



# 2011 6th Annual Pirate's Cove Tuna Round-Up Tournament

1. **All anglers must abide by all State and Federal laws.**
2. **Registration** - Will be held on Thursday, June 2nd, 2011 from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM at Pirate's Cove Marina, under the Pavilion. The Captain's Meeting will be at 7:30 PM. All boats must be registered with the Tournament Committee and all entry fees paid to qualify for prizes and trophies. Boats running late due to weather or breakdown can register up until 8:00 AM on Friday, June 3rd. Any substitute must be registered with the Tournament Director prior to fishing and will be permissible only if original boat becomes disabled.
3. **Fishing Days** - There will be two fishing days. Fishing hours are from 7:30 AM to 3:00 PM daily. No lines or teasers in the water prior to 7:30 AM or after 3:00 PM. Any fish hooked prior to 3:00 PM may be played until caught.
4. **Official Clock** - Time starts the first day of the tournament. Official tournament time will be continuous GPS time. In case of tie in weight, length and girth time of weigh in will determine the winner.
5. **IGFA, Tackle and Motion** - All I.G.F.A. rules apply unless otherwise noted. Unconventional non-trolling techniques are strictly prohibited. Chunking (chumming), casting, use of live bait and green sticks are not permitted. There is no limit to the number of lines in the water or anglers - anglers may pass the rod.
6. **Boundaries** - All fish must be hooked within tournament boundaries which are: North 41350; South 40000; East 26700; fish can then be played outside boundaries until caught or released.
7. **Points System** - All fish will receive 1 (one) point per pound. Any tuna weighing less than 10 pounds will not be eligible for points. Wahoo and dolphin points do not count toward any tuna division. There is no billfish division.
8. **Weighing Fish** - Any fish weighed must be entered on the scorecard by the Tournament Weighmaster. If anyone wants to have a fish reweighed, it must be done while fish is still hanging. All fish that have been mutilated will be disqualified. Mutilation shall be defined as damage which would impair the fighting ability of the fish. The decision of the weighmaster will be final. Weigh stations will close at 7:00 PM on Friday, any late entry, Friday only, due to breakdown of vessel will be weighed upon arrival and the weighstation will close at 7:00 PM on Saturday, no exceptions.
9. **Scoring** - All tuna will receive 1 (one) point per pound. Yellowfin Tuna and Blackfin Tuna are eligible for points in the Top Angler (single largest fish) and Top boat (aggregate total of three fish) divisions. Teams may weigh no more than four tuna per day. Individual tuna may count toward both divisions. The Top Angler will be awarded for the heaviest single Yellowfin Tuna or Blackfin Tuna. Top boat honors will be determined by adding together the weights of the team's heaviest three Yellowfin Tuna or Blackfin Tuna from both days of fishing. Wahoo and Dolphin will also receive 1 (one) point per pound; heaviest single fish of each species will determine the winner in that category. One point per pound will be awarded for Big Eye Tuna and the winner for the Level 5 Big Eye Jackpot will be the single largest fish.
10. **Tie Breaker** - Winners will be determined by weight. Weighed fish will be recorded in fractions of a pound. If two or more entries are of the same weight. The fish with the earliest weigh-in time will determine the winner.
11. **Polygraph Testing** - Crewmembers, Captain and Mate of money winning boats and individual trophy winners may be subject to polygraph testing before receiving any money and/or trophies. Polygraph test for winners will be completed at a designated time and location. By virtue of signing the entry form, participants agree to the final decision of the polygraph test. Refusal to submit to the polygraph test will be automatic grounds for disqualification from the Tournament and any winnings.
12. **Protests** - must be submitted in writing to the Tournament Director by 10:00 PM on Friday and by 8:00 PM on Saturday. Protests must be submitted in writing with a deposit of \$100 which will be refunded if the protest is upheld. The Rules Committee at their discretion may use polygraph testing to reach a decision. by virtue of signing the entry form all participants agree to the final decision of the Rules Committee.
13. **Cancellation Policy** - If weather and /or other conditions exist that require that the tournament be cancelled, refunds will be paid less tournament expenses. The decision to cancel the tournament will be made by the Tournament Director. One day of fishing by at least 10% of the field constitutes a tournament.

14. **Prize money** - Checks will be made payable to the entrant or authorized agent of the winning boat as designated on the official entry form. Social Security Number or Taxpayer ID must be listed on the entry form. Checks will be mailed within 30 days of tournament event.
15. **Category Registration** - Each boat must enter a minimum of three levels, the entry fee plus two levels. Other levels are optional.
16. **Anglers** - There is no limit to the number of eligible anglers per boat. All anglers must be registered with the Tournament prior to each day's fishing. any fish caught by a non-registered angler will be disqualified.
17. **Trophy Awards** - The following trophies will also be presented to anglers with the most points scored under tournament rules: **Top Lady Angler Award** and **Top Junior Angler Award** (age 15 and under).
18. **Tournament Expenses** - In an effort to offset tournament expenses, Pirate's Cove Marina will retain 20% of the Entry Fee and 15% of Categories 1 through 5 and category 7. No percentage will be retained from Category 6.
19. **BY SIGNING THE ENTRY FORM AND PAYING THE ENTRY FEE, MY TEAM AND I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT WE HAVE READ THE RULES AND FORUM SELECTION/INDEMNIFICATION AND ARE BOUND BY THE SAME.**
20. **Forum Selection/Indemnification** - All participants, owners of vessels, and pro hoc owners of vessels, consent and agree that the federal and state courts for Dare County, North Carolina, shall serve as the sole venue for all litigation and disputes, including, but not limited to, Pirate's Cove Yacht Club & Marina, Tobin Enterprises, Inc., and Pirate's Cove Big Game Tournament Series, Inc. (also known as 'Tournament'), rulings, property damage, personal injury, and contract disputes arising out of a person or vessel's participation in the Pirate's Cove Tuna Round-Up Tournament.

If a participant does not secure the signature of the vessel's owner and / or pro hoc owner for this agreement, the participant(s) agrees to indemnify the Pirate's Cove Yacht Club & Marina and Tobin Enterprises, Inc. against all claims brought by the owner and or pro hoc owners of the vessel(s). Any participant whose action causes Pirate's Cove Yacht Club & Marina or Tobin Enterprises, Inc, Pirate's Cove Big Game Tournament Series, Inc., its officers, directors, sponsors, owners and employees, to incur legal expenses, shall indemnify, hold harmless and reimburse said persons or entities from such costs. The rules and release shall also be binding on my heirs, executors, administrator or assigns.