

2024 Salty Aggies Fishing Tournament

Hosted by and benefiting the Nueces County A&M Club



Official Tournament Rules

The following are the official Tournament Rules for the 2024 Salty Aggies Fishing Tournament. It is the contestants' responsibility to read, understand, and comply with all the rules outlined below. NON-COMPLIANCE WILL BE GROUNDS FOR DISQUALIFICATION FROM THE TOURNAMENT. By registering for and participating in the Salty Aggies Fishing Tournament, each participant agrees to be bound by Tournament Rules.

- 1. Anglers must be pre-registered to participate, and no registration will be allowed on the day of the tournament. Entry forms must be received online or at the stated address (Nueces County A&M Club PO BOX 6985 Corpus Christi, TX 78466) by stated entry deadline (Sept 20, 2024 @ 9 pm) to receive stated entry price. Late registrants may be received at the Captain's Party at the discretion of the tournament chairperson. Tournament will be held rain or shine no refunds.
- 2. This is a team tournament. Anglers may fish in any way they choose: by boat, wade, surf, pier, jetty, etc. Fish must be caught on a rod and reel with live, dead, or artificial baits.
- 3. Fishing is only allowed in Texas State waters.
- **4.** Anglers must be present at weigh-in to be eligible for prizes on Saturday.
- 5. This tournament focuses on fun and fundraising for the club. Professional anglers and/or full-time fishing guides may be hired by registered participants but CANNOT fish themselves. If it is determined a professional angler/guide service has fished or provided a registered participant with a qualifying fish, the registered participant(s) will be disqualified.
- 6. Tournament fishing times are 6AM to 2PM Saturday September 21, 2024. No Captain's Meeting or check-in required prior to fishing. Liability waivers must be signed by all participants prior to 9 PM on Friday September 20, 20024 in order to participate in the tournament. Failure to sign a liability waiver does not negate personal liability. The fish weigh-in location is at Packery Channel Bar & Grill 13402 S Padre Island Dr, Corpus Christi, TX 78418. Weigh-in will open at 12PM and close at 2PM CST. Anglers must weigh in their fish between 12PM and 2PM or be in line with their fish at 2PM in order to qualify for tournament prizes or side pot prizes. The last person in the weigh in line at 2PM will be identified according to the tournament director's watch and no subsequent fish may be entered.
- 7. All state and federal laws must be observed. Fish must be of legal size according to Texas Parks & Wildlife Department (TPWD) regulations. No oversized/tagged Redfish may be entered in the tournament.
 - a. Legal Fish Sizes according to TPWD for weigh-in eligible fish:

i. Redfish: 20"- 28"

ii. Black Drum: 14" - 30"

iii. Speckled Trout: 15" - 20"

iv. Flounder: 15" minimum

- **8.** The winning stringer in 1st through 3rd place (Redfish, Black Drum, & Trout) will be the heaviest combined weight in pounds as determined by the tournament weighmaster. A 3 species stringer will take priority over a stringer with 2 or less species. A lighter 3 fish stringer (with 1 of each species) will beat a heavier 2 fish stringer (with only 2 of 3 species in the stringer). In the event of a tie by weight, the winner will be the team that weighed in first. This portion of the tournament is a TEAM event.
- 9. Winning stringer fish (1st through 3rd) from main category will not be eligible for side pot prizes.
- **10.** The heaviest fish caught by an angler entered in the side pot that is not a winning stringer fish (1st through 3rd place) will be awarded 50% of the side pot entry funds in that side pot. The Redfish with the most spots will be awarded in the same manner. The same redfish can be entered into spot pot by the same angler. This portion of the tournament are INDIVIDUAL events.
- 11. The tournament weighmaster will be a professional fish handler hired to weigh in fish. If, in his/her opinion, any fish entered in the tournament was caught outside tournament fishing hours or was tampered with in order to alter weight or length, the angler entering the fish in question is subject to disqualification at the discretion of the tournament director. All decisions by the weighmaster and tournament director are final.
- **12.** All protests, objections, or suspicions of violations of Tournament Rules must be provided to the tournament director in writing prior to announcement of the winners promptly at 3:00 PM CST. Failure to provide timely written notification will be grounds for dismissal of the objection.

It is each participant's responsibility to be knowledgeable regarding these rules. Ignorance of a rule is not an excuse.

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	This release must be signed and turned in by 9:00 PM Friday, September 20, 2024.
Count my pa read a	participant,, RELEASE, DISCHARGE, and HOLD HARMLESS, the Nuecesty A&M Club, its officers, and sponsors from any claim for damages to my person or property incurred by rticipation in this fishing tournament. By signing and paying the entry fee, I acknowledge that I have not understood this disclaimer and all tournament rules and am hereby bound by the same. All fees are undable.
	Signed
	Date
	**Disclaimer: Participants are required to follow all TPWD rules & regulations.

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