

The "FidPro Offshore Challenge"



Tournament duration & Target

1. The FidPro Offshore Challenge will start on Saturday, July 05, 201X and end on Sunday, September 06, 201X (Tournament period) and will target 3 species only Wahoo (*Acanthocybium Solandri*), Common Dolphin Fish (*Coryphaena Hippurus*) and Yellow Fin Tuna (*Thunnus Albacares*).

Tournament Days & Notice

2. Each boat will be eligible to fish a maximum of 4 days during the Tournament period, with only 3 days counting toward the overall points scheme. One pound of fish will be equal to 1 point. The Captain must declare a fishing day no later than 5 pm the day before by notifying the tournament committee through its website or via email. Each notification shall include:

- a. name of the boat
- b. name of captain
- c. marina and departure time
- d. names of each angler

Weighing In & Tournament Logistics

3. Only one fish per eligible species may be weighed per boat per day. Each fish must have a minimum weight of 25 pounds to be eligible for weigh in.
4. The heaviest 3 fish aggregate per species will be The FidPro Offshore Challenge Winner.
5. You may leave and return from any marina in New Providence of your choice but may not deploy baits outside of the boundaries which are as follows:
 - a. no further west than Andros,
 - b. no further east than Eleuthera,
 - c. no further north than the Berry Islands and;
 - d. no further south than Cat Island.
- 6 All fish must be weighed at the **(TBA)**, Sandy Port Marina between 3 and 5 pm the day of fishing. One (1) point for each minute after 5pm will be deducted from the aggregate weigh in up to 5:30 pm. Weigh in will not be allowed after 5:30 pm.

Fishing Hours

- 7 This is a no checkout tournament. You may fish from safe light until such time as it allows you to safely return to the weigh in station between 3 and 5 pm. You must return to the **(TBA)**, Sandy Port Marina by no later than 5pm on your designated fishing day.

Conditions

- 8 All fish weighed will be subjected to freshness testing, mutilation inspection and any and all other tests deemed relevant by the committee.
- 9 At the discretion of the committee, the Captain and crew of all entrants will be subject to a polygraph at anytime during the tournament. Winning Captains WILL be required to submit and pass a polygraph test prior to being presented any prize. Failure to submit to a polygraph test automatically revokes all claims to prizes and disqualifies the Captain and crew from the tournament.
- 10 Registered participants may submit a protest against any fish entered. Protests must be submitted in writing to the Tournament Committee by 9:00am on the day following the catch of the disputed fish. Protests must be accompanied by a \$250 deposit, which will be refunded if the protest is upheld. As referred to above, the Rules Committee, at their discretion, may use a polygraph examination to reach a decision. By virtue of signing the entry form registered Participants agree to the final decision of the Rules Committee.

11 A maximum of 6 lines are allowed. No electric reels or wire lines are allowed. A video of the catch, fight and landing of the fish is encouraged where ever possible. A digital photograph with the tournament issued boat number and tournament issued fish token is required on the water after the fish has been landed. *

12 The winner of The FidPro Offshore Challenge does not have to weigh 3 fish per species. If a boat's 2 fish per species are heavier than another boat's 3 then the boat with the most weight will be declared the winner. In the event of identical weights for any aggregate category, the tie will be broken on the teams largest fish of those weighed in. In the category of largest fish, the tie will be broken upon earliest weighed fish.

13 You may un-declare a fishing day for whatever reason by 7 am via cell phone or email on the declared fishing day one time only and if a line has not been deployed. You may substitute a boat once if the substitute boat is not registered in the tournament.

14 On fishing days, no vessel entered in the tournament may be involved in handing off or receiving anything from another vessel whether that vessel is entered in the tournament or not. The tournament director may choose to grant special permission in advance to a team to waive this rule in the event that someone's personal safety or health is at risk. No disabled boat can be towed back to New Providence so a fish can be weighed in on time. No fish can be brought back by another boat whether it is in the tournament or not.

15 Only one prize per boat excluding Tournament-Within-A-Tournament (TWT) Awards.

16 All decisions by the Tournament Committee are final.

17 The Captains Meeting/Kickoff Party will be on the last Thursday in January at the **(TBA)**, Sandy Port Marina. It is recommended that all anglers and crew attend the scheduled Captains' Meeting. If they do not attend, such Captains automatically accept and agree to be bound by all of the instructions announced at the meeting.

18 All declared boats must check in by phone call to **(TBA)** (242)669-XXXX or XXXXXX (242)626-XXXX by 8PM on their declared day of fishing.

Eligibility

19 At least one member of each crew has to be employed as or with a Financial Service Provider. This definition referenced in the Financial Services Providers Act covers a range of industries such as Realtors, Car Dealers, Actuaries, Accountants, Lawyers, Fiduciaries, Bankers and Brokers etc.

Entry Fee

20 Entry fee will be \$800.00 per boat until April 30, and \$850.00 from that point until May 14th, 2013. Boats can enter the tournament anytime after the 1st week in February to the 2nd week in May. After the 14th of May no further entries will be allowed. At least 60% of all entry fees will be used toward prize money. Cash awards are based on the number of boats entered in the tournament.

Trolling Tournament

21 Boats must stay in motion.

Weather

22 Captain's choice, Participants enter tournament at own risk and discretion and accept full responsibility for their boat, crew and anglers.

Boundary Lines

23 Boundary is latitude 24.xx.000 South and 77.xx.000 North. All boats must fish in the Atlantic Ocean in Bahamian waters and abide by all laws and regulations.

Tackle & Bait

24 We encourage the use of the All tackle IGFA rules. NO WIRE LINES or GREEN STICKS ALLOWED. Eight lines per boat maximum. Spreader bars allowed as well as fire and spider line.

Tournament Communications

25 Tournament Officials and Committee Boats monitor VHF Channel **(TBA)**.

ENTRY FORM

BOAT NAME _____ TEAM NAME _____

CHARTERED _____ YES _____ NO _____

TEAM CAPTAIN

Fisrt Name _____

Last Name _____

Email _____

Address _____

Phone () _____

Angler 1

Fisrt Name _____

Last Name _____

Email _____

Address _____

Phone () _____

Angler 2

Fisrt Name _____

Last Name _____

Email _____

Address _____

Phone () _____

Angler 3

Fisrt Name _____

Last Name _____

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Angler 4

Fisrt Name _____

Last Name _____

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Angler 5

Fisrt Name _____

Last Name _____

Email _____

Address _____

Phone () _____

Angler 6

Fisrt Name _____

Last Name _____

Email _____

Address _____

Phone () _____