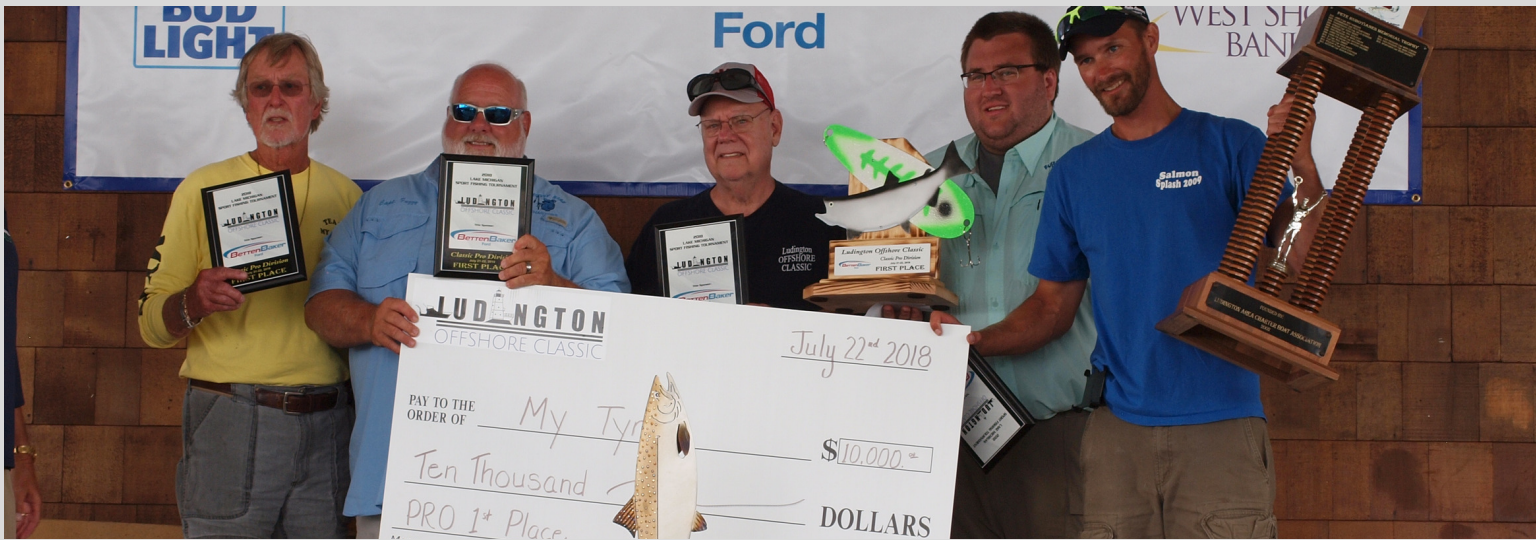


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Ludington Offshore Classic is one of the premier Great Lakes sport fishing tournaments. Ludington is the best freshwater port in the world for trout and salmon fishing, with tremendous facilities and a downtown within blocks of the marinas. The 2019 tournament will be held July 18-24. This is the height of our tourist season in Ludington, with thousands of visitors taking advantage of miles of pristine beaches, the small-town atmosphere, and premier events (including the largest Gus Macker Basketball Tournament in the US and this, the largest freshwater salmon tournament in the US). It also happens at peak time for fishing on Lake Michigan.

The Big Boys Tournament will return and be held July 23-24, extending the Offshore Classic to six days of competition! New this year will be the Lake Michigan Pro Fishing Series (LMPFS), which includes Michigan City, IN, and the Mitten cities of St. Joseph, Grand Haven, Ludington and Holland. The Ludington tournament will be the fourth location in the progressive series and held during the Big Boys event.

Over \$79,550 in cash and prizes was awarded in the 2018 Offshore tournament (this is based on the number of entrants), including a \$10,000 prize awarded to the first place Offshore Classic team in the Pro Division and \$21,700 to the first place team in the Big Boys Tournament.

The Ludington Offshore Classic consistently attracts over 900 participants. In 2018, severe weather forced the cancellation of the Ladies and Youth tournaments, but the remainder of the breakdown was:

- **62 Boats participated in the Ruboy Shoot Out held on Thursday**
- **94 Boats in the Pro/Amateur Division on Saturday & Sunday**
- **31 Boats participated in the Big Boys Tournament**

Participants come from over 100 cities in Michigan, as well as from Ohio, Indiana, and Wisconsin. Welcome to the Ludington Offshore Classic. Enjoy your stay in Pure Ludington!



2019 Ludington Offshore Classic SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, July 18, 2019

Dreamweaver Lures Shoot-Out

- 6:00 a.m. Shot-gun start
- 2:00 p.m. Boats must be inside the Ludington pier heads
- 3:00 p.m. Weigh-in at Waterfront Park Pavilion
Awards immediately following weigh-in
- 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. On-site registration for youth and ladies tournaments in tournament tent
- 5:30 p.m. West Shore Bank Youth Classic Captains' Meeting at Pavilion
- 6:00 p.m. Bud Light Ladies Pro/Am Captains' Meeting at Pavilion

Friday, July 19, 2019

West Shore Bank Youth Classic

- 6:00 a.m. Shotgun start
- 12:00 p.m. Boats must be inside the Ludington pier heads
- 11:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. Weigh-in at Pavilion
- Awards immediately following weigh-in

Bud Light Ladies Pro/Am & Big Fish

- 6:00 a.m. Shotgun Start
- 2:00 p.m. Boats must be inside the pier heads
- 12:00 p.m. -3:00 p.m. Weigh-in at Pavilion
- Awards immediately following weigh-in
- 1:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. On-site registration for Pro/Am and Big Fish in tournament tent
- 7:00 p.m. Ludington Offshore Classic Pro/Am Captains' Meeting at Pavilion (Observer meeting immediately following)

Saturday, July 20, 2019

Ludington Offshore Classic Pro/Am

- 6:00 a.m. Shotgun start
- 2:00 p.m. Boats must be inside the Ludington pier heads

10:00 a.m. –3:00 p.m. Weigh-in at Waterfront Park Pavilion

Captain Chuck's Big Fish Tournament

- Held during the Ludington Offshore Classic Pro/Am Tournament

Sunday, July 21, 2019

Ludington Offshore Classic Pro/Am

- 6:00 a.m. Shotgun start
- 2:00 p.m. Boats must be inside the Ludington pier heads
- 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Weigh-in at Waterfront Park Pavilion
- Awards immediately following weigh-in

