

Forklift HQ



# Snapper Classic

1<sup>st</sup> June – 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023

## Tournament Guide



**TAURANGA SPORT FISHING CLUB**  
**FORKLIFT HQ SNAPPER CLASSIC 2023 - TOURNAMENT GUIDE**

Operations Manager – Lizz Parsons

Administrator – Jen Herbert

Convener – Nick Shearman

Tournament Committee – Nick Shearman, Nick Sheehan, Deryk Neilson, Josh Parker

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**ELIGIBILITY** - Anglers may fish this tournament as individuals, including fishing from PWC or Kayaks. Each team member must be a current financial member of the Tauranga Sport Fishing Club (Inc.) or a club affiliated to the New Zealand Sport Fishing Council.

**CONTEST FEES** - ADULT \$40.00 per angler. JUNIOR \$15.00 per angler

**REGISTRATION** - Anglers may enter the tournament at any time but must have their entry fee paid 12 hours prior to going fishing.

**RANDOM ACCESS RULE** - Boats may launch / depart from any port but may only fish inside the sponsor's grid for the duration of the event.

**FISHING AREA** - Chart NZ54 Modified. (All of Chart 54 west of a line drawn due North from Lottin Point – i.e the sponsors grid map attached.)

**FISHING TIMES** - Start Fishing: From 0600hrs (6.00am) Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023 continuous until 1500hrs (3pm) Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023. Final weigh in time is: 1500hrs (3pm). All fish and catch cards must be at the weigh station by final weigh in time 1500hrs (3pm) No exceptions.

**MEASURED SNAPPER –**

1. Fish must be measured using a IGFA, NZ Fishing Competition, Decoro or TSFC measure board. Measure boards should be used on a flat surface. No other measures accepted unless checked with Tournament Convener.

2. The fish's snout must be touching the nose stop with the mouth closed and free of lures or lifting devices.

3. With the fish lying on top of the measuring device, measurements will be taken from the most forward part of the fish's snout with the mouth closed to the rear centre edge of the tail.

4. All measurements will be made in 0.5 centimetres increments.

5. Fish that measure between increments shall be recorded at the lower of the two increments. For example, a fish that measures between 45 and 45.5 centimetres will have a recorded length of 45 centimetres. This is determined by the last line that falls inside of the fork in the tail. A fork length "on the line" will mean again the lower of the two increments.

Photos must be emailed to [catch@tsfc.co.nz](mailto:catch@tsfc.co.nz), and must include a copy of your angler number.

**WEIGH-IN** - All fish must be weighed at the Tauranga Sport Fishing Club. Please ensure Catch Cards are filled out before fish are presented to the weigh station. Catch cards are available in the Clubrooms. Weigh station hours are daily from 15:00 to 17:00 Wednesday – Sunday. Except for the final day fishing where the weigh station hours will be 14:00 to 15:00. Weigh-ins by arrangement on Monday's and Tuesday's (please phone Lizz on 022 344 1397)



**IGFA RULES AND REGULATIONS** - Any matters not specifically covered in the tournament guide - IGFA Rules and Regulations OR Regulations for the Tauranga Sport Fishing Club Sponsored Tournaments will apply.

**TACKLE** - All tackle must be in accordance with IGFA Rules and Regulations but shall not exceed 60kg.

**SPECIES (MINIMUM WEIGHTS/LENGTH)**

|                 |       |
|-----------------|-------|
| Snapper Weighed | 4 kg  |
| Snapper Measure | 300mm |

Only TWO Snapper may be weighed per angler for the duration, no limits for Measured Snapper. If you weigh a Snapper you may NOT submit it to the measured section

**MAJOR PRIZE GIVING** - The major prize giving will be held on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023 at 5.30pm

**Major Fish Prizes;**

1-2<sup>nd</sup> Heaviest Snapper (Heaviest Snapper Trophy)

1-3<sup>rd</sup> Longest Snapper

Average Length Snapper

Longest Snapper for a Junior

Longest Weekly Snapper

To be eligible for weekly longest fish prize, emails must be sent and received by 5pm Thursday. These will be announced at Thursday club night.

In the event of prizes not being won by qualifying fish they will be drawn. Anglers must be present at the final prize giving to receive their prize otherwise it will be redrawn until won. The distribution of prizes within your team is the team's responsibility. Anglers must enter and fish at least one day of the tournament and be present at prize giving to be eligible for drawn prizes.





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