

**2006 NORTH CAROLINA SALTWATER FISHING TOURNAMENT
MANAGED BY NORTH CAROLINA DIVISION OF MARINE FISHERIES**

The Tournament begins January 1, 2006 and ends Midnight, December 31, 2006.
TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR AN AWARD, ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY JANUARY 15, 2007.

Everyone is eligible except a charter boat captain or a crewman of a for-hire boat or anyone who offers fish for sale. Weighmasters or their employees are eligible for awards, provided a witness signs verification. Eligible waters include all North Carolina sounds, estuaries, surf, and the Atlantic Ocean. No registration fee is required.

Certificate Qualifications: All fish must be caught on hook and line and landed or brought to gaff or net by the angler. No electric or hydraulic equipment is allowed. Fish must be weighed by an authorized weighmaster (or his/her representative) at an official weigh station. Each fish must be recorded on an official application form, signed by the angler and by a weighmaster. Snagged, mutilated, scaled, speared, frozen, or shot fish are not eligible. The weighmaster reserves the right to cut, open, or mark the fish after it has been weighed.

Release Rules: Angler or mate must touch the fish or the leader. Application must be completed with exception of length and weight (amberjack, bluefin tuna, cobia, king mackerel, striped bass and red drum must have the length recorded). A witness must sign the application.

SPECIES LIST	MINIMUM WEIGHT	SPECIES LIST	MINIMUM WEIGHT
Amberjack	50 lb. ^C	Pompano	2 lbs.
Barracuda	20 lbs.	Porgy (Silver Snapper)	4 lbs.
Bass, Black Sea	4 lbs.	Sailfish	30 lbs. ^A
Bluefish	17 lbs.	Shark	150 lbs.
Cobia	40 lbs. ^D	Sheepshead	10 lbs.
Croaker	3 lbs.	Snapper, Red	10 lbs.
Dolphin	35 lbs.	Spot	1 lb.
Drum, Black	40 lbs.	Striped Bass	35 lbs. ^E
Drum, Red	Release Only ^B	Tarpon	30 lbs. ^A
Flounder	5 lbs.	Tautog	8 lbs.
Grouper	20 lbs.	Triggerfish	7 lbs.
Jack, Crevalle	20 lbs.	Trout, Gray	6 lbs.
Mackerel, King	30 lbs. ^C	Trout, Speckled	4 lbs.
Mackerel, Spanish	6 lbs.	Tuna, Bigeye	100 lbs.
Marlin, Blue	400 lbs. ^A	Tuna, Bluefin	80 lbs. ^F
Marlin, White	50 lbs. ^A	Tuna, Yellowfin	70 lbs.
Mullet, Sea	1½ lbs.	Wahoo	40 lbs.

- A** Award for live release of fish, regardless of size
- B** Award for live release of fish 40 inches or longer
- C** Award for live release of fish 50 inches or longer
- D** Award for live release of fish 33 inches or longer
- E** Award for live release of fish 35 inches or longer
- F** Award for live release of fish 70 inches or longer