



## FISH TO HONOR RULES OF CONDUCT

1. **RULES:** The following rules of ~~this tournament~~ will remain unchanged. Interpretation of these rules shall be left to the Tournament Officials. The decision of the Tournament Officials shall be final in all matters.
2. **PARTICIPANTS & ELIGIBILITY:** Participation in this tournament is open only to individuals who are 18 years of age and older. Fish to Honor is a two-person team tournament and teams must consist of at least one Veteran angler or active-duty service member. All entries must be paid by 4:00pm on November 3, 2023. Entry fees are \$100/Team and an optional \$40 Big Bass Pot. A \$50/Team fee will be applied to late registration. Registration may be completed online or by calling 863-696-1108. All entry fees are non-refundable.
3. **SAFETY:** Safe boating conduct must be observed at all times by tournament competitors. Each competitor is required to wear a Coast Guard approved chest type life preserver any time the combustion engine is operating. The preserver must be strapped, snapped, zippered, or buckled securely and maintained in that condition until the combustion engine is turned off. Violation of this rule will result in immediate disqualification. If a competitor receives a citation/ticket during the tournament hours for a local ordinance violation or a FWC law violation that competitor will be disqualified.
4. **SPORTSMANSHIP:** Competitors are expected to follow high standards of sportsmanship, courtesy, safety, and conservation. Any infraction of these fundamental sporting principles may be deemed cause for disqualification. Drunkenness by any competitor during the tournament will not be tolerated and shall be cause for automatic disqualification. Maximum courtesy must be practiced at all times, especially with regard to boating and angling in the vicinity of non-competitors who may be on tournament waters. Any act of a competitor which reflects unfavorable upon the effort to promote fisheries, conservation, clean waters, and courtesy shall be reason for immediate disqualification. No seeding/salting: Moving fish to an area with intent of gaining an unfair advantage is strictly prohibited. No alcoholic beverages or other stimulants or depressants will be allowed in tournament boats. Use of illegal drugs, or non-prescribed drugs at the tournament headquarters, in the tournament boat, or at all event facilities will result in disqualification.
5. **TACKLE AND EQUIPMENT:** Each competitor may only use one rod with one lure at a time. Artificial baits only. Trolling is not allowed. Fishing from the front deck while under power from the combustion motor is not allowed. Any umbrella-type rigging, harness or other device designed to hold more than one lure at a time – with or without hooks – is not allowed.
6. **HORSEPOWER REGULATION:** Maximum horsepower for all outboard motorboats used in tournament competition will not exceed limitations set by the US Coast Guard in their ruling of Nov 1, 1972. All competitors are required to have boater's liability insurance of at least \$100,000 liability coverage.

7. **BASIC BOAT EQUIPMENT:** Every boat must have all required Coast Guard mandated safety equipment. In addition, it must have a functional live well space that is properly aerated to adequately maintain a live limit of bass by the fisherman using the boat. The use of binoculars and cameras with telephoto lenses is prohibited during tournament hours.
8. **BOAT IDENTIFICATION:** Each boat must be given, prior to the tournament start, an inspection by a Tournament Official and assigned a boat number, which must remain with your boat until turned in at the end of the tournament.
9. **FISHING BOUNDARIES:** Kissimmee Chain of Lakes, which includes Lake Toho, Lake Cypress, Lake Hachineha, Lake Tiger, and Lake Kissimmee. Boundaries **DO NOT** include Kissimmee River below lock on Highway 60. Only those waters open to **ALL** public fishing will be considered tournament waters. All angling must be done from the boat. No fishing is permitted within fifty yards of an anchored boat, including by pole, with its trolling motor in the stored position.
10. **RELEASE BOAT:** All fish to be released by any Team after weigh-in shall be delivered to the Camp Mack release boat for transport by staff to deep water. At no time during the tournament are participants permitted to release fish into the oxbow canal which borders the property.
11. **SCORING:** Tournament standings shall be determined by the catch during the day of the tournament. Only largemouth and smallmouth will be weighed. The limit shall be a total of five of the above species. Competitors are bound by the prevailing statutes and regulations of the State of Florida. Only bass as described which measure twelve inches or more in length as measured with mouth closed shall be weighed in. Bass presented for weigh in which fail to measure twelve inches shall immediately disqualify the team. There will be a one-pound penalty for each dead bass brought to the scales. This penalty shall be deducted from the total weight of the competitor. Any bass that appears to have been illegally harvested will be weighed and credited only at the discretion of the Tournament Officials. In the event of a mechanical failure, or acts of God prohibiting or disrupting the weigh in process, Tournament Officials reserve the right to return all competitors money for the event. Only the weigh master has final say over a fish's legal status, short or dead.
12. **LATE PENALTY:** Competitors will be deducted one pound for each minute late at check-in and will automatically be disqualified after fifteen minutes.
13. **TIES:** In case of a tie, the first tie breaker shall be the number of live fish, second shall be big fish, and third shall be a coin flip.
14. **IN THE EVENT OF AN EQUIPMENT FAILURE:** You must immediately notify a Tournament Official by cell phone of the problem. There will be only two permitted methods of returning to the official tournament headquarters: by both partners remaining in their boat and being towed by water, or by one partner entering the boat of another tournament contestant. Under these two conditions the contestants' catches will be counted without penalty (except for late penalties, dead fish penalties or other penalties pertaining to other tournament rules).

- 15. ANGLER CODE OF CONDUCT:** Anglers shall, at all times, conduct themselves in a professional manner that demonstrates integrity, honor and respect toward fellow competitors, tournament staff and the general public that does not reflect unfavorably on Guy Harvey Camp Mack, its members, officers or representatives, tournaments or sponsors. This includes but is not limited to the participant's social media accounts and digital sights. Breach of this rule will result in a board review. Consequences will vary based on the infraction.
- 16. GUIDES:** Paid guides are prohibited via verbal information or on the water information seven days prior to all tournaments.
- 17. RELEASE OF LIABILITY; INDEMNIFICATION** - I expressly assume all risks associated with my participation in the tournament and for myself, my executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors and assigns, I hereby waive, release and discharge GUY HARVEY CAMP MACK, its affiliates and subsidiaries, the hosts, sponsors and tournament series officials ("Released Parties") from any and all losses, liabilities, claims, damages and expenses (including without limitation, attorneys fees and related costs), of any kind (hereinafter "Claims") arising out of or in connection with my participation in the tournament series, including but not limited to Claims involving, death, disability, personal injury and/or property damage. I hereby INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS, AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE the Released Parties for any and all Claims arising as a result of my participation in this Tournament. I acknowledge that this Tournament may carry with it the potential for death, serious injury, and personal loss. The risks may include, but are not limited to, those caused by water conditions, temperature, weather, equipment, actions of other people including, but not limited to, participants, volunteers, and spectators. This release of liability shall be construed broadly to provide a release and waiver to the maximum extent permissible under applicable law.