

# 2013 MASTERS WALLEYE CIRCUIT OFFICIAL RULES

These rules & safety regulations have been "time tested" in over many years of history and represent great effort, study and research in their formulation. The following rules will remain unchanged, except for special tournaments conducted by The Walleye Federation or Masters Walleye Circuit. Interpretation and enforcement of these rules shall be left exclusively to the Tournament Officials. In the event of a rules violation, the Tournament officials may impose such sanctions, as deemed appropriate including, without limitation, disqualification, forfeiture of prizes and prohibition from participation in subsequent tournaments. The decisions of the Tournament Officials shall be final in all matters.

**1. PARTICIPATION:** Participants must enter as two-person teams (no "Partner TBD" or unknown partner names on the entry forms). Any person 17 years of age or younger must be teamed with a parent or guardian. No persons under age 12 may participate. Proof of age to the satisfaction of tournament officials may be required. Partner changes can be made up until the start of the rules meeting. Each team must complete, sign and submit an official entry form along with payment by the published due dates. The Tournament Officials reserve the right to discontinue or extend the acceptance of applications prior to or after this deadline. No entries are accepted after midnight (CST) on Sunday the week of the event.

During any "official" tournament days no contestant or team may use a boat unless they have documented proof of boating liability coverage in reasonable amounts on that particular boat. Proof of insurance must be with the boat at all times. Random checks will be conducted at events.

All MWC participants must be active members of The Walleye Federation, (TWF) or join/pay for a membership at time of registration of their first tournament of the year. Memberships expire on 12/31 each year. Memberships are non-transferable and non-refundable and cost \$40 per member per year. All members receive FULL TWF member benefits, access to special member only promotions, e-news letter to keep you up to date on the latest in our industry and more. Check out the member benefits on [walleyefederation.com](http://walleyefederation.com) and [masterswalleyecircuit.com](http://masterswalleyecircuit.com).

MWC/TWF does not discriminate based on race, creed, color or gender. We specifically reserve the right to refuse participation or entry to anyone for any reason. Including but not limited to criminal behavior, violation of game laws, and unsportsmanlike behavior that would reflect dishonorably on our sport. This includes being suspended, disqualified or banned from another tournament organization.

**2. ENTRY:** The entry fee for each team per tournament is \$650. A payment must accompany each entry. Money order, check or credit cards are acceptable payments (VISA, MasterCard, Discover). A \$20 processing fee will be applied to all declined credit cards or NSF checks. Mailing address is MWC, 5998 N Pleasant View Road, Ponca City, Oklahoma. 74601 – P-580.765.2319 - Fax 580.765.2890 register online at [www.masterswalleyecircuit.com](http://www.masterswalleyecircuit.com)

Premier Team early bird entries must enter at least 3 events, and will be accepted from 5pm. (CST) on Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013 through Noon (CST) on Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Installment billing is an option for premier teams ONLY. You will pay for your first event at time of entry and the balances owed will be due 30 days prior to each tournament date thereafter. Premier Teams are obligated to pay for all tournaments selected on their initial registration regardless of circumstances that may change. Premier Teams will be eligible for Premier Team contingencies.

All entries open Monday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Entries may be registered online at [masterswalleyecircuit.com](http://masterswalleyecircuit.com) or can be faxed or mailed to MWC. Any single or multiple entries received prior to February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013, will be held and processed as though they were received on February 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013. Any openings not filled by Premier Teams will be filled from the single or multiple entries. Those entries that are not Premier Team entries must submit **payment in full for all tournament fees** at the time of entry application. No refunds or credits are extended.

Entries will be accepted based on a first-come, first-served basis until the tournament is full (based on when received at MWC office, regardless of postmark, online registration is time stamped immediately). Once you are entered into the tournament you will receive an email confirmation. **Rosters will be updated on the MWC website ([masterswalleyecircuit.com](http://masterswalleyecircuit.com))** the Monday before the event. It is your responsibility to confirm receipt of your entry.

Each tournament will be considered full with 200 boats; however, we will accept up to 10% overbooking and will send a maximum of 220 boats out for any tournament except for any special events conducted by MWC.

**No refunds apply at any time.** No refunds will be made nor will credit be extended for any cancellations. Disqualification from a tournament for any reason will result in forfeiture of entry fee. No refunds or credits are extended to teams that choose not to fish due to inclement weather or unforeseen circumstances. Choosing installment billing does not negate the need to pay for all tournaments selected, even if plans have involuntarily changed.

