

2010 Palacios Chamber of Commerce Fishfest Official Rules

1. Entries must be in by 8:00 p.m. August 6, 2010. All adults entering any category must sign registration form. Parent/guardian must sign for all minors (18 and under) entering the tournament in any category.
2. All fish must be caught by rod and reel and must conform to current regulations set forth by Texas Parks & Wildlife.
3. **All occupants in a boat must be entered in tournament in the same category.**
4. ***Weigh-In Station will open at 2:00 pm Saturday**
 - A. Saturday – entrant with verified catch must be in line with catch by 6:00 pm or fish will not be weighed.
5. Catch will be weighed only once and fish will be measured only once & Entrant **MUST** be present to weigh in catch.
6. In case of tournament delay due to weather, tournament will be held Aug. 20th and Aug. 21st.
7. In case of tournament cancellation full entry fees will be returned.
8. ***Frozen-mutilated-deformed, or otherwise inedible fish will not be accepted for weigh-in. Chamber reserves the right to limit the amount of donated fish.**
Tournament director's decision will be the final authority.
9. **Fish weighed in will be subject to gutting and internal inspection. (Exception: Live Juvenile Tripletail)**
10. A winning fish will be determined first by weight. In case of tie, total length will be the second deciding factor. Time received will be the third deciding factor.
11. **Definitions:**
 - A. Fishing Times – Fish may be caught between 4:00 am and 6 p.m. Saturday, August 7th.
 - B. Fishing Divisions -
 1. Individual Division – All categories may be fished. However, only one place per category per individual will be awarded.
 2. Family Division (2 or more members) - Total pounds of fish caught will be divided by the number of members fishing. Entrants fishing in this division **MAY NOT** enter any other category. **Spade fish or Hardheads will not be accepted for weigh-in.**
 3. Youth Division – 12 and under fishing for Atlantic Croaker, 5” minimum Blue Crab, Hardhead, 14” minimum Gaff top, Pig Fish and Pinfish. Only one place per category per entrant will be awarded.
 - C. Open Category -
Winners of the Open Category will be determined by comparing the weight of the fish entered on a percent basis to the weight of that species as listed in current Texas State Fish Records. Fish included are Gar, Stingray, Ladyfish, Whiting and Croaker.
 - D. Fishing Area -
All division and category entrants are limited to fishing within a 50-mile radius of the tournament headquarters.
 - E. Oversized redfish will not be allowed entry into the Largest Redfish category or in the Redfish Stringer Pool.
12. Any entrants found to be in breach of tournament rules will be disqualified and will forfeit all winnings as well as entry fees.
13. **Any contestant that enters a fish that has been deemed, by the weigh master, as altered in any fashion will be disqualified for that category and also disqualified for the entire tournament in all categories. All entry money and fees will be forfeited. Contestant will be barred from entry in tournament for a period of 5 years. Contestant will be subject to rules and regulations of Texas Parks and Wildlife, which could result in fines and/or prosecution.**
14. Protests – Verbal protests, accompanied by \$50, must be entered within 10 minutes after all weighing in is completed with a written protest to follow within 30 minutes after weighing is completed. The \$50 fee will be returned only if protest is deemed justified by Tournament Committee.
15. Decisions – Decisions of the Tournament Committee are final and are **NOT** subject to appeal.

FISHFEST TOURNEY PRE-REGISTRATION FORM

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

DIVISION

- Individual \$40.00
 Youth \$9.00
 Family \$40.00
 ___Additional Meals @\$8.00 ea

Note: Family entrants eligible for Family category only. List names: All participants must sign agreement below.

Agreement: *I agree to participate in accordance with the Official Tournament Rules, and I understand that decisions by the Judges will be final. I agree to hold safe and harmless the Palacios Chamber of Commerce, it's officers, directors and members and the Tournament Officials from blame or responsibility in the event of any injury or damage to my person, passengers, boat or other property arising from my participation in this tournament.*

_____ Date _____ Signature _____

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_____ Date _____ Signature _____

Boat TX No. _____ Boat Captain _____

Make of Boat _____ Boat Length _____

STRINGER POOLS: Stringer limit – 3 trout or 3 Redfish or 3 Flounder

- Saturday – Trout for \$20.00
- Redfish for \$20.00
- Flounder for \$20.00
- Grand Slam for \$20.00
(1 Trout, 1 Red, 1 Flounder)

Tournament will receive 10% of total pools, with the remainder of each pool going to stringer winners, which will be based on total weight. Individual Division fishing contestants ONLY are eligible for optional stringer pool participation. Entrants will be allowed to select only one fish from stringer to be weighed for entry in red or trout individual category. All stringer entries do not have to be full stringers to weigh in.

IMPORTANT: Entry fees must accompany form.
Make checks payable to **PALACIOS CHAMBER.**
All entries and fees must be received by
8:00 p.m. Friday, August 6, 2010

Mail entry and fees to:

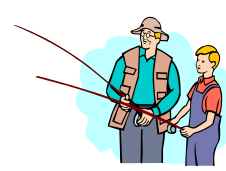
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420 Main Street
Palacios, TX 77465
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Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

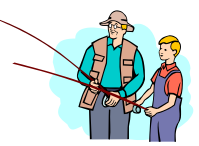


FISHFEST TOURNEY
Speckled Trout 1st Place
Lodging for Six at
Full Stringer Lodge in Matagorda

PALACIOS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
420 Main Street
Palacios, TX 77465



28th Annual PALACIOS Family



FISHFEST TOURNEY AUGUST 6 & 7, 2010 Friday & Saturday

Aug. 6, 2010	CAPTAIN'S RECEPTION Shrimp Boil
East Bay Park	Free with entry
Begins @ 6pm	



ENTRY DEADLINE: 8:00 PM, AUGUST 6, 2010

Entry Fees:

Individual – \$40.00 per person Family – \$40.00 per family
Youth – \$9.00 per person Meals – \$8.00 per person

Saturday Stringer Pools

Trout, Red or Flounder for \$20.00 each
Grand Slam for \$20.00!!

FAMILY DIVISION (2 or more members) - \$40 per family

Parents – Children – Grandparents
Cash Prizes (Total pounds caught divided by total family members.)

YOUTH DIVISION (12 and under) - \$9.00 entry fee

Merchandise Prizes
Croaker, Blue Crab, Hardhead, Pigfish, Pinfish & Gaff top

