

2nd Annual South Shore Tuna Tournament
Sept. 19th – Sept. 21st, 2008, South Shore, Massachusetts

Welcome to the 2nd Annual South Shore Tuna Tournament, the preeminent blue fin tuna event in New England. The top five finishers will be awarded with a variety of valuable prizes and awards. Whether you're a prominent angler with a reputation for landing big tuna or just getting started in tournament fishing, you will want to be part of the excitement. Please join the Boston Big Game Fishing Club with your friends and family. Please send your application and entry fee as soon as possible to take advantage of the early entry discount.

TOURNAMENT RULES

1. IGFA rules. Exceptions: spreader bars are OK, minor rod handling infractions will not be called, cockpit harpoons are OK.
2. Official tournament time is local GPS time.
3. Unlimited tackle, 130 lb. Line test maximum.
4. Only one blue fin tuna may be weighed in for score per day.
5. Only blue fin tuna with a curved fork length between 47" and under 73" will count for score. Tuna under 47" will be disqualified and tuna over 73" will be disqualified.
6. Fishing hours for Sept. 20th and 21st: Lines in at 5:15 AM - Lines out at 3:00 PM.
7. All boats must be in position to weigh their fish no later than **4:30 PM on Sept. 20th and Sept. 21st.**
8. Weigh station hours are **2:30 PM - 4:30 PM on Sept. 20th and Sept. 21st.**
9. An angler hooked up prior to lines out time (3:00 PM) may continue to fight the fish past the lines out time but **must** be in position to weigh the fish before the weigh station closes (4:30 PM) for the day.
10. Selection of VHF Tournament channel will be made at Captain's Meeting.
11. All tuna are the boat's property and are subject to inspection by the Tournament Biologist.
12. Bang sticks and guns are not allowed to be used per IGFA rules.
13. There is **no** weather committee. The decision to fish is left solely to participants who do so at their **own** risk.
14. Any protest must be made in writing and presented to the Tournament Committee by 4:30 PM each day.
15. All Tournament Committee decisions are final. There are no refunds.
16. All fish weighed in for prize consideration must be caught from a registered boat. This is a boat tournament, in the event of a mechanical failure participants may fish from another vessel. The Tournament Committee **must** be advised in writing prior to a vessel change.
17. There is no limit to the number of fishing rods.
18. All participants are responsible for the information and rules reviewed at the Captains Meeting.
19. All boats are required to submit daily Release Affidavits and Tag Cards to the Tournament Biologist during weigh station hours.
20. A sportsman like conduct ashore and afloat is required of all participants and their guests.
21. All boats participating in the tournament must fly the Boston Big Game Fishing Club burgee.
22. Only one angler may hook and fight a fish (**NO** passing the rod). The angler must remove the rod from the rod holder as quickly as possible (absolutely **NO** fighting from the rod holder).

SCORING

One point per pound will be awarded for **Blue Fin Tuna between 47" and under 73" curved fork length.** The overall winning score will be the combined total points of the two days.

Largest Tuna (daily): the heaviest Blue Fin Tuna with a curved fork length between 47" and under 73"

Release Award: all releases must be properly recorded on Release Affidavits supplied in the Tournament Package.

Tag Award*: all Tag Cards must be properly filled out and turned in during weigh station hours.

Junior Angler Award: (16 yrs or younger) Releases must be properly recorded on Release Affidavits.

Female Release Award: all releases must be properly recorded on Release Affidavits supplied in the Tournament Package.

*For Tag Kits, call the Cooperative Tagging Program: (800) 437-3936.

ENTRY FORM
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Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home: _____ Work: _____ email: _____

Boat Name: _____ Boat Make: _____ Length: _____ Beam: _____

Do you need help finding dockage? Yes: ___ No: ___

If No above, where will you be docked? _____

Will any Junior Anglers fish with you? Yes: ___ How many: ___ No: ___

Will any Female Anglers fish with you? Yes: ___ How many: ___ No: ___

ENTRY FEE: \$445

TOTAL: \$ _____

Please make check payable to: **Boston Big Game Fishing Club**
(Credit card checks are acceptable but NO credit cards please!)

Mail this Entry Form, the Indemnification Agreement and your Entry Fee check to:

Boston Big Game Fishing Club
57 Calypso Lane
Marshfield, MA 02050

IMPORTANT
READ CAREFULLY BEFORE SIGNING
YOUR SIGNATURE INDICATES YOU AGREE TO THESE TERMS

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RELEASE AND INDEMNIFICATION AGREEMENT

I and my team and crew agree and understand that the Boston Big Game Fishing Club is a division of Sharks Unlimited, Inc., (hereinafter the Corporation) a Massachusetts business corporation.

I and my team and crew agree and understand that the Corporation, its directors, employees and agents shall not be liable under any circumstances for any injuries or damages to person or property, arising out of, resulting from or in any way connected with my, or my crews participation in any tournament whether caused by negligent act or negligent omission of the Corporation, or by any other reason or cause whatsoever. In consideration of the acceptance of me and my team and crew entry and for other good and valuable consideration received, we hereby remise, release and forever discharge the Corporation and its respective heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, successors and assigns of and from all claims, suits, obligations, liabilities, losses, damages, costs or expenses which our team or our heirs, executors, administrators, legal representatives, successors and assigns may have against the Corporation, arising out of, resulting from, or in any way connected with my participation in the above described Tournament. We understand that this release includes any claims based on any negligent act or negligent omission of the Corporation.

To the fullest extent permitted by the law, I and my team and crew hereby agree to indemnify, to defend with counsel acceptable to the Corporation and to hold harmless the Corporation, from and against any and all claims, suits, obligations, liabilities, losses, damages, costs or expenses including but not limited to reasonable attorney fees, suffered by the Corporation or by any other person or persons, whatsoever, arising out of, resulting from or in any way connected with my participation in any Tournament including any and all claims, suits, obligations, liabilities, losses damages, costs or expenses caused in whole or in part by any negligent act or negligent omission of the Corporation, or anyone for whose acts the Corporation may be liable regardless of whether it is caused in part by a party indemnified hereunder.

This agreement shall take effect as an instrument under seal and be binding upon insure to the benefit of my, and my team's and crew's, heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.

Signature Print Name Date