



## **5th Annual Seadrift Shrimpfest Fishing Tournament**

### **Seadrift Bayfront**

### **June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

Late and pre-registration check-in Friday June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021 from 5-6pm

Mandatory Captain's meeting will start at 6pm

Tournament will be held Saturday June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021- First Cast TBD at captains meeting.

Weigh-In and Captain's meeting will be at the pavilion located at the Seadrift Bayfront Fishing Pier from 2pm-4pm. At least one team member must be in line with fish by 4pm SHARP. No exceptions!

#### **Tournament Fees:**

Combined Stringer- 1 Redfish, 2 Trout (no trout over 25")- \$300 entry fee

#### **Optional Side pots:**

Big Red-\$50

Big Trout- \$50

Redfish Spot Pot- \$25

## **Tournament Prizes:**

Combined Heaviest Stringer: Based on a 40 boat field @ \$300 a team\*.  
(\*- adjusted as needed per # of boat entries)

1<sup>st</sup>- \$7,200 (60%)

2<sup>nd</sup>-\$3,600 (30%)

3<sup>rd</sup>- \$1,200 (10%)

**Optional** side pots will be paid per # of entries:

Big Red- 1st-(70%), 2<sup>nd</sup>-(30%)

Big Trout- 1st-(70%), 2<sup>nd</sup>-(30%)

Redfish Spot Pot- 1<sup>st</sup> – (100%)

## **Official Rules:**

1) Tournament Teams will consist of 1-4 people. Only one team per boat and everyone in boat is a team member.

2) Boundaries- Boundaries are from the Colorado River to Highway 361 bridge in Port Aransas. First Cast will be announced at captains meeting.

4) Launch- You may launch anywhere but must fish between boundaries.

5) No sharing or pooling of fish with other teams and boats is allowed.

6) All anglers must carry a valid Texas fishing license with a saltwater stamp. All federal, state and tournament rules will be abided by including valid fishing license.

7) Live, dead or artificial bait is allowed

8) Combined stringer will consist of 1 slot redfish and 2 trout. No tagged redfish over 28" will be allowed. **No trout over 25"** per team will be allowed including the side big trout pot. All fish will be allowed to be weighted in one time only and not used in multiple categories. A total of 3 trout and 3 redfish may be brought to weigh-in to cover stringer and all side pots.

9) Weigh master will have final say on eligibility on any fish brought to the scales. No pale, gilled, or mutilated fish will be allowed. Team will be disqualified. A trimmed tail is a mutilated fish. In the event of a tie in weight, the first team to weigh in will be winner.

10) Minimum of one person per team must attend the mandatory captains meeting.

11) In the event of inclement weather, the tournament will be rescheduled. Decision on weather to be made by the tournament officials and notifications will be placed by phone calls or email to team captains.

12) Teams may launch at any boat ramp and return to the bayfront pavilion by 4pm for weigh-in. You may not carry any extra gas in boat other than in the factory installed OEM gas tank.

13) Weigh-in time is Saturday from 2pm-4pm. At least one team member must be standing in line at the tournament pavilion with your fish by 4pm sharp. NO EXCEPTIONS. There will be no sorting or culling of fish once your team is in line with fish for weigh-in.

14) The official clock will be "cellular phone" time and will be monitored by the weigh-in team.

15) Teams must fish in public waters accessible to public fisherman.

16) Any protest must be filed orally or in writing with the tournament director by the end of the weigh-in.

17) 50 yd rule between tournament boats and fisherman, unless waived in will apply. Passing on plane, within 50 yds of a wading fisherman is strictly prohibited.

18) Teams will not be allowed to hold another boats fishing spot for any reason.

19) Wade fisherman must always remain within plain eyesight of their fishing partners and boat.

20) Any boat that becomes disabled during the tournament may be towed back to weigh-in. Anglers may NOT transfer fish to another boat to be transferred to weigh-in.

21) All fish must be caught by rod and reel in adherence to State Law on the day of the tournament.

22) If you hook a fish, that fish is yours and yours only to fight. You may not pass the rod to another team member to fight fish. Wade fisherman must net their own fish. Boat fisherman may have another team member that is also inside the boat net their fish.

23) Awards will be given out at the Fishing Tournament pavilion following the weigh-in.

24) These rules are subject to change prior to tournament day. All final rules will be gone over at mandatory captains meeting Friday evening.

25) This is an open fishing tournament. Guides will be allowed.

26) Every angler receiving a tournament prize is subject to a polygraph test. Results of polygraph test are final. Any person caught cheating will be disqualified and charges will be pressed.

27) Polygraphs--- By signature on the official tournament entry form, each contestant agrees to submit to a polygraph test and abide by its conclusion. A mandatory polygraph test will be administered to one team member on the winning team of the combined stringer selected by the tournament directors. No money will be paid out until polygraph test is completed and passed. The results of the polygraph test are final and cannot be reviewed by a court of law.