

# Official Rules & Regulations

## Preamble:

Every sport has its code of ethics. The sport of fishing is no exception; therefore, all participants shall display honorable, ethical, and sportsmanlike conduct in regard to the Alabama Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo (ADSFR) rules and their own competitive fishing.

1. A copy of the rules shall be kept aboard each boat and available to each participant. Each participant shall read and thoroughly familiarize himself/herself with these rules. Any participant who violates any rules of the ADSFR, whether intentional or not, could possibly disqualify his/herself and all other participants aboard his/her boat. Rules found in the official and unaltered 85th ADSFR brochure will be the official set of rules.
2. All participants are subject to a polygraph test. The Master Angler and all first place finishers in the Jackpots (Big Game, King Mackerel, and Speckled Trout) and cash prize divisions are required to take a polygraph test on July 23, 2018. Failure to submit or pass a polygraph test will subject the participant to disqualification.
3. Every participant must purchase a ticket prior to fishing. Every ticket must be registered prior to weighing a fish. A participant is deemed to be anyone competing for prizes and shall include everyone aboard a boat except the captains and deckhands of registered charter boats and children fifteen (15) years of age or under not desiring to compete for prizes. Captains, deckhands, and children 15 years of age and under desiring to compete for prizes must purchase a ticket. The captain or owner of each participating boat shall see to it that every person aboard his/her boat is registered. If arriving by boat to enter fish, every person aboard the boat must have a rodeo ticket except those listed above.
4. Any captains permitting a person on his/her boat to violate any rule of the ADSFR may cause all participants aboard his/her boat to be disqualified.
5. The ADSFR is a Captain's Choice Tournament. Captains fish at their own discretion and accept full responsibility for their crew and vessel whether on land or water.
6. All tickets must be properly completed with the required information at the time of ticket purchase. Only registered participants are eligible for prizes. Registration tickets must be presented at the weigh station when entering a fish for prize competition during the hours listed below (see rule 8). Participants may be required to present acceptable personal identification when registering any fish into ADSFR competition, i.e. valid driver's license, employee I.D. cards, etc. Any registration ticket that appears to have been altered will not be accepted. **TICKETS ARE NOT TRANSFERABLE OR REFUNDABLE.**
7. All fish entered must be caught within the territorial waters of the ADSFR. The territorial waters of the ADSFR include all open and public waters enclosed within the following boundaries:

NORTH: In the Gulf Coast including all bays and inlets

EAST: Longitude 85°

SOUTH: Latitude 25°

WEST: Longitude 93.500°

8. Official starting time of the ADSFR is 5:00 a.m., CDT, Friday, July 20, 2018 and closing time is 5:00 p.m., CDT, Sunday, July 22, 2018. Fish must be entered at the official weigh station at the following times. Friday, July 20, 2018 10:00 a.m. CDT to 7:00 p.m. CDT Saturday, July 21, 2018 10:00 a.m. CDT to 7:00 p.m. CDT Sunday, July 22, 2018 10:00 a.m. CDT to 5:00 p.m. CDT
9. The official weigh station is the ADSFR Site, Dauphin Island, Alabama.
10. All ADSFR winners will be determined by the heaviest fish weighed in each category according to weight, except for Catch & Release, subject to limitations as outlined in Rule 20.
11. Tarpon will be judged by an accumulation of points. One (1) point per pound will be awarded for a Tarpon at the dock fulfilling the 78" minimum requirement (limited to one dock tarpon per angler), plus any Catch and Release points at 125 points per Tarpon caught and released. Catch and Release points will be awarded upon confirmation of the catch and release of tarpon by video recorder clearly showing GPS time and date, the angler who caught the Tarpon, the angler's tournament designator and the leader (not to exceed 12ft.) in the angler's hand. The leader may be held by the angler or crew member of the boat. In the event of a tie gps time and date will determine the winner. In the event no GPS time and date is present in video time of video submission to weigh station will be official time and date.
12. All fish shall be weighed using platform or hanging scales, per the judge's discretion. Those fish requiring to be weighed by hanging scales will be lifted and weighed by the tail. In case of a tie in any category the first fish weighed in that category that remains on the final board will be declared the winner.
13. At the end of the ADSFR, an angler will be permitted to hold and win only one place per category but may place in more than one category. This rule does not pertain to the optional cash prize divisions.
14. All fish shall be kept in as good a condition as possible, preferably on ice, so the judge can make an accurate judgment as to its freshness. Any fish deemed to be spoiled or rotten may be disqualified. Any fish that has been shot, cut, mutilated, bangstruck, frozen or showing signs of unsportsmanlike handling may be disqualified. In addition, all fish entered may be subject to a Torrymeter test. Judge's decision shall be final.
15. No fish will be accepted for registration that has been gutted or chemically treated prior to weighing. The official judge or his representative may at his discretion gut any fish presented.
16. All fish entered into competition must be caught by the participant registering the fish and it must be caught with a manual rod and reel or pole and line Electric reels will only be allowed for the Swordfish category(see Big Game Jackpot rules) Electric reels will not be permitted for any other tournament species. No participant shall be assisted in any way to land his or her fish except for help in netting or gaffing his/ her catch. Flounder may NOT be gigged. Hand-lining is not allowed. Leadering(wiring) is allowed.
17. After the weigh station closes each day, daily prizes will be awarded to the to largest fish weighed in each category for that respected day.
18. ADSFR ticket holders compete in Inshore and Offshore Division.
19. Jackpot tickets must be purchased in conjunction with an ADSFR ticket. There is a two fisherman minimum for valid entry into jackpots, except for Speckled Trout Jackpot and Red Snapper Jackpot .

