



## 2026 Brew City Tournament



### I) ENTRY FEE AND APPLICATION

- a. The entry fee is \$150.00 per boat for the Amateur Division. No personal checks will be accepted after July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2026.
  - i. Online entries can be made with a credit or debit card at <https://www.glsfclub.com/brew-city-tournament/>
- b. All applications and payments must be received prior to the conclusion of the captain's meeting on July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026.
- c. Checks should be made payable to GLSF-Milwaukee. Payment and application should be mailed to Milwaukee GLSF, c/o Brew City Entries P.O. Box 510332, New Berlin, WI 53151 (postmarked no later than 1 week before tournament please) Please include the Tournament Entry Form!
- d. Entry fees are non-refundable after July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026, except in the event of cancellation of the tournament due to weather or other reasons beyond the control of the tournament committee. Said committee reserves the right to retain up to 28% of the entry fees paid, to cover costs incurred. All entry fees not retained will be returned to the entrants. The decision of the tournament committee shall be final in this regard.

### II) PRIZES

- a. A prize of \$3,500 will be awarded for the first-place boat and a special prize of \$1,250 for 26<sup>th</sup> place. All prizes are based on 100 boat entries.
- b. Prizes will be awarded to the top 5 boats and the subsequent structured places based on points. The amount indicated represents the amount to be awarded assuming 100 boats are entered. Tournament prize structure subject to change and the decision of the tournament committee shall be final. Additional prizes may be added depending on sponsorship.

Overall Tournament Prizes	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	\$3,500
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	\$1,750
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	\$1,000
4 <sup>th</sup> Place	\$750
5 <sup>th</sup> Place	\$500
10 <sup>th</sup> Place	\$250
15 <sup>th</sup> Place	\$250
20 <sup>th</sup> Place	\$250
26 <sup>th</sup> Place	\$1,250
30 <sup>th</sup> Place	\$250
35 <sup>th</sup> Place	\$250
40 <sup>th</sup> Place	\$250
45 <sup>th</sup> Place	\$250
50 <sup>th</sup> Place	\$500

Per Species Prizes (5 Species – Chinook Salmon, Coho Salmon, Brown Trout, Lake Trout, and Rainbow Trout)	
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	\$250
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	\$150
3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	\$100
Smallest Fish	\$50



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- c. In the event of ties, the tiebreaker will be to the boat who weighed in earliest, per recorded timestamp of weigh-in. In the event a timestamp is not available, the tie breaker will be based on largest fish going from largest down if fish weigh the same.
- d. Brew City Salmon Tournament will hold \$650.00 for the polygraph, in the event of a protest.

### III) **SCORING**

- a. All winners will be determined by the tournament committee, and their decisions will be final.
- b. Winners will be determined based on a scoring system of 10 points per fish and 1 point per pound, rounded to the nearest 1/10 pound. The following species shall be eligible: Coho Salmon, Chinook Salmon, Brown Trout, Atlantic Salmon, Rainbow or Steelhead, Brook Trout, Lake Trout, Pink salmon.

### IV) **OBSERVER SYSTEM**

- a. Every boat shall designate one of its team members as an observer that will stay with their boat (not assigned to another boat) and may fish as part of his/ her team.
- b. THE OBSERVER MUST BE AT LEAST 18 YEARS OF AGE.
- c. OBSERVER LOG - The Observer must witness catch and maintain a log of all fish caught on the form supplied by the tournament committee. Said log shall be completed at the time each fish is caught and must be submitted to tournament officials at the weigh-in station.

### V) **BOAT IDENTIFICATION**

- a. The tournament committee will furnish to each captain one (1) boat identification number which must be prominently displayed on the starboard side of the boat during the fishing period. Along with the official antenna flag.

### VI) **DATES & HOURS**

- a. Tournament to be held on Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026.
- b. The tournament schedule will be as follows:
  - i. Captain's meeting Friday, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2026 at 6:30 PM.
  - ii. Tournament (fishing) date of Saturday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026
  - iii. Fishing period from 5:30 AM to 1:30 PM
  - iv. Official Weigh-in begins at 11:30 AM
  - v. Sunday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2026 - Rain Date same rules as August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2026
- c. Each boat must have at least one registered crew member in attendance at the captain's meeting. Failure to do so may be considered cause for disqualification by the tournament committee.
- d. The tournament will be considered official if a total of three (3) hours are fished.

### VII) **START & FINISH**

- a. Boats must be in the water and radio checked in with the tournament committee prior to the official start. Check-in will begin at 4:00 AM and boats will be permitted to go to holding area after check-in is confirmed.
- b. All boats must stay on the shore side of the committee boat. The committee boat will be far enough outside the north gap to provide ample room for safe staging. The committee boat will be adequately marked with a flashing light or other method that will be discussed at the captain's meeting.
- c. At 500 AM all boats will be permitted to leave the staging area upon official announcement.
- d. No lines or lures are to be in the water prior to the official 5:30 AM start time as signaled via FM marine radio on channel 68 by the tournament committee.
- e. The official clock for the contest will be kept by the tournament committee.
- f. Every boat must check-in by FM marine radio with the tournament committee no later than 2:00 PM. All coolers must be checked in with the official at the designated 'cooler corral' no later than 2:00 pm to be considered valid.

