FISHING COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS – 2022

Tournament Motto

"Fish in the spirit of comradeship and goodwill, fish honestly with conservation always in mind, and most importantly... fish safely. The organisers remind all contestants that they are responsible for their own safety whilst on the water and ashore."

TICKETS

Tickets are available from our website www.waipuboatandfishingclub.com and from Waipu Tyres & Automotive, The Centre, Waipu.

Tickets must be purchased before fishing.

HOURS

Fishing times are Saturday 22^{rd} October from 4:00 am to Sun 23^{th} October at 4:00 pm.

FISHING AREA

Anywhere on the East Coast according to the Auckland and Kermadec Fishery Management Area.

TACKLE

Rods, hand lines, and surfcasting rods.

No more than two hooks per rod or handline.

No nets, Kon Tikis, Kites, Longlines, Explosives etc. are allowed.

WEIGH IN TIMES

Times for weigh in at the Waipu Boat and Fishing Club Clubhouse (by Waipu River Bridge) are:

 $8.00\ pm$ — $9{:}00\ pm$ Saturday, and

2:00 pm — 4:00 pm Sunday.

'OTHER FISH' CATEGORY

Excludes Sharks, Stingrays, Eels, Barracuda

FINAL WEIGH IN

Sunday 23th October 2022 @ 4:00 pm.

Official time by Clubhouse clock.

No fish under contest size will be accepted

Poor quality fish are not acceptable for weigh-in.

Weigh master's decisions are final and not negotiable.

JUNIORS SNAPPER OR KAHAWAI CATEGORY

This category is free to children under 16 years of age whose caregiver holds a ticket. Juniors are not eligible for other Category Prizes. They must either buy a ticket for Open, or else take part in the Junior section only.

PRIZEGIVING

Competitors must attend prizegiving in person, with their valid ticket, to claim drawn prizes, which will be redrawn if not claimed immediately.

MINIMUM SNAPPER SIZE & QUOTA

Minimum contest size is 30 cm.

Maximum 3 Snapper per day per angler can be weighed in.

MPI REGULATIONS

Normal MPI Regulations apply for the Auckland and Kermadec Fishery Management Area.

Please ensure you know the rules, as ignorance is not an excuse. www.fish.govt.nz

If regulations are changed after print date, the new regulations will apply.

EMERGENCY RADIO

Normal radio procedures should be followed. You should call local radio operators in your fishing area.

The Whangarei Coastguard is VHF05. Ship to Ship is Channel 18. Channels 16 & 05 are monitored for the Bream Bay area.

CANCELLATION

Cancellation due to weather or special circumstances will be announced over MORE FM and/or Smooth 105.6 on Friday, and again on Saturday where possible. Cancellations will also be on our website www.waipuboatandfishingclub.com and Facebook pages.

If weather conditions are unsafe: first reschedule will be Sunday 23^{th} and Monday 24^{th} October; second reschedule will be Saturday 29^{th} October and Sunday 30^{th} October 2022. There are no refunds for cancellations.

KEEP YOUR TICKET HANDY FOR THE PRIZEGIVING & WEIGH IN Your ticket number on the other side may be drawn out in one of the lucky ticket draws — bring it with you!

PLEASE REMEMBER: ALL FISH MUST BE CHILLED AND KEPT IN GOOD CONDITION PRIOR TO WEIGHIN.

ALL WEIGHED IN FISH WILL BE AUCTIONED AFTER PRIZE-GIVING.

ALL FISH AUCTION PROCEEDS GO TO WAIPU LIONS CLUB.