## PRICES ...

ADSFR Ticket.....	\$50
Yamaha/War Eagle Boats/GSPS Speckled Trout Jackpot .....	\$35
Synergy Laboratories King Mackerel Jackpot .....	\$200
Raymarine Big Game Jackpot .....	\$350
Craneworks Red Snapper Jackpot.....	\$150

20. To promote conservation and in some cases comply with State of Alabama and Federal regulations, the ADSFR judge will not accept for entry any fish in the below categories that does not meet minimum and/or maximum length requirements as specified.

## FISH CATEGORIES AND MINIMUM LENGTHS

(Measurements below are overall length except for Yellowfin Tuna. Yellowfin Tuna must have a curved fork length of 30". Red Drum will be measured to pinched tail length. Shark will be catch and release only. Refer to page 63 for rules) Swordfish will be measured LjFL 50".

### INSHORE

Blackfish (Triple tail) 20"  
 Bluefish 14"  
 Blue Runner (Hard tail) 12"  
 Crevalle (Cavalla) 24"  
 Drum (Black) 24"  
 Flounder 14"  
 Gafftopsail 16"  
 Ladyfish 14"  
 Pompano (Florida) 14"  
 Red Drum 16"-26"  
 Sheepshead 14"  
 Spanish Mackerel 18"  
 Speckled Trout 16"  
 Tarpon 78"  
 White Trout 12"

### OFFSHORE

African Pompano 26"  
 Barracuda (Great) 24"  
 Blackfin Tuna 20"  
 Bonito 20"  
 Dolphin 30"  
 Gray Snapper 14"  
 Lane Snapper 10"  
 Grouper (Black, Gag, Red) 22"  
 King Mackerel 30"  
 Ling (Cobia) 33"  
 Red Snapper 16"  
 Scamp 20"  
 Vermilion Snapper 12"  
 Wahoo 30"  
 Yellowfin Tuna 30"

Although not specifically listed above, ADSFR rules 1-39 fully apply to special catch and release categories for Shark and Billfish. No Master Angler points will be awarded for Lionfish, Billfish, Shark or most unusual.

21. The ADSFR reserves the right to amend these lengths and/or add/remove any fish to/from the competition, without notice, at any time in order to comply with federal and/or state requirements.
22. All participants must abide by all federal and state regulations.
23. Additional jackpot & cash prize division rules apply, see details in brochure.
24. The Master Angler Award will be determined by the combination of points in the first, second and third place overall standings. Most unusual, Lionfish, Shark and Billfish catch and release cash prize categories do not apply. See details in Master Angler Award prize information.
25. All fish entered may be retained by the ADSFR. The ADSFR reserves the right to hold all board fish for display purposes until official closing time of the day the fish is entered into competition, at which time the fish must be claimed or forfeited. All fish registered are subject to scientific evaluation by conservation personnel on site, (i.e. removing the ear bone and/or fish skeleton).
26. All prizes not claimed at the awards ceremony on July 23, 2018, or at the Jaycee office in Mobile, Alabama by August 23, 2018, will become property of the ADSFR.
27. The ADSFR President and Committee reserve the right to reschedule the ADSFR due to weather. No refund of tickets will be made due to rescheduling. One day of fishing constitutes a tournament.
28. No tickets will be sold after 5:00 a.m., CDT Friday, July 20, 2018.
29. Protests of any nature must be submitted in written statement form and personally turned in to the ADSFR President or Rules Committee Chairman no later than 7:00 p.m. Sunday, July 22, 2018, at the official weigh station.
30. Any matter not specifically covered by these rules may be decided by and at the sole discretion of the ADSFR President and Rules Committee. All decisions shall be final.
31. Those fish not held by the ADSFR must be reasonably disposed of by the angler.
32. At the close of each day's fishing, those anglers who are in line at the weigh station, or identified by an ADSFR official as being docked at the weigh station closes, will be allowed to have their catch weighed and entered.
33. Ticket outlets are ticket sale representatives of the ADSFR and in no way act as an agent for or on behalf of the ADSFR
34. All rules interpretations shall come from the ADSFR President or Rules Committee Chairman. (Ticket outlets cannot give rule interpretations).
35. Information and/or rules on the ADSFR website are for informational purposes only. The ADSFR brochure shall serve as the official rules.
36. Unsportsmanlike conduct will result in disqualification without refund of tickets.
37. The ADSFR shall not be responsible for any environmental impact to personal or physical property/health while fishing our tournament.
38. **All fish, except Lionfish, must be caught by rod & reel or pole & line. Lionfish Winners will be determined by most fish entered per boat. Minimum two persons per boat. 1st-3rd place prizes will be awarded. See page 94 for award(s) details. All Lionfish anglers must possess an ADSFR ticket.**
39. **No Tournament Species will be permitted upon any vessel or in any anglers possession prior to the start of the tournament. Including tournament species used as bait.**
40. **Disclaimer: The ADSFR is not responsible for typos within the awards package and rules, and reserves the right to amend or substitute prizes due to events beyond ADSFR'S control.**

# RAYMARINE BIG GAME JACKPOT

Win CASH for Catching Billfish, Dolphin, Swordfish, Tuna and Wahoo

First Place Billfish . . . . .	\$2,240
First Place Dolphin. . . . .	\$2,240
First Place Swordfish . . . . .	\$2,240
First Place Tuna* . . . . .	\$2,240
First Place Wahoo. . . . .	\$2,240

