



## OFFICIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

LOUISIANA (RS 14:214). FISHING CONTEST FRAUD IS A CRIME IN THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

**The competition begins at 12:01 a.m. Friday, August 14, 2020 and ends when scales close at 5:00 p.m. SHARP on Saturday, August 15, 2020.**

1. Fish may only be taken by rod and reel for the Rummel Fishing Rodeo.
2. All fish are subject to autopsy. No frozen or decomposed fish will be accepted. Any attempt to defraud or cheat in the Rodeo, in any way, will automatically disqualify the offender and all his/her fish as well as subject the person/s to potential imprisonment and fines (RS 14:214).
3. In the event of a categorical tie, the first fish entered wins.
4. All Weigh Master decisions are final.
5. All fish weighed will have tail clipped, but can remain property of the contestant.
6. The Teen Division is for teens 13 – 18 years old. The children's division is for children 12 and under. Teens and Children may compete in the adult division with purchase of an adult division ticket. All participants must compete in the division of which the ticket was purchased. (I.E. a teen whom purchases an adult ticket must compete in the adult category and cannot weigh fish in the teen division.)
7. Everyone on the boat must possess a rodeo ticket, except children under 5. However, children under 5 wishing to enter a fish must have a ticket.
8. All local, state, federal, Coast Guard and Wildlife & Fisheries regulations and laws shall apply at all times during the tournament. Violation of any of these regulations and laws shall be grounds for disqualification. Any fish not in compliance with these laws is ineligible.

## 9. TOP BOAT RULES:

**Top Boat award is awarded to the team with the highest point total for places won in an adult division final standings (1<sup>st</sup> place = 3pts, 2<sup>nd</sup> place = 2pts, 3<sup>rd</sup> place=1 pt)**

- All team members must fish from the same boat
- All team members must be registered in the Rummel Fishing Rodeo
- Points are awarded for each place won in the ADULT CATEGORY final standings.
- Teams must notify weighmaster that they are weighing as a team and give team name.
- In the event of a tie, fish weighed in first win.

10. It is expressly understood that all participants in the Rummel High School Fishing Rodeo enter at their own risk, and that Rummel High School, the Rummel Alumni association, and all persons connected directly or indirectly with the operation of said rodeo shall be exempt from any liability for libel, slander, loss, damage, negligence, harm, injury or death suffered by any participants, boat captains, crew members, vessels and equipment which may occur during or in connection with the Rodeo. All participants, by their attendance at the Rodeo, agree to indemnify Rummel High School, Rummel Alumni Association, and Rummel Fishing Rodeo. By rodeo entry the captain or owner consents that the Rummel High School Fishing Rodeo may use without payment or restriction, any photographs in which he/she or any of their crew may appear for any purpose what so ever, including but not limited to resale, advertising, commercial or promotional material. The captain, owners and his crew further release the Rummel High School Fishing Rodeo operators, sponsors, and all persons directly or indirectly related to the Rodeo from injury, loss or damage that may result from participation in this rodeo.

### **For Questions, please contact our Co-Chairs:**

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