



2014 Spawn-a-thon

SHOOT RULES

May 17th



- 1. Entry Fees,** The entry fee will be \$30.00 per person (\$25 for WBA members) paid the morning of May 17th by 8:00 am. All youth, 15 and under are FREE.
- 2. The Team,** A “team” can consist of as many shooters as can be safely on board your boat. No Non-shooters on the boat during the shoot hours.
- 3. Waiver,** each participant must sign a waiver, thus releasing the shoot’s organizers (members of the WBA) and Sponsors (Ranch and Home and others) from all liability.
- 4. Equipment,** only standard bowfishing equipment may be used in the tournament. No nets, gaffs, or any other standard fishing gear allowed in boats during tournament hours.
- 5. License,** no fishing license is required for bowfishing in Washington State.
- 6. Registration,** all teams must register at Ranch and Home (Kennewick) by 8:00 am. All teams must complete a registration form to become registered in the event.
- 7. Release of Participants,** after the 8:00 meeting all participants will be released to trailer to any public water, if they have completed the registration process.
- 8. Fishable waters,** teams are able to trailer/travel to any public waterway, within Benton, Franklin, or Walla Walla Counties, to harvest fish for this shoot. Private ponds, lakes or irrigation canals are off limits for this shoot. Any team that harvest fish from closed waters will be disqualified and not allowed to participate in WBA shoots for a minimum of 5 years.
- 9. Sportsmanship,** Basic unwritten rules of good sportsmanship will be expected during the shoot. Common sense, and respect to other shooters is a must in order to insure a good time be had by all. Giving way in narrow channels and staying at respectable distance from other boats can’t always be monitored, so good judgment, common sense, and being respectful to other shooters reflects solely on each of us as sportsmen.
- 10. Alcohol,** The consumption of alcoholic beverages during tournament shoot hours (Sat 8:00AM-5PM) is prohibited. Violation of the policy may result in a team’s disqualification.
- 11. Weigh-In,** The official cut-off time is 5:00 p.m. on Saturday. All teams must have their “Weight Card” turned in to the weigh-in booth (Ranch and Home parking lot) by 5:00pm for their fish to be weighed. Failure to make it in prior to cut-off will result in disqualification regardless of the reason! There will be no reasonable excuse, or exceptions made! Each vehicle must be trailered and in single file through the scale site. Teams will be weighed in one at a time until all teams have been weighed. Harvest to include carp only. The harvest of any game fish is illegal in Washington and will result in immediate disqualification. It is the responsibility of each team to determine their heaviest 10 fish as well as identify to the weigh-in staff, the teams heaviest fish, per day for the big fish pot prior to weigh in. Total weight totals will determine ranking in the tournament.
- 12. Payout,** The Washington Bowfishing Association shall keep \$5 from each non-members entry to put towards the operating costs of the association. All remaining entry fees will be paid out to the top 30% of the teams entered. \$250, donated by Ranch and Home will be paid out to the shooter of the “Big Fish” .