Captain Chuck's Big Fish Tournament

- Held during the Ludington Offshore Classic Pro/Am Tournament Monday, July 22, 2019
- 6:00a.m. Make-up date for Youth/Ladies tournaments
- 5:00p.m. Registration for Big Boys opens
- 6:15p.m. Big Boys Captains Meeting

Monday, July 22, 2019

- Make up for Ladies and youth tournament

Tuesday, July 23, 2019

Ludington Offshore Classic Big Boys

- 6:00 a.m. Shotgun start
- 2:00 p.m. Boats must be inside the Ludington pier heads
- 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Weigh-in at Waterfront Park Pavilion

Wednesday, July 24, 2019

Ludington Offshore Classic Big Boys

- 6:00 a.m. Shotgun start
- 2:00 p.m. Boats must be inside the Ludington pier heads
- 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Weigh-in at Waterfront Park Pavilion
- Awards immediately following weigh-in



Events for the Family during Offshore Classic

ALL WEEK

- Creative Kids (Weekdays at 1:00 PM- 4:00 PM) at the Ludington Library masoncounty.lib.mi.us: Arts, crafts, and games for kids.
- Story Time (Weekdays at 10:00 AM) at the Ludington Library: weekly book read aloud for preschool-age children.
- Lewis Farm Market (9:00 AM – 6:00 PM)

lewisfarmmarket.com

New Era, Michigan: A 700- acre farm in New Era - family owned and operated, with home grown produce, fruit orchards, a market with gifts and goodies, and a scrumptious bakery. They have acres of fun with 30+ attractions and games to entertain the whole family, including a petting zoo, party pens, and the farm market.

- Ludington Maritime Museum (10:00 AM – 5:00 PM)

ludingtonmaritimemuseum.org

The Port of Ludington Maritime Museum brings history to life with digital storytelling, authentic images and artifacts, and engaging interactive exhibits that entertain, enlighten, and inspire a deeper appreciation for the region's maritime history. Admission for adults is \$12.50 and children (6-17) is \$10.

- Sandcastles Children's Museum (open daily)

sandcastleschildrensmuseum.com

The children's museum in Ludington is not to be missed. Interactive exhibits are open for kids of all ages, including the S.S. Badger, a climbing wall, ice cream parlor and sound stage. Admission is \$7 (1 and under free). Call for seasonal hours.

JULY 18

- Stop Motion Video Production, 9:30AM and 1:30PM at Sandcastles Children's Museum

JULY 19

- Fun Friday with Campfire Stu, 11AM-12PM at Sandcastles Children's Museum
- Friday Night Live, 6-9 PM downtownludington.org

JULY 20

- Science Camp, 12-2 PM at Ludington Library
- Garden Tractor Pull, 10 AM and 7 PM at the West Michigan Old Engine Club

oldengineclub.org

- Art, Craft & Vendor Show, 10AM-4PM @Shagway Arts Barn shagwayartsbarn.com
- Robotic Legos, 10AM at Sandcastles Children's Museum

JULY 22

- Musical Instrument Petting Zoo, 1-3 PM at the Scottville Library
- Messy Monday- Shaving Cream Art, 11AM-1PM at Sandcastles Children's Museum

JULY 23

- Puppet Show, 11AM at Sandcastles Children's Museum
- Concert Series, 7pm @ Scottville Band Shell

scottvilleclownband.com

JULY 24

- Harry Potter Escape Room, 6-8 PM at Ludington Library
- Shoreline Cruise on the S.S. Badger - "Pirates of Lake Michigan" theme, ssbadger.com

JULY 25

- Pure Ludington Sunset Beach Bonfire, 8-10 PM at Stearns Park Beach pureludington.com

JULY 26

- Friday Night Live, 6-9 PM downtownludington.org

MORE FUN THINGS TO DO!

- Jump Around Fun Center - jumparoundludington.com

An outdoor inflatable park with bounce houses and obstacles for a variety of ages. Admission required.

- Amber Elk Ranch - amberelkranch.com

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- Lighthouses - splka.org

Explore lighthouses on the east coast of Lake Michigan: Big Sable, Ludington North Breakwater, Little Sable, and White River. Admission rates to climb the towers is \$5 for adults and \$2 for children 12 and under. The height requirement to climb is 40 inches.

- Historic White Pine Village – historicwhitepinevillage.org

Among the many buildings are a Trappers Cabin, the original 1857 Caswell Court House for Mason County, a General Store, and Farmstead, Maritime, Lumbering, and Time Museums. The Museum of Music and Hamlin Cabin also add to the visitor experience. Whether you enjoy classic cars, beautiful flowers and gardens, farmstead life, or a beautiful chapel, all these can be experienced while touring the village. Adult admission is \$20 and children 6-17 are \$7.

- Western Michigan Old Engine Club – oldengineclub.org

The Western Michigan Old Engine Club is dedicated to the restoration, preservation and education of old engines large and small.



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Top Notch Ludington Fishing Tournament Boasts Opportunities for More Prizes, Memories

The beautiful coastal town of Ludington boasts the distinction of being one of the best ports on the Great Lakes for trout and salmon fishing. Don't miss an opportunity to fish almost an entire week on Lake Michigan during the Ludington Offshore Classic/Big Boys Fishing Tournament -- with the chance to win big money and enjoy memorable experiences.

This is the 17th year Ludington has hosted this big-lake fishing event on the waters between Big Sable and Little Sable points. It is the largest, freshwater salmon tournament in the U.S., and Ludington has certainly learned to roll out the red carpet for its fishermen and their families over the years.

2019 will be no exception. Simultaneous tournaments continue to be added. A Big Boys Tournament was added in 2017 -- and new this year will be the Lake Michigan Pro Fishing Series. Ludington will be a stop in the five-location, progressive series that begins in Michigan City, Indiana and makes its way north.

Big Boys Tournament

Work N Bites from Bellaire, MI, was the big winner in the 2018 Big Boys event, reeling in a total of 23 fish over a two-day tournament off the coast of Ludington. The team scored just over 253 pounds of salmon -- earning it the largest payout of \$21,700.

"We absolutely love fishing Ludington," said Patrick Rupp of the Work N Bites crew. "Personally, it is probably my favorite port city on the Great Lakes. The town is excellent, so welcoming and set up so well to cater to the fishermen.

