

I) ENTRY FEE AND APPLICATION

- a. The entry fee is \$500 for each boat in the Pro Division. No personal checks will not be accepted after July 30th, 2024.
 - i. On-Line entries can be made with a credit or debit card at https://www.glsfclub.com/brew-city-tournament/
- b. All applications and payments must be received prior to the conclusion of the captain's meeting on 8/2/2024.
- c. Checks should be made payable to GLSF-Milwaukee. Payment and application should be mailed to Milwaukee GLSF, c/o Brew City Entries P.O. box 510332, New Berlin, WI 53151 (postmarked no later than 1 week before tournament please), please include the Tournament Entry Form!
- d. Entry fees are non-refundable after August 2nd, 2024, except in the event of cancellation of the tournament due to weather or other reasons beyond the control of the tournament committee. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to retain up to 10% of the entry fees paid, to cover costs incurred. All entry fees not retained will be returned to the entrants. The decision of the tournament committee shall be final in this regard.
- e. No boat may be registered in both the Pro and AM divisions
- II) <u>PRIZES</u>
 - Prizes will be awarded based on the number of entries and sponsorships received for the tournament. The payout amounts indicated represent the amount to be awarded assuming 30 boats in the Professional Division and 100 boats in the Amateur division are entered. Tournament prize structure subject to change and the decision of the tournament committee shall be final.

	Professional Division	
1 st Place	60%	\$9,000
2 nd Place	25%	\$3,750
3 rd Place	10%	\$1,500
4 th Place	5%	\$750
·	Amateur Division	
1 st Place	26.66%	\$4,000
2 nd Place	11%	\$1,650
3 rd Place	9%	\$1,350
4 th Place	6.7%	\$1,005
5 th Place	5.2%	\$780
6 th Place	4.5%	\$675
7 th Place	4.0%	\$600
8 th Place	3.0%	\$450
9 th Place	2.5%	\$375
10 th Place	2.5%	\$375
Additional Winners (15, 25,)		\$300
1 Random Winner		\$1,000

- b. In the event of ties, the tiebreaker will be the biggest fish (largest vs largest, 2nd vs 2nd, etc.).
- c. In the event of a protest (see protest rules below), prize funds will be withheld until the dispute is resolved.
- d. Prizes subject to increase with additional sponsor funding.



III) <u>SCORING</u>

- a. All winners will be determined by the tournament committee and their decisions will be final.
- b. Winners will be determined based on a scoring system of 10 points per fish and 1 point per pound, rounded to the nearest 1/10 pound. The following species shall be eligible: Coho Salmon, Chinook salmon, Brown Trout, Atlantic salmon, Rainbow or Steelhead, Brook Trout, Lake Trout.

IV) <u>ELIGIBILITY</u>

- a. Professional fishermen will be required to register and compete in the Professional division. This clause is instituted to maintain fair competition and to distinguish between amateur enthusiasts and professional fishermen. A professional fisherman is defined as any of the following:
 - i. Any person who has chartered or guided, for pay, in the last 12 months.
 - ii. Any person who has been sponsored to fish in a fishing tournament in the last 12 months.
 - iii. Any person who has been paid to fish in the last 12 months.
- b. Amateur fishermen are eligible to participate in the professional division.
- c. Proof of professional status may be requested at the time of registration or at any point during the tournament.
- d. Failure to comply with this eligibility requirement will result in disqualification from the tournament and forfeiture of any potential prizes or standings

V) OBSERVER SYSTEM

- a. Every boat shall designate one of its team members as an observer who will stay with their boat (not assigned to another boat) and may fish as part of his/ her team.
- b. THE OBSERVER MUST BE AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE.
- c. OBSERVER LOG The Observer must witness the catch and shall maintain a log of all fish caught on the form supplied by the tournament committee. The log shall be completed at the time each fish is caught and must be submitted to tournament officials at the weigh-in station.

VI) BOAT IDENTIFICATION

a. The tournament committee will furnish to each contestant one (1) boat identification number and one (1) antenna flag, which must be prominently displayed on the starboard side of the boat during the fishing period.

VII) DATES & HOURS

- a. Tournament to be held Saturday August 3rd, 2024.
- b. The tournament schedule will be as follows:
 - i. Captain's meeting Friday August 2nd at 6:00 PM.
 - ii. Tournament (fishing) date of Saturday August 3rd, 2024.
 - iii. Fishing period from 5:30 AM to 1:30 PM.
 - iv. Official weigh-in begins 11:30 AM
 - v. Sunday, August 4th, 2024- Rain Date same rules as August 3rd, 2024.
- c. Each boat must have at least one registered crew member in attendance at the captain's meeting. Failure to do so may be considered cause for disqualification by the tournament committee.
- d. The tournament will be considered official if a total three (3) hours are fished.

VIII) <u>START & FINISH</u>

- a. Boats must be in the water and radio check-in with the tournament committee prior to the official start.
- b. Check-in will begin at 4:00 AM and boats will be permitted to leave the holding area 1/2 hour before the official start time of 5:30 am or as close to 1/2 hour as deemed safe by the tournament committee.
- c. Boats may launch from any port but must be able to establish radio communications with the tournament committee. It is your responsibility to travel to a distance close enough to send and



receive

- d. No lines or lures are to be in the water prior to the official 5:30 AM start time as signaled via FM marine radio on channel 68 by the tournament committee.
- e. The official clock for the contest will be kept by the tournament committee.
- f. Each boat must be within the designated CHECK-IN area (inside the north-gap break-wall) prior to the end of the tournament (1:30 PM). Each boat must check in both visually and by FM marine radio with the tournament committee.

