

General Tournament Rules

April 1, 2003 / March 31, 2004

- 1) Current IGFA rules apply.
- 2) Certified hand scales must be used in weighting fish,
- 3) Fish submitted for new Club record must be weighted on land and a photograph submitted,
- 4) In the event of a dispute, the decision of the Tournament Committee is final,
- 5) Tournament runs from April 1, through March 31,
- 6) Each member, in good standing, shall submit a fish report at the monthly General Meeting, or by mail, attention: Tournament Chairman, post marked by the 10th of each month.

DIVISIONS: There are two (2) Divisions namely, FLORIDA WATERS ONLY, this covers the entire coastline of the State of Florida. If you leave a Florida port and return to a Florida port the same day, fish caught are deemed Florida Fish. The only exceptions are fish caught in Bahamian waters. The Tournament Committee will resolve any and all disputes as to what division applies. The INTERNATIONAL DIVISION, covers fish caught from all foreign ports including the Bahamas and all other U.S. States and Territories.

POINTS: Each time an eligible fish is caught/released, one(1) point shall be awarded for each eligible species with the exception of the first fish of each species which is awarded fifteen (15) points. Total qualifying number will be ten (10) fish of each species listed, catch or release, for a total of twenty four (24) points for each eligible specie. All fish caught in Florida waters will receive a two (2) times bonus towards the “FLORIDA MASTER AWARD” and other awards.

AWARDS

Top overall awards are;

Hall OF FAME AWARD · Requires for angler to have won all three (3) awards listed above.

GRAND MASTER ANGLER AWARD
FLORIDA MASTER AWARD
INTERNATIONAL MASTER AWARD

ADDITIONAL AWARDS

- 1) Most Eligible Species Caught
- 2) Outstanding Catch on a “Fly”,
- 3) Outstanding Catch/Release Points Total by a Junior Angler up to the age of fifteen (15) years,

- 4) Outstanding Catch/Release Points by a Peewee Angler six (6) years and under
- 5) Club Ladies Awards for outstanding angling achievements,
- 6) "Home Boy Trophy" will be awarded to angler leaving and returning to local inlets the same day, with the most eligible number of fish. Total number of points will be applied. Master Award recipients are not eligible for this award,
- 7) "Rookie of the Year Trophy" will be awarded to any qualifying angler who hasn't won a major award. Awarded by the Tournament Committee to encourage new members to participate in Club tournaments and to report fish caught,
- 8) "Billfish Slam", awarded by the IGFA and requires the catching of three (3) species of billfish on the same calendar day,
- 9) "Most Billfish Releases" for the tournament year,
- 10) "Flats Slam"- Bone fish, Permit and Tarpon on the same calendar day,
- II) "Back Country Slam"- Snook, Redfish and Tarpon on same calendar day.
- 12.) "Do-it-yourself" Most species caught without guides.

CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION

Amberjack over 60 Pounds	African Pompano over 20 Pounds
Bone fish over 10 Pounds	Cobia over 50 Pounds
Dolphin over 50 Pounds	Jacks over 35 Pounds
Grouper over 40 Pounds	Kingfish over 40 Pounds
Marlin/Blue on 20lb, IGFA line	Marlin/White on 12lb, IGFA line
Permit over 30 Pounds	Permit on 8lb, IGFA line, mm. 54"
Redfish over 20 Pounds	weight
Sailfish release over 12 fish	Snapper/Cubera over 40 pounds
Snook over 25 Pounds	Sailfish on 8lb, IGFA line
Swordfish releases	Swordfish over 100 Pounds
Tarpon on 8lb, IGFA line, mm. 54"	Shark on 8lb, IGFA line, mm. 4 feet long
long	Trout over 10 Pounds
Tuna/Blackfin over 30 Pounds	Tuna/Yellowfin over 125 Pounds
Wahoo over 50 Pounds	

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Eligible**

**Fish Species
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Species

Minimum Weight /size / release

Amberjack

African Pompano

Barracuda	10 Pounds
Bonito	10 Pounds
Bonefish	10 Pounds
Bonefish	Largest-Weight Only, # Release, 18" Minimum
Cobia	33" Minimum, Length & Weight
Cubera Snapper	10 Pounds
Dolphin	10 Pounds
Grouper	10 Pounds
Jacks, except	10 Pounds
Kingfish	10 Pounds
Mackerel	10 Pounds
Marlin-Blue	5 Pounds
Marlin-Black	
Marlin-White	
Marlin-Striped	
Ambeijack	
Permit	25 Pounds
Redfish	Largest-Weight / # Releases
Roosterfish	Weight / # Releases / 18"
Sailfish	Minimum
Shark	Largest-Weight
Snapper- Gray/Mangrove	4 Feet / Release Only
Snapper-Mutton	10" Overall
Snapper-Yellowtail	16" Overall
Snook	12" Overall
Spearfish	Weight / # Releases / 26"-34" Only
Swordfish	
Tarpon	
Trout	Release Only / Minimum 36"
Tuna-Blackfin	Largest / 15" Minimum
Tuna-Yellowfin	10 Pounds
Tuna-Bigeye	25 Pounds
Bluefin	50 Pounds
Wahoo	50 Pounds
25 Pounds	10 Pounds