**\*\*OPTIONAL CASH PRIZE DIVISION AVAILABLE. SEE PAGE 90 FOR DETAILS\*\***

**First Place Swordfish will receive a \$1000 Gift Card to Hooker Electric Reels  
Random Drawing for a Raymarine Axiom 12 RV, with RV-100 transducer, Navionics Charts,  
And SR150 Sirius Satellite Weather Receiver**

## Cost \$350.00 per boat (2 person minimum)

1. The projected jackpot cash prizes listed above are based on 40 tickets purchased at \$350.00 per boat. If 40 tickets are not purchased, all jackpot cash prizes will be adjusted according to the number of entries. \*Example: 25 entries - 1st place Tuna \$1,368.00, 1st place Wahoo \$1,368.00, 1st Place Billfish \$1,368.00, 1st place Dolphin \$1,368.00 and 1st place Swordfish \$1,368.00.
2. All rules of the ADSFR also apply to the RAYMARINE BIG GAME JACKPOT contest.
3. Dates of the RAYMARINE Big Game jackpot are July 20, 21, 22, 2018.
4. RAYMARINE BIG GAME JACKPOT TICKETS WILL ONLY BE SOLD AT THE CAPTAINS MEETING, THEN THE ADSFR SITE AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE CAPTAINS MEETING AND MUST BE PURCHASED BEFORE 5:00 A.M. ON JULY 20, 2018.
5. A minimum of two (2) anglers per boat. All boat members must have an ADSFR ticket (Refer to Rule 3 of the ADSFR rules) in addition to the RAYMARINE BIG GAME JACKPOT ticket.
6. **A Captain's meeting will be held at the ADSFR site and J&M Tackle in Orange Beach on Thursday, July 19, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.** If unable to attend the Captain's meeting, tickets still have to be purchased at the ADSFR site by a boat representative prior to the official starting time of 5:00 a.m., Friday, July 20, 2018. Failure to comply with the rules will result in disqualification without refund. The RAYMARINE BIG GAME JACKPOT ticket and ADSFR ticket of registrant must be presented at the Captains Meeting or ADSFR site for verification and the person registering must be a participant upon the boat registered.
7. In the event of a tie, the first fish registered at the weigh station in that particular category that remains on the final board will be the winner in the RAYMARINE BIG GAME JACKPOT.
8. Winners will be determined by the heaviest fish weighed in the Tuna, Wahoo, Swordfish and Dolphin categories according to weight (subject to limitations outlined in Rule 20 of ADSFR rules). The Billfish winner will be determined according to most points accumulated (Reference Rule number 1 of Cash Prize Catch & Release division page 91.)
9. In the event there are no qualifying entries in any of the categories, the proceeds for that place will be retained by the ADSFR for its various community and charity projects.
10. All prizes awarded to the winner will be made to the person designated as the purchaser of the ticket.
11. Electric reels will be allowed for swordfish only. The electric reels with detachable motor will be allowed to set and retrieve weights and baits. Once weights and baits are set, electric reel combination has to be removed so fish can be hooked, fought and caught using manual reel. In the event of fish hook-up during setting or retrieval with electric reel, this fish will not be permitted entry into the tournament. Electric reels without detachable capabilities will also be allowed. The reels can only be used as a downrigger and must have manual rod and reel attached with release clip. The winner of Swordfish will be polygraphed.
12. The ADSFR reserves the right to change the species of fish for competition in the event conservation laws prohibit the designated fish from being caught.
13. Refer to page 91 for Billfish Catch & Release rules.
14. NO BIG GAME JACKPOT ENTERIES ARRIVEING BY LAND WILL BE ACCEPTED.

**\*TUNA is defined as Blackfin or Yellowfin.**

**PLEASE SEE PAGE 90 FOR INFORMATION  
CONCERNING THE BIG GAME CASH PRIZE DIVISIONS.**

**THERE WILL BE A MANDATORY CAPTAIN'S MEETING FOR ALL RAYMARINE BIG GAME JACKPOT,  
SYNERGY LABROTORIES KING MACKEREL JACKPOT, SHARK CATCH AND RELEASE  
AND CASH PRIZE DIVISION PARTICIPANTS,**

**At the following locations:**

**J&M Tackle  
25125 Canal Rd, Orange Beach, AL 36561  
(Hours: July 19, 2018, 6pm-8pm)**

**ADSFR Site  
Dauphin Island, AL 36528  
(Hours: July 19, 2018, 6pm-July 20, 2018 5am)**

# SYNERGY LABORATORIES KING MACKEREL JACKPOT

Win CASH for Catching the Heaviest King Mackerel

1..... \$8,000	6..... \$560
2..... \$2,000	7..... \$520
3..... \$1,600	8..... \$480
4..... \$1,200	9..... \$440
5..... \$800	10..... \$400

**\*\*OPTIONAL CASH PRIZE DIVISION AVAILABLE. SEE PAGE 90 FOR DETAILS\*\***

Random Drawings will be from entries of the SYNERGY LABORATORIES KING MACKEREL JACKPOT.

Only one random drawing entry per jackpot ticket. Random Drawings include the following:

FLIR Ocean Scout 240 Hand Held Thermal Camera, courtesy Raymarine

\$1,000 worth of Trailer Tires/Rims courtesy of Recreational Sales & Service

Additional Prize of \$100 Gift Card courtesy of A&A Bait will be awarded to the top small boat (27'11" and under).

Additional Prize of 50L Kysek Cooler for top single engine boat (300hp or Less).

