



## **Official Tournament Rules**

(Must be a current member to participate in club tournaments.)

**Fishing Hours:** 6am to 4pm (\*Entries must be turned in by 5pm.)

### **Fishable Lakes:**

- East Okoboji
- West Okoboji
- Big Spirit Lake
- Little Spirit Lake
- Center Lake
- Upper Gar
- Lower Gar
- Minnewashta

### **Measuring Fish:**

- Measuring device must be place UNDER the fish.
- The mouth of the fish must be closed.
- The tail of the fish must be pinched.

### **Tournament Divisions:**

- Gamefish
  - o Only released fish can be measured and submitted for entry. This is mandated by our DNR tournament permit and applies to walleyes, northerns, smallmouth bass, largemouth bass, and muskies. If you choose to keep a legal fish for consumption or mounting, it may not be submitted for entry in the tournament.
  - o Minimum lengths:
    - Walleye: 16 inches
    - Northern Pike: 28 inches
    - Muskellunge: 30 inches
    - Smallmouth Bass: 16 inches
    - Largemouth Bass: 16 inches
  - o Scoring System:
    - Total length of fish to be rounded down to the nearest inch. Fractions of an inch are not used in the gamefish division.
    - All minimum length fish are awarded 3 points.
    - All fish one inch or more over the minimum length are awarded 3 points for minimum length plus 1 point for each additional full inch in length.
    - Example:
      - 16" Walleye = 3 points.
      - 18.5" Walleye = 5 points. (3 points for minimum length + 2 points for 2 full inches over the minimum length. \*Note – The fraction of an inch does not count.)

- Panfish

- Bluegill / Crappie / Perch
- Fish may be kept and submitted for entry.
- Scoring System:
  - The total aggregate length of your 5 biggest fish. Each fish being measured rounding down to the nearest  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch.
  - Example:
    - Fish #1: Bluegill – 9 inches
    - Fish #2: Crappie – 11.5 inches
    - Fish #3: Perch – 9.5 inches
    - Fish #4: Crappie – 13 inches
    - Fish #5: Bluegill – 7.75 inches
    - Total length for tournament entry: 50.75 inches

- Yellow Bass

- Fish may be kept and submitted for entry.
- Scoring System:
  - The total combined length of your 5 biggest fish. Each fish being measured rounding down to the nearest  $\frac{1}{4}$  inch.