

10th Annual Flounder Fishing Tournament

September 17th – October 1st 2016

Registration: August 15th – September 15th



Registration is FREE!

(Emerald Isle Beach Driving begins September 15th)

RULES AND REGULATIONS

Tournament Director:
Emerald Isle Parks and Recreation
(252) 354-6350

Official Weigh Master:
Greg Dennis, Owner
The Reel Outdoors
252-354-6692

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Boundaries:

Flounder must be caught from Bogue Banks (Emerald Isle to Fort Macon) shore only-- surf, pier, inlet or sound. **No boats allowed.** Only flounder caught from places that you can walk to and fish from on Bogue Banks will be eligible.

Registration:

FREE registration! All contestants *must pre-register*. Registration runs from August 15th at 8:30am until September 15th at 5:00pm. Registration forms may be picked up at The Reel Outdoors (7802 Emerald Dr.) or at the Emerald Isle Parks and Recreation Community Center (7500 Emerald Dr.). Forms may also be downloaded at emeraldisle-nc.org. Registration forms may be mailed or faxed to: Flounder Tournament - EIPRD, 7500 Emerald Drive Emerald Isle, NC 28594; FAX #: (252) 354-9019.

Eligibility:

- A. The only eligible fish is a flounder (IGFA designation).
- B. Contestants must have already registered with the tournament **before** landing a flounder to be entered.
- C. All flounder entered must be caught by hook and line only.
- D. From the time that a flounder strikes or takes a bait or lure, the angler must hook, fight, and land the flounder without the aid of any other person. Assistance with a *landing net* **IS** permitted.
- E. Flounder must be caught from Bogue Banks (Emerald Isle to Fort Macon) shore only-- surf, pier, inlet or sound. **No boats allowed.** Only flounder caught from places that you can walk to and fish from on Bogue Banks will be eligible.

Weighing:

- A. All flounder entered must comply with current state regulations including length and bag limits.
- B. All flounder must be weighed at The Reel Outdoors Tackle Shop, 7802 Emerald Drive Emerald Isle, NC, 252-354-6692.
- C. Daily weigh-ins are 8:00am - 6:00pm. *NO exceptions, especially on last day of tournament, October 1st, 2016.*
- D. Anglers are responsible for weighing their own fish and may **not** designate another to do so. **NO EXCEPTIONS!**
- E. At the weigh-in station, contestants must certify the time and general location of their catch.
- F. The official Weigh Master will certify the weight, length and girth of each fish.
- G. Once the official Weigh Master has documented fish; the fish will become property of The Reel Outdoors.
- G. Contestants may only weigh in ONE fish per day.
- H. No fish below 16 inches will be eligible for weigh-in.
- J. Released fish are not eligible for any prize.

Tournament Rights-

- A. Tournament officials reserve the right to cut open for inspection or otherwise mark any entry after weighing.
- B. Tournament officials also reserve the right to authorize an acknowledged expert to examine any entry and to reject those entries not fully complying with tournament regulations.
- C. The decision of tournament officials is final. In case of tie weights, the winning entry will be determined by length, then girth. If still tied, the first flounder entered will be the tie breaker.
- D. Tournament officials reserve the right to photograph any entry and to use those photographs for publicity purposes.
- E. Any contestant found violating any of the rules and regulations of the tournament will be disqualified.
- F. Neither beach conditions nor beach access are guaranteed by the Emerald Isle Parks and Recreation Department.