## Cost: \$200.00 per boat (2 person minimum)

1. The jackpot cash prizes listed above are based on 100 ticket purchases at \$200.00 per boat. If less than 100 tickets are purchased, then all jackpot cash prizes in the SYNERGY LABORATORIES King Mackerel Jackpot will be adjusted according to the number of entries. \*Example: 75 entries - 1st Place \$6,000, 2nd Place \$1,500, 3rd Place \$1,200, 4th Place \$900, 5th Place \$600, etc.
2. All rules of the ADSFR also apply to the SYNERGY LABORATORIES King Mackerel Jackpot.
3. Dates of the SYNERGY LABORATORIES King Mackerel Jackpot are July 20, 21, 22, 2018.
4. Synergy Laboratories KING MACKEREL TICKETS WILL ONLY BE SOLD AT CAPTAINS MEETINGS, THEN ONLY AT THE ADSFR SITE AFTER CONCLUSION OF CAPTAINS MEETING AND MUST BE PURCHASED BEFORE 5:00 a.m. on July 20, 2018.
5. A minimum of two (2) anglers per boat for each division. All boat members must have an ADSFR ticket (Refer to Rule 3 of the ADSFR rules) in addition to the SYNERGY LABORATORIES King Mackerel Jackpot ticket.
6. **A Captain's meeting will be held at the ADSFR site and J&M Tackle in Orange Beach on Thursday, July 19, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.** If unable to attend the Captain's meeting then a ticket must be purchased at the ADSFR site and must be completed by a boat representative prior to the official starting time of 5:00 a.m., Friday, July 20, 2018. Failure to comply with the rules will result in disqualification without refund. The SYNERGY LABORATORIES King Mackerel Jackpot ticket and ADSFR ticket of registrant must be presented at the Captain's meeting or ADSFR site for verification and the person registering must be a participant upon the boat signed out.
7. In the event of a tie, the first fish registered at the weigh station that remains on the final board will prevail in the SYNERGY LABORATORIES King Mackerel Jackpot.
8. Only one cash prize per boat will be awarded for the entire 3 day event for places 1-10. A boat is allowed to bump itself out of a previous entry.
9. In the event there are no qualifying entries, the proceeds for that place will be retained by the ADSFR for its various community and charity projects.
10. The SYNERGY LABORATORIES King Mackerel Jackpot entries may become the property of the ADSFR.
11. All prizes awarded to the winner will be made to the person designated as the purchaser of the ticket.
12. All SYNERGY LABORATORIES King Mackerel Jackpot entries must be delivered by water to the official weigh station dock in the boat in which it was caught.
13. All entries must be accompanied by a witness and the witness must have an ADSFR ticket. **NO KING MACKEREL JACKPOT ENTRIES ARRIVING BY LAND WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
14. The ADSFR reserves the right to change the species of fish for competition in the event conservation laws prohibit the designated fish from being caught.
15. Winners will be determined by the largest fish entered according to weight. (Subject to limitations as outlined in Rule 20 of the ADSFR rules).

**PLEASE SEE PAGE 90 FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING THE CASH PRIZE DIVISION.**

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# CRANWORKS RED SNAPPER JACKPOT

Win CASH for Catching the Heaviest Red Snapper

1.....	\$6,000	6 .....	\$420
2.....	\$1,500	7 .....	\$390
3.....	\$1,200	8 .....	\$360
4.....	\$900	9 .....	\$330
5.....	\$600	10 .....	\$300

**\*\*OPTIONAL CASH PRIZE DIVISION AVAILABLE. SEE PAGE 90 FOR DETAILS\*\***

**PRIZES: (All Random Drawings)**  
**Honda Recon 250 Four Wheeler courtesy of Pronto Pawn**  
**Boat Lift courtesy of Team Simco**  
**\$100 Gift Card to A & A Bait**



## Cost: \$150.00 per boat (1 person minimum)

- The jackpot cash prizes listed above are based on 100 ticket purchases at \$150.00 per boat. If less than 100 tickets are purchased, then all jackpot cash prizes in the Craneworks Red Snapper jackpot will be adjusted according to entries. Example: 50 entries- 1st- \$3,000, 2nd-\$750, 3rd-\$600, 4th-\$450, 5th-\$300
- All rules of the ADSFR also apply to Craneworks Red Snapper Jackpot.
- Dates of the Craneworks Red Snapper Jackpot are July 20th, 21st, 22nd
- Craneworks Red Snapper Jackpot tickets can only be purchased online ([www.adsfr.com](http://www.adsfr.com)), and have to be purchased before 5 a.m. on July 20th, 2018
- A minimum of 1 person per boat. All boat members must have an ADSFR ticket (refer to rule 3 of official ADSFR rules) in addition to the Craneworks Red Snapper Jackpot ticket. Jackpot tickets are non-transferable.
- In the event of a tie, the first fish registered at the weigh station that remains on the final board will prevail in the Craneworks Red Snapper jackpot.
- Only one cash prize per boat will be awarded for the entire 3 day event for places 1-5. A boat is allowed to bump itself out of a previous entry.
- In the event there are no qualifying entries, the proceeds for that place will be retained by the ADSFR for its various community and charity projects.
- All entries MAY become property of the ADSFR
- All prizes awarded to the winner will be made to the person designated as the ticket purchaser.
- The ADSFR reserves the right to change the species of fish for competition in the event conservation laws prohibit the designated fish from being caught.
- Winners will be determined by the largest fish entered according to weight. (subject to limitations as outlined in Rule 20 of ADSFR rules)
- The ADSFR reserves the right to polygraph any angler entered into the Craneworks Red Snapper Jackpot

**PLEASE SEE PAGE 90 FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING THE CASH PRIZE DIVISION.**

## The AutoNation Ford and Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram Awards Ceremony

IS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, JULY 23, 2018 • 6:00 P.M.

