

Love to Fish Tournament

2021 Tournament Rules & Regulations

TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANY TIME THROUGH THE COMPLETION OF THE CAPTAINS MEETING ON FRIDAY MAY 22, 2020. ANGLERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR STAYING CURRENT ON ALL RULES AND REGULATIONS THROUGH THE COMPLETION OF THE TOURNAMENT ITSELF.

1. Captain's Meeting is mandatory for each registered Angler.
2. The rules may be changed, at any time, through the end of the Captain's Meeting.
3. This is an Angler Tournament. All anglers must be paid and registered prior to or during the Captain's meeting, Friday, May 14, 2021. No refund of entry fees.
4. Eligible Species: Adult Category - Snook, Trout, and Redfish. Children's Category – Ladyfish, Jack, and Sheepshead.
5. Boundaries are from North Melbourne to South Vero Bridge North. No inlet, jetty, pier or offshore fishing allowed. Must stay within boundaries between Vero and Melbourne and inshore. Details at Capt. Meeting.
6. Fishing starts at 6:00 am Saturday, May 15, 2021. No lines in water prior to this time.
7. Checkout/Boat checks will be from the Wabasso, Yacht Club, and Main Street boat ramps starting at 6:00 a.m. and ending at 7:30 a.m.
8. All fishing and angling methods must comply with current Federal, State and U.S. Coast Guard safety and fishing regulations.
9. Fish must be caught by hook and line. Handheld rod and reel only.
10. Artificial and bait live bait allowed.
11. One angler must hook, fight, and bring the fish up to point of net.

12. Eligible fish may be caught by land, boat, dock or kayak.
13. No rotten or mutilated fish will be weighed.
14. All fish will be weighed in at Capt. Butchers Dock by digital scale.
15. Tournament weigh-in will open at 1:00 pm and close at 3:00 p.m. on May 15, 2021.
Anglers must be in line by 3:00 pm to be eligible to weigh fish.
16. Any fish being weighed in containing lead or any other foreign matter will be subject to disqualification as determined by the weighmaster. All fish need to be properly cared for.
17. In the event of a tie, the angler who weighs first wins (broken by time).
18. Dead fish will receive a weight deduction of .50 lb.
19. Tournament winners must be present at the Awards to receive winning cash/check prize.
20. The Honor System applies throughout the entire tournament.
21. If there should be a dispute of any kind you can file a dispute for \$50.00 and the decision of the Tournament Director/s will be final.
22. It is up to the discretion of the registered angler to determine whether his or her craft (if fishing from a boat) is seaworthy for existing sea conditions. Participants are encouraged to keep abreast of any marine or weather warnings.
23. The Love to Fish Tournament encourages the live release of all fish for the tournament.
24. All decisions of the tournament committee and weighmaster are final.

Cash Pay-Out for Placements -

<u>Adult</u>	<u>Children</u>
<u>Snook</u> 1 st \$230 2 nd \$150 3 rd \$75	<u>Jack</u> 1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Trophy & Prize
<u>Trout</u> 1 st \$230 2 nd \$150 3 rd \$75	<u>Ladyfish</u> 1 st , 2 nd & 3 rd Trophy & Prize

<p><u>Redfish</u> 1st \$230 2nd \$150 3rd \$75</p>	<p><u>Sheepshead</u> 1st, 2nd & 3rd Trophy & Prize</p>
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