TOURNAMENTS  (from page 17)

• Any individual fish may be entered in either a Special Tournament (catch date permitting) or the Yearlong Tournament, but not both.
• The angler must call in the entry to 401-826-2121 within twenty-four (24) hours of the time weighed.

ADDITIONAL RULES
• A member who is also a professional charter captain may enter his/her own catch provided the fish was not landed during a trip for hire.
• Any fish entered in any tournament may not be sold.
• Fish may be landed in other states, but must be weighed at a RISAA CERTIFIED SCALE.
• Any member may dispute the results of a tournament, but the dispute must be filed with the Tournaments Committee within five (5) days of the end of the tournament. All decisions of the Tournaments Committee are final.
• A fish caught in Connecticut, Massachusetts or Montauk coastal waters, caught by a RISAA member in good standing, may be entered in a RISAA tournament, as long as the fish is legal in Rhode Island at that time, according to Rhode Island Saltwater Recreational Fishing Regulations, and is weighed at one of the RISAA-approved Weigh-In Stations.
• Example: A tautog, legally caught in Massachusetts, may not be entered in RISAA if the tautog season in RI is closed at the time.

TIE-BREAKER RULES
• In the case of two or more anglers who enter a fish with the exact same weight, the first angler to achieve the points is the winner.
• The “first” angler shall be determined by the date and time the fish is weighed as written on the original weigh-in slip and signed by the weigh-in location employee.
• Example: Two anglers weigh-in a top striper of 50.25 lbs. The first one who entered it (day/time weighed) would get 1st place; the other angler would be 2nd place.

THE TOURNAMENTS
THE YEARLONG TOURNAMENT
• The Yearlong Tournament commences at 12:00 AM on January 1 and ends at 11:59 PM on December 15 annually.
• Pre-registration is not required. All members in good standing are automatically entered.
• Call-in and mail-in requirements as noted above shall apply.
• Awards for the Yearlong Tournament are presented in each category as follows:
  • Boat Division: 1st, 2nd, 3rd place
  • Shore Division: 1st, 2nd, 3rd place
• Minimum sizes apply for all ADULT entries (see below)
• The minimum sizes for JUNIOR members is the current Rhode Island legal minimums

SPECIAL TOURNAMENTS
• Special Tournaments commence on Friday at 5:00 PM and ends on the last day of the tournament at 7:00 PM, unless otherwise noted.  (to page 43)