**THE GROUNDS**

TROPHIES, PRIZES, CASH PRIZES, AND JACKPOTS WILL BE  
AWARDED AT THIS TIME. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

CALL THE JAYCEE OFFICE - (251) 471-0025

# YAMAHA MOTORS / WAR EAGLE BOATS / GSPS SPECKLED TROUT JACKPOT

Win CASH for catching the Heaviest Speckled Trout

The ADSFR has one Speckled Trout jackpot consisting of two divisions, motorized and non-motorized. All participants, regardless of division, are competing for the same Speckled Trout jackpot cash prizes listed directly below. There are additional prizes for the winners of the non-motorized division. All qualifying anglers will be entered into the Speckled Trout jackpot random drawing.

1.....	\$8,400	6.....	\$588
2.....	\$2,100	7.....	\$546
3.....	\$1,680	8.....	\$504
4.....	\$1,260	9.....	\$462
5.....	\$840	10.....	\$420

**\*\*OPTIONAL CASH PRIZE DIVISION AVAILABLE. SEE PAGE 90 FOR DETAILS\*\***

Random Drawings will be from entries of the YAMAHA MOTORS / WAR EAGLE BOATS / GULF SHORES POWER SPORTS SPECKLED TROUT JACKPOT. Only one random drawing entry per jackpot ticket.

Random Drawings include the following:

19' War Eagle Boat with a Yamaha 90hp Yamaha Motor and Trailer

Raymarine Axiom 9 Pro RVX with Navionics+ Charts

\$100 Gift Card at A&A Bait

## Cost: \$35.00 per angler

- The jackpot cash prizes listed above are based on 600 ticket purchases at \$35.00 per angler. If 600 tickets are not purchased all jackpot cash prizes will be adjusted according to the number of entries \*Example: 300 entries - 1st place \$4,200, 2nd place \$1,050, 3rd place \$840, 4th place \$630, and 5th place \$420
- All rules of the ADSFR also apply to the Yamaha Motors / War Eagle Boats / GSPS Speckled Trout Jackpot.
- Dates of the Yamaha Motors / War Eagle Boats / GSPS Speckled Trout Jackpot are July 20, 21, 22, 2018.
- Yamaha Motors / War Eagle Boats / GSPS Speckled Trout Jackpot tickets must be purchased before 5:00 a.m. on July 20, 2018.
- All Speckled Trout Jackpot anglers must have an ADSFR ticket (Refer to Rule 3 of the ADSFR rules) in addition to the Yamaha Motors / War Eagle Boats / GSPS Speckled Trout Jackpot ticket.
- In the event of a tie, the first fish registered at the weigh station that remains on the final board will prevail in the Yamaha Motors / War Eagle Boats / GSPS Speckled Trout Jackpot.
- Only one cash prize per angler will be awarded for the entire 3 day event for places 1-10. An entry is allowed to bump itself out of a previous entry.
- In the event there are no qualifying entries, the proceeds for that place will be retained by the ADSFR for its various community and charity projects.
- Yamaha Motors / War Eagle Boats / GSPS Speckled Trout Jackpot entries will become the property of the ADSFR.
- All prizes awarded to the winner will be made to the person designated as the purchaser of the Yamaha Motors / War Eagle Boats / GSPS Speckled Trout Jackpot ticket.
- Yamaha Motors / War Eagle Boats / GSPS Speckled Trout Jackpot entries must be delivered to the official weigh station.
- The ADSFR reserves the right to change the species of fish for competition in the event conservation laws prohibit the designated fish from being caught.
- Winners will be determined by the largest fish entered according to weight. (Subject to limitations as outlined in Rule 20 of the ADSFR Rules)

**IN ADDITION to the jackpot cash prizes listed above, non-motorized anglers will ALSO compete for the following:**

## NON-MOTORIZED SPECKLED TROUT DIVISION RULES

The winner of the Non-Motorized division will receive an Outdoor Gourmet Kamado Ceramic Charcoal Grill

2nd Place will receive an Angler's Fish-n-Mate Fishing Cart.

3rd Place will receive an Outdoor Gourmet Propane Fish Fry Cart Set.

- All participants in the non-motorized division of the Yamaha Motors / War Eagle Boats / GSPS Speckled Trout Jackpot must leave and return from port un-aided by any mechanical motor. Example: trolling motor, outboard motor, etc.
- An angler is allowed to participate in both the motorized and non-motorized divisions. A separate ticket must be purchased to participate in each division. Only one cash prize per angler will be awarded.
- It is permissible for more than one jackpot angler to share the same non-motorized vessel. However, each angler must possess an ADSFR ticket and an ADSFR Speckled Trout jackpot ticket.

