

8TH ANNUAL FISHING TOURNAMENT

October 17, 2026

RULES FOR TOURNAMENT

1. Eligibility: This is a private event and is not open to the public. D. Wilson Construction clients, architects, engineers, subcontractors, suppliers, business partners, and their employees are eligible to participate. All anglers must have a Texas fishing license unless exempt. ALL state and federal regulations apply.
2. Maximum four (4) anglers per boat allowed.
3. Guides are allowed but cannot fish or be part of the fishing team.
4. All anglers must have a valid Texas fishing license unless exempt.
5. The weighmaster will keep the official time. All teams must be in line by 1 PM and will be checked in.
6. D. Wilson Construction Fishing Tournament and its affiliates are not responsible for accidents, damage, or injuries that may occur while participating in the tournament.
7. All fish must be caught by rod and reel only.
8. All boat occupants must be registered for the tournament.
9. Anglers may launch boats from South Padre Island, Port Mansfield, or Arroyo City.
10. If you decide to launch outside of South Padre Island, we ask that you observe the honor system and do not begin fishing before 6:30 AM.
11. All entries must be turned in by boat at the weigh-in station (dock of Jim's Pier) between **12:00 PM and 2:00 PM** or be disqualified. See rule #4.
12. Automatic disqualification for the entire team if fish are not brought in by boat to the dock with a complete team.
13. A team that gets disqualified from a division by length may still enter other divisions with other fish in their possession.
14. Teams that get disqualified for cheating will be disqualified from the tournament.
15. Fish of each species must meet state and federal requirements.
16. No oversized fish are allowed in the Redfish Division, Trout Division, Flounder Division, or Grand Slam Division. The only exception is the Bonus Category for oversized redfish over 28", provided all Texas Parks and Wildlife tagging requirements are met. Maximum eligible lengths. Texas Parks & Wildlife rules apply.
17. The maximum length of redfish eligible for the Grand Slam Division is 28". Redfish over 28" may only be entered in the Bonus Category.
18. Bonus Category: Oversized Redfish - Redfish over 28" may be entered only in the Bonus Category and are not eligible for the Redfish or Grand Slam Division. Fish must comply with Texas Parks and Wildlife regulations. Paper license/tag holders must complete the appropriate oversized red drum tag, cut the required month and date

notches, and affix it to the narrowest part of the tail before presenting the fish at weigh-in. Digital license/tag holders must complete the appropriate digital tag in the Texas Hunt & Fish app before weighing in and be prepared to show proof of the completed harvest report. Fish not properly tagged before weigh-in will be disqualified from this category.

19. The Bonus Category winner will be determined by the heaviest eligible oversized redfish.
20. Only one fish per species (redfish, trout and flounder) can be weighed in by each team for the Redfish, Trout and Flounder Divisions.
21. The Grand Slam Division will be determined by the total weight turned in of all three species.
22. In the event of a tie in the Grand Slam Division, the first team to weigh in wins the division.
23. The same fish CANNOT be used in more than one category. A fish entered in the Grand Slam Division, an individual species division, or the Bonus Category, may not be entered in any other category.
24. Calcutta will be held at the Captain's Meeting and is payable there in cash. Teams are not entered if payment is not made at the Captain's Meeting.
25. Redfish, trout and flounder entered in the tournament may also be entered in Calcutta.
26. Calcutta is a team division, and all money will be paid in full to the winners.
27. Any frozen, mutilated, gutted, or altered fish will be disqualified. We reserve the right to open and inspect all fish entered at the weigh-in.
28. The weighmaster will make the final decision and enforce all tournament rules and regulations.
29. Violation of the rules will result in disqualification of the entire team. Texas Parks & Wildlife rules apply. All TPW rules and regulations can be found here:
<https://tpwd.texas.gov/regulations/outdoor-annual/fishing/>

It is the responsibility of all tournament anglers, captains, guides, and boat drivers to understand and abide by all rules. If you have questions regarding any rule, please address them before the event.