

**Fifth Annual**  
**Barracho de Pescado**



**Catfish Trotline Tournament**

**March 24-26 2017**

**Event Rules and Regulations**

1. All Federal and State fishing laws, rules, and regulations apply to all contestants. Failure to abide by all laws, rules, and regulations will result in automatic disqualification from tournament.
2. Fishing areas consist of all Lake Texana and rivers feeding Lake Texana. Northern Boundaries – Sandies Creek no further north than Jackson County road 256 bridge, Navidad River no further north than FM road 530 bridge, Mustang Creek no further north of Hwy 59, and Southern boundary is Palmetto Bend Dam.
3. All boaters/ contestants must have Coast Guard approved floatation device on and secured at any time their boat is on plane.
4. Fishing teams are allowed to have up to and no more than 200 **combined hooks** in water at any time during fishing tournament.
5. Live, dead, and artificial baits are allowed.
6. Can fish all three divisions, but must PAY all three divisions.
7. For all three divisions, there must be **ONLY ONE BOAT PER TEAM**, and or all team members must be together, not split up in different locations.
8. For Catfish-No bait is allowed to be in water before 12:00 noon Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup> but lines can be out. Effective tournament start time is 12:00 noon Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>.
9. For Crappie-Hooks in water at 6:00 a.m.
10. For Bass-Hooks in water at 6:00 a.m.
11. Crappie and Bass must be caught on a Rod-N-Reel or cane pole.
12. Bass must be turned in alive with the exception of a dead fish 1 pound will be deducted. No pale or iced bass will be accepted.
13. Crappie can be turned in dead or alive. Tournament Directors will make the final decision.
14. All tournament boats **MUST** and **WILL** display provided boat marker to identify active tournament boats.

15. All catfish entered into tournament weigh-in must be alive and in a presentable condition. (No fish believed to have been held in traps over 24 hours will be allowed to be weighed-in. Tournament Directors will have ultimate decision to if a fish is presentable.)
16. HEAVIEST YELLOW AND HEAVIEST BLUE CAT WILL BE ALLOWED TO BE WEIGHED IN ON THE STRINGER, AS WELL AS TO BE ENTERED INTO THE HEAVIEST POT.
17. No more than 2 yellow cats can be weighed into the heaviest stringer division each day.
18. Only one fish can be entered into each heaviest pot division each day. (Example – you may weigh-in three yellow cats total per day. {1 yellow cat-Heaviest Yellow Cat Division and 2-yellow cats Heaviest Stringer Division.})
19. Heaviest Catfish Stringer Division may only weigh-in 5 fish per day consisting of any Catfish species or subspecies w/exception of only two yellow cats per day.
20. Heaviest Crappie One Day Stringer Division may only weigh in 10 fish total.
21. Heaviest Bass One Day Stringer Division may only weigh in 5 fish total.
22. Bass-Only artificial lures can be used.
23. Bass-Scoring will be based on the weight in pounds of bass (Largemouth, Kentucky, or Spotted) with a minimum length of 14 inches measured on a flat board. Fish will be bumped in the closed mouth position and any team weighing in a short fish will be disqualified for the day and no weight will be issued.
24. Fishing locations will be determined within a first come first serve basis, as of 12:00 noon March 24th. No boat may encroach on another teams fishing hole by 150' unless agreed upon by all teams involved. In the case of an incident in which this occurs, a tournament director or an on-water judge must be contacted immediately.
25. All contestants must be in line, with their fish by weigh-in end time in order to weigh their fish in for the day. There will be **NO EXCEPTIONS**.
26. **All blue cats weighed in on Saturday only will be donated to Barracho de Pescado for the fish fry, and yellow cats can be donated to Barracho de Pescado for tagging purposes, or you may keep them in your possession. (Bass and Crappie excluded)**
27. If any contestant catches a tagged fish during the tournament only, they will receive a \$1,000.00 check from Barracho de Pescado.
28. All contestants that sign entry form agree to release Barracho de Pescado Fishing Tournament, along with all directors, workers, or affiliates of any legal liabilities, concerns, or debts.
29. All Tournament Directors decisions are final and may not be contested or argued by any contestant or bystander.
30. All tournament contestants are subject to pass a Polygraph test to all the rules complied with Barracho de Pescado. Result of refusal will be automatic disqualification from tournament and will not be allowed to participate in any future Barracho de Pescado Tournaments.
31. Tie Breaker--First to weigh in wins the tie.
32. Any act of unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated.
33. Calcutta for Bass and Crappie Only—Your team can buy yourself for \$150.00.
34. **USE YOUR HEAD IF ITS NOT LEGAL OR SPORTSMAN LIKE DON'T PUSH IT!!!! AGAIN ALL DIRECTORS DECISIONS ARE FINAL NO EXCEPTIONS!! EVERYONE IS HERE TO HAVE FUN!!!!**