# Cash Prize Division Rules

1. All rules of the ADSFR & respective ADSFR Jackpots apply to the Cash Prize Divisions.
2. All boats participating in a Jackpot are eligible to participate in the respective Cash Prize Division. No separate entry fee is required.
3. Payout is determined by total money received for each category less 10% for ADSFR expenses, with the remaining 90% split 50%, 30%, 20% for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each category. If only 2 fish are eligible the remaining 90% will be divided 60%, 40% for 1st and 2nd place. If 1 fish is eligible, then 90% will go to that fish. In the event that there are no qualifying entries in any of the categories, 90% of the funds will be returned to the participating anglers.
4. The number of participating boats will determine the number of places paid, with more than 10 boats paying 3 places, 5-10 boats paying 2 places, and less than 5 boats paying 1 place.
5. Boats are allowed to "sweep" categories in the Cash Prize division only.
6. Cash prize participants must possess an ADSFR ticket and their boat must possess the respective ADSFR Jackpot ticket.
7. Winners will be determined by the largest fish entered in each category according to weight, except for the Catch & Release Category (subject to limitations outlined in Rule 20 of ADSFR rules). In the event of a tie, the first fish to the dock will be declared the winner, except for catch & release categories, in which GPS time & date of release will be used. If GPS time & date of release is not available, time of video submission will be used.
8. Cash Prize Division entry must take place before 5:00 a.m. on July 20, 2018.
9. A Captain's meeting will be held at the ADSFR site and J&M Tackle in Orange Beach, Thursday, July 19, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. If unable to attend the Captain's meeting, tickets still have to be purchased at the ADSFR site and must be completed by a boat representative prior to the official starting time of 5:00 a.m., Friday, July 20, 2018. Failure to comply with the ADSFR rules will result in disqualification without refund. The Jackpot ticket and ADSFR ticket of registrant must be presented for verification and the person registering must be the participating angler upon the boat registered. By purchasing a ticket at the Captain's Meeting or (Rodeo Site), the captain, owner, or registered angler acknowledges that they:
  1. Have received the tournament guide.
  2. Understand and agree to abide by all rules in the tournament guide.
  3. Understand all topics discussed at the Captain's Meeting.
  4. Understand that all Anglers, Captains, Mates, Crew ("Participants") and Guests fish the Tournament at their own discretion and at their own risk. All Participants and Guests agree to indemnify and hold harmless the Mobile Jaycees and the Alabama Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo ("ADSFR") and its Members, the ADSFR Board of Directors, sponsors and their agents and employees and all other persons directly or indirectly connected with the tournament from any liability, loss, personal injury or property damage, including Attorney's fees they may suffer arising from their participation in the tournament and all other activities occurring at the ADSFR facility.
10. Boats may depart after the captains meeting AND after the owner, captain, or registered angler has purchased a jackpot ticket and understands all the rules. Fishing may begin at 5 a.m., Friday, July 20, 2018.
11. The ADSFR reserves the right to change the species of fish for competition in the event conservation laws prohibit the designated fish from being caught.
12. All prizes awarded to the winner will be made to the person designated as the purchaser of the ticket, no later than August 23, 2018.
13. Federal law requires you to be in possession of a Highly Migratory Species permit in order to land and possess any tuna or billfish or to catch and release billfish. A valid HMS permit must be available to tournament officials at weigh in. Information regarding HMS permits may be obtained from the NMFS or visit [www.nmfspermits.com](http://www.nmfspermits.com). Registered anglers are also responsible for obtaining a valid Alabama State Fishing License. Registered anglers fishing on charter boats are responsible for verifying that the charter boat provides a valid Alabama state saltwater fishing license. Registered boats and anglers must comply with all Federal and Alabama state laws and regulations regarding fishing license, size limits, and bag limits including the requirement to use non-offset circle hooks for all natural baits. ADSFR has its own minimum lengths for Tuna, Wahoo, Dolphin, and Swordfish, which must be followed in addition to all applicable Alabama State and Federal regulations.
14. All entry is on a per team basis.
15. In the event of mechanical failure and the boat is rendered inoperable, all anglers may collectively move to an alternate boat.
16. The first entry is eligible for a 100% refund if they are the only entry into that category.
17. Electric reels will be allowed for swordfish only. The electric reels with detachable motor will be allowed to set and retrieve weights and baits. Once weights and baits are set, electric reel combination has to be removed so fish can be hooked, fought and caught using manual reel. In the event of fish hook-up during setting or retrieval with electric reel, this fish will not be permitted entry into the tournament. Electric reels without detachable capabilities will also be allowed. The reels can only be used as downrigger and must have manual rod and reel attached with release clip. Swordfish winner will be polygraphed.

## SPECKLED TROUT CASH PRIZE ENTRY:

18. Maximum of 4 anglers per team. Participating anglers may fish from a vessel or from shore.
19. All team members must remain within casting distance of each other while fishing.
20. A team may only occupy one boat at any given moment.

## HARGROVE Engineering Tarpon Cash Prize Category (minimum 2 persons and maximum 4 person per team)

21. There will be \$2,500.00 put into the \$200 cash prize category and will be paid out 90 percent. To be eligible a \$200 cash prize ticket must be purchased. The payout will be based off the amount of entries. The payout will be as follows, more than 10 boats paying 3 places, 5-10 boats paying 2 places, and less than 5 boats paying less.
22. Winners will be determined by total points accumulated per boat.
23. There will be a mandatory sign-out upon ticket purchase. At which time the boat captain must register all team members upon their vessel. Any members not registered will not be allowed to count toward boat total.