**3. PRE-TOURNAMENT PRACTICE, ONSITE REGISTRATION & RULES MEETING:** There are no restrictions on how early a team can pre-fish, as long as state law is followed and there are no "official" practice days unless otherwise announced in advance for a specific\special event. On the day of onsite registration and rules meeting, all MWC participants must be off plane, within site of the boat launch and no longer fishing by 4pm local time. In case of emergency please contact us immediately on the **MWC tournament hot line at 580.716.4291**, or other designated contacts specified on that tournament's official MWC Fact Sheet.

At least one (1) member of each team must sign in and register in person with official MWC staff at the appointed time and place prescribed for onsite registration in the tournament's fact sheet. At least one team member must be present for the mandatory rules and safety meeting held the afternoon/evening prior to each tournament. In the case of an emergency or unforeseen situation, arrangements must be made with a tournament official if you are unable to attend. (Please call the tournament hot line above) Otherwise, if a team arrives 15 minutes or more late without approval of tournament officials they will be disqualified.

**4. SAFETY & TOURNAMENT INTEGRITY:** Safe boating conduct must be observed at all times by tournament competitors. Participants must abide by all local navigation laws and avoid restricted areas at all times. All participants are required and agree to wear a Coast Guard-approved type III or greater chest type personal floatation device anytime the boat is on plane. Tournament officials have the right to delay or cancel the start of an official tournament day because of bad weather or other factors that would endanger the safety of the competitors. Tournament waters may also be restricted at any time.

In the event of a thunderstorm, lightning, severe weather or any unsafe condition, participants should remove themselves from the competition and seek safety or shelter until it is safe to continue fishing. Participants may not leave their boats during tournament hours except in case of emergency. Each boat must have a U.S. Coast Guard rating plate attached to the boat by the manufacturer. The horsepower rating of the outboard engine must not exceed the rating specified on this plate. Changing or altering standard factory parts of your motor to increase horsepower over factory rated horsepower is forbidden and will result in disqualification.

All MWC qualifying tournaments will have published days of competition, unless delayed or shortened due to weather or unforeseen circumstances. Tournament boundaries or restricted fishing zones will be announced at the rules meeting and may be further restricted if needed.

**5. SPORTSMANSHIP:** Participants will conduct themselves in a true sportsmanlike, courteous, safe and ethical manner at all times maintaining professional demeanor in public and in communication with tournament officials. Any unfavorable conduct, speech or action by a participant in our efforts to promote sportsmanship, clean waters and conservation could be grounds for disqualification or rejection of entry application. Every competitor is expected to participate in the marshaling of the field in order to maintain the highest integrity to the competition. Use of alcohol or any kind of drugs (other than those purchased over the counter or prescribed by a licensed physician) by any competitor during the tournament or use of alcohol until after you have weighed in will not be tolerated and shall be cause for automatic disqualification. Any incidents observed during tournament hours should be reported to tournament officials for further investigation. Any violation of these basic sporting principles may be deemed cause for disqualification.

**6. TACKLE & EQUIPMENT:** MWC participants must possess all necessary fishing licenses and commit to following regulations. All state rules regarding fishing will be observed unless more stringent regulations are specified at the rules meeting. No more than two fishing rods with one lure each, or one fishing rod with two lures per angler may be used at a time unless the state or lake limit is more restrictive, in which case the state or lake limit will prevail. Only fish caught on hook and line in a normal and usual manner will be accepted. Live bait and artificial lures are permissible in MWC events, except for any special tournaments announced and defined by MWC.

**7. BOAT, MOTOR & SAFETY EQUIPMENT:** All tournament boats are required to have in their possession all Coast Guard-required safety equipment, including but not limited to approved type III or greater chest type personal flotation devices, a type IV throw cushion, fire extinguisher, distress horn/flag/whistle, and display tournament decal credentials (supplied by MWC). Great Lakes and Canadian border water tournaments require flares. All tournament boats are recommended to have a marine band radio. In addition a functioning bilge pump or bailing device is required. All tournament boats must be cleaned of all harmful exotic aquatic species prior to entering the water and upon departure from infected waters. All tournament boats must also be equipped with an emergency ignition-shutoff device that must be securely attached to the driver anytime the boat is on plane. Tournament boats will be inspected for functioning and empty live-wells and operating emergency ignition stop switch.