"The fishing is almost always fantastic at the time of the year for the Classic and the Big Boys. Even if fishing is tough, there always seems to be somewhere close that has excellent fishing -- whether it's to the north or to the south."

Work N Bites fished both the Offshore Classic and the Big Boys last year. Both days of the Classic and the first day of the Big Boys, the team fished north of Big Sable point. All three days, they had a 12-fish box with all of the 3 weights being within a pound of each other. Their boxes were in the high 80's.

"We had good consistent numbers, but we were lack-

ing the big fish that we were seeing during pre-fishing," Rupp explained. "We knew that boats to the south, down at Little Point, were finding some big kings. So Day 2, we decided to join them down there. Right from the start, we were pounding away on the big kings. The top 5 boats from Day 1 were all right next to us -- a little worrisome because we had so much ground to make up in weight. Within an hour, we had all of our kings -- and good ones at that -- so we were on a mission for trout.

"We struggled on trout in the new water, but we were able to put a couple in the boat," Rupp said. "We knew we had a giant box. When we returned to weigh in, we figured we had moved up and would probably be in the Top 3. As we were watching the Top 5 boats weigh in, our excitement just kept growing. Then we found out our 167-pound box was enough to put us over the top. We were all beside ourselves, almost surreal."

The Big Boys Tournament will return on Tuesday, July 23 and Wednesday, July 24. Big fish and big payouts are the name of the game during this two-day, high stakes competition.

Offshore Classic

Taking the top spot for the Men's Pro tournament was My Tyme out of Valparaiso, IN. The team caught 23 fish over two days, totaling 247.20 pounds, earning them the top prize of \$10,000. The boat also won the Ruboy Thursday Tournament, with their five best fish totaling 92.65 pounds. This meant another \$3,200 for the team.

"I have fished the Offshore Classic for about 15 years or more and always enjoy Ludington," said Bill Dodrill, captain of My Tyme. "This year was special, as we won the Ruboy Thursday, the Pro side of the Offshore Classic, and third in the Big Boys.

"The fishing was not hot and heavy, but we just work hard and moved many times -- and got lucky!"

Dodrill and his crew made the 145-mile trip back to their home port of Michigan City, IN, as winners in what they call one of the best - if not the best - tournaments on Lake Michigan.

Also placing in the top Offshore Pro spots were In-U-Endo, who walked away with a \$4,000 prize, and Hour



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Time, with \$3,000 cash. In all, the Offshore classic Pro Division paid out a total of \$21,800.

Lake Michigan Pro Fishing Series

The Lake Michigan Pro Fishing Series (LMPFS) will include Michigan City, IN, and the Mitten cities of St. Joseph, Grand Haven, Ludington and Holland, MI. The Ludington tournament will be the fourth location in the progressive series and held during the Big Boys event, July 23-24.

The cost for a boat to enter is \$500 for the first three events; the fourth and fifth tournament entry is \$200 per event. The hope is to draw more boats from southern Michigan to the Ludington Offshore Classic.

Fishing crews will have the chance to win payouts based on the number of registered boats. For more information, see lakemipfs.com.

Fun for the Whole Family

What better place to vacation during July than Ludington, one of Michigan's top fishing ports and vacation destinations? Sugar-sand beaches, a vibrant downtown, and area attractions like the Ludington State Park, Sandcastles Children's Museum or the new Port of Ludington Maritime Museum, leave a lot to be explored and many memories to be made.

"The tournament is a great opportunity to showcase our community to fishermen and their families," said Brandy Miller, President/CEO of the Ludington & Scottville Area Chamber of Commerce. "Waterfront Park,

situated between our two largest marinas and just blocks from downtown and other nearby attractions, offers a perfect setting for the event. There is something for everyone."

This year's Offshore tournament week kicks off Thursday, July 18 with the Ruboy Thursday Shoot-out. Boats at least 18 feet long are welcome to join the fun and weigh their five best fish for the day. The Ruboy Thursday has an anticipated payout of \$5,700, and first place could walk away with \$3,000 (based on number of boats).

The ladies and kids will have their fun on Friday, July 19 during the Youth Tournament and the Ladies Pro/Am Tournament. The Youth Tournament welcomes kids 17 and younger to participate and weigh their largest fish for prizes. Cash and a trophy are up for grabs in the Ladies Pro/Am Tournament. Ladies will weigh their five best fish, with no more than three of any one species being weighed.

Men's Pro/Am fishermen will take to the lake on Saturday and Sunday. A prize of \$10,000 will go to the top pro boat again this year (based on a minimum of 30 boats participating).

Register online at LudingtonTournament.com and find more visitor information about the area at PureLudington.com.





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Dreamweaver "Ruboy" Thursday Shoot-Out

Thursday, July 18, 2019



One-day fun tournament, with minimal rules, keeping with the spirit of Captain Pete!

Anticipated winnings for the top three places are:

\$3,000 – 1st Place

\$1,500 – 2nd Place

\$700 – 3rd Place

\$500 – Big Fish Prize *

* presented by Friends of Jerry Lee & the Ludington Charter Boat Association

In addition, a \$1,000 donation will be made in Pete's name to the Ludington Charter Boat Association for their annual net pen project.

For information or late registration, stop at Lake Street Marina (formerly Abrahamson Marine) on Wednesday evening, July 17th from 5-8 pm. Lake Street Marina is located just off South Washington Avenue on the north side of the bridge.

The Ruboy Tournament Weigh-In and Awards Ceremony will be held at Waterfront Park.

As stated in the rules: Boats must be inside the Ludington pier heads by 2:00 p.m.

You must have your cooler with your five biggest fish to Waterfront Park by 3:00 p.m. for the weigh in.

Betten Baker Ford and Dreamweaver Lures will be providing Free Beer & Brats
to all participants at the weigh-in awards party.

ELIGIBILITY: The Tournament Committee reserves the right to decline entry or participation by any person, team or boat, as deemed necessary, to ensure such things as integrity, image, reputation, financial performance and community relationships with sponsors, participants and supporting groups.

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- Open to any/all boats at least 18' long and equipped with a marine radio.
 - Open communication.
 - No observers required, however boats and coolers are subject to inspection.
 - All Michigan DNR rules apply (# of rods, bag limits, etc.)
 - 6:00 a.m. shotgun start, Return to harbor by 2:00 p.m.
 - Coolers must be brought to weigh station by 3:00 p.m. Please drain coolers of excess water. Foreign objects or ice found in fish will result in disqualification.
 - Weigh your 5 best fish (any species, sorting permitted). Total weight of these 5 fish will determine the winners. Biggest single fish will decide ties. If still tied, prize money will be split.
 - Awards ceremony at Waterfront Park, around 3:15 p.m.
 - Payouts will be based upon number of entries.