<b>Billfish (Catch and Release)</b>	<b>\$250 • \$500 • \$1000 • \$2500 • \$5000</b>
<b>Tuna</b>	<b>\$250 • \$500 • \$1000 • \$2500 • \$5000</b>
<b>Dolphin</b>	<b>\$250 • \$500 • \$1000 • \$2500 • \$5000</b>
<b>Swordfish</b>	<b>\$250 • \$500 • \$1000 • \$2500 • \$5000</b>
<b>Wahoo</b>	<b>\$250 • \$500 • \$1000 • \$2500 • \$5000</b>
<b>King Mackerel</b>	<b>\$100 • \$250 • \$500 • \$1000 • \$2500</b>
<b>Speckled Trout</b>	<b>\$100 • \$250 • \$500 • \$1000</b>
<b>Tarpon</b>	<b>\$200</b>

# Cash Prize Division Rules - Catch & Release

## ELIGIBLE FISH

In the interest of conservation, the ADSFR has set a Blue Marlin lower jaw to fork length (LJFL) minimum of 106". There is a limit of one Blue Marlin in possession at any time. Blue Marlin below the ADSFR 106" minimum length will not be weighed. The possession of a Blue Marlin below the 106" minimum will subject the offending boat to disqualification from the entire tournament without refund and also the forfeiture of all other prize winning fish, including cash awards or points. No retention of White Marlin, Spearfish, or Sailfish will be allowed.

1. Each Blue Marlin meeting the 106" minimum will be awarded 1 point per pound if weighed. Catch & Release Blue Marlin will be awarded 500 points. White Marlin, Sailfish, and Spearfish will be awarded 200 points. If video verification committee cannot verify the species of your Marlin, it will be classified as a White Marlin. No retention of White Marlin, Spearfish, or Sailfish will be allowed.
2. Video verification is required for catch and release categories. All catch and release videos should clearly show the following elements utilized in the process of billfish video verification:
  - a. Angler fighting the fish
  - b. Rod and reel being used for the catch
  - c. Tournament designator.
  - d. Species of billfish caught - video of the dorsal, anal, and pectoral fins AFTER THE FISH IS CAUGHT will assist in clear billfish species identification. (In the event the verification video does not provide adequate information for billfish species identification 200 points will be awarded.)
  - e. "Catching" of the fish - one of the following must occur:
    1. Swivel at the rod tip.
    2. Mate touching the leader.
    3. Wind-on leader onto the rod tip.

**NOTE: Once the fish is "caught", the video should NOT BE TURNED OFF UNTIL THE FOLLOWING TWO STEPS ARE COMPLETE:**

- f. Release of the fish in healthy condition.
- g. Video of GPS time clearly showing time and date; GPS must be set to Central Daylight Time (UTC minus 5 hours). GPS time will be used for determining ties in the catch and release prize categories only. Failure to record the GPS time and date of release will result in the time of release being the time of video submission.

**NOTE: If an additional video camera is used, tournament designator MUST be shown again. It is always a good idea to show the designator when the fish is being filmed at the boat.**

**NOTE: In accordance with federal regulations, CATCH & RELEASE BILLFISH MAY NOT BE REMOVED FROM THE WATER AND ANY BILLFISH REMOVED FROM THE WATER WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR CATCH AND RELEASE POINTS.**

**NOTE: Any of the following can result in a video being ineligible for catch and release verification and therefore will not qualify for catch and release points for tournament prizes or cash awards:**

1. Failure to show the tournament designator.
  2. Failure to show the tournament designator if additional video camera is used.
  3. Failure to show the "catching" of the fish.
  4. Failure to show the release of the fish in healthy condition.
  5. Turning off video after "catch" before the fish is released.
  6. Removal of a billfish from the water.
3. All videos must be shown on equipment at the ADSFR site and must be submitted before the close of the weigh dock at the end of the tournament. Verification judges will not board any boat to judge video. Video must be played on the equipment used to make video. Video may not be downloaded onto a laptop computer and then brought to the judges for verification. It is your responsibility to have necessary cables or connection that will allow your camera to play back on a larger screen for judging. All video verification submissions become the property of the ADSFR. All tournament committee decisions are final.
  4. Color video movie confirmation is mandatory.
  5. The catch and release cash awards are awarded to boats according to catch and release point totals.
  6. All winners subject to a polygraph examination at the discretion of the ADSFR committee.

# FRANK LEDBETTER METAL ART CATCH & RELEASE SHARK CATEGORY

NO SEPARATE TICKET REQUIRED

## Release Point System

Mako Shark . . . . .	6 points each
Bull Shark . . . . .	4 points each
Hammerhead Shark (Great or Scalloped). . . . .	4 points each
Tiger Shark . . . . .	4 points each
Blacktip Shark . . . . .	1 point each
Spinner Shark . . . . .	1 point each

• There will be a cumulative total entry limit of 30 per tournament for All Species listed. Minimum length of 60".

