

2010 Florida Flatsfishing Association

#2 The Back Country “Artificial Only” Inshore Tournament Rules

Do not lose this sheet:

These are the rules that all anglers are expected to follow for “The Back Country Artificial Only” Inshore Tournament. Tournament officials reserve the right to make any changes, deletions or additions as necessary.

Species:

Teams fish for one Trout, 20” minimum - one Redfish, 18” to 27”.

Only junior anglers listed on a team can also fish for one Jack Crevalle and one Ladyfish.

Tournament “Places & Payouts”:

ALL PAYOUTS BASED ON A MINIMUM OF 40 REGISTERED 2-ADULT TEAMS.

This is a “single heaviest fish per species per team” for the place payouts.

1st place team - \$750.00. 2nd place team - \$375.00. 3rd place team - \$185.00.

***Top Slam Award - Winning team is awarded \$500.00!**

**is a team’s combined heaviest weight of one Trout & Redfish.*

The “Big Fish” Contest – \$300.00 gift card from The Back Country in Vero Beach.

To qualify for the big fish contest, your team must have purchased \$30.00 or more from The Back Country during the tournament registration. “Only” the biggest fish of the tournament is in contention for the gift card. Biggest fish must have been caught by a team in the Big Fish Pool.

Points:

Points will be awarded to each angler as described in the official Florida Flatsfishing Association rules.

The ½ pound dead fish penalty is in effect for your total weigh.

Boundaries:

North line – C.R. 520 Causeway.

South line – Southernmost point of land on Sewalls Point. No fishing in the St. Lucie River.

East line – Sebastian Inlet A1A Bridge and eastern end of no wake zone in Ft. Pierce Inlet.

Methods of fishing:

Boat, kayak & wade fishing from a boat or kayak.

Baits:

No bait that is alive or was alive and is in its original state is to be used. No chumming, no chunking, no tipping. The only exception is soft plastic baits impregnated with “real fish or shrimp”. Scent additives are OK to use. If you are not sure, ask us.

Check-out: 5:00am to 7:00am at these four locations-

The Jorgensen boat ramp in Micco - The Sebastian Yacht Club boat ramp in Sebastian.

The MacWilliams boat ramp in Vero Beach - North Bridge boat ramp in Ft. Pierce.

Check-in: 12:00 to 3:00pm – Dockside Grille – 41 Royal Palm Pointe in Vero Beach

Fish must arrive by boat! No walk-ups! Once you weigh-in a species, the species is closed for your team. Only one fish per species is allowed to be in the team boat at weigh-in!

Ties:

All ties are decided by time of weigh-in. “First one in wins the tie”.

Protests:

All protests must be submitted to tournament officials in writing. Cut-off time for all protests is 30-minutes AFTER the last fish has been weighed in. Refer to FLFA Circuit rules in relation to further protest procedures.

- 1) All state and federal rules apply for each fish weighed in.
- 2) “Sportsmanlike” conduct is expected from ALL. Anything other than that is grounds for disqualification.
- 3) Tournament officials have the final decision in ALL rulings.
- 4) This is a sport fishing event, so let’s have a great time with this tournament and have a successful series!

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