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West Shore Bank Youth Classic

Friday, July 19, 2019

Captains' Meeting Thursday, July 18, 2019

5:30 pm at Waterfront Park Tent Site

All Captains Must Attend

Entry Fee \$25 per Youth

Prize structure provided at Captain's Meeting



~ RULES ~

- Tournament time 6 am – noon. Shotgun start at 6 am from Ludington Harbor. All boats must be inside the pier heads by noon or be disqualified.
- Any number of crew members can be on board; just don't overload the boat. A maximum of 9 rods can be used if you have at least 3 crew members and at least 1 is a youth.
- **A YOUTH IS DEFINED AS ANYONE 17 YEARS OF AGE AND YOUNGER.** You may have as many youths aboard as is safe for the boat.
- Anyone on the boat can set lines and net fish. When a fish bites, anyone is allowed to remove the rod from the holder and give it to the youth, but youth(s) must be the only one(s) to fight the fish and bring it boat side where it can be netted by any crew member. More than one youth may participate in catching the same fish, but only one youth can enter that fish.
- All contestants must be registered and fish from a boat. Boats will not be provided.
- All boats must be at least 18' long and be equipped with a marine radio.
- No radio restrictions for this tournament.
- Weigh-in will be from 11 am to 1 pm on Friday, July 19th, and all coolers must be at the weigh in location by that time.
- All prizes will be awarded for largest fish based on weight. Each youth may only enter one fish and may not transfer any fish he/she caught to another contestant. If youths share a weigh-in cooler, each youth should mark their one fish in some manner to avoid confusion. No extra fish in coolers at weigh in.
- The number of entries will determine total number of prizes. In event of a tie, the position money will be added together and split.
- A trophy will be awarded to the largest fish overall determined by weight.
- If the tournament cannot begin by 9:00 am, it will be cancelled. A three hour minimum fishing time is required to complete the tournament
- Youth contestants MAY NOT fish on any boat that is registered to fish in the Ladies Classic.
- In the event of a cancellation on Friday due to weather, tournament will be re-scheduled for Monday.

~ REMEMBER ~

**THIS IS A YOUTH TOURNAMENT. HAVE FUN, TEACH SPORTSMANSHIP
AND PLAY BY THE RULES – YOU ARE SHAPING OUR FUTURE.**

*Rules will be discussed at the Captains meeting.
Any questions call Ludington & Scottville Area Chamber of Commerce at 845-0324.*





Bud Light Ladies Pro/Am

Friday, July 19, 2019

Sponsored by LUDINGTON BEVERAGE COMPANY, proud distributor for Anheuser-Busch products

Captains Meeting Thursday, July 18, 2019, 6:00 pm in tent at Waterfront Park

ALL CAPTAINS MUST ATTEND • Entry Fee: \$100 per Amateur / Pro Team

Projected Payouts: First place each division \$1000 • Big Fish, each division \$500

Amount for additional cash prizes (2nd, 3rd etc.) will be determined by number of registered boats and will be finalized after Captains' meeting. Cash prize structure is based on a minimum number of boats.

RULES

Ludington Offshore Classic General Rules are also enforced for this Tournament.

- **ELIGIBILITY:** The Tournament Committee reserves the right to decline entry or participation by any person, team or boat, as deemed necessary, to ensure such things as integrity, image, reputation, financial performance and community relationships with sponsors, participants and supporting groups.
 - **TOURNAMENT TIME** - 6 a.m. – 2 p.m. Shotgun start at 6 a.m. at the Ludington Harbor.
 - **ALL BOATS** must be back inside the Ludington pier heads by 2 p.m. All late boats will be disqualified from the tournament. Boat numbers must be displayed to identify participants.
 - **ANY NUMBER OF CREW** members can be on a team; just don't overload the boats. A maximum of 9 rods can be used if you have at least 3 crew members. At least 2 crew members must be women. Observers are not required.
 - **WHEN THE FISH BITES** the women must remove the rods from the holder, set the hook and NET the fish. The crew can help set lines and drive. If necessary the crew may remove diver rods from holder, release from riggers and boards.
 - **ALL BOATS** must be at least 18' long and be equipped with a marine radio.
 - **NO RADIO RESTRICTIONS** for this tournament.
 - **FIVE (5)** best fish (State of Michigan DNR rules with at least a minimum legal length) will be brought to the weigh station. Extra or undersized fish will be disqualified and penalties applied. Remember, no more than 3 of any one species can be weighed in. For example, the maximum of 5 could be 3 salmon and 2 steelhead or 3 lake trout, 1 salmon, and 1 steelhead.
 - **WEIGH-IN** will take place from noon to 3:00 p.m. on Friday, July 20th. Tournament coolers with no more than one legal limit must be at weigh-in by 3:00 p.m. Please drain cooler before weigh-in; excess water or loose ice may result in 5 lb deduction from total weight.
 - **TOURNAMENT SCORES** – 1 point per pound and 10 points per fish, using our certified tournament scales.
 - **TIE BREAKERS** – When points and pounds are used, total weight will break ties. If still tied, biggest fish will be used if that weight is available for all boats involved. If not, prize will be split. BIG FISH ONLY prizes will be split. Place prizes will be added together and then split. (for example, 2nd & 3rd places totaled, then split)
 - **A CASH PRIZE** will be awarded for the largest fish in each division. A trophy will be awarded to the first place boat in each division and a plaque awarded for the biggest fish in each division.
 - **IF THE TOURNAMENT CANNOT BEGIN** by 11:00 a.m., it will be cancelled. A four-hour minimum fishing time is required to complete this tournament.
- This is a fun tournament. All the rules will be discussed & finalized at the Captains' meeting.
- Questions? Please call the Ludington & Scottville Chamber of Commerce at 231-845-0324



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- Catch 20; weigh your biggest fish each day
- One prize per Team for Big Fish
- Anticipated payouts for heaviest fish:
 - First Place \$2,000
 - Second Place \$1,500
 - Third Place \$1,000
- **TOURNAMENT TIME:** 6 am - 2 pm

All late boats will be disqualified from the tournament.

