

## **Welcome to the Brody Bates Redfish Open presented by Sportsman Boats !**

*First and foremost, this plan allows only the members of a single boat to come into contact with only a few people during the day so please honor social distancing rules with others outside your team.*

### **Timeline:**

- 6:00 am Teams arrive and complete Buck Hall Recreational Card, Receive Tourney Packet
- 6:45 am Launch
- 8:00 am Weigh Ins are open and stay open
- 2:30 pm Middle School Cards due with weigh ins
- 3:00 pm High School Cards due with weigh ins
- Next Speaker Ryan March with FCA of Georgetown then awards

### **Arrival**

- Everyone stays in their truck
- Boat Captain is given a bag with weigh in card "plus" a pen to completed before returning to weigh in
- A clip on cull tag is mandatory for the big fish so if you do not have one, we will give you one
- One Angler will open the live well for the inspector
- Anyone not pre-registered will be asked to park in the over flow area until blast off is over

### **Launch**

- After inspection, drop in your boat and park in the overflow area only
- Boat Landing / Pier is the center point. Set up along the bank toward the direction you will be going to fish = north or south and at least 25 yards away form the center point so we do not block the ramp

### **Blast Off**

- 6:45 is our goal or when it is safe light
- We will show your boat number on a a visible number board and call your number with a mega phone.
- Blast off when you are 100 yards past the last dock ( if you go north, there are docks on the left so wait until you get past those docks as the ICW makes a right curve )

### **During the Event**

- Life jackets are mandatory when the engine is in use plus boat captain's capability to attach the safety engine harness
- Boat Captains can NOT touch a rod and reel. Yes, if it is broken, then only the angler can fix it.
- Boat Captains can use the landing net, but do NOT touch the fish until it is in the boat.

- Only the student who casts the rod can land the fish. IF anyone ( partner ) touches the rod during the process of the cast and landing of the fish into the boat, the fish does NOT count
- Only fish caught by students on a rod and reel in the boat will count. Do NOT get out the boat to fish.
- One rod per angler in use at a time which includes rod holders. So, if you are using rod holders, there should only be one rod being used to fish per angler in the boat.
- Cast Nets can be used ( even by Boat Captains ) to harvest bait but NOT used to retrieve fish (yes, sometimes you may catch a fish trying to get bait ).
- Please take pictures on the boats and text to the director 843-902-4274
- Please have your cell phone "on" in case the director needs to contact you for bad weather instructions

### **Weigh Ins**

- cards are due by these times or your team will receive a DQ so come in early if you must to avoid a DQ
  - 2:30 Middle
  - 3:00 High
- if you have a fish that is at risk or throat hooked, you may weigh in that fish so it can be released to increase the chance of the fish to survive "but" this fish counts toward your final weigh in so call the director so we can be prepared and yes, you can go back out and fish for the 2<sup>nd</sup> fish
- once you arrive to the dock, have an angler run the card to the director at the stage
- boat captains will retrieve the boat ( if you have no fish, just park it in the overflow )
- buffs are mandatory when anglers bring weigh in bags to the scale
- teams with fish will be directed to the circle in front of the stage
- keep fish in the live wells until directed to bag the fish then report to the stage
- use the blue cull tag for the big fish, we will weigh the big fish first then add the second fish for the total
- anglers will be asked to take a photo for the event with buffs on
- once anglers leave for the stage, the boat captain will park the trailer in the overflow
- social distancing rules with weigh in tables and lines with buffs on

### **Awards**

- pictures will be taken with a big scholarship check
- forms will needed to be completed so scholarship money will go into the anglers 529B Account

### **Food**

- lunch will be provided when you return from fishing

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