

2022 CCBA Tournament Rules

1. Check out from 6am to 9am on Saturday, April 23, 2022– No lines in the water until 6am on Saturday, April 23, 2022. Tournament ends Sunday, April 24, 2022 at 3:00 pm.
2. **Check out locations: Crystal River – On county fishing pier (near Twin Rivers Marina), Ozello at Ozello Keys Marina, or Homosassa River – Dock at MacRae's: Pass by the tournament officials and present your official entry number – when you receive confirmation from the tournament official you may proceed.**
3. 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 must meet current FWC regulations for one bag limit. It is the angler's responsibility to abide by Florida bag limits.
4. Eligible fish must be weighed in between 12pm and 5pm on Saturday, or 11am to 3pm on Sunday.
5. In the case of a jam up at the weigh in station – we will issue you a tag at the dock or in parking lot at MacRae's/The Shed. **You/Your boat MUST BE visually confirmed by committee person no later than 3pm on Sunday to receive tag. No exceptions.**
6. Fish must be brought straight from the boat or vehicle to the scales.
7. Scales will be set up at MacRae's/The Shed under a tent and will have the official tournament banner and weigh in board displayed.
8. No one is allowed in the weigh in station except tournament officials and the angler weighing in the eligible fish.
9. All **eligible** fish are determined by weight first, and in case of tie, by time weighed in. In the category of redfish most spots, a tie will be determined by weight first, and then time weighed in.
10. IGFA (International Game Fish Association) rules apply for all World Record competition.
11. **To be eligible for prize money competition, IGFA rules for tackle apply with the following exceptions applicable for CCBA Adult and Construction Academy Youth tournament entries: a. Live Bait b. Wire Line c. Downriggers & Planers**
12. All fish must be caught during tournament hours and within the boundaries of the Levy/Dixie County line (north) and the Hernando/Pasco County Line (south) and must be within the waters of the Gulf of Mexico and its tributaries
13. **All fish must be caught on hook and line. This also includes Youth Tournament. There shall be no restriction on line test.**
14. Anglers must fish from the shore, dock or the boat(s) they have registered.
15. Weather: Rain or shine, all anglers fish at their own discretion and accept full responsibility for their crew and boat.
16. Fishing either day or partial day will constitute a tournament. Refunds or rollovers of entries, for cancellations received after March 18, 2022, are subject to approval by the committee on a case-by-case basis. Due to pandemic conditions, any cancellation or postponement of event, by the committee, will result in automatic refunds or rollover to next event, per angler preference.
17. Cash prizes are based on 150 paid boat entries. Entries will be capped at 200 boats.
18. Awards will be presented at MacRae's of Homosassa on April 24, 2022 at approximately 4 p.m. once final weights have been determined, protests/complaints and winning fish necropsies have been completed and reviewed.
19. No Angler shall win more than one place award per species.
20. **Angler must choose category for fish prior to weighing in fish.**
21. All winners may be subject to a polygraph test.
22. 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 24, 2022. 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.
23. **All captains and anglers registered to the CCBA Annual Family Fishing Tournament must abide by amended IGFA Rules. Captain accepts full responsibility for the conduct and safety of any participant on their vessel and holds CCBA and MacRae's of Homosassa and any of their affiliated sponsors, employees, officers and directors, and volunteers harmless from any liability and all losses, costs, damages, and/or expenses. All participants also agree to allow CCBA to use their name and likeness in any Sponsorship or Promotional Materials.**
24. **All weighed fish will be returned to anglers upon request, at the end of the awards presentation.**
25. **2022 Tournament rules are final and subject to change at the discretion of the CCBA Fishing Tournament Committee**

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