

Lighthouse Marina Cobia Tournament

Presented By Lighthouse Marina on Grand Lagoon

March 30th – April 29th, 2012

TOURNAMENT RULES

Registration:

Boats must be registered before participating in tournament. Registration can be completed any time prior to Tournament, but no later than 10 am CST of the first day a boat competes. Each Registration includes two official T-shirts and two passes to the awards presentation. This is a Boat Tournament. Registration cannot be transferred from one vessel to another vessel.

Registration Locations:

Pirates Cove Marina (850) 234-3939 and Lighthouse Marina (850) 234-5609

Entry Fee:

Early Registration Discount: **Prior to March 28th** Entry Fee is **\$150.00** per boat

Entry Fee **March 28th** and after **\$175.00** per boat.

Boats may enter Tournament anytime during the month, but no later than 10 am CST of the first day a boat competes and expects to weigh-in. Boats not registered prior to weigh-in will not be permitted to weigh fish.

Entry fees must be paid in cash and are non-refundable. Checks or credit cards not accepted as payment for entry fees.

TOURNAMENT CASH AWARDS PAYOUT STRUCTURE:

100% of all entry fees collected are paid out.

\$250 weekly Winner (beginning April 8th) regardless of number of entries.

- **Up to 10 boats entered: Total entry fees collected less \$1000 for weekly winners, single \$500 overall winner.**
- **11 - 20 boats entered: Total entry fees collected less \$1000 for weekly winners, balance split 60/40 between first and second place overall winners.**
- **21 – 40 boats entered: Total entry fees collected less \$1000 for weekly winners, balance split 50/30/20 between first, second and third place overall winners.**

FISHING RULES:

- Fish must be caught on rod and reel and must be weighed-in on the day caught.
- All registered boats must enter the Gulf through the St. Andrews Pass (Panama City) and return from the Gulf through the St. Andrews Pass to weigh-in.
- Fish must be brought to the weigh-in scales on the boat they were caught and may not be transferred to another boat. (Unless with pre-approval of Tournament Committee) Fish cannot be brought in by car or trailered boat.
- Fish are measured in pounds and recorded to two-tenths of a pound. In the event of a tie in weight, tie breaker is first fish weighed.
- Tournament reserves the right to reject any fish due to poor condition or mutilation.
- Tournament Committee's decision is final.
- Entrants must comply with all State and Federal Fishing Regulations with regard to Cobia fishing.
- Cobia must be of Florida State legal length 33" (fork).
- All Entrants must possess a valid Florida Saltwater Fishing License.
- Check for Tournament Awards will be made out to the person who registered the boat for the event.

POLYGRAPH:

Tournament winners may be subject to a polygraph test.

WEIGH IN:

Official Tournament Weigh-In Scales located at Lighthouse Marina.

Scales open: Monday thru Thursday 12 – 5 pm; Friday thru Sunday 12 – 6 pm.

Contact Marina on VHF Channel 16 for dockage instructions.

Fish Weighed remain in possession of entrant after Weigh In (unless fish is retained by Tournament Committee for further examination).

SPORTSMANSHIP & SAFETY:

The Tournament Committee reserves the right to reschedule or alter the event due to inclement weather.

Participants are expected to follow all applicable USCG Rules and Regulations. Any participant who exhibits threatening behavior or disorderly, illegal or improper conduct will be subject to immediate disqualification by the Tournament Committee of this and all future Tournaments presented by Lighthouse Marina.

Read carefully and sign below:

In consideration for being accepted by the Tournament Committee for participation in The Lighthouse Marina Cobia Tournament ("the Tournament"), Participants hereby release, forever discharge, and agree to hold harmless the Tournament, Tournament Committee, Coastal Marina Management, LLC, North Lagoon Partners, and their respective officers, directors, employees, agents, volunteers, partners, members, and/or attorneys for any and all losses, claims, or demands of any kind whatsoever arising from the negligence or gross negligence of the Organizers or from any other cause connected with or occurring during the Tournament. The Participants expressly acknowledge that he/she has received, reviewed, and agrees to abide by the Tournament Rules and this Release. Furthermore, the Participants expressly acknowledge that activities relating to deep sea fishing are extremely dangerous and involve the risk of serious injury or death. Having so acknowledged, the Participants hereby assume full responsibility for the risk of bodily injury or death due to the negligence or gross negligence of the Organizers or any other cause connected with or occurring during the Tournament

I hereby acknowledge I have read the above tournament rules and release of liability:

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Note:

Rule #14:

Whining, cheating, complaining or protests will not be tolerated. In the event any of the aforementioned is experienced by the Tournament Committee, participant's fish will be confiscated and eaten by the Committee.

Awards Cookout: Sunday April 29th at 8pm, Lighthouse Marina.

Tournament Committee:

Jim Hamilton, Chris Silas, Amy Silas, Chris Miller, Scott Burt.