**8. BOAT IDENTIFICATION:** Each boat MUST be given, prior to each day's start, a livewell and SAFETY INSPECTION check by a tournament official, also a boat board or marker, which MUST remain in or on the boat and turned in during check-in at the end of each day. MWC reserves sole discretion to assign boat numbers in any manner.

**9. PERMITTED FISHING LOCATIONS:** Tournament waters shall be established by the Tournament Officials for each tournament. Each competitor must obtain this information from the MWC. Fishing on Tournament waters is permitted anywhere except: Any water within these tournament boundaries posted "off-limits or no fishing" by state or federal agencies will be OFF-LIMITS. Also, any live fish release area established by the Tournament Director will be Off-limits and will be announced at the Tournament Briefing. No contestant may "Buy" or "Barter" a fishing location. Only that water open to ALL public fishing will be considered tournament waters. Any water closed to public fishing will be closed to these tournament contestants. All angling must be done from the boat. On tournament days, participants are prohibited from fishing except during designated tournament fishing hours. Participants should stay off tournament waters before and after tournament hours except to navigate to and from the check-in site and launch facilities. If repairs and/or a test-run are needed an MWC staff member, appointed tournament official or sponsor service technician should ride along.

**10. CONTESTANTS MUST REMAIN TOGETHER & BREAKDOWN INSTRUCTIONS:** Contestants must not depart the boat to land fish or to make the boat more accessible to fishing waters. Boats must remain in tournament waters during tournament days. Contestants must leave and return to official checkpoint by boat. Both competitors must remain in boat at all times except in case of dire emergency, if they wish their fish to be counted for the day. In case of break down or emergency, in which a team is not able to travel back to the weigh-in site under main power, anglers should contact tournament officials. The only legal way to return for weigh-in without your own power is by being towed in by a boat operated by another competitor in the event or a designated rescue boat. No fish may be transferred between boats. Arriving late, even with the aid of an official boat, as the towed boat or the towing boat is still late and all late penalties will apply as they would to any other competitor. No exceptions.

If an official tournament boat is not able to assist, or contact cannot be made with tournament officials, the team with mechanical problems may seek assistance from a fellow competitor or a public angler on the water. This may **not** be done by phone or transmitting on the radio **to link up with a particular team**. Physically flagging down another boat would be allowed to gain assistance, or a radio call that was seeking help from **any** boat in proximity to return to the weigh-in site. **Teams may not assist the broken down party to continue fishing**, and no fish may be transferred between boats, however, a tow would be allowed - as would transporting an angler without fish - immediately to the landing. Both parties (the team with boat trouble and the team lending assistance) should file separate incident reports with tournament officials. Arriving late because of offering or needing assistance is still late and all late penalties apply.

All teams are subject to official inspection or boarding during the tournament and agree to an inspection at any time. No other boats may come in contact with participants' boats for the purposes of locating, catching or otherwise affecting the daily catch of fish for any reason except in case of emergency or with the exception of a TV camera or official staff boat. Competitors nor Teams may not seek the advice or assistance or receive any fishing information during tournament hours from anyone except from another competitor in the same event. During the tournament a competitor may not transmit by any form of electronic communication including but not limited to a cell phone, a CB radio, a VHF marine band radio, texting, any other type of communication device for the purpose of locating, catching fish or discussion your daily catch of fish nor receive any electronic form of communication to aid you in the locating or catching of fish. Contestants are permitted to transmit by radio or telephone, texting, only in an emergency.

**11. OFFICIAL CHECK POINT:** There shall be an official safety checkpoint for checkout in the morning and check-in in the afternoon and this point shall be designated at the tournament briefing. At the time of check-out all competitors and their boats shall be in full conformance with all safety and tournament rules set forth by the Tournament Director. At check-in all boats shall identify themselves, and proceed immediately to the designated weigh-in area. **YOU MUST CHECK-IN EVEN IF YOU DON'T HAVE ANY FISH**. Failure to check in at the end of the day could result in a \$50 fine or prohibition from future participation in any TWF event.

**12. LATE PENALTY:** Competitors who are not at the official safety check in point as described above at the appointed return time shall be penalized at the rate of one pound per minute to be deducted from the total weight of their catch that day, including any "Big Fish Award". Any competitors more than fifteen (15) minutes late shall lose all credit for that day's catch. There shall be no excuse for tardiness and in no case will a competitor be allowed to make up "lost time." Return time shall be defined as off-plane and visible by the official timekeepers.

