

South Shore Fishing Association  
2023 Marquette Women's & Children's Fishing Tournament  
Registration + Waiver



**Tournament Entry Fee:**           \$50

Boat/Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Captain's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Captain's Mobile Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Captain's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Member Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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**Liability Release**

In consideration of South Shore Fishing Association's accepting my application to participate in the 2023 Women's and Children's Fishing Tournament, I, for myself, my heirs, executors, and assigns hereby release, waive and forever discharge all officials, organizers, promoters, sponsors, and their respective officials, representatives, and assigns from all claims, demands, damages, costs, expenses, and actions in respect to illness, injury, death, loss or damage to my person or property, however caused arising by reason of my participation in said event. I authorize the sharing of my contact information with other fishing organizations by South Shore Fishing Association. By submitting this release, I acknowledge having read, understood, and agreed to the above. In addition, this will acknowledge that I have read and will abide by all rules and regulations.

Captain's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature

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Date

# South Shore Fishing Association

## 2023 Marquette Women's & Children's Tournament

Friday, August 25, 2023

### Rules + Regulations

The Women's & Children's fishing tournament is a fun and recreational opportunity to give women and children the opportunity to fish in an event they otherwise would not have. Although there is a cash purse, the event is meant to be fun and recreational in nature. Sportsmanship and honesty are essential to this tournament's success and longevity. Although Tournament Officials have the final decision, it is each Captain's responsibility to adhere to the rules and set an example for those that are on board.

**ENTRY FEE:** Entry fee for this tournament will be \$50.00 per boat.

**REGISTRATION:** Online or in person on Thursday August 24<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm at Lower Harbor Boat Launch.

**FISHING TIMES:** 7:00 am – 1:00 pm Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023. This will be an on your honor lines down at 7:00 am tournament. Boats may depart following registering for the tournament and may fish until 1:00 pm.

**FINAL WEIGH IN:** Will take place at the Presque Isle Band Shell at 2pm. We will weigh your 3 largest Salmon or Trout.

**Blocked or bagged ice only!** If you're using cubed ice, it must be in the bag at time of weigh-in. Drain any excess water from the coolers prior to cooler weigh-in. Fish must also be "clean" and free of any foreign debris i.e., dirt, gravel etc. **Captains that bring their catch in a cooler with loose ice, excessive water, or dirty fish to the weigh-in will be assessed a 5lb penalty for each category registered.**

**FISHING AREA** – All boats must fish and launch within tournament boundaries. Boundaries are West of a straight-line running north from Laughing Whitefish Point and South of a straight-line running East from the Big Bay Lighthouse\*\*\*See image below. Any boats caught fishing outside of the restricted area will be disqualified from this event. If a boat is suspected of being outside of the restricted area, the boat captain will be required to show the tournament officials their GPS unit and the tracks from that day.



**FISHING PARTICIPANTS:** Women and children participating in the tournament must reel in the fish. Assistance in operating the boat, setting lines, removing rods from holders, and netting is permitted.

**FINAL PAYOUTS:** Places will be paid for total weight of three largest fish based on entries. In the event of a tie, the weight of each team's heaviest fish will determine the winner.

**LIMITS:** Lines are limited to the number of women and children on the boat. All Michigan Fishing Laws and Rules must be observed. DNR violations of any kind on tournament days will disqualify the team.

**INCLIMATE WEATHER:** If weather does not allow for fishing on Friday, August 25<sup>th</sup>, 2023, there will be no back up day and the tournament will be cancelled. Four hours of fishing will be considered a completed tournament. In the event of a weather delay, a tournament time will be determined, and all boats may leave at their own discretion no earlier than that time. If a tournament is called because of weather, you must return to the harbor immediately if you wish to participate in tournament weigh-ins.

**Tournament fishing will only be called if Small Craft Advisory is in effect for the fishing area or there is lightning in the area!**

**RADIO:** Marine radio is not required; however it is highly encouraged for the safety of your team. All tournament communications will take place on channel 68.

**CHEATING:** Cheating will not be tolerated. Anyone caught cheating will be automatically disqualified from this tournament after official ruling is determined.

**PARKING & LAUNCH FEES:** For this event every individual will be responsible for their own slip fees (if applicable) and launch pass for that day. Failure to pay the launch fee may result in a ticket from the City of Marquette.

**QUESTIONS** – Any questions, please contact (phone or text) Ross Anthony 906-250-0641, Jesse Bianchi 906-250-7746. You can also email us at [MQTfallclassic@gmail.com](mailto:MQTfallclassic@gmail.com)