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GENERAL RULES



IMPORTANT!!! See specific rules page for each tournament. General Rules apply unless otherwise stated for each specific tournament. If you elect to fish this tournament, you agree by your participation that you have read, understand and accept all rules & regulations pertaining to this event, and to abide by the decisions of the Tournament Committee. Failure to be familiar with rules may result in disqualification. All rules are subject to change and will be finalized at each tournament's captain's meeting.

ELIGIBILITY: The Tournament Committee reserves the right to decline entry or participation by any person, team or boat, as deemed necessary, to ensure such things as integrity, image, reputation, financial performance and community relationships with sponsors, participants and supporting groups.

CAPTAINS' MEETING - Amendments or changes to rules may be done at Captains Meeting prior to each tournament. For these reasons we would suggest entire team attend. Captains' meetings are held at Ludington Waterfront Park Pavilion. Rules will be finalized at the Captain's meeting.

FINAL PAYOUTS - Will be posted after the Captains meeting, based upon number of teams registered, and posting will supersede ALL previously posted payout projections. Once final payouts are posted there can be no refunds of registration fees.

BAD WEATHER - In case of bad weather, 4 hours of fishing constitutes a completed tournament. If we cannot start fishing on the 1st day of a 2-day tournament by 11:00 a.m. due to weather conditions, tournament will be cancelled for the day, and fishing will be allowed for tournament boats for the rest of the day. On day two, if we start at 11:00 a.m., fishing will end at 3:00 p.m. After fishing minimum of 4 hours the 1st day of any 2-day event, no fishing will be allowed for the remainder of that day. It is your responsibility to monitor Channel 68 for safety and emergency tournament information. Please sign up for Tournament Control

text message alerts at 81010 and text @ludington for the most up-to-date information. If tournament is called off before a minimum of 4 hours is fished, the whole day will be cancelled and no fish will be weighed. If, due to unforeseen circumstances, any tournament is cancelled in its entirety, a refund check will be mailed within 14 days. However, a portion of the registration fee may be retained to cover administrative costs. A weather boat committee will be selected and announced at the Pro/Am Captains' meeting. This committee, in conjunction with Tournament Control, will make all weather-based decisions once the fishing period has commenced. If the tournament must be called early due to poor weather conditions, ALL events and divisions will be cancelled for the day. All boats will be notified on Channel 9 and be asked to switch to Channel 68 for a weather-related announcement. Tournament Control will inform all boats of the new deadline to return to the harbor. The deadline will be 1.5 hours from the time of the announcement. For example, if Tournament Control announces that the tournament will be called due to bad weather at 10:00 am, all boats must return to the harbor by 11:30 am. Fishing will be permitted during that hour and a half, as long as the boat returns to the pier heads by 11:30 am.

LATE BOATS - All boats that are late in returning to the pier heads will be disqualified for that day's competition. No exceptions!

NUMBER OF RODS - Maximum number of lines fishing is 9. Fishing means "in the water." 10 or more lines in the water at any one time disqualify the team. One slider per rod will be allowed, however, sliders may not exceed 72 inches. Maximum 2 baits per rod.

RADIO - Marine radio required. Monitor Channel 68 for tournament traffic alert and sign up for text message alerts at 81010 and text @ludington for the most up-to-date information. Tournament Control will monitor Channel 68 throughout the day in case of an emergency or situation that requires



GENERAL RULES *continued*



immediate attention. See specific rules page for Pro/Am and Ladies Classic.

MICHIGAN LAWS - All State of Michigan fishing laws must be observed. A written DNR violation on tournament days disqualifies team with no refund.

LIMITS & SCORING - See specific tournament info for catch limit, length specifications and scoring methods.

GAFFING FISH - Gaffing fish is not allowed. Foreign substances, including ice packed into the fish's mouth or body cavities, will disqualify the entire team.

WEIGH-IN - Weigh-ins will be done by as boats arrive. Boats without observers must proceed immediately to weigh-in. Boats with mandatory observers may transport their coolers from their dock to the weigh stations. Transported coolers must be at weigh station no later than 1 hr. after tournament ends each day. Observer and at least one team member must stay with the cooler at all times until their fish are weighed. At Captain's Meeting final weigh-in procedures will be announced for all Divisions. Please drain coolers before weigh-in. Excess water or loose ice may result in 5 lb. deduction from overall weight.

CAPTAIN & CREW - A Captain for each team must be designated and identified on registration form. Short-handed crews are allowed, however, sufficient legal fishermen are required to comply with maximum 9 lines. Same fishermen do not have to fish both days. DNR REGULATIONS ALLOW 3 RODS PER PERSON ON LAKE MICHIGAN RESULTING IN A 3 MAN CREW TO LEGALLY USE THE MAXIMUM 9 ROD LIMIT FOR TOURNAMENT FISHING.

IDENTIFICATION - Each contestant will be furnished with a flag and a boat identification number. You must make sure your boat number is on your log sheet at the weigh-in. You need to return the number at final weigh-in. The flag shall be flown

in full view from all directions at all times during the tournament. The boat number shall be prominently shown on the starboard side of the participant's boat at all times.

DISABLED BOATS - Boats must return through the pier heads under their own power. No boat may come in direct physical contact with another boat unless authorized by Tournament control. Physical contact will result in disqualification for both teams. Obviously boats in distress, dangerous or life threatening situations must be dealt with accordingly. Disabled boats that arrive late will not be able to weigh in for that day only. Once Tournament begins you cannot change boats for any reason.

CHEATING - Cheating will not be tolerated. All cases will be directed to the rules committee who will be enforcing all tournament rules.

PROTESTS - Any and all protests must be made in writing to tournament control within two (2) hours after posted tournament fishing ends on the day of the alleged infraction. Tournament Control will submit the protest to the Chamber CEO who serves as the chair of the Protest Committee. Remaining members of the Protest Committee will be appointed by Tournament Control and include the Ludington Offshore Classic (LOC) Rules Committee members free of conflict from alleged infraction. Each protest must be accompanied by \$100.00 in cash. If the protest is upheld, the LOC will return the protester their \$100.00. However, if the protest is not upheld, the LOC will keep the \$100.00. The Protest Committee's decision shall be final and binding. If the dispute cannot be resolved by the appointed Protest Committee, the alleged infraction will be presented to the Lake Michigan Tournament Alliance (LMTA) for resolution. The Ludington Offshore Classic is a member of LMTA, which requires the LOC to report any team that is disqualified from the LOC Tournament for any reason. The team and the infraction will be reported to the LMTA for review and possible disqualification from other tournaments associated with the LMTA.