### VIII) **FISHING RULES**



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- a. There are no distance limits as to where a tournament boat may fish if all traveling is done on the water (subject to rule VII- A & D).
- b. All fish entered must be caught on hook and line and in accordance with the conservation laws of the state of Wisconsin.
- c. A minimum of two (2) licensed anglers are required to be aboard each boat. There is no maximum number of anglers, subject to boat capacity.
- d. There will be a maximum of six (6) or nine (9) lines in the water at any one time, with no more than six (6) or nine (9) lures in use. Dodgers, attractors or other similar hookless devices do not count as lures.
- e. There will be a ten (10) or fifteen (15) FISH limit per boat (as per IV-C). A maximum of four (4) or six (6) Lake trout will be allowed and only four (4) lake trout can weigh in for the tournament boat catch. You may possess 15 fish but **ONLY WEIGH IN YOUR TOP TEN (10) FISH** for the boat catch! **FISH MAY BE SORTED** when caught. If it is determined to release a fish, it must be returned to the lake **IMMEDIATELY**. Once a fish is placed in the cooler or other place in the boat and not released **IMMEDIATELY** it must be kept for the contest.
- f. Each boat that reaches the ten (10) or fifteen (15) fish limit must immediately cease fishing, bring all rods out of the water and return for check-in. Any boat not following the WDNR rules for Lake Michigan will be disqualified.
- g. At the close of the fishing period, all fish caught must be placed in a cooler and sealed by the observer. The fishing log must be attached to the top of the cooler.
- h. From the beginning of the fishing period and until the catch is deposited at the weigh-in station, no boat may run gunnel to gunnel with any other boat, and no objects of any type may be passed to or from any boat participating in the tournament. Violation of this rule will result in automatic disqualification. In the case of an emergency, exceptions to this rule may be made only with prior permission of the tournament committee.
- i. Any citation issued to any participant of said tournament by WDNR, Milwaukee Police, Milwaukee Sheriff or the Coast Guard will constitute cause for automatic disqualification as does proof of **UNSPORTSMANLIKE** conduct at the discretion of the tournament committee.
- j. Any disqualification is a forfeiture of the entry fee and any prizes or raffles.

### **IX) WEIGH-IN**

- a. Weigh-in begins at 11:30 A.M.
- b. The boat catch will consist of ten (10) FISH FOR YOUR BOAT CATCH weigh- in, you may possess A MAXIMUM OF FIFTEEN (15) fish. THE FIRST TEN FISH PUT INTO THE WEIGH-IN BASKET WILL COUNT AS YOUR BOAT CATCH!!! (No exceptions or you will be disqualified)
- c. Coolers must be brought to the 'Cooler Corral' and checked in with the official **no later than 2:00 pm**. All coolers must be sealed with tape and have observers log signed and affixed to the cooler.
- d. Once sealed, the cooler of fish will remain sealed until opened by tournament officials.
- e. Coolers will remain in the 'Cooler Corral' until the boat number is called to come weigh their fish on the weigh-in stage. If a captain does not respond when a boat number is called, the next boat will be called up to weigh-in.
- f. Failure to have cooler checked into the 'Cooler Corral" **prior to 2:01 PM** will result in an ineligible cooler and will not be weighed.
- g. All coolers will have a time recorded of when they are checked in with the corral official. This time will be used in the event of a tie. The order that coolers are called for weigh-in will not be recorded and will not affect this.

### **X) RADIO PROCEDURE**

- a. Every boat must be equipped with an operating FM marine radio equipped with channels 9, 16 and 68. All boats should monitor channel 68 for contest information.



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### XI) CANCELLATIONS

- a. The tournament committee will announce by FM marine radio one-half hour before fishing begins or as close to the 4:00 am check-in time.
- b. The committee may cancel the tournament at any time when, in their opinion, the fishing conditions could be dangerous to persons or property. The committee may also decide to delay the start of fishing or to cut short fishing due to deteriorating weather conditions. All announcements will be made by FM marine radio. If fishing is cut short, all boats must proceed in the same manner as required (in X-A) unless instructed differently by the tournament committee.
- c. The decision of the tournament committee to cancel, delay or shorten the contest is final.
  - i. Information: [www.glsfclub.com](http://www.glsfclub.com)
  - ii. Contacts: Brian 414-704-0755 or Dan 262-844-8386

### XII) PROTESTS

- a. Any and all protests must be made in writing to the tournament committee prior to the awarding of prizes by registered mail addressed to PO BOX 510332 NEW BERLIN WI 53151 WITH IN THREE DAYS OFF THE TOURNAMENT END. A panel of three (3) judges, appointed by the tournament committee, will resolve all disputes. Their decision will be final and binding.
- b. The tournament committee will have access to a lie detector device with a qualified operator, and may require, at their discretion, a test for all those involved in any formal protest, or any or all winning prizes, boat captains, or observers prior to the awarding of prize money. Any written protest given to the tournament committee must be accompanied by a \$250.00 deposit.
- c. Within three days of the end of the tournament, if said protest is judged valid, deposit will be returned.
- d. The decision of the tournament committee and/or its duly appointed panel of judges shall be final and binding in all situations or disputes. Awarding of prizes can be delayed should a protest be filed.

### XIII) RULE CHANGES

- a. The committee may change or modify any of these rules, but any such modification must be made in writing and posted prior to the captain's meeting. All raffle prizes may change.

### XIV) LIABILITY EXCLUSION

- a. Each contestant shall be responsible for protecting persons and property from injury or damage during the tournament and neither the GLSF Milwaukee, its officers, members, nor any directors, employees or volunteer workers shall be responsible for the safety of tournament participants or property, regardless of cause. Each participant shall assume responsibility for the safety of themselves and their property, regardless of any decision by the tournament committee to continue with or to stop short said tournament. All participants further understand and agree to hold harmless the aforementioned groups and individuals from any liability for damage or injury incurred as a result of participation in the tournament in whatever form or manner said liabilities or damages might be incurred. Channel 68 is the Official Contest Radio Channel.