

Rules and regulations

Date of tournament

August 27th 2011

Registration

Entry fee is \$300 to fish from 7:00am to 4:00pm for 5 anglers and \$400 to fish from 6:00am to 5:00pm for 5 anglers if payment is received before or on August 21st. Any entries after August 21st the will be \$350 to fish from 7:00am to 4:00pm and \$450 to fish from 6:00am to 5:00pm. (A boat entry includes 5 t-shirts and 5 raffle tickets) No entries will be accepted after the Captain's meeting on August 25th.

Captain's meeting

There will be a Captain's meeting on Thursday, August 25th at 6:00 pm at the Miami Lakes Ale House patio, 15251 nw 67th ave Miami Lakes, Fl. 33014

There will be raffles before the Captain's meeting 5 tickets are included in the entry fee additional tickets will be available at a cost of \$5 dollars for 10 tickets.

A representative from each boat must be present. The rules of this tournament may be amended verbally or in writing at the time of the meeting.

No changes will be permitted after the conclusion of the Captain's meeting. Anglers are responsible for being well informed of the rules

License and limits

All participating anglers must possess a valid Florida salt water fishing license according to Florida law, only 10 dolphins per licensed Fisherman may be kept each day.

Rules

IGFA rules and regulations will apply throughout this tournament no hand lines or electric reels may be used, otherwise, there are no tackle or bait restrictions. All protests concerning conduct or rules violations must be filed in writing with the tournament committee the day of the violation no later than 5:00pm. Fishing is limited to U.S. Or international waters only (Bahamas, Grand Bahamas, ect. are off limits)

Eligible Fish

Tournament prizes to be awarded to dolphin, (*Coryphaena Hippurus*), unless otherwise indicated. All fish presented for weigh-in must be in fresh, edible condition and caught during the tournament. Acceptability of fish will be determined by the tournament Committee. Minimum acceptable weight of 5 pounds is required for entry of a fish into the tournament. Anglers are urged to release those fish not to be entered.

Billfish are not eligible for entry into the tournament. Therefore, any billfish brought to weigh-in location shall result in his/her forfeiture of any claim to tournament prizes. Largest fish category is for Kingfish, Tuna (only Yellow fin) or Wahoo (dolphin not included)

Scoring

Only fish weighed in the presence of the angler who caught it will be officially entered in the tournament. Each boat may enter up to 3 dolphins. (5lbs. Minimum per fish). Tournament prizes to be awarded by total weight - one point per pound of fish. All entries must be weighed in at the designated weigh-in location at the Millers Ale House tent in Bayfront Park. There will be food provided at the weigh in Miller's Ale House and sponsored by Cheney Brothers Distributing. Tournament anglers may be subject to video recording at weigh-in and or POLYGRAPH TEST. All entries become property of Millers Ale House.

Payout for total weight of the 3 largest dolphins per boat.

\$3000 for 1st place

\$2000 for 2nd place

\$1000 for 3rd place

\$500 for 4th place

\$400 for 5th place

\$300 for 6th place

(This payout is based on 60 entered boats for the tournament if there are less than 60 boats the payout will be based on a percentage scale and the payout will be less.)

Payout for Kingfish, Yellowfin Tuna and Wahoo

\$500 for the heaviest fish in each category

Tie

In the event of a tie in weigh-in the winner shall be determined by the earliest time.

Communication

All participating boats should be equipped with a working VHF radio. Anglers should be on VHF channel 78.

Tournament hours

Lines at 6:00am (if you paid the additional \$100 entry fee) or 7:00am (if you did not pay the additional \$100 entry fee). Weigh-in begins at 3:00pm. All entries must be present at the designated weigh-in location by 4:00pm (if you did not pay the additional \$100 entry fee) and 5:00pm (if you paid the additional \$100 entry fee) to qualify. (weigh master will have a list of boats that qualify). Your boat must be in line and acknowledged by a tournament official to be considered for weigh in.

Weather conditions

In the case of bad weather, the tournament Committee will determine whether the tournament should be postponed until the following weekend. All boats and anglers are responsible for their own well-being and the termination of safe sea conditions

Refunds

No refunds will be given or substitutions allowed.

Release of liability

All participants in the tournament enter at their own risk and assume all liability for personal injury and/or property damage. Officials committee members and all persons connected indirectly or directly with the operation of Miller's Ale House annual dolphin tournament shall be exempt from any liability for loss, damage, negligence, harm or injury suffered by any participant, entrant, sports-fisherman, their companions, boat captains, crew members, vessels and equipment which may occur as a result of participation in the tournament.

Awards ceremony

Tournament winners will be awarded their prizes at the Coral Gables Ale House on Sept 1st at 7pm.

Payment

Go to any Dade county Miller's Ale House to pay for your entry.

These rules may be subject to Change. Changes to these rules will be discussed and explained at the Captain's netting and shall be conclusive and binding.