

## Disabilities Recreation Project Trout Tournament Rules & Regulations

1. The Disabilities Recreation Project Trout Fishing Tournament is a one day tournament held at The Jackson County Expo Ponds from 7 AM to 1 PM; weigh-in begins at 8 AM and ends at 1 PM. Anglers still in line at 1 PM will be allowed to have their fish weighed.
2. Anglers are responsible for their own fishing licenses and must follow all state and Jackson County Park rules while participating in the Disabilities Recreation Project Trout Fishing Tournament.
3. The contest is open to all adults and children (through age 17). There are two adult categories, all adults without disabilities ages 18 through 64, and seniors - aged 65 and older, and adults with disabilities (see section eight below).
4. **All entrants must be registered no later than 10:00 am the day of the tournament. NO EXCEPTIONS!**
5. Employees (and their families) of a Disabilities Recreation Project Trout Fishing Tournament and/or designated sponsor are not eligible for any Disabilities Recreation Project Trout Fishing Tournament prizes but may participate in raffle drawings.
6. Prizes will be awarded as outlined below for the largest fish taken from the Jackson County Expo Ponds by **legal fishing methods**, during the specified times on the day of the Disabilities Recreation Project Trout Fishing Tournament.
7. Winning fish will be determined first by the heaviest in weight; in the event that two fish have the same weight, the fish that is the longest in length will win; in the event that there is a tie in both weight and length, the fish with the earliest weigh-in time will win.
8. Prizes will be awarded to the following divisions:

### **Adult Division (ages 18 through 64)**

#### **Senior Division (age 65+ )/Disabled**

1st prize	\$200.00
2nd prize	\$100.00
3rd prize	\$50.00

### **Kids Division:**

#### **Gift Certificates Only**

1st prize value	\$75.00
2nd prize value	\$50.00
3rd prize value	\$25.00

9. No frozen or partially frozen will be allowed into the contest. All fish must be in a fresh condition at weigh in and will be subject to inspection by the tournament committee and weightmaster. All fish must be caught the day of and at the Jackson County Expo Ponds. **All fish will be inspected.**
10. Only one fish per registered angler may be weighed in and entered into the contest.
11. **Anglers must check in at the Weigh Station between 8 AM & 1 PM to qualify for tournament prizes. NO EXCEPTIONS! Anglers failing to arrive and check in at the Weigh Station by 1 PM (Anglers must be IN LINE by 1 PM for weigh-in) will not be allowed to weigh in their catch.**
12. All Prizes and Raffles will be awarded after the weigh-in.
13. Application for entry into the Disabilities Recreation Project Trout Fishing Tournament constitutes permission by the angler to be subject to fullest of the law.
14. Applications for entry into the Disabilities Recreation Project Trout Fishing Tournament constitutes an express waiver on the part of each angler of the claims arising out of injury or property damage of any nature or kind sustained while participating in the event or while traveling to and from the event. Each angler agrees by registering to participate in the Disabilities Recreation Project Trout Fishing Tournament to hold harmless and indemnify the tournament organizers, sponsors, and their respective agents and employees for any and all sums and expenses of any kind resulting from any injuries or property damage of any nature or kind to the person or property of the angler. Any person accompanying any angler, spectators, or any other persons whether or not such persons are registered in the event. Each angler expressly agrees to assume full and sole responsibility for any injury or damage caused by the angler or by any person accompanying the angler, regardless of cause of the injury or damage.
15. Contest will be held regardless of weather conditions.
16. **Decisions of the tournament committee and weighmasters are final and binding regarding enforcement of these rules and the declaration of prize winners**