**Prizes: 1st Place will receive Metal Art from Frank Ledbetter, valued at over \$4,000.**

**2nd Place will receive \$500. • 3rd Place will receive \$250. A daily prize of \$200 will be awarded.**

1. All rules of the ADSFR also apply to the FRANK LEDBETTER METAL ART CATCH & RELEASE SHARK CATEGORY (see exceptions below).
2. Dates of the FRANK LEDBETTER METAL ART CATCH & RELEASE SHARK CATEGORY are July 20, 21 and 22, 2018.
3. **A Captain's meeting will be held at the ADSFR site and J&M Tackle in Orange Beach on Thursday, July 19, 2018 at 5:00pm for a mandatory sign-out.** If unable to attend the Captain's meeting then a mandatory sign-out at the ADSFR site must be completed by a boat representative prior to the official starting time of 5:00 a.m., Friday, July 20, 2018. Failure to comply with the mandatory sign-out will result in disqualification without refund. The ADSFR ticket of registrant must be presented at Captain's Meeting for verification and the person registering must be the participating angler on the boat being signed out.
4. Winners will be determined by the team that accumulates the greatest number of points. In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by the earliest GPS time and date of first release. In the event GPS time and date is not included in the video, time of video submission will be the angler's official time.
5. All monetary prizes awarded to the winner will be made to the person designated as the purchaser of the ticket.
6. Catch & Release points will be awarded upon confirmation of the catch and release by continuous video recording clearly showing the angler that caught the shark, the angler's tournament designator, the rod and reel being used for the catch, the leader or swivel at the rod tip being held by the angler or boat crew member, the healthy release of the fish, and the boat's GPS time and date of release. Including the head in the video is extremely helpful in identifying some species. We will not award points to sharks that are not able to be identified or do not show a healthy release by the angler provided video. Any handling of sharks deemed to be unnecessarily hazardous or harmful could result in disqualification or point deduction. The GPS time and date of release is required in the video being presented to the official ADSFR judges. Information must be clearly presented in the provided video. In the event GPS time & date of release is not included in the video, time of video submission will be the angler's official time.
7. All winners are subject to a polygraph test.
8. Single, non-stainless steel, non-offset circle hooks are the only hooks allowed to be used during the competition.
9. There will be a cumulative total entry limit of 30 per tournament for all species above.
10. There is a 60" minimum length for all species listed above, if any species submitted by video shows the length is less than the minimum of 60" the angler will be awarded a single point.

**THERE WILL BE A SEPARATE MANDATORY CAPTAINS MEETING AND SIGN-OUT  
FOR ALL CATCH & RELEASE SHARK CATEGORY PARTICIPANTS  
ON THURSDAY, JULY 19, 2018, AT 5:00PM AT THE  
ADSFR SITE IN DAUPHIN ISLAND AND J&M TACKLE IN ORANGE BEACH.**

## The AutoNation Ford and Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram Awards Ceremony

IS SCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, JULY 23, 2018 • 6:00 P.M.

*THE GROUNDS*

TROPHIES, PRIZES, CASH PRIZES, AND JACKPOTS WILL BE AWARDED AT THIS TIME. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CALL THE JAYCEE OFFICE - (251) 471-0025





# Springhill Medical Center Live Weigh-In Special Awards

Cash prizes will be awarded to the anglers weighing-in the heaviest live Redfish and Speckled Trout. Live weigh-in will be determined by an official ADSFR judge. ADSFR minimum length requirements must be met. This is open to all ADSFR ticket holders.

## Speckled Trout

1. \$2000
2. \$750
3. \$250

## Redfish

1. \$2000
2. \$750
3. \$250

## CONTENDER BOATS RANDOM DRAWING RULES

The ADSFR is proud to award a special prize of a 22' Contender Boat with a 250 h.p. Yamaha outboard motor and Sport Trail Trailer, as a part of this year's rodeo. These prizes are intended to encourage fishing in the rodeo and simultaneously give every fisherman an opportunity to win the "Big One". The following rules apply:

1. In order to qualify for the contest, any legal fish caught in the ADSFR inshore or offshore divisions or any of the catch and release divisions (Billfish, Shark & Tarpon) meeting the minimum size requirements (see ADSFR rule #20) can be entered with a valid ADSFR ticket. Only one (1) random drawing entry per ticket. Lionfish and most unusual entry will also qualify.
2. Each fish entered in the Contender boat drawing shall be weighed and/or verified. Upon entry of a fish at the Rodeo headquarters weigh station, each ticket shall be marked so as to prohibit the entry of additional fish in the contest.
3. At the close of the weigh station on Sunday at 5:00 p.m. a random drawing will be held to determine the winner of the boat. The prize will be presented at the Awards' Ceremony on the following Monday.
4. All rules and regulations set forth by the ADSFR will apply to the Contender boat drawing.

## Conservation ... Responsibility ... Rules Changes

Each year, the rules committee of the ADSFR determines what area of the tournament rules needs to be enhanced or changed. This year, the rules committee has made every effort to implement a fair set of rules by which all anglers must abide. Listed below are few of the changes or enhancements:

- **A captain's meeting will be held at the ADSFR site and J&M Tackle in Orange Beach on Thursday, July 19th at 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the Big Game Jackpot, King Mackerel Jackpot and optional cash prize divisions.** A separate captains meeting will be held at 5:00 pm at the ADSFR site and J&M Tackle in Orange Beach, AL on Thursday, July 19, 2018 for participants in the FRANK LEDBETTER METAL ART Catch and Release Shark Category. If unable to attend the Captain's meeting, tickets have to be purchased at the ADSFR site for the Big Game Jackpot, King Mackerel Jackpot, and optional cash prize divisions and must be completed by a boat representative prior to the official starting time of 5:00 a.m., on Friday, July 20, 2018. Failure to follow rules will result in disqualification without refund. The ADSFR ticket of the angler must be presented at the time of jackpot ticket purchase.
- **No dead sharks will be allowed for entry.**
- **Catch and Release Shark is a new revised category. See page 92 for details.**
- Please see ADSFR rule #38 for Lionfish entry details.
- ADSFR open tickets are \$50 and Yamaha Motors / War Eagle Boats / GSPS Speck Jackpot (Motorized and non-motorized divisions.) are \$35.
- Swordfish will be a part of the 85th ADSFR Big Game Jackpot and Cash prize Division.
- There will be the Craneworks Red Snapper Jackpot in the 85th ADSFR. Tickets are \$150.00 per boat.
- Electric reels will be allowed for Swordfish only. No other tournament species will be allowed to use electric reels.

While most rules are unchanged, you will see some clarification on a few rules. We would also like to remind everyone that it is imperative that all rules are thoroughly understood before fishing the ADSFR (refer to rule #1 of the ADSFR rules).