



# North Platte Walleyes Unlimited, Inc.

A non-profit organization

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*26th Annual*

## **TOUGHMAN TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- Any contest Watercraft coming from out of the state of Wyoming is required to undergo a mandatory inspection by an authorized AIS inspector prior to launching. Contact 1-877-WGFD-AIS (1-877-943-3247) or [wgfd.wyo.gov/AIS](http://wgfd.wyo.gov/AIS)
- Tournament hours will be from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm
- It's the responsibility of the team captain to make sure that all anglers are aware of the 2018 fishing and boating regulations.
- All watercraft that have been in a water infested with Zebra/Quagga Mussels within the last 30 days must undergo a mandatory inspection by the Wyoming Game and Fish Department (WGFD) prior to launching. Boats may be subject to inspection from Wyoming Game and Fish Department.
- All boats must display 2018 registration and aquatic invasive species decals.
- Sorting or releasing fish prior to weigh-in/measuring (culling) that have been reduced to possession is not permitted. Once a fish is in an angler's possession, if it is a trout, it cannot be released. Any fish caught that is not to be entered into the contest shall be immediately released to the water with as little injury to the fish as possible.
- This is a harvest tournament for trout, no trout may be released into the water after weigh-in. The anglers must keep all trout and apply them to their possession limit. Trout will be weighed
- This is a catch and release tournament for walleye. Walleye Tournament will be conducted as a catch and release event where fish will be measured per Game & Fish standards (tail pinched) on the water then released.
- No more than five (5) fish may be kept in a livewell or on a boat. The time fish spend in a livewell shall be not more than two (2) hours.
- Fish unable to right themselves (or fish that otherwise seem weak and may suffer post-release death) shall be declared dead, and shall be given to the contestant and count toward the daily possession limit of that contestant.
- There will be a 15" minimum length for walleye being measured and entered into the contest. Any walleye less than 15" cannot be entered. Any walleye determined to be declared dead cannot be entered.
- No angler may enter fish exceeding the daily possession limit.
- If any contestants are found to be in violation of Wyoming Game and Fish Regulations, between 6:00 pm Friday until 6:00 pm Saturday, they will be disqualified from the contest.
- All contestants must observe safe boating practices and show respect to other anglers on the water at all times.
- No alcoholic beverages or illegal drugs may be consumed or allowed in any tournament boat during the contest.
- Boat inspections and Team Captain check-in will be held at the NPWU trailer located near the Casper Boat Club from 6:00 am to 7:00 am.
- You must be a North Platte Walleyes Unlimited Member to participate in this tournament.
- You must have your fish at the weigh-in center by 3:00 pm.
- In case of a tie, the two place will be combined and the money will be split evenly between the two teams.
- Have a safe day on the water, and we will see you at the 3:00 pm weigh-in and following Prize Ceremony at the Casper Boat Club.