

#### **2025 HAYNIE OWNERS TOURNAMENT RULES**

This is a Haynie Boat Owners Tournament. You must fish out of a Haynie Boat period! Wade fishing is permitted, but you must get to the fishing spot by a Haynie boat. If you are caught not fishing in a Haynie Boat, you and your team are considered ineligible to participate in the tournament and no refund of entry fees or cash pot fees will be given.

**Entry Fees:** The entry fee is \$100.00 per angler, with teams consisting of no more than 4 anglers. Each paid entry will receive one boat raffle ticket. Junior Anglers (children 17 and under) are free to enter, but that excludes a boat raffle ticket. You may pay the \$100.00 entry fee for the Junior Angler to obtain a boat raffle ticket only if you have not already maxed out the (4) adult team anglers. Upon entry into the tournament, you and your team agree that you have read the Tournament Rules and Hold Harmless agreements and agree to be bound by it.

**Junior Anglers:** It is to be understood that Junior Anglers are fishing in the Junior Division and NOT in the Guided or Non-Guided (aka "Adult") Division. Therefore, any fish caught by the Junior Angler CANNOT be combined with the "Adult" stringer. If the Junior Angler wants to fish in the "Adult" Division, then he or she may do so, but they must designate which division they are fishing in at the time of entry. By choosing to fish in the "Adult" Division, the Junior Angler CANNOT weigh in their fish in the Junior Division.

**Pre-Registration Deadline:** Pre-registration is encouraged and rewarded!! Therefore, anglers who **register no later than midnight CST on August 15<sup>TH</sup>, 2025 will receive one (1) additional boat raffle ticket per angler entry.** 

**Registration:** Participants may pre-register for the tournament at or through Chris's Marine until Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 6:00PM where multiple forms of payment are accepted. Entry can be completed via our online registration platform, or you may submit the completed form by fax, email, snail mail, or in-person at Chris's Marine in Aransas Pass. If you do not make the Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup> cut-off, then you will have to wait until Friday night's Late Registration to enter the tournament. **Late registration is CASH ONLY – NO EXCEPTIONS**.

Late Registration: Late registration begins Friday, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:00PM and is CASH ONLY – NO EXCEPTIONS

**Divisions:** There are 3 divisions: <u>Guided</u>, <u>Non-Guided</u>, and <u>Junior</u>. The Junior Division is for children 17 and under, and it is sub-divided by the following age categories: <u>Youth</u> (ages 12 and under) and <u>Teen</u> (ages 13 – 17). "Guided" verses "Non-Guided" classification does NOT apply to the Junior Division. All Junior anglers, both Youth and Teen divisions, will be competing as a team unless the parent/guardian and tournament director decide collectively that Teen or Youth anglers are competing individually in their division.

**Guide Definition:** A **Guide** is defined as any person who holds a TPWD Guide's License, or any person that has been compensated to take people fishing within the past twelve (12) months.

**Stringers:** The stringer for each division consists of one (1) Trout and two (2) Redfish. A Junior Angler may combine their fish with the "Adult" team's stringer only if the child is fishing in the "Adult" Division. Otherwise, the Junior Angler's stringer must be kept separate from the "Adult" team's stringer.

**Redfish/Trout:** Redfish – at least 20" and not greater than 28". **Trout – at least 15" and not greater than 20"**. Your team must decide the (2) Redfish and the (1) Trout to weigh in prior to approaching the weigh master. If the weigh master "kicks out" your fish, you will not be allowed to go back to your ice chest to get a different fish.

**Fishing License:** You must have a valid/current fishing license from Texas Parks & Wildlife.

**Applicable Laws:** You must obey any Federal, State, and Local laws at all times. Violation of any Federal, State, and/or Local laws will result in the disqualification of you and your team from the event and may disqualify (at the discretion of the Tournament Committee) you and your team from future events.

**Captain's Meeting:** At least one team member must attend the captain's meeting on Friday night before the tournament. Participants may be excused from the captain's meeting if arrangements are made with the Tournament Committee before it commences.

"One Pole per Angler": Each angler can have more than one rod and reel on the boat, but an angler cannot fish with more than one pole in the water at a time.

**Team:** This is an amateur fishing tournament. Up to four anglers and one guide/driver per boat. All individuals on the boat must be listed on the registration form. Guides/boat drivers are not allowed to fish unless they are a registered angler on the team.

Boat: One Haynie boat per team. All anglers must fish from the same (1) Haynie boat in the tournament.

**Assistance:** Someone may assist you in baiting your hook, casting, and netting. It is your job to "set the hook" and reel the fish to the boat or net. Parents may assist children with baiting, casting, netting, and reeling, but the child must "set the hook".

**Fishing Boundaries:** THERE ARE NONE! You are NOT permitted to fish from piers, docks, or land. You must use a Haynie boat to get to your fishing spot.

**Time:** Fishing begins at official sunrise on Saturday, September 6<sup>th</sup>. The official time will be announced at the captain's meeting on Friday night. You may weigh in **no earlier than 1:00PM** and you must be in line with your stringer **no later than 4:00PM** - NO EXCEPTIONS.

Ties: In the event of a weight tie, the first team to weigh in will prevail. Decisions of the weigh master are final.

**Refusal:** Tournament Committee reserves the right to refuse application of entry, with or without cause, at its sole discretion.

**Altering Fish:** The fish weighed in cannot be altered in any way. Tails cannot be cut, nothing can be stuffed in them, and they must be fresh and caught on tournament day.

**Protests:** Protests must be submitted to the Tournament Director in writing with a \$100 cash deposit no later than 15 minutes following the weigh-in of the last fish. Fish weight cannot be protested. If protesting a length call, fish must remain with the Weighmaster immediately following the initial measurement. All decisions will be made

by the Tournament Committee and are final. If the protest is upheld, the cash deposit will be returned to the person submitting the protest.

If you or a team member has ever been disqualified from a fishing tournament, you are ineligible to participate in the Haynie Owners Tournament.

No refunds of entry fees or cash pot fees will be granted if a team and/or angler is disqualified.

**Information:** Please visit www.hayniebayboats.com or contact Chris's Marine at:

Phone: (361)758-8486 Mail: 1213 W. Wheeler Ave, Aransas Pass, TX 78336

Fax: (361)758-4850 Email: randi@cmbtx.com

#### **Release Hold Harmless and Indemnity:**

Upon entry of the Haynie Owner's Tournament you understand and agree to the following: In considerations of being allowed to enter the Haynie Owner's Fishing Tournament, each person agrees and contracts release, indemnity and holds harmless the Haynie Owner's Tournament, Officers, Directors, Employees, Sponsors and Weigh-In Station Directors, including indemnity for any negligent acts or omissions of the forgoing release and indemnifies parties, from any and all liability, claims, or damages arising out of any matter whatsoever connected with the planning, operations or conduct of the Tournament, and including but not limited to claims for personal injury, wrongful death, survival damages, costs, expenses or claims relating in any way to the registering for or fishing in the Haynie Owner's Tournament. Each entry is acting as an independent not under the continuing supervision and control of the Haynie Owner's Tournament personnel and agrees that the Haynie Owner's Tournament Officers shall not under any circumstances be liable under or by any reason of this agreement, directly or indirectly, for any accident, injury, breakage or damage to property or person whatsoever growing out of any activities related to the Haynie Owner's Tournament activities. Each fisherman releases the Haynie Owner's Tournament the right to publish, photograph, and or broadcast any name as a prize winner, and all other matters incidental therein.





# Tournament Event Schedule

#### Friday, September 5th

Coasters & Redfish Bay Boat House at Conn Brown Harbor in Aransas Pass, TX

5:00 PM	Late Registration Opens
5:30 PM	Tournament Kick Off – Team Check In / Cash Pot Entry / Live Music
7:30 PM	Mandatory Captain's Meeting
8:00 PM	Good Night and Good Luck!!

#### Saturday, September 6th

Coasters & Redfish Bay Boat House at Conn Brown Harbor in Aransas Pass, TX

Sunrise	Tournament Fishing Begins
1:00 PM	Weigh In Opens
2:00 PM	Food Line Opens
4:00 PM	Weigh In Closes – No Exceptions
5:00 PM	Food Line Closes
To Follow	Awards Ceremony and Door Prizes and Boat Raffle

### **Divisions**

1st and 2nd Place Awarded in Each Division of the Tournament

Guided	Non-Guided	Teen	Youth
		(13-17)	(12&Under)
Heaviest Red	Heaviest Red	Heaviest Red	Heaviest Red
Heaviest Trout	Heaviest Trout	Heaviest Trout	<b>Heaviest Trout</b>
Heaviest Stringer	Heaviest Stringer	Heaviest Stringer	Heaviest Stringer

## CASH POTS GUIDED & NON-GUIDED DIVISIONS ONLY

CASH ONLY! Entry of Cash Pots is ONLY during Friday night's Late Registration / Team Check-In

#### \$50.00 PER POT PER TEAM

**Heaviest Red** 

**Heaviest Trout** 

**Heaviest Stringer** 

Payout is 100% to the winners, split 70/30 between  $1^{st}$  &  $2^{nd}$  place teams entered in the pots.