**13. SCORING:** Scoring shall be determined by the pound and ounce weight of each team's catch during the tournament. Each team's total weight will determine the final standings. Walleye, sauger and saugeye will be weighed where permissible by state law. Length and bag limits of eligible fish will be set for each tournament and will be announced at each event.

All fish weighed must be kept in aerated livewells to keep fish alive and as fresh as possible for release. Any fish mauled, mashed, frozen, stringered, injected with water or other fluids, containing foreign matter to add weight or showing white gills, soft flesh or other signs of decomposition (as per an MWC official) will result in disqualification. An external snap weight, the purpose of which is to keep fish alive/upright in the livewell, should be removed before arriving at the bump tank. Failure to do so will result in a zero for the day.

At no time shall a competitor have in possession more than the stated tournament possession limit. Tournament Officials will conduct checks for violations of this provision, and in the event a competitor has in their possession more than the stated limit, shall cull, starting with the largest fish first, etc., down to the stated limit.

The official ruler will be "The Judge." Fish will be measured by a tournament official with fish's mouth closed and longest straight line (based on Tournament regulations, but not violating state or local laws). Only fish which measure the official length(s) on the longest straight line shall be weighed-in. Any fish presented for weigh-in which fails to measure the official length limits shall accrue penalties at the rate of one pound for each non-legal fish plus loss of the fish. Once a competitor's catch has been presented to tournament officials, that team may not return to their boat until his catch has been weighed and recorded.

**14. PROTESTS & TRUTH VERIFICATION TESTS:** Any tournament official or participant has a right to protest another team. An official written protest with \$150 fee must be made with a tournament official within 1 hour of completion of daily weigh-in. The fee will be returned if the protest is found valid. Following interviews with concerned parties, a ruling will be made. In the event rules infractions occurred a penalty of daily and/or tournament weight may be applied, and cash, prizes and awards must be returned if so requested. If a protest is found valid, the disqualified party must pay all investigative costs.

All participants agree to submit to a polygraph or voice stress analyzer, I.E. truth verification test if they are so requested. Truth verification tests may be applied either for cause or randomly, interpretation of any truth verification testing shall be at the sole discretion of tournament officials. Refusal to submit to or failure to pass the truth verification test shall result in disqualification.

The tournament officials will interpret these rules according to the spirit and intent of the rule and their decision in any matter of rule or conduct of the event is final.

**15. CATCH & RELEASE:** All MWC tournaments will be conducted as catch-and-release events unless otherwise required by state or local law. In a catch-and-release tournament, an 8 ounce deduction will be made for each legal fish presented to the bump master for weighing that is determined to be non-releasable. Every boat must have adequate livewell space, properly aerated, to sufficiently maintain, in a healthy condition a limit catch by competitors using the boat. MWC recommends the use of livewell additives to promote a healthy release of all fish to their natural habitat. Further MWC recommends the use of ICE to cool livewell water and improve oxygen levels during "warm water" months. Tournament Director shall have the sole responsibility for determining whether aeration and capacity is "proper and adequate". Tournament Officials shall also have sole authority for accessing penalty points.

**16. TIES & POINTS:** If a tie occurs, Tie breakers are as follows. 1.) Most number of legal fish weighed, 2.) Most number of legal fish weighed alive, 3.) Heaviest single days catch, 4.) Second heaviest single days catch, 5.) Means selected by tournament officials. However, no cash awards will be given to any zero weights.

MWC teams will receive performance-based and weighted participation points using the following formula:

**Performance points:** 200 points for first place, 199 for second place, etc. with each place reducing by one point down to the last team to weigh-in any fish. No Performance Points will be awarded to teams that do not weigh fish.

**Participation Points:** All teams will receive weighted Participation Points based on field size as follows: 10 Participation Points for launching at least one tournament day of any tournament with less than 100 boats, 15 participation points for 100-149 teams, and 20 participation points for 150-200 and over teams.

The Performance Points and Participation Points will be added together to determine the team's total points for the tournament. Teams must check-in and launch at least one tournament day to be eligible for points. Points are distributed to teams and may not be transferred in the event of partner changes. A partner change constitutes a new team.

