



DOG RIVER FISHING TOURNAMENT 2016 RULES

1. **Participation and Eligibility.** Participation is open to anyone 18 years of age or older. However, minors are eligible to participate with a parent or legal guardian signature on the release form. A completed entry form, waiver, and entry fee must be received no later than the published entry date. All participants represent that they are physically and mentally competent and fit and able to participate. By entering, all participants agree to assume all risks of personal injury, death, and damage to or loss of property and further agree to indemnify and hold Dog River Clearwater Revival, its officers, members, agents, and sponsors harmless from and against any and all claims, liabilities, and causes of action resulting directly or indirectly from participation.

2. **Pre-Registration And Captain's Meeting.** The registration fee for this event is set at \$35 for adults and \$20 for youth (ages 6-15) and free for children (ages 5 and under). Register in person at the Southern Bama Bait & Tackle (4012 Dauphin Island Pkwy, Mobile, AL 36605) or the River Shack Restaurant (6120 S. Marina Dr, Mobile, AL 36605) until noon Friday, October 7 or online until midnight October 7, 2016. Captain's Meeting registration is Friday, October 7, 2016 from 6-9 PM at the River Shack.

Questions or interested in sponsoring? Email littlepurvis@hotmail.com or call 404-7381.

3. **Safety.** Safe boating must be observed at all times. During competition each contestant is required to comply with US Coast Guard and Alabama State Regulations including the possession of PFDs and sounding device. If you find yourself in an emergency situation please call 911 or channel 16 on a VHF radio.

4. **Weigh In.** The weigh in station will be operational between the hours 2-3:30PM on Saturday, October 8th. Any anglers in line at the weigh-in station at The River Shack Restaurant at the 3:30PM cutoff time will be allowed to weigh in their catch. If an angler arrives after the 3:30PM deadline, the catch will not qualify. There will be no exceptions to the rule. Official time will be kept by the Tournament Committee and/or Weigh master at the weigh-in station. *Anglers are strongly urged not to wait until the last minute to submit their catch for weigh-in.*

All competitors in ALL AGE CATEGORIES must check in with legal fish (Alabama Fish and Game Regulations) to be eligible for fishing prizes. Only legal 'slot' redfish Redfish (16-26 inches with pinched tail) will be weighed in the tournament. THIS REDFISH "SLOT" RULE GOES FOR ALL AGE CATEGORIES. All fish submitted for weigh-in must be fresh and caught that tournament day. The weigh-master will make decisions on accepting fish for weigh-in, **his decision is final.** Any attempt to enter fraudulent catch, tamper with catch, or to hamper or



threaten any official of the tournament will result in immediate disqualification. Fish will be weighed in the order in which they are checked in. You may wish to provide ice and a cooler to keep your fish fresh. All weighed fish will be marked to indicate the fish has been processed at the weigh in station. The largest fish will be determined by weight. In the event of a tie, the first fish entered will be considered the winner, and the other will be dropped to the next position.

5. **Sportsmanship.** All contestants are required to follow high standards of sportsmanship, courtesy, and conservation. Any use of drugs, participation in criminal activities, or other conduct reflecting unfavorably upon our efforts to promote safety, sportsmanship, fair competition, and/or compliance with tournament rules are grounds for immediate disqualification and return of any prizes awarded.

6. **Permitted Fishing Methods.** All fish must be caught via hook and line. The selection of baits is up to the discretion of the participant.

7. **Fishing Locations.** The fishing area will be all inshore Alabama waters (Mobile and Baldwin Counties only).

8. **Other.** During competition contestants may not obtain or receive assistance including but not limited to following a non-competitor's boat, the placing of markers by a non-competitor, being towed or riding motorized vessels, or receiving electronic, voice, or data communications from non-competitors. All USCG and Alabama Fish and Game regulations are in effect at all times.

9. **NEW THIS YEAR - BASS CATEGORY.** At the request of the Deep South Bass Tournaments (DSBT) organizers, DRCR has added a Bass category to our event. The rules are the same as those set by DSBT. All boats in this category must launch from and return to check in location by boat only; Maximum two anglers per boat; 5 fish creel; 12" minimum length; Artificial lures only. Live wells will be checked; No trolling lures allowed; Fish must be alive, or a penalty deduction of 4 ounce per dead fish will be issued; Fish must be released after weigh in; Late to check in time will result in disqualification.