## **Rules and Regulations**

## **Casting for a Cause Fishing Tournament**

## Fishing contest fraud is a crime in the state of Louisiana (RS 14:214).

- 1. Competition begins at 12:01 AM Thursday, July 29, 2018 and ends when scales close at 1:00 PM on Sunday, July 29, 2018.
- 2. Fishing waters include Eugene Island blocks to East Cameron blocks excluding Big Lake and Vermilion Corporation.
- 3. Divisions:
  - a. Rod-N-Reel Fish shall be taken with rod and reel only.
    - i. Categories include redfish (16 to 27 inches), speckled trout, flounder, red snapper, mangrove snapper and cobia.
  - b. Dive Fish shall be taken with spear only.
    - i. Categories include red snapper, mangrove snapper and cobia.
    - ii. Fish must be speared and apprehended by diver without assistance.
    - iii. Fish speared from boat are ineligible. Diver must be submerged.
  - c. Kayak Use of a boat or motorized watercraft to transport your kayak on the water is prohibited. All craft must be self-propelled (no trolling motors).
    - i. Categories include redfish (16 to 27 inches), speckled trout and flounder.
  - d. Youth 13 years and under. Youth anglers are required to hook and land fish on their own.
    - i. Categories include redfish (16 to 27 inches), speckled trout, flounder, croaker and catfish.
- 4. Youth anglers are eligible to compete in both adult and youth categories with an adult division ticket.
- 5. Anglers who wish to compete in both the Rod & Reel and dive divisions must purchase tickets for each division.
- 6. Contestants must act in accordance with state and federal regulations along with rodeo rules and must possess all appropriate Louisiana State fishing licenses.
- 7. Sharks and billfish are not eligible for weigh-in.
- 8. All fish are subject to autopsy. No frozen or decomposed fish will be accepted. Any attempt to defraud or cheat in the Rodeo in any way will automatically disqualify the offender and all their entries as well as subject the them to potential imprisonment and fines (RS 14:214).
- 9. Weigh Master shall witness all weights and measurements.
- 10. All categories shall be judged by weight and the first fish entered shall win a tie.

- 11. Length shall be measured from the outer extremity of the tip of the snout, with the fish's mouth closed, to the extreme tip of the tail fin when squeezed in a way to obtain the maximum overall length.
- 12. Weigh Master has final say in weight and length.
- 13. All fish weighed will be marked and remain the property of the contestant.
- 14. Weigh-ins will take place at Don's Boat Landing from 2:00 PM to 6:00PM on 7/26, 7/27, 7/28 and final weigh-in is 7/29 at 1:00 PM.
- 15. All weigh-ins are by boat only with the exception of the kayak division. Kayak division weigh-ins will be allowed to drive to Don's Boat Landing for weigh-in.
- 16. All boat occupants must possess an entry ticket.
- 17. Entry ticket must be presented to weigh-in.
- 18. By entering the Casting for a Cause tournament you agree that any pictures taken may be used to promote future Casting for a Cause and Ross Granger Memorial Fund events.
- 19. Tickets must be purchased before 9:00 AM on Saturday, 7/28.
- 20. 50% of ticket proceeds will be distributed as cash prizes.
  - a. Big fish is open to all rod and reel anglers.
- 21. Tickets can be purchased at Don's Boat Landing.