IX) FISHING RULES

- a. There are no distance limits as to where a tournament boat may fish if all traveling is done on the water (subject to rule VIII- A & D).
- b. All fish entered must be caught on hook and line and in accordance with the conservation laws of the state of Wisconsin.
- c. A minimum of two (2) licensed anglers are required to be aboard each boat. There is no maximum number of anglers, subject to boat capacity.
- d. There will be a maximum of six (6) or nine (9) lines in the water at any one time, with no more than six (6) or nine (9) lures in use. Dodgers, attractors or other similar hookless devices do not count as lures.
- e. There will be a ten (10) or fifteen (15) FISH limit per boat (as per IV-C). A maximum of four (4) or six (6) Lake trout will be allowed and only four (4) lake trout can weigh in for the tournament boat catch. You may possess 15 fish but ONLY WEIGH IN YOUR TOP TEN (10) FISH for the boat catch! FISH MAY BE SORTED when caught. If it is determined to release a fish, it must be returned to the lake IMMEDIATELY. Once a fish is placed in the cooler or other place in the boat and not released IMMEDIATELY it must be kept for the contest.
- f. Each boat that reaches the ten (10) or fifteen (15) fish limit must immediately cease fishing, bring all rods out of the water, and return for check-in. Any boat not following the WDNR rules for Lake Michigan will be disqualified.
- g. At the close of the fishing period, all fish caught must be placed in a cooler and sealed by the observer. The fishing log must be attached to the top of the cooler.
- h. From the beginning of the fishing period and until the catch is deposited at the weigh-in station, no boat may run gunnel to gunnel with any other boat and no objects of any type may be passed to or from any boat participating in the tournament. Violation of this rule will result in automatic disqualification. In the case of an emergency, exceptions to this rule may be made only with prior permission of the tournament committee.
- Any citation issued to any participant of said tournament by WDNR, Milwaukee Police, Milwaukee Sheriff or the Coast Guard will constitute cause for automatic disqualification as does proof of UNSPORTSMANLIKE conduct at the discretion of the tournament committee.
- j. Any disqualification is a forfeiture of the entry fee and any prizes or raffles.

X) <u>WEIGH-IN</u>

- a. Weigh-in begins at 11:30 A.M.
- b. The boat catch will consist of ten (10) FISH FOR YOUR BOAT CATCH weigh-in, you may possess A MAXIMUM OF FIFTEEN (15) fish. THE FIRST TEN FISH PUT INTO THE WEIGH-IN BASKET WILL COUNT AS YOUR BOAT CATCH!!! (No exceptions or you will be disqualified)
- At the close of the fishing period, each boat is to proceed immediately to the weigh-in station.
 Once there, the observer will disembark with the sealed cooler of fish and the signed observer's log.
- d. After dropping off the cooler, the boat may return to its slip, trailer, or other suitable docking area.
- e. The failure of a boat to proceed directly to the weigh-in station will result in disqualification from



tournament and prize drawing.

f. Once sealed, the cooler of fish must remain sealed until opened by tournament officials.

XI) RADIO PROCEDURE

a. Every boat must be equipped with an operating FM marine radio equipped with channels 9, 16, and 68. All boats should monitor channel 68 for contest information.

XII) <u>CANCELLATIONS</u>

- a. The tournament committee will announce by FM marine radio one-half hour before fishing begins or as close to the 4:00 am check-in time.
- b. The committee may cancel the tournament at any time when, in their opinion, the fishing conditions could be dangerous to persons or property. The committee may also decide to delay the start of fishing or to cut short fishing due to deteriorating weather conditions. All announcements will be made by FM marine radio. If fishing is cut short, all boats must proceed in the same manner as required (in X-A) unless instructed differently by the tournament committee.
- c. The decision of the tournament committee to cancel, delay, or shorten the contest is final.
 - i. Information: www.glsfclub.com or www.glsfclub.com
 - ii. Contacts: Brian 414-704-0755 or Dan 262-844-8386

XIII) **PROTESTS**

- a. Any and all protests must be made in writing to the tournament committee prior to the awarding of prizes by registered mail addressed to PO BOX 510332 NEW BERLIN WI 53151 WITH IN THREE DAYS OFF THE TOURNAMENT END.
- b. A panel of three (3) judges, appointed by the tournament committee, will resolve all disputes. Their decision will be final and binding.
- c. The tournament committee will have access to a lie detector device with a qualified operator and may require, at their discretion, a test for all those involved in any formal protest, any or all winning prizes, boat captains, or observers prior to the awarding of prize money. Any written protest given to the tournament committee must be accompanied by a \$250.00 deposit.
- d. Within three days of the end of the tournament. If said protest is judged valid, the deposit will be returned.
- e. The decision of the tournament committee and/or its duly appointed panel of judges shall be final and binding in all situations or disputes. Awarding of prizes can be delayed should a protest be filed.

XIV) <u>RULE CHANGES</u>

a. The committee may change or modify any of these rules, but any such modification must be made in writing and posted prior to the captain's meeting. All raffle prizes may change.

XV) LIABILITY EXCLUSION

a. Each contestant shall be responsible to protect persons and property from injury or damage during the tournament and neither the GLSF Milwaukee, its officers, members, nor any directors, employees or volunteer workers shall be responsible for the safety of tournament participants or property, regardless of cause. Each participant shall assume responsibility for the safety of themselves and their property, regardless of any decision by the tournament committee to continue with or to stop short said tournament. All participants further understand and agree to hold harmless the aforementioned groups and individuals from any liability for damage or injury incurred as a result of participation in the tournament in whatever form or manner said liabilities or damages might be incurred. Channel 68 is the Official Contest Radio Channel.