

## **Inshore Slam**

## **Rules and regulations**

Interpretation of these rules will be left exclusively to the Tournament Directors. In the event of a rule violation, the Tournament Directors may impose such sanctions, as they deem appropriate, including, without limitation, disqualifications, forfeiture of prizes and prohibition from participation in subsequent tournaments. Decisions of the Tournament Directors are final in all matters and are not subject to appeal and are not reviewable by any court of law. The Tournament Directors reserves the right to make needed changes to these rules to ensure the safety or welfare of the anglers. Any rule changes will immediately supersede all previously published copies of rules. It is your responsibility to read and understand the rules. Every competitor will be required to sign a liability release/permission form for use of image/agreement to the official rules prior to the first day's competition. Fishing in the Inshore Slam tournament means you have read, understand, and ACCEPT the rules.

- **1. ENTRY FEES AND PAYMENTS:** An Entry Fee of \$150 is required to fish event. All entry fees are NONTRANSFERABLE and NON-REFUNDABLE, NO EXCEPTIONS unless tournament is cancelled.
- **2. FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL LAWS:** All competitors are expected to know and obey all applicable federal, state, and local regulations and laws. Violation of such rules may result in disqualification from the tournament. Repeated or flagrant violations will result in said competitors being banned from future participation in the Inshore Slam tournaments. Causing any confrontation or using profanity will not be tolerated.
- **3. SPORTSMANSHIP:** Courtesy must always be practiced, especially regarding boating and angling in the vicinity of competitors and non-competitors. Any unfavorable act by an angler deemed as intentional or preconceived to gain an unfair advantage, would be grounds for permanent disqualification.
- **4. PARTICIPATION AND ELIGIBILITY:** Open to the public. Each team must have one member of which is 18 years or older. The tournament director reserves the right to refuse participation in this event to any individual or team.
- 5. SAFETY/INCLIMATE WEATHER: Each contestant is required to wear a fastened, U.S. Coast Guard approved, personal floatation device when boats moving. The tournament may be postponed due to Bad/Unsafe weather or water conditions, the decision to postpone will be solely up to the tournament directors. ALL makeup dates will be Sunday 4/10, from sunup to weigh-in deadline at 5pm.
- <u>6. Alcohol:</u> The consuming of any alcoholic beverages during official tournament hours, is prohibited, and angler or anglers will be disqualified from this and possibly all future tournaments. Once you have weighed and released your fish the tournament time is over for your team



7. PERMITTED FISHING METHODS: All Redfish must be caught alive in a conventional sporting manner. Must be caught with a rod and reel. Commercially sold scents may be added and used. Only one fishing rod may be used at a time per angler. A cast must be fully retrieved by the angler who made the cast before an angler may pick up another rod. Spinning, Bait Casters, Fly Reels only. Pulling lines by Trolling as a method of fishing is prohibited. No Chumming! Competitors may not catch fish or weigh in fish that have been caged or confined in an area prior to the tournament. Fish MUST be caught from the boat. You cannot get out of boat. You can get out of boat only to push out of an area. You cannot push into an area. You cannot fish from land.

8. PERMITTED FISHING LOCATIONS: Competitors may fish anywhere on tournament waters accessible to the public by boat that are INSHORE, except areas designated as "off limits" or "no fishing" by local, state, and federal officials. Inshore is defined as: A body of water located inside of inlets and the line of demarcation. Competitors may not fish within 50 yards in any direction of a competitor's boat (unless separated by land), which is anchored or fishing in a location first. (An anchored boat is a boat held in a stable position by a line attached to a weight, push pole, Power Pole, etc. with the trolling motor in the up position. A "fishing" boat is one that has a trolling motor in the downward position). If the boat does not have a trolling motor the definition of anchored still applies. Fishing within 100 yards of a boat that is chumming with live or dead bait is NOT allowed. Teams may not fish within 100 yards of a non-competitor that is chumming/fishing with either live bait, dead or ground chum. If during competition a non-competitor approaches within 100 yards and begins to chum, it is your responsibility to stop fishing. You may ask the non-competitor if he would consider leaving or not chumming. If the non-competitor fails to do so, then you must leave the area immediately. Competitors cannot have non-competitor's chum or sit on fishing areas. There will be no time extended to weigh in due to swing bridge closer or any other delay. Example: wildlife officer stopping you, or inclement weather.

9. LATE PENALTY: Competitors who are not at the official weigh in area from 3 to 5 pm, no later than 5pm, or team will be disqualified. It is your responsibility to make sure you have plenