

2017 CCBA Tournament Rules

1. Check out from 6am to 9am on Saturday, April 22, 2017– No lines in the water until 6am on Saturday, April 22, 2017.
2. Check out locations:
 - a. Crystal River – On county fishing pier (near Twin Rivers Marine)
 - b. Homosassa River – Dock at McRae's
3. Pass by the tournament officials and present your entry # and how many anglers are on your boat – when you receive confirmation from the tournament official you may proceed.
4. Tournament ends Sunday at 3:00 pm
5. Fish eligible for weigh in must be of a legal size, Florida Saltwater Fishing regulations and local fishing regulations apply and will be strictly enforced. Slam stringer should have 4 slot fish and 1 above slot just like individual angler limits. It is the angler's responsibility to abide by Florida bag limits.
6. Eligible fish must be weighed in between 12pm and 6pm on Saturday, or 9am to 3pm on Sunday.
7. In the case of a jam up at the weigh in station – we will issue you a tag at the dock by Riverside Crab House. Your boat **MUST BE** confirmed by committee person no later than 3pm. No exceptions.
8. Fish must be brought straight from the boat or vehicle to the scales.
9. Scales will be set up near the Riverside Crab House under a tent and will have the official tournament banner and weigh in board displayed
10. No one is allowed in the weigh in station except tournament officials and the angler weighing in the eligible fish.
11. All **eligible** fish are by weight with the exception of redbfish most spots. In the category of redbfish most spots, a tie will be determined by weight first, and then time weighed in.
12. IGFA (International Game Fish Association) rules apply for all World Record competition.
13. To be eligible for prize money competition, IGFA rules for tackle apply with the following exceptions applicable for CCBA tournament entries:
 - a. Live Bait
 - b. Wire Line
 - c. Downriggers & Planers
14. There shall be no restriction on line test.
15. All fish must be caught during tournament hours.
16. All fish must be caught on hook and line.
17. Anglers must fish from the shore, dock or the boat(s) they have registered.
18. Weather: Rain or shine, all anglers fish at their own discretion and accept full responsibility for their crew and boat.
19. Fishing either day or partial day will constitute a tournament.
20. Cash prizes are based on 125 paid boat entries.
21. Awards will be presented at the Homosassa Riverside Resort on April 23, 2017 at approximately 4 p.m. once final weights have been determined, protests/complaints and winning fish necropsies have been completed and reviewed.
22. No Angler shall win more than one place award per species.
23. **Angler must choose category for fish prior to weighing in fish.**
24. All winners may be subject to a polygraph test.
25. Fraud complaints/protests must be submitted in writing, by a registered tournament angler, eligible for prize money, with a \$300 cash bond to the tournament committee no later than time that final weights are posted on the official weigh in board on Sunday, April 23, 2017. If a fraud complaint is received with bond, prize for that slot will be withheld and polygraph scheduled for earliest possible date/time. If offense is confirmed, bond will be returned to complainant and prize will be issued to next eligible angler. If offense is not confirmed, bond will be used to pay polygraph costs and prize will be awarded to the original winner.
26. In the event of a tie, the first fish weighed will be considered the winner.
27. **All weighed fish will be returned to anglers upon request, at the end of the awards presentation.**
28. **2017 Tournament rules are final and subject to change at the discretion of the CCBA Fishing Tournament Committee**

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