



TOURNAMENT RULES

The Captain's Meeting will be held Thursday, March 10th, 2022, at 6:30pm in the Casa de Campo Yacht Club, for all registered teams. A team representative must be in attendance, as rules are subject to change.

FISHING HOURS: The Tournament will begin with the call of "lines in" at 8:00am both days and continue until 5:00pm on the first day of fishing and until 4:00pm the second day. All boats must be inside the marina before 7:00 p.m. on the first day and 6:00 p.m. on the second day, as the committee must have your catch affidavits and video by then.

There are no lay days or weather days, unless determined by the committee.

Fish at your own risk.

BOUNDARIES: There are no boundaries.

ANGLING & EQUIPMENT:

International Billfish Tournament Regulations apply.

There is no limit to the number of anglers in the tournament. Professional crew members are permitted to be registered anglers.

TOURNAMENT SPECIES: Blue Marlin, White Marlin, Sailfish and Spearfish are eligible for catch and release.

REPORTING OF BILLFISH: A billfish hook-up must be called in to the "Committee Boat" within the first minute on VHF channel 71. The "Committee Boat" will validate your hook-up by announcement. A billfish release must be called in to the "Committee Boat" with the following information: species released, boat name, angler name. The "Committee Boat" will then verify your information by announcement and give you a release time, which must be recorded on your daily catch affidavit and turned in at the end of the fishing day, with your video evidence. If you lose your fish prior to release

(i.e. jump-off, pulled hook, etc.) please inform the "Committee Boat" as soon as possible.

CATCH & RELEASE RULES: All billfish must be released to qualify. A billfish is considered released when: a) the swivel between the mainline or double line and leader hits the rod tip b) the mate grabs the leader or c) the wind-on leader comes through the rod tip. Please release the fish in good condition by either removing the hook-set or cutting the leader as close to the hook-set as possible. "Popping" the leader is not a good method of healthy release, and we ask that you refrain from doing so.