GENERAL RULES *continued*



Any additional penalty resulting from a LOC disqualification will be a LMTA decision.

PRO TEAMS DEFINED - For the purposes of this tournament, a "Pro Team" is defined as any of the following:

1) Any crewmember that is, or has been within past 2 years, a licensed Great Lakes charter captain, or 2) Any crewmember that is the owner/operator of a business that manufactures a Great Lakes related fishing product

For the purposes of this tournament, the following will NOT be considered a "Pro Team":

1) Any crewmember that is a licensed "river-only" guide/captain, 2) Any crewmember that is an employee of a tackle manufacturer or retailer, 3) Field testers, and 4) Retailers.

Amateur teams who win the Ludington Offshore Classic two (2) years in a row will be required to fish in the Pro Division the following year.

If you have questions about your Pro-Am status call Shane Ruboyanes at (231) 794-7626 for clarification before you register. Failure to fully disclose all pertinent information may result in disqualification with absolutely NO refund and NO prizes awarded. It is your responsibility to comply with the Pro/Am Rule.

COMMUNICATION - a. All participants must monitor Channel 68 at all times. Important tournament information will be broadcast on this

channel. Please restrict communication to vital tournament communication only. Participants who miss these announcements will still be held liable.

b. We will use the Remind App to Send Official Notifications from Tournament Control.

c. Open communication is allowed in the Offshore Classic Ruboy Thursday, Ladies and Kids Friday, and Weekend Pro-Am tournaments.

d. Big Boy Tournament Only - Boat to boat communications will not be allowed including radio and cellular phones. All cell phones, smart phones and portable electronic devices with the ability to communicate must be powered down and placed in the observer's quarantined bag during official tournament fishing periods. Failure to comply will result in disqualification from the tournament. The tournament committee members are exempt from this restriction for emergencies or weather decisions. In this case, all communication will be made in the presence of the observer.

OBSERVERS - You are a guest! Swearing, drinking, sleeping is not acceptable behavior. You have a very important job to do. Carry out your duties as unobtrusively as possible. You will have 2 hours only after fishing time ends to file your protest to Tournament Control.

QUESTIONS? - Contact Ludington & Scottville Area Chamber of Commerce at 231-845-0324.





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PRO/AM RULES



2 DAY EVENT, Sat & Sun, July 20 & 21
No fishing after 2 pm Saturday, July 20



**Captains' meeting at 7:00 p.m. Friday, July 19th, at Ludington Waterfront Park
See General Rules page for further clarification - Failure to be familiar with rules
may result in disqualification**

3 DIVISIONS – Pro, Am, Big Fish - See entry form for details. All entries must fish from the minimum of an 18 foot boat outside Ludington Harbor entrance.

RULES - When you submit your registration fee, you are required to completely read and understand all rules pertaining to this tournament. Ignorance is no excuse! For any questions, call Capt. Shane at (231) 794-7626. Captains' Meeting is held specifically to ensure all participants are clear on rules and their interpretation.

ELIGIBILITY: The Tournament Committee reserves the right to decline entry or participation by any person, team or boat, when deemed necessary, to ensure such things as integrity, image, reputation, financial performance and community relationships with sponsors, participants and supporting groups.

OBSERVERS - Observers are mandatory in Pro Division only. Each Pro team must supply an observer 16 years of age or older each day. Captains, please plan ahead and find responsible and knowledgeable observers. The Tournament Committee will not provide any observers for Pro teams. The Committee will supply observers for the Top 5 Amateur teams on Day Two of the Tournament. Strict rules will apply to observers and their responsibilities. Observers must attend Captains' Meeting. Observers will be required to be aboard assigned boats at 5:15 AM on tournament days. Failure to do so may result in the disqualification of the OBSERVER'S TEAM for that day. There will be no exceptions and no refunds for disqualified teams. Observers will be required to log each legal fish caught. Observers will ensure compliance of all tournament rules. You may send a different observer each day, but all observers need to be at the Captains' Meeting. We will assign, as close as possible, observers on similar sized boats; however, observers may or may not be aboard the same boat both days. Some leeway must be allowed.

Observers must have a watch synchronized to Tournament Control time. Observers will be required to log START and RETURN times (inside pier heads) for team assigned. Observers are responsible for logging every fish brought on board (caught) and must verify the exact length of all undersized fish returned to the lake. Returning fish without measuring is cheating and you will be disqualified with no refund. Once a fish is kept, it cannot be released at a later time.

Observers note that every effort must be made to net and land each fish. Any intentional act such as, but not limited to, shaking off, breaking off, or burning off, etc. a fish will subject team to disqualification. At the discretion of the Tournament Committee, observers may be placed on Amateur Division boats at any time during tournament hours. Protests must be submitted to Tournament Control by no later than 1 hour after tournament ends for that day to be considered.

TOURNAMENT TIME – 6am to 2pm each day. Boats will leave from just outside the Ludington pier heads at 6 am and be inside the pier heads by 2 pm each day. Observers on Pro Team boats will be required to log exact times. No fishing after 2 pm on Saturday, July 20, unless tournament has been cancelled for the day before the minimum of 4 hours of fishing. Spotters will be in place on the pier heads to check for boats returning late. Any late boats will be disqualified from the tournament. When directed, listen to Channel 68 for exact countdown to 2 pm each day.

COMMUNICATION - There are no radio restrictions for Pro or Amateur divisions.

LOCATION – Captains' Meeting and Weigh-in at Ludington Waterfront Park Pavilion.

CAPTAIN & CREW - A Captain for each team must be designated and identified on registration form. The number of fishermen may vary. The same



PRO/AM RULES *continued*



fishermen do not have to fish both days. Pro Team observer may be used as team member if necessary for 9 rod limit; however, his license becomes that team's responsibility.

BOAT SIZE - Boats must be at least 18' long and have a marine radio.

WEIGH-IN - When you return with your catch, proceed immediately to the weigh station for weigh-in. Boats with mandatory observers may transport their coolers from their dock. Transported coolers must be at weigh station no later than 1 hour after tournament ends each day. After the weigh-in you cannot fish for the remainder of the day. Weigh-in begins at 10 am. Please drain coolers before weigh-in; excess water or loose ice may result in a 5 pound deduction from overall weight.

