

# Swansboro Rotary Club

**The rules set forth by the Tournament Committee in no way modify or abridge State & Federal Fishing Regulations. It is the responsibility of each Captain to know and adhere to these Regulations.**

## **Inshore Rules & Regulations**

**1. *Deadline for Entries.*** The Deadline for entry fees in the In Shore Tournament shall be Friday, October 8, 2010 at 9 p.m.

**2. *Entry Fees.*** The entry fee for the Speckled Trout Tournament shall be \$150 per boat before September 22, 2010. Any entry fee received after September 22, 2010 and until 9 p.m., October 8, 2010 shall be \$200.

**3. *Tournament Weather:***

In the event of "Extreme" weather the Tournament Committee has the right to adjust the schedule or postpone. In the event the Tournament Committee cancels the Tournament, 90% of the Level I fee and 100% of Level II, III, IV and V fees will be refunded within sixty (60) days of the cancellation.

**4. *Fishing Times. Inshore one day tournament*** fishing time begins at Safe Light Saturday October 9, 2010 to be announced at the Captains Meeting.

**5. No Boundries**

**6. *All species must be weighed-in*** from the boat from which they are caught. No trucking or overland transportation of fish. Fish must be off-loaded from the boat at designated area ONLY. Any fish not off-loaded from the boat at designated area will be disqualified.

**7. *Fish must not be mutilated*** or darted in any way.

**8. *These Rules must be adhered to or species will be disqualified.*** IGFA Rules are encouraged. Release of small fish is encouraged.

**9. *Any protest must be in writing*** and submitted to Tournament Headquarters within 20 Minutes of weigh-in.

**10. *All times mentioned in the above rules*** are subject to the Weighmaster's watch and his watch only. Official time of weighmaster's watch to be announced at Captain's Meeting based on GPS time.

**11. *All fish must be fit for human consumption.*** All fish are subject to the scrutiny and inspection by the Tournament Committee, Weighmaster, and Marine Fisheries Officials.

**12. All fish must be caught by hook and line..**

**13. Weighed fish become the property of the Swansboro Rotary Fishing Tournament.**

**14. Each boat should be represented at Captain's Meeting at the Swansboro Rotary Civic Center.**

**15. In the event two or more fish** are of the exact same weight, the fish entered first shall be declared the winner.

**16. For safety purposes, all boats entered** must adhere to USCG regulations for their size.

**17. A boat may not be replaced after competition begins** (After the announced start time on Saturday).

Any changes made after registration must be approved by Tournament Committee.

**18. Cash prizes to be awarded** to the boats with the heaviest aggregate of three(3) Fish.

In Level I, only one prize per boat will be awarded per species.

**19. All winners may be subjected to a polygraph examination.** The Tournament

Committee reserves the right to inspect all boats entered in the competition at anytime.

**20. Any two or more boats coming together for any reason after competition begins and before weighin may be disqualified.**

As safety is of primary importance, permission may be granted for exceptions by the Tournament Headquarters. Any disqualification or violation of tournament rules becomes an automatic overall tournament disqualification for boat entered.

**21. All fish must be brought to weigh station** by the boat on which it was caught, under its own power.

**22. Boats are to proceed in an orderly fashion**

to weigh station. One member of the crew must remain with the fish to verify weigh-ins. Boats will not be tied up in the designated off-loading areas and crew must depart immediately after off-loading fish.

**23. Maximum of Five (5) Speckled Trout** per boat to be weighed-in. Maximum of one (1)

Lizard Fish per day per boat to be weighed-in.

**24. Junior Angler ,Senior Angler, Lady Angler (Rules and Definitions):**

The Boat gets credit for three fish for the aggregate and no more. If more than one Junior Angler is on the boat each junior gets credit for their own fish.. To get credit for the fish weighed. The Junior Angler must accompany the fish to the scales and sign the weight ticket. If there is a Junior, Senior and Lady Angler on board it is Captains choice as to who receives credit for the two additional fish.

**25. A Junior Angler is determined by** not having exceeded the age of 15 by the date of registration on October 8, 2010.

A **Senior Angler** is any Angler who has attained their 55<sup>th</sup> birthday by the date of registration on October 8, 2010.

A **Lady Angler is determined** by the Female Angler having reached their sixteenth birthday on or before October 8, 2010.

**26. *Minimum size limit*** of 15 inches for all Speckled Trout entered in tournament. Fish less Than 15 inches will result in a one(1) pound penalty

**27. *Once officially registered***, all entry fees are non-refundable, except as stated in rule #3.

**28. *Any tournament official or tournament sponsor*** entering the tournament in compliance with the tournament rules is eligible for any and all prizes.

**29. *All tournament participants consent*** and authorize the Tournament Committee and their advertising/public relations agencies to use and reproduce names, voices, and/or photographs, whether taken or recorded and circulate the same for any and all purposes of publicity and advertising of all kinds and descriptions in any and all media formats.

**30. *The Tournament Rules Committee shall determine*** the solution to questions or situations and its judgment **SHALL BE FINAL.**

**31. *The Tournament Rules Committee reserve the right to refuse entry to anyone.***

## ***INSHORE RULES***