**17. STANDINGS, AWARDS & QUALIFICATIONS:** The top 25 point-accumulating MWC Premier Teams (teams that sign up for at least 3 tournaments by the early bird deadline) will be invited to the Championship. Then the top 20 overall point-accumulating MWC teams (fishing a minimum of 3 events) who are not already qualified will be invited.

In addition, the reigning Cabela's National Team Champions, MWC World Walleye Champions and all 2013 MWC Qualifying Tournament winners (who fish a minimum of 3 MWC tournaments) will be invited to the Championship—if they did not qualify through the Overall and Premier Points races.

Teams can only qualify for the \$100,000 no entry fee World Walleye Championship once, and the order they will be taken will be: Winner of 2013 Cabela's National Team Championship (NTC); 2013 World Walleye Champions; 2013 MWC Premier Team Race; 2013 Qualifier winners; 2013 Overall Points Race.

All anglers are allowed to fish as many events as they wish to improve their standings. However, only a team's top 3 scores will be used for Premier and Overall Championship qualification standings.

No partner changes are allowed for the Championship or for accumulating qualifying points as a team. If one partner is unable to fish the Championship or a qualifying tournament, the remaining partner may fish on their own, with an MWC-appointed, non-fishing observer at their request—or at the discretion of the MWC.

The MWC tournament payout will be based on the number of total teams entered in each tournament with a minimum payback of 80% in cash and prizes distributed to 20% of the field (all fractions will be rounded down and payout will not exceed 35 teams). The remaining amount helps fund the \$100,000, no-entry-fee, World Walleye Championship purse and Team of the Year cash awards (MWC will pay back over 100% percent of entry fees in cash and prizes during the 2013 season.)

**TEAM OF THE YEAR:** Teams fishing at least 4 events are eligible to compete in the Overall MWC Team of the Year race, which will award the team their **choice of ONE (1)** of the following Team of The Year prize packages;

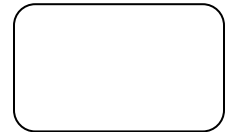
1. **NWT - Living the Dream by TWF** - All new \$25,000 value sponsorship package - TWF WALLEYE Living The Dream Sponsorship package consisting of; Fully paid entry fees into the 2014 Cabela's National Walleye Trail as 1 Pro and 1 Co-angler. Custom MWC/TWF Living The Dream jerseys for both anglers, a professional photo shoot, use of one (1) custom wrapped Ranger 600 series boat for the season, a custom equipment\clothing package, a \$500.00 travel expense stipend for each of the four (4) Cabela's NWT events and (2) - \$500.00 Cabela's Gift Cards.
2. **MWC – Living The Dream by TWF** - All new \$12,500.00 value sponsorship package; Fully paid team entry fees into any four (4) 2014 MWC events you (the same team) wish to fish, use of a custom wrapped Ranger 600 series walleye boat for those events, a professional photo shoot, a custom equipment\clothing package, custom jerseys, a travel expense stipend of \$250.00 for each event and (2) - \$500.00 Cabela's Gift Cards.
3. \$5,000 in cash

Teams accumulating enough points from 4 events to finish 2 - 15<sup>th</sup> place(s) will be share a total of \$5,000.00 cash PLUS an additional \$5000.00 in Cabela's Gift Cards to be divided among 2<sup>nd</sup> through 15<sup>th</sup> place at the following percentages: 2<sup>nd</sup> place, 15%; 3<sup>rd</sup> place, 12%; 4<sup>th</sup> place, 10%; 5<sup>th</sup> place, 8%; 6<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> places, 6%; 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> places, 5%.

A total of 14 MWC teams will qualify for the 2014 Cabela's National Team Championship (NTC) with entry fees paid. The top 3 teams in the 2013 Championship qualification standings, along with the reigning World Walleye Champions, and the open tournament winners, will be invited. If a team is unable to attend the NTC, the next-highest team will be invited.

**18. PATCHES, SIGNAGE & PROMOTIONS:** MWC has no intention to restrict the use of logos, patches or signage and encourages their use to promote your various supporters. Realizing we are in a TV \ media \ sponsorship field that MAY sometimes restrict the use of some signage MWC reserves the right to restrict the use of such signage in our promotional endeavors with as much advance notice as possible. Further all anglers agree to use any and all "Official" products, equipment or jerseys so specified and provided by MWC if asked to in our efforts to promote MWC, TWF, youth, conservation and clean waters, if applicable. Further if you are being filmed for television no tobacco products may be used at any time while filming.

