\$500

14. **Prizes are based on having a minimum of 20 OFFSHORE boats entered in the Tournament, and a minimum of 10 INSHORE boats entered in the Tournament.** In the event there are fewer boats entered than these minimums, the prize money will be prorated based on the ratio of boats actually entered compared to the minimum number of boats required. For example, if there are 15 OFFSHORE boats entered, then the OFFSHORE prizes would be 75% of the prize values listed ($15 / 20 = .75$) and if there were only 5 INSHORE boats entered, then the INSHORE prizes would be 50% of the prize values listed ($5 / 10 = .50$). The OFFSHORE and INSHORE prizes are treated separately – for example, if there are 20 OFFSHORE boats entered in the Tournament and only 5 INSHORE boats entered in the Tournament, only the INSHORE prize values would be prorated.

15. Each angler that receives a prize over \$600 will receive an IRS Form 1099. Prize money will be cash and if distributed among team Members, a W-9 will not be required.

16. All entrants participate in the tournament at their own risk.

17. Tournament Officials, ABC Members, The Moorings, Tournament Committee Members and all other persons directly or indirectly connected with the operation of the tournament are exempt from any liability for loss, damage, injury, negligence, or harm to any entrant, participant, or equipment which may occur during the Tournament.

End of Rules
05/3/2012



North Florida
Chapter



**The Annual
ABC Fishing
Tournament**
Saturday, July 21, 2012
The Moorings, Carrabelle

Whether or not you fish.....

Come Join the Fun!!!

**Sign Up Now
for your chance to win!
over \$5,000 in Prizes!**

OFFSHORE:

Largest Grouper (Gag or Red)

1st Prize: \$1,500

2nd Prize: \$750

3rd Prize: \$500

Largest King Fish-

1st Prize: \$600

INSHORE:

Largest Speckled Trout-

1st Prize: \$500

Largest Red Fish-

1st Prize: \$500

Largest Spanish Mackerel-

1st Prize: \$500

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The 2012 Fishing Tournament

July 18, 2012

ENTRY FORM

Company Name: _____

Boat Name: _____

Name of Team Contact: _____

Contact's Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Contact's Work #: (____) _____

Contact's Home #: (____) _____

Contact's Cell #: (____) _____

Emergency #: (____) _____

Contact's Email: _____

Check One:

Offshore: ☐ **Member** Entry Fee of \$350

Offshore: ☐ **Non-Member** Entry Fee of \$400

Inshore: ☐ **Member** Entry Fee of \$200

Inshore: ☐ **Non-Member** Entry Fee of \$225

Combo: ☐ **Member** Entry Fee of \$450

Combo: ☐ **Non-Member** Entry Fee of \$500

OFFSHORE or COMBO

Team Members (Max. 6 anglers)

T-Shirt Size
(4 per boat)

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| 1. _____ | _____ |
| 2. _____ | _____ |
| 3. _____ | _____ |
| 4. _____ | _____ |
| 5. _____ | _____ |
| 6. _____ | _____ |

Additional Tournament Shirts may be purchased. \$15 ea.

INSHORE

Team Members (Max. 3 anglers)

T-Shirt Size
(2 per boat)

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| 1. _____ | _____ |
| 2. _____ | _____ |
| 3. _____ | _____ |

Note: Must have **ALL** team members' names
by the Captain's Meeting.

Departure Port: _____

Boat Make: _____

Boat Length: _____

Engine Make: _____

Registration #: _____

Method of Payment (Check One)

Credit Card: ☐

Check: ☐ Cash: ☐

Card Type: 4% convenience fee added to
all cc transactions

VISA MASTERCARD AMEX

Card #: _____

Card Holder Name: _____

Exp. Date: _____ Billing Zip Code: _____

Street # of billing address: _____

All entrants participate in the tournament at their own risk. By
submitting this form, you acknowledge that you have read and
accept the rules and regulations of the 2012 ABC Fishing
Tournament.

Signature: _____

Date: _____