



NORTH AMERICAN  
**FISHING**  
**CHALLENGE**  
to benefit Adult & Teen Challenge

## **I. Participants and Eligibility**

- A. Contestant must register online at [NAFishingChallenge.org](http://NAFishingChallenge.org) by June 10. Confirmations will be emailed.
- B. This is a two-person per boat fishing tournament. If both contestants are under age 16, a non-fishing guardian or parent must be present. More than two people may be in the boat but only two can fish and register fish during the tournament hours.
- C. There will be a virtual rules meeting on Zoom on Thursday, June 16 at 6:30pm CDT. All anglers must watch the live or recorded event any time before fishing begins.
- D. All anglers must download the tournament app and sign in to register a test 'fish' prior to tournament day.
- E. Any funds raised to support Adult & Teen Challenge centers must be submitted to the regional office on or before 4:00pm CDT on Friday, June 17, 2022 to be eligible to win fundraising prizes. All funds raised are 100% tax deductible. The minimum amount requested that each team raise is \$1000; there is no maximum.
- F. Anglers must have a valid fishing license and abide by all state/province and local laws pertaining to the location they are fishing. Any person ticketed for a violation during this event will be disqualified.

## **II. Scoring**

- A. We will be using the Reel Livewell app to record and enter fish. There will be five divisions: walleye, bass, pike/muskie, trout/salmon, and panfish. Anglers must declare a division within the app prior to the tournament.
- B. You cannot cross or change divisions once you are entered into a division; the app does not allow it.
- C. In the Panfish division, bluegill, sunfish, crappie, rock bass or perch in any combination may be entered. The top five fish will count towards total score.
- D. In all divisions, the top five fish will count toward the final score.
- E. You may enter additional fish into the app, but only the top five will count towards your score.
- F. There are no minimum or maximum length limits. Any fish that are not within the legal length set by state/province game departments must be returned to the water immediately following measuring and photographing.
- G. Anglers must be within cell phone service in time to enter fish BEFORE 3:00pm local time. The app automatically shuts off entries at 3:00pm local time.
- H. All fish must be photographed on the 40" official tournament ruler with the app's camera. The photo you take of your fish on the ruler must be sent through the app to qualify. Place the fish on the ruler and take a photo of the entire fish showing both head and tail. Photos are time and date stamped within the app.
- I. Only the official tournament ruler provided to you is to be used. Place the ruler against a vertical barrier and put the fish's head up against the barrier. The jaw must be touching the barrier.
- J. Fish are measured with the mouth closed and tail pinched. Measure to ¼-inch. The tail must

touch or cross the line. All entries will be verified by our team during the day as they are submitted.

K. If your fish is longer than 40 inches, lay it on the official ruler and add an additional ruler to the remainder of the length of the fish. The second ruler with its markings must be visible in the photo. Acceptance is up to the Tournament Director, and his decision is final in all measurements.

L. Tournament hours are 7:00am to 3:00pm in the time zone you are fishing. Alaskan anglers will fish in the Pacific Time Zone. No fish entered outside those hours will be accepted.

### **III. Tournament Format**

A. This is a gentlemen's start; you may go to your fishing area but do not start fishing earlier than 7:00am local time.

B. Artificial lures and live bait are allowed unless banned by state/province or local laws in the fishing area. All anglers must abide by the laws of the location they are fishing.

C. Each competitor must observe safe boat conduct, no-wake zones, local navigation rules, demonstrate courtesy, and act in a sportsmanlike manner.

D. The tournament director will interpret rules according to the spirit and intent of the rule and his decision in all matters is final.

E. All prizes and trophies will be awarded following the event. Prizes and trophies will be shipped to the winners within one week following the event.