

Rules and Regulations for the 2012 Rockfish Shootout Tournament at Coltons Point Marina

1. Entrants must register online at www.ColtonsPointMarina.com, DennisPointMarina.net, or at Dennis Point or Coltons Point Marina. Registration forms can also be faxed to fax number noted below. No refunds will be made after April 26th, 2012.
2. Entry Fee will be \$225.00 if in by April 17th, 2012 or \$250.00 anytime after that date. There are 75 Entry Spots Available and will be handle in a first-come-first-serve basis. Entry will be closed on April 24th, 2012. If your team is not in the first 75 we will refund your money within 30 days o the completion of the tournament. Commercially registered boats will be allowed to participate. The Tournament Administrators reserve the right to include or exclude any registrant, and that judgement will be final. If clarification is needed contact Mark Rabush at Dennis Point Marina - 301.994.2288 or Adam Houck at Coltons Point Marina - 301.769.3121.
3. All net proceeds from the tournament will be donated to the 7th District Optimist Club.
4. Cash Prizes awarded will be based on number of boats entered. The main tournament prize money distribution is as follows: 1st Place 20%, 2nd Place 10%, 3rd place 5%, 4th Place 2.5%, 5th Place 1%. Optional Tournaments within the Main Event (OTME's) - The cost to participate is \$50.00/per OTME, there are a total of 5 OTMEs. The OTMEs are listed on the registration forms as well as on www.ColtonsPointMarina.com. Cash prizes for the OTME's will be determined by the number of participating teams and will be distributed in the following matter: 1st Place 80% and Administrative 20%. Rules for the OTME's will be provided at the Captain's Meeting April 26th, 2011.
5. Heaviest Total Weight of Two Fish Per Team, Per Day will determined the winner of the tournament (i.e. each team will have a 4 fish total weight - 2 from each day - heaviest 4 fish total weight is the winner). In the event of a tie, the heaviest individual fish entered will be considered the winner and the second one will move into second place.
6. Anyone wishing to protest any fish that is weighed in will have to Deposit a Protest Fee of \$100.00 with the Tournament Administrators. If the protest is validated, the fee will be returned to the individual making the protest. If, however, the protest is deemed to be invalid, the individual will forfeit the fee. Also any protest must be done at the time of weighing – before the fish in question is taken off the scale and judges have recorded the weight of the fish. If you are protesting anything other than the weight of the fish you must do so by 6:00 PM Saturday, April 28th, 2012. All decisions by the Tournament Administrators are final and unprotestable.
7. Fishing is only allowed in the Potomac from the 301 Bridge South to the mouth of the Potomac. Registration for the Weigh-in Line must be made at the entrance of Carthagen Creek each day by 4:00 PM. A Registration Boat will be at the mouth of the creek to take down placard numbers. Any team not registered with the registration boat by 4:00 PM will be docked 5 lbs at weigh-in. Any boat not register by 4:30 PM will be disqualified from the tournament.
8. Line-In is at 6:30 both mornings. Anyone caught with lines in prior to 6:30 AM will be disqualified.
9. Tournament will be held rain or shine. No rain dates or cancellation. Teams fish at their own risk.
10. All fish must be caught by hook and line, following Maryland State Regulations, and brought to Dennis Point Marina to be weighed in by the boat on which they were caught. Fish must be weighed in on same day they were caught. Holding Striped Bass in a live well is prohibited under Tournament Rules.
11. Each Captain and his crew are considered a "team". Each team can have a maximum of 5 fisherman (a team captain and a maximum of four others). One team member will be designated to weigh-in the fish each day. Each team can weigh-in 2 fish per team/per day.
12. All Captains, by submission of their entry accept responsibility for their crew, and release Coltons Point Marina & Dennis Point Marina from any liability.
13. Tournament participants accept the risks and dangers involved in such activity, and they acknowledge that unanticipated or unexpected dangers may occur. Participants agree to indemnify and hold harmless: Coltons Point Marina, Dennis Point Marina, its officers, directors, members, committee members, its assigns, sponsors, lessees, agents, and employees from any and all liability for any: claim, loss, injury, damage, demands, actions, choses in action, costs, accidents, libel, slander, negligence and/or death suffered by any member, family, crew boat and/or other persons which may occur during their participation in a Tournament Sponsored activity.
14. The Tournament Administrators reserves the sole and absolute discretion to disqualify any angler, crew, captain, registrant or vessel at any time. Persons may be disqualified from the tournament because of a rule violation, regardless of the severity of the violation. All participants agree to abide by tournament rules and decisions of the Tournament Administrators. Decisions as to the disqualification or eligibility of any vessel, crew, or fish weighed in shall be made solely by the Tournament Administrators and its decisions shall be final and incontestable. The Tournament Administrators reserves the right to disqualify any Captain and crew at any time for misrepresentation made on any application or registration form by any member of the crew, any suspicious activity or unsportsmanlike conduct. Any boat disqualified shall be for the entire tournament, and shall result in the forfeiture of all tournament fees and prize money even if the disqualification was made after the prize money was awarded.
15. All winning Captains are required to take a polygraph at the judges' request, and agree that examination results are binding. Fish are subject to internal and external examination by the judges and the DNR biologist. The Tournament Administrators reserve the right to disqualify any boat at any time, for any suspicious or unsportsmanlike activity for the remainder of the tournament. If your team is disqualified from the tournament no one from your team will be allowed to participate in any future Coltons Point Marina & Dennis Point Marina sponsored tournament.
16. If additional rules are added during the registration process all entrants will be notified.
17. Any circumstances not covered within these rules will be brought before the Tournament Administrators, and all decisions will be final and binding.
18. Channel 68 VHF will be monitored during the tournament hours.
19. Winners will be issued a 1099 and are responsible for said taxes. All 1099 information must be provided by the winners prior receipt of any monetary prize. If acceptable information is not provided the Tournament Administrators have the right to disqualify the team and award the prize money to the next team in category.
20. Awards ceremony and dinner will be held following the close of the Tournament on Saturday, April 28th, 2012 at the Dennis Point Marina & Campground, 46555 Dennis Point Way, Drayden MD 20630.
21. Prize money will be awarded within 30 days of the event unless the tournament winners are contested. If there is a dispute, the awarding of the prize money will be delayed a sufficient time to allow for an audit and polygraph tests, if deemed necessary by the Tournament Administrators.
22. Eligibility in the Kids Division is any child 16 years of age or under as of April 28th, 2012. Proof of age will need to be provided at the Captain's Meeting. Only one prize per individual in the Kid's Division. FISH ENTERED IN THE KIDS DIVISION WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR CONSIDERATION IN THE MAIN TOURNAMENT OR the OTME's.



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