LIMITS FOR PRO TEAMS - Catch 20, weigh the best 12; maximum of 9 per species. The boat limit of fish shall not exceed the limits for the number of fish in possession allowed by the legal anglers onboard as established by the Michigan DNR. In the event there are four (4) or more licensed fisherman on a boat the tournament limit shall be a maximum of 20 fish each day in the proportions defined by the tournament rules.

The boat limit of 20 cannot contain more than 17 salmon or 9 others of one species (lake trout, brown trout, or steelhead). Any salmon taken in excess of 17 must be released. The maximum number of others in possession as part of the maximum of 20 shall be 9. Any "others" taken in excess of 9 of the same species must be released.

When the 20th allowed legal fish is landed, the boat limit is reached, fishing must cease and the boat must return to port. Observer must list the exact time on the observer log sheet and the Captain and Observer must sign the sheet.

All legal fish must be retained until the stated tournament limits are reached. For example, the maximum of 20 might consist of 17 salmon and 3 others; or 11 salmon and 9 others or some combination of not more than 17 salmon and not more than 9 others (9 of each species) but in no case more than a total of 20 fish maximum. (At the weigh-in, no more than 9 of 12 fish can be of the

same species.)

Fish must be released if DNR size limit of 10 inches for salmon, brown trout and steelhead or 15 inches for lake trout is not met. Captains have the discretion to keep or release a salmon, brown trout, or steelhead measuring between 10 inches and 10 ½ inches; or lake trout measuring between 15 inches and 15 ½ inches, allowing the captain to determine if the fish will still meet DNR minimum size requirements at the official weigh station. Salmon, brown trout, and steelhead over 10 ½ inches and lake trout over 15½ inches must be kept. Once a fish is measured, determination must be made immediately to keep or release the fish.

LIMITS FOR AMATEUR TEAMS - Catch 20, weigh best 10; maximum 7 per species. The boat limit of fish shall not exceed the limits for the number of fish in possession allowed by the legal anglers onboard as established by the Michigan DNR. In the event there are four (4) or more licensed fisherman on a boat the tournament limit shall be a maximum of twenty (20) fish each day in the proportions defined by the tournament rules.

The boat limit of 20 cannot contain more than 17 salmon or 9 others of one species (lake trout, brown trout, or steelhead). Any salmon taken in excess of 17 must be released. The maximum number of others in possession as part of the maximum of 20 shall be 9 per species. Any others taken in excess of 9 of the same species must be released.

When the 20th allowed legal fish is landed, the boat limit is reached, fishing must cease and the boat must return to port.

All legal fish must be retained until the stated tournament limits are reached. For example, the maximum of 20 might consist of 17 salmon and 3 others; or 11 salmon and 9 others or some combination of not more than 17 salmon and not more than 9 others (9 of each species) but in no case more than a total of 20 fish maximum. (At the weigh-in, no more than 7 of 10 fish can be of the same species.)

Fish must be released if DNR size limit of 10 inches for salmon, brown trout and steelhead or



PRO/AM RULES *continued*



15 inches for lake trout is not met. Captains have the discretion to keep or release a salmon, brown trout, or steelhead measuring between 10 inches and 10 ½ inches; or lake trout measuring between 15 inches and 15 ½ inches, allowing the captain to determine if the fish will still meet DNR minimum size requirements at the official weigh station. Salmon, brown trout, and steelhead over 10 ½ inches and lake trout over 15½ inches must be kept. Once a fish is measured, determination must be made immediately to keep or release the fish.

Any intentional act such as, but not limited to, shaking off, breaking off, or burning off, etc. a fish will subject team to disqualification.

BIG FISH LIMITS - Tournament boats fishing the Big Fish Division only are limited to 5 fish per person/No Cull up to a maximum of 20 fish per boat and adhering to Michigan DNR possession limits. Weigh one fish (heaviest fish) per day.

TOURNAMENT COOLERS – Please drain excess water from coolers. Observer (when required) and one team member will accompany tournament cooler to weigh station and ensure weigh-in corresponds with Observer's (when required) catch report data. No more than your division's weighable catch may be in tournament cooler at the weigh station. Extra fish or undersized fish will be disallowed, PLUS a penalty of your big fish in that day's catch will be deducted from your catch for each extra or under size fish you have in your cooler at the weigh-in Station. Questionable sized fish

will be measured at weigh station. Weigh Station measurement will supersede team measurement. Observers (when required) are required to measure marginally sized fish. Stretching fish, squashing fish, breaking their neck or any manipulation to alter the length of the fish will disqualify team. Observer (when required) must record exact length of fish that need to be measured during tournament hours. Captain, observer (when required), and weigh-master, will sign weigh-slips. Once weigh-slip is signed by all, there can be no change. Re-weighing is not allowed after weigh slip has been signed. Drop fish at weigh station immediately upon return.

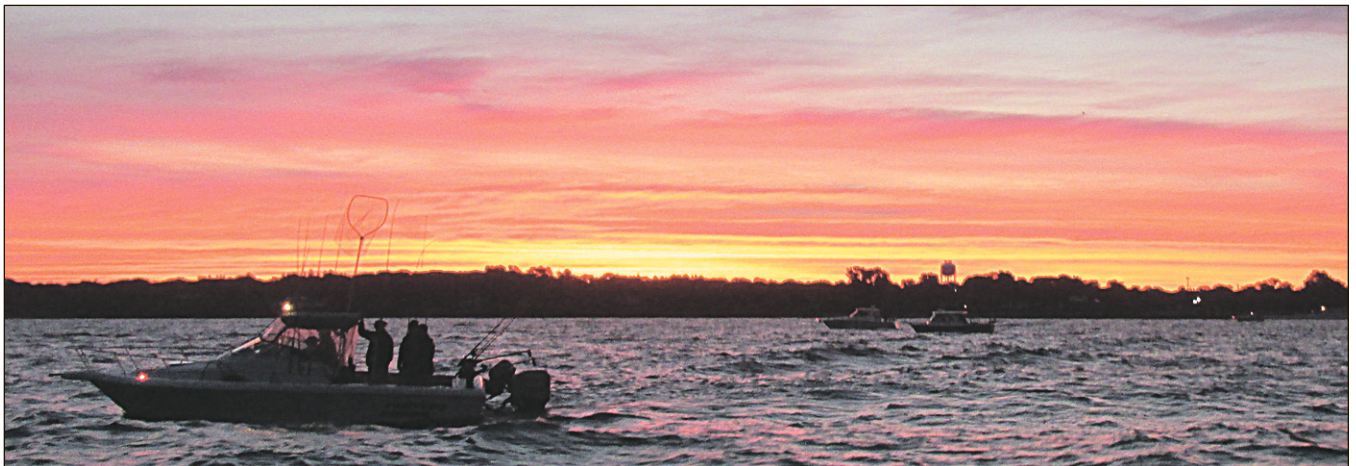
TOURNAMENT COOLER – BIG FISH Division – Please drain excess water from cooler. Weigh your heaviest fish only - Blocked or bagged ice. Bring immediately to weigh station.

