

Frazer Lake Walleye Classic Rules.

Nipigon Elks Walleye Classic Tournament Format and Eligibility TOURNAMENT RULES:

- 1. The Nipigon Elks Walleye Classic Tournament format is a two person team, fishing for one day, total combined weight, live release Tournament.
- 2. The Tournament Director has the right to delay or shorten the Tournament, subject to weather and/or safety considerations.
- 3. The tournament directors retain the right to change and or amend these rules at their discretion without prior notification. The final approved tournament rules will be supplied to all competitors at the Saturday morning meeting.
- 4. The Nipigon Elks Walleye Classic Tournament, it's promoters, employees, sponsors, organizers, hosts, Directors, Officers and affiliated organizations assisting the operations of any of the tournament, their agents and/or agents and assigns are not responsible for any death, injury, damage, liability, fire, theft or loss that may result prior to, during or after the Tournament howsoever caused. ALL COMPETITORS MUST SIGN THE ENTRY AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND THE WAIVER OF CLAIM, RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT.
- 5. Entry fee per Team is \$150

Rules Meeting

- 1. The rules meeting will start at 7:30 AM, Saturday morning at the boat launch. At least one member of each team must attend the rules meeting.
- 2. The Team Number Tags must be affixed to the right and left cowls of the main combustion engine so that they are clearly and plainly visible. Live Release of Fish
- 3. Every effort must be made to keep the Walleye alive through the use of built-in or securely fastened, properly aerated or circulating live wells.
- 4. Under no circumstances can fish be purposely altered.
- 5. Fish, which are brought to the weigh scale, must be alive in order to be weighed in as part of the team's daily limit. Dead or non reasonable fish count towards the 6 fish limit however the weight of the fish will not be added to the total weight for that team.
- 6. Any fish mauled, stringered, injected with water or other fluids, containing foreign matter to add weight or showing white gill or soft flesh will result in that team(s) immediate disqualification.

Penalty for Late Check-In

- 1. Any team that does not report to the Tournament Check-In Station by the appointed return time of their flight shall have that catch disqualified.
- 2. Scoring
- 3. Only Walleye qualify for weigh-in.

- 4. A total of SIX (6) Walleye per team will be weighed. Any team possessing more than the allowed daily limit of Walleye will be disqualified. The Daily Ministry of Natural Resources limit may be kept while angling.
- 5. Each team's fish must be presented to the Weigh Master or his/her Assistants. All weights, upon verbal acceptance by the Team Captain, and then publicly called by the Weigh-Master are immediately official and are not thereafter contestable.
- 6. One team member must sign the weigh-in form recording the weight of the catch.
- 7. The winning team will be the team which weighs in the largest combined day weight.

Morning Equipment Inspections

- 1. Boat inspections will take place at the boat launch. Boat inspections will start at 7:00 AM Saturday morning.
- 2. Teams must have all coolers, hatches and live wells open for easy inspection.
- 3. Upon completion of daily inspection, one member of each team must sign the inspection form prior to each days fishing.

Procedure for weighing Fish

Weigh-ins with more than 1 hour of fishing time remaining each day:

- 1. Boats can approach the beach immediately.
- 2. Both members of the team must remain in their boat until a tournament official comes to the boat with a weighin bag and weigh-in form.
- 3. The tournament official must confirm the walleye are living and fill out the weigh-in form appropriately.
- 4. The team is then responsible for placing their own fish in the weigh-in bag and carrying them to the weigh scale.
- 5. The fish and weigh-in form are then handed to the weigh scale operators. One member of each team must verify the scale weight and sign the weigh-in form

Weigh-ins with 1 hour or less of fishing time remaining each day:

Both members of the team must remain in their boat until a tournament official comes to the boat with a number and

weigh-in form.

When your number is called make your way to the weigh in station

- 1. The team is then responsible for carrying their fish to the weigh scale.
- 2. The fish and weigh-in form are then handed to the weigh scale operators. One member of each team must verify the scale weight and sign the weigh-in form.
- 3. Sportsmanship and Courtesy
- 4. It is strictly prohibited for any competitor to give, offer, accept or suggest the exchange of any weighable fish to, from or with any competitor or non-competitor.
- 5. All competitors must remain twenty (20) yards from another competitor's boat.
- 6. Maximum courtesy must be practiced at all times, particularly with regard to boating and fishing in the vicinity of

a non-competitor.

7. Use of cellular phones, CB's or VHF radios are prohibited unless for emergency purposes.

Safety

- 1. All competitors must practice safe boating at all times during practice and tournament fishing.
- 2. Every competitor must wear a fully secured Coast Guard approved life jacket or chest type floating device whenever the main combustion engine is in operation.
- 3. No alcoholic beverages may be consumed by competitors during the tournament fishing hours.
- 4. In the event of a thunderstorm, lightning, or severe weather, teams may pull onto the nearest shoreline until it is safe to continue fishing.
- 5. Competitors may not leave their boats during the tournament except at the Official weigh-in site or if severe weather forces them ashore.
- 6. Every team, whether weighing fish in or not, must check in at the boat launch.
- 7. Only tournament official boats are allowed to tow a competitor's boat during fishing hours if the team wishes to weigh in their catch.
- 8. A team that has a mechanical problem may use a different boat to finish the day's fishing. The switch must be made at the boat launch.
- 9. Teams must notify a tournament official if an emergency or breakdown has occurred.

Tackle and Equipment

- 1. Live bait and artificial lures, manufactured baits, pork rind and commercially available liquid attractants may be used.
- 2. Landing nets may be used.
- 3. The use, in live wells, of commercially available fish care chemicals is permitted.

Boundaries:

The Tournament boundaries are outlined on the official Frazer Lake Tournament Map.

Tie Breakers:

The winner of a tie for grand-aggregate prizes will be determined by the team that has the largest fish.