



6th ANNUAL FIU SCHOLARSHIP FISHING TOURNAMENT Saturday, June 14, 2008

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Tournament Date: Saturday, June 14, 2008

Weigh-in Station/Dock Party: Miami Beach Marina/Monty's South Beach.

Registration and Fees: Entry fee is \$350 per boat/team for up to four (4) anglers if received on or before Wednesday, June 4, 2008 and \$375 after this date. Fifty dollars (\$50.00) will be added for each additional angler. Each registered boat is eligible for general prizes. Please visit www.fiualumni.com to register.

Type of Tournament: This is a boat tournament. No changes are permitted in registered anglers after the conclusion of the Captain's Meeting. All Dolphin must be entered for official weigh-in in the presence of a boat/team representative.

Rules: Unless otherwise stated, IGFA rules will apply throughout the tournament.

Fishing Licenses: All participating anglers must have a valid Florida Saltwater Fishing License in their possession.

Captain's Meeting: There will be a Captain's Meeting on Thursday, June 12, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. This will be held at TotalBank's Corporate Headquarters located at 2720 Coral Way, Miami, FL 33145-3202. At least one representative from each boat/team must be present though all anglers are encouraged to attend. The rules of this tournament may be amended verbally or in writing at the time of the meeting. Anglers are responsible for being well-informed of the rules. Disqualification of a captain or team will prevent the captain or team from future participation.

Eligible Fish: All fish presented for weigh-in must be in fresh, edible condition and caught that tournament day. No mutilated fish will be accepted (based on tournament committee's opinion). A minimum acceptable size of greater than 20 inches from the fork of the tail is required for entry into the tournament. All participating anglers are encouraged to release all those fish not being entered into the competition. The releasing of fish should be in keeping with the best conservation methods to ensure continued life. It is the angler's responsibility to maintain their catch fresh prior to the weigh in. Any gray fish or any other fish that do not appear fresh at the time of the weigh-in will be subject to scrutiny by the Tournament Committee and may result in disqualification of the fish and/or team.

Billfish: Billfish are not eligible for entry into the tournament and should be released unharmed. Any angler bringing billfish into the weigh station will forfeit any claim to tournament prizes.

Tournament Overall Winner: Only up to five (5) dolphin may be entered in this category. The boat/angler's Dolphin may be included for consideration in this category, yet once entered they are eliminated from participation in the Largest Dolphin category. Dolphin entered in this category, however, are eligible to participate in the Ladies and Junior Angler categories as stated herein. Weigh-in will be on a first come first served basis.

Largest Dolphin: The largest Dolphin weighed (Single fish) wins the prize. The Largest Dolphin entered by an Angler WILL NOT be eligible for participation in the Tournament Overall Winner category (Aggregate), except as herein stated below for the Junior and Lady Angler categories.

Largest Fun Fish: The largest Kingfish, Tuna or Wahoo weighed wins the prize.

Ladies Largest Dolphin: The Lady Angler catching the largest weighed Dolphin wins the prize. Entry of the Dolphin by a Lady Angler in this category does not prevent participation of the same Dolphin in the Tournament Overall (aggregate) Winner category or the Largest Dolphin category, yet the Lady Angler can only choose one other category for participation of this Dolphin.

Junior Angler Largest Dolphin: The Largest Dolphin caught and weighed by a registered Junior Angler (Less than 16 years old on day of tournament) wins the Prize. Entry of the Dolphin in this category by a Junior Angler does not prevent participation of the same Dolphin in the Tournament Overall aggregate Winner category or the Largest Dolphin category, yet the Junior Angler can only choose one other category for participation of this Dolphin. All entries must be weighed at

the certified scale at the official weigh-in location in the presence of the boat/team entering them. Tournament winners may be subject to a polygraph test. Any fish may be examined by any means necessary.

Communications: All participating boats should be equipped with a working VHF marine radio. The tournament committee will monitor VHF channel 78. Official times or special notifications will be announced during the tournament on this channel. NO WEIGH-IN STATISTICS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON VHF RADIO.

Tournament Hours: Lines in at 7:00 a.m. Lines out at 3:00 p.m. Official time for both will be announced over channel 78 and weighed-in no later than 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 14, 2008 at which time the weigh station will close.

Tournament Start Details: Each boat must check in with the committee prior to the start time (any exceptions have to be approved by the Tournament Director). The official start will be at 7:00 a.m. The Tournament Director will keep the official time according to his/her cell phone carrier. It is urged that captains and anglers abide by this to avoid time discrepancies. Always maintain a safe distance from other boats.

Weather Conditions: In the event of unsafe weather conditions, the tournament committee may choose to postpone the tournament until a later date. Captains are ultimately responsible for their crew and should make the decision as to safe sea conditions.

Distress/Emergency Help: Any and all emergencies, distress or help messages should be immediately brought to the attention of the United States Coast Guard. The Tournament Director vessel is not expected, nor equipped to tow, assist, or help transfer or facilitate messages or communications. It is expected of the Captain of the vessel to have all necessary USCG approved Life and Safety equipment on board your vessel.

Boundaries: This is an open ocean tournament.

Protests: Any protests concerning the conduct of an angler or rules violations must be filed in writing with the tournament committee no later than 7:00 p.m. on the day of the alleged violation.

Awards: Tournament winners will be paid by check, which will be mailed approximately two to four weeks after the event.

Ties: In the event of a tie in weight, the winner will be determined by the earliest weigh-in time or by the tournament committee if necessary.

Refunds: No refunds will be given.

Release of Liability: It is expressly understood that all participants in the FIU Scholarship Fishing Tournament enter at their own risk and that the FIU Scholarship Fishing Tournament committee, FIU Alumni Association, its sponsors, partners, officers, directors and all persons connected directly or indirectly with the operations of the tournament shall be exempt from any liability for slander, loss, damage, negligence, harm, injury, or death suffered by any participant, entrant, sport-fisherman or their companions, boat captains, mates, crew members, guests, vessels and equipment that may occur during the tournament. All teams are charged with a thorough understanding of applicable laws and boat safety rules.

Signing of the Entry form: By signing the entry form, by hardcopy, fax, email or online, the angler agrees to follow the above tournament rules and that the tournament and/or its sponsors may use without payment or restriction any photographs in which he or she appears for any purpose whatsoever but not limited to resale, advertising, commercial or promotional material. All anglers are required to sign their blank entry form as certification that they have read and agreed to abide by all rules and the above liability release.

NO ENTRY WILL BE ACCEPTED UNSIGNED.