**19. WALLEYE CONSERVATION:** As part of our commitment to the preservation of habitat and management of fish and wildlife, all MWC participants and TWF/MWC will donate money for walleye fishery projects throughout the states where our tournaments are held. All MWC entry fees will include \$7.50 for each team; MWC will match that with \$7.50 per team for a total of \$15 per team. Those funds will be earmarked to the TWF/MWC walleye support and conservation fund. MWC and TWF will leverage these funds wherever possible with local, state or federation matching funds to make them go as much as 3 times farther in support of fishery conservation, enhancement and support projects anywhere we do business.



**20. PARTICIPANT RELEASE OF LIABILITY – READ BEFORE SIGNING**

In consideration for permission to voluntarily participate in any events, programs or related activities conducted by The Walleye Federation or the Masters Walleye Circuit, (doing business as TWF and MWC ), either jointly or separately, I acknowledge, appreciate, and agree that: The risk of injury, disability, death, loss or damage to my person or property from the activities involved in this program is significant, including the potential for permanent paralysis and death, and while particular rules, equipment, and personal discipline may reduce this risk, the risk of serious injury does exist; and, I have been advised by TWF and MWC, and have had the opportunity to seek legal counsel with respect to the legal effect of this document; and,

I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL RISKS REFERRED TO ABOVE, BOTH KNOWN AND UNKNOWN, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE WALLEYE FEDERATION and/or MASTERS WALLEYE CIRCUIT, THEIR OFFICERS, OFFICIALS, DIRECTORS, SHAREHOLDERS, AGENTS, AND/OR EMPLOYEES, OTHER PARTICIPANTS, AND SPONSORING AGENCIES, SPONSORS, ADVERTISERS, TOURNAMENT OFFICIALS AND VOLUNTEERS AND, IF APPLICABLE, OWNERS AND LESSORS OF PREMISES AND PROPERTY USED TO CONDUCT THE EVENT (“RELEASEES”) OR OTHERS, AND ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR RISKS ARISING FROM MY PARTICIPATION; AND,

I willingly agree to comply with the terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual or significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such to the immediate attention of the nearest official; and,

I agree to submit, by signature on this document, to a polygraph or voice stress analysis examination. Hereinafter known as truth verification test, and abide by its conclusion. Truth verification test(s) will be used at TWF or MWC sole discretion, and administered by TWF or its agents. I understand that failure to pass the examination as determined by TWF will result in disqualification. I certify that the number shown on these forms is my correct taxpayer identification number.

Having fully acquainted myself with the tournament rules, I have completed this application and submit it for my entry and

I, FOR MYSELF AND ON BEHALF OF MY HEIRS, ASSIGNS, PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES AND NEXT OF KIN, HEREBY RELEASE, INDEMNIFY, AND HOLD HARMLESS RELEASEES, WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH, OR LOSS OR DAMAGE TO PERSON OR PROPERTY, WHICH I SUFFER OR WHICH I AM FOUND TO HAVE CAUSED IN WHOLE OR IN PART BY MY NEGLIGENCE OR INTENTIONAL MISCONDUCT, WHETHER ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES, OR OTHERWISE, TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY LAW.

In signing this application, and by my presence at the event, I hereby agree to be bound by and comply with all tournament rules, participant release of liability and safety regulations. I expressly assume all risks associated with the tournament.

If I am using a boat during the official practice or during the tournament, I certify that I now have, or will obtain prior to the event, property damage\ watercraft liability insurance having reasonable limits. Said insurance must be issued by a reputable insurer and must cover injury and/or damage incurred in connection with this Tournament and cover the dates of the event(s). Upon request, I will provide satisfactory evidence of said insurance. I hereby wave my rights of privacy or publicity with regard to the unconditional right to use my name, voice, photographic likeness, video and biographical information and fishing tips and instructions in connection with any reproduction of same, video\audio productions and/or articles and press releases by TWF or MWC, their parent or affiliate companies, and those acting under their permission, anywhere at any time, through any medium or media. I shall not be entitled to receive any royalties or other compensation in connection with such use. I further understand and agree that the tournament officials reserve the right to reject my application for any reason whatsoever. I am currently a member in good standing of The Walleye Federation. The Participant signifies by his/her signature below that they have read and understands the foregoing provisions.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Signed \_\_\_\_\_

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