

## Tournament Rules & Regulations

Coop's Classic ----- Edgewild Resort ----- September 27, 2014

1. Fishing teams will consist of two participants. All prizes awarded by team, not individual.
2. Teams will be issued a team number which must be present at weigh-in. If not presented, fish will not be weighed in.
3. Tournament waters include all navigable portions of East Fox Lake and West Fox Lake.
4. All boats must display a ribbon on the bow eye. Ribbon will be provided at start of tournament.
5. Tournament will begin promptly at 8:45 am in a single file by number with "ease off" from Edgewild Resort docks.
6. Participants must follow ALL Minnesota fishing laws and regulations with safe boating conduct observed at all times and possession of a valid fishing license. Any time the main motor is above an idle, ALL occupants must be wearing life jackets.
7. Live or artificial bait may be used.
8. Weigh in will be held at Edgewild Resort no later than 4:00 pm for all docked boats. All teams must be present with the boat number displayed on the beach/dock area. Late penalties will be assessed on the basis of 25% of total weight lost. Weigh in bags will be distributed in boat order.
9. Teams will be allowed no more than five fish in the boat at any time during the tournament. Maximum of three fish in one species only. Each team can only win one stringer. Mixed bag counts as stringer. Stringer choice must be made on water before docking for weigh in.
10. Teams may register a maximum of three fish in any one species: Walleye, Northern Pike, and Largemouth Bass. A fourth and fifth fish of different species will be allowed for purposes of competing in Lunker category
11. If competing for mixed bag, can only come to weigh in with three fish. Must have one of each species.
12. Lunker fish must be first fish of each species weighed in.
13. All livewells must be in working order and inspected prior to start of tournament. Coolers are also acceptable. No stringers allowed.
14. Cash prizes and team trophies will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd, 3rd place team in each of the three species stringer categories. 1st place of mixed bag category will be awarded cash and trophy. Lunker of each species will be awarded cash prize.
15. In the event of a tie, a flip of a coin by tournament officials shall prevail.
16. This is a catch and release tournament. All fish must be registered alive and in releasable condition. Any mishandled fish will not be allowed to be entered in the tournament. All fish registered become the property of the tournament and will be released. Trophy fish can be kept at the discretion of the team.
17. All boats must be inspected by tournament officials according to DNR guidelines prior to launch. Tournament boats must submit to volunteer or officer inspection when requested.
18. No consumption of alcoholic beverages allowed in tournament boats during the competition.
19. Tournament officials and their organizations are not responsible for accidental loss or damage to person or property in conjunction with this tournament.