



ANCIENT CITY GAME FISH ASSOCIATION (ACGFA) REDFISH BASH TOURNAMENT RULES



Fish brought to the weigh-in alive or dead with no penalty

THE ACGFA AND ITS APPOINTED REPRESENTATIVE MAY REFUSE ANY INDIVIDUAL FROM PARTICIPATION IN THIS TOURNAMENT, AT THEIR DISCRETION. TOURNAMENT PARTICIPANTS AGREE THAT BY ENTERING THIS TOURNAMENT ALL RULE PROTESTS AND MANAGEMENT DECISIONS ARE FINAL AND ARE NOT SUBJECT TO ANY FURTHER INTERPRETATION AND/ OR LITIGATION.

SECTION I – GENERAL TOURNAMENT RULES

1. The ACGFA RED FISH BASH Tournament is a 1 FISH TOURNAMENT. The BIGGEST REDFISH weight will win. Only one place per angler (excluding Lady Angler Division). If fishing from a boat, it must be registered.
2. Early registration is \$40 per adult angler/\$20 per junior angler and can be done by registering online at www.acgfa.com or in person at St. Augustine Marina or a ACGFA Social Event. Early registration ends March 17, 2025. Late registration will be \$50 per adult angler/\$25 per junior angler at St. Augustine Marina (245 Vilano Road). All registered anglers must attend the mandatory captains' meeting at 7:00pm. All tournament rules will be reviewed at the tournament meeting.
3. 1st place advertised prize is guaranteed. All other places are based on 100 paid anglers. Prizes will be awarded to the registered angler, and ONLY after completion of all required tax forms. Prize amounts will be adjusted based on the total number of paid entries.
4. **No mutilated or altered red fish shall be accepted.**
5. All anglers are responsible for following all Florida State fishing rules. Any angler receiving a citation from a law enforcement agency will be disqualified from the tournament. All anglers must have a valid Florida fishing license.
6. Anglers may only fish after safe light. Anglers may fish all inshore waters. Anglers may not fish offshore or east of any jetties. NO FISH FROM THE ST. JOHNS RIVER.
7. No transfer or pooling of fish shall be permitted between anglers. No two boats shall come together.
8. All fish must be caught by rod and reel.
9. Go / No-Go weather decision to fish is left to the angler. Safety should ALWAYS come first.
10. No refund of entry fees unless the tournament committee cancels the tournament. In that case, a pro-rated entry fee will be returned after expenses.
11. **MUST BE PRESENT AT AWARDS TO CLAIM PRIZE. FAILURE TO STAY FOR AWARDS, ANGLER FORFEITS TOURNAMENT AND WINNINGS WILL BE DONATED TO ANCIENT CITY GAME FISH ASSOCIATION.**
12. Inshore TWT rules will be available at the TWT registration table.

SECTION II – JUNIOR ANGLER DIVISION

1. All rules herein apply to this division in addition to:
2. Prizes awarded based on the Junior Division Prize Structure.

SECTION III – LADY ANGLER DIVISION

1. All rules herein apply to this division in addition to:
2. Prizes awarded based on the Lady Angler Division Prize Structure.
3. Lady Angler may also place in the GENERAL TOURNAMENT

SECTION IV – WEIGH-IN

1. Weigh-In will be at St. Augustine Marina. All anglers can come by boat or vehicle. Weigh in times are 3:00- 5:00pm on Saturday. Anglers must be in line before the end of weigh in.
2. The angler who caught the fish must accompany and present his/her fish to the scales, ONLY one angler is permitted at the scales at one time.
3. Anglers will be required to sign their weigh-in slip and certify that they were the angler that caught the fish. All anglers shall have identification present at weigh-in.
4. All fish submitted must be caught on the day of the tournament.
5. All fish must comply with federal, state, and local regulations. Any fish deemed to be spoiled, frozen, mutilated, or showing signs of unsportsmanlike handling may be disqualified by the Tournament Director. Tournament Director decisions are final.
6. In the case of a tie, the angler that weighs his or her fish first wins.

SECTION V – PROTEST:

If a protest is made, it must be submitted no later than 30 minutes after the last fish is weighed. A protest must be submitted in writing and signed by the registered angler making the protest and accompanied with a \$100.00 cash deposit. The decision of the protest will be made prior to any event awards being made. The Tournament Committee decision is final and irrevocable. If the committee favors the protest the deposit will be refunded and the awards will be presented. If the protest is not favored, the event will retain the deposit.

NOTICE: ALL ENTRANTS ARE SUBJECT TO A POLYGRAPH TEST TO RECEIVE A PRIZE. THESE ARE THE TOURNAMENT RULES. ANY LAST-MINUTE ADDITIONS OR CHANGES DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE WILL BE PRESENTED AT THE ANGLER'S MEETING. ANY RULES NOT SO PRESENTED WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED OFFICIAL.