TOURNAMENT SCORES – PRO & AM - 1 Point per pound, 10 Points per fish using our certified tournament scales. Our scales weigh in increments of 5/100's of a pound. For Big Fish contest, exact weight of fish will be used.

TIE BREAKERS - When points and pounds are used, total weight will break ties. If still tied, biggest fish will be used if that weight is available for all boats involved. If not, prize will be split.

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If you have any other questions, please call the Chamber office at 231-845-0324.





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Big Boys Rules for Offshore Classic



2 Day Event Tuesday & Wednesday, July 23 & 24



1 DIVISIONS – Big Boys - See entry form for details. All entries must fish from the minimum of a 18 foot boat outside Ludington Harbor entrance.

RULES - When you submit your registration fee, you are required to completely read and understand all rules pertaining to this tournament. Ignorance is no excuse! For any questions, call Capt. Shane at (231) 794-7626. Captains' Meeting is held specifically to ensure all participants are clear on rules and their interpretation.

ELIGIBILITY: The Tournament Committee reserves the right to decline entry or participation by any person, team or boat, when deemed necessary, to ensure such things as integrity, image, reputation, financial performance and community relationships with sponsors, participants and supporting groups.

OBSERVERS - Observers are mandatory in this tournament. Each team must supply an observer over 17 years old each day. Captains, please plan ahead and find responsible and knowledgeable observers. The Tournament Committee will not provide any observers for teams. Strict rules will apply to observers and their responsibilities. Observers must attend Captains' Meeting. Observers will be required to be aboard assigned boats at 5:15 AM on tournament days. Failure to do so may result in the disqualification of the OBSERVER'S TEAM for that day. There will be no exceptions and no refunds for disqualified teams. Observers will be required to log each legal fish caught. Observers will ensure compliance of all tournament rules. You may send a different observer each day, but all observers need to be at the Captains' Meeting. We will assign, as close as possible, observers on similar sized boats; however, observers may or may not be aboard the same boat both days. Some leeway must be allowed. Observers must have a watch synchronized to Tournament Control time. Observers will be required to log START and RETURN times (inside pier heads) for team assigned. Observers are responsible for logging every fish brought on board (caught) and must verify the exact length of all undersized fish returned to the lake. Returning fish without measuring is cheating and you will be disqualified with no refund. Once a fish is kept, it cannot be released at a later time.

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and land each fish. Any intentional act such as, but not limited to, shaking off, breaking off, or burning off, etc. a fish will subject team to disqualification. At the discretion of the Tournament Committee. Protests must be submitted to Tournament Control by no later than 1 hour after the tournament ends for that day to be considered.

TOURNAMENT TIME – 6am to 2pm each day. Boats will leave from just outside the Ludington pier heads at 6 am and be inside the pier heads by 2pm each day. Observers on Team boats will be required to log exact times. No fishing after 2 pm on Tuesday, July 24th, unless tournament has been cancelled for the day before minimum of 4 hours of fishing. Spotters will be in place on the pier heads to check for boats returning late. Any late boats will be disqualified from the tournament. When directed, listen to Channel 68 for exact countdown to 2 pm each day.

COMMUNICATION - a. All participants must monitor Channel 68 at all times. Important tournament information will be broadcast on this channel. Please restrict communication to vital tournament communication only. Participants who miss these announcements will still be held liable.

b. We will use the Remind App to Send Official Notifications from Tournament Control.

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LOCATION – Captains' Meeting and Weigh-in at Ludington Waterfront Park Pavilion.

CAPTAIN & CREW - A Captain for each team must be designated and identified on registration form. The number of fishermen may vary. The same fishermen do not have to fish both days. Team observer may be used as team member if necessary for 9 rod limit; however his license becomes that



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team's responsibility.

BOAT SIZE - Boats must be at least 18' long and have a marine radio.

WEIGH-IN - When you return with your catch, proceed immediately to the weigh station for weigh-in. Boats with mandatory observers may transport their coolers from their dock. Transported coolers must be at weigh station no later than 1 hour after tournament ends each day. After the weigh-in you cannot fish for the remainder of the day. Weigh-in begins at 10 am. Please drain coolers before weigh-in; excess water or loose ice may result in a 5 pound deduction from overall weight.

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TOURNAMENT COOLERS - Please drain excess water from coolers. Observer and one team member will accompany tournament cooler to weigh station and ensure weigh-in corresponds with Observer's catch report data. No more than your weighable catch may be in tournament cooler at the weigh station. Extra fish or undersized fish will be disallowed, PLUS a penalty of your big fish in that day's catch will be deducted from your catch for each extra or under size fish you have in your cooler at the weigh-in Station. Questionable sized fish will be measured at weigh station. Weigh Station measurement will supersede team measurement. Observers are required to measure marginally sized fish. Stretching fish, squashing fish, breaking their neck or any manipulation to alter the length of the fish will disqualify team. Observer (when required) must record exact length of fish that need to be measured during tournament hours. Captain, observer and weigh-master, will sign weigh-slips. Once weigh-slip is signed by all, there can be no change. Re-weighing is not allowed after weigh slip has been signed. Drop fish at weigh station immediately upon return.

TOURNAMENT COOLER - BIG FISH Division - Please drain excess water from cooler. Weigh your heaviest fish only - Blocked or bagged ice. Bring immediately to weigh station.

TOURNAMENT SCORES - 1 Point per pound, 10 Points per fish using our certified tournament scales. Our scales weigh in increments of 5/100's of a pound. For Big Fish contest, exact weight of fish will be used.

TIE BREAKERS - When points and pounds are used, total weight will break ties. If still tied, biggest fish will be used if that weight is available for all boats involved. If not, prize will be split. Place prizes will be added together (ex: 2nd & 3rd) and then split. *If you have any other questions, please call the Chamber office at 231-845-0324.*









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