



28th Annual  
 State of New Jersey Tournament  
 ISLAND BEACH STATE PARK, SEASIDE PARK, NJ  
**MAY 19, 2019**

# HIGH SCHOOL TEAM COMPETITION

## THE TOURNAMENT

The Governor's Annual Surf Fishing Tournament is excited to announce a high school team category. Teams may consist of high school aged students who are part of a formal fishing club, members of a Hooked on Fishing-Not on Drugs group, or a non-formal group. Schools can have as many students participate as long as there is 1 chaperone for every 5 students. There is no fee for teams. Each team member will receive a t-shirt for registering. This is an opportunity to get outdoors and enjoy the sport of surf fishing!

Entry to the park is free to individuals who register for the surf fishing tournament.

### TIME AND PLACE

**Sunday, May 19, 2019**

**Island Beach State Park, Seaside Park**

### SCHEDULE

6:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. .... Fishing  
 1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. .... Raffle Drawing  
 2:00 p.m. .... Awards Ceremony

## PRIZES

The Governor has been invited to present the prizes during the awards ceremony. The team catching the longest fish will have their team name engraved on the Governor's High School Team Cup, which is permanently displayed at Island Beach State Park and will receive a plaque for 1st place. Additional plaques will be awarded for 2nd and 3rd place.

## High School Team Rules

1. Each High School will participate as a team with no limit to the number of anglers. There must be one chaperone, 21 years or older, for every 5 high school students. Chaperones are not eligible to fish and must remain with their high school students during the entire Tournament.
2. Only the following fish exceeding the minimum length listed below are eligible for entry:
 

Black drum—16 in.	Red drum—18-27 in.
Bluefish—14 in.	Striped bass—28 in.
Kingfish—10 in.	Weakfish—13 in.

**NOTE: Minimum length for the tournament may differ from NJ saltwater regulations. If regulations to size limit change, minimum size limit will reflect current regulations at the time of the Tournament.**

3. All fish are measured. Length determines winner, not weight. No fish can be iced prior to measuring. In the event of a tie, the first fish entered and measured is the winner.
4. Teams do not have to be part of an organized fishing club, but all participants must be enrolled in high school.
5. Teams will not be permitted drive on to the beach. Gear may be driven on the beach, but not participants.
6. Each team member will have their longest fish measured. The overall longest fish entered by an individual on the team will determine the team which wins.
7. Registering as a team does not automatically enter you into the individual categories within the Governor's Surf Fishing Tournament. Each individual must complete a separate individual registration form.
8. Participants must be present to claim any prizes during this event.
9. All anglers must sign an affidavit attesting to the authenticity and method of catch prior to entering their catch. A witness is required if the fish is to be measured and released.
10. Fish caught from any boat, surfboard or other floating device will not be eligible.
11. Fish may be caught from any OCEANSIDE part of the park from the park entrance to the North Jetty, and the inlet to the dune line. No bayside fishing of any kind will be allowed.
12. Teams may split up and fish multiple locations as long as there is one chaperone for every 5 anglers.
13. Terminal tackle will be limited to 2 hooks. A plug counts as 1 hook. Individuals are limited to 2 rods while fishing.
14. Judges will make a vertical cut in the tail to show the fish has been measured, unless it is immediately released alive.
15. All established park regulations apply.
16. All fish MUST be measured where caught.
17. Refer to the current *Marine Digest* for saltwater fishing regulations.
18. Anglers 16 years old and older must be registered with the free NJ Saltwater Registry at [njfishandwildlife.com](http://njfishandwildlife.com).

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## Registration

*The 28th Annual Governor's Surf Fishing Tournament, its sponsors and any persons connected with it shall be exempt from any liability whatsoever. It is expressly understood that all participants in this event enter at their own risk and assume responsibility for decisions regarding sea conditions and their own safety.*

*Please complete multiple forms for schools having more than 5 anglers competing.*

High School Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please provide the address where you want all registration packets mailed.)

High School Advisor: \_\_\_\_\_ Total Number of Student Anglers: \_\_\_\_\_

(Please provide whose attention you want all registration packets mailed.)

Chaperone Name (must 21 yrs. or older): \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### STUDENTS FISHING

Name 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Saltwater Registry #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Saltwater Registry #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name 3: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Saltwater Registry #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name 4: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Saltwater Registry #: \_\_\_\_\_

Name 5: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ T-shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Saltwater Registry #: \_\_\_\_\_

**Return Application to: Governor's Surf Fishing Tournament, NJDFW, PO Box 418, Port Republic, NJ 08241**  
**Deadline to apply is May 1, 2019. There is no fee for registering as a team.**

For more information about the Tournament visit [www.njfishandwildlife.com/gsft.htm](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/gsft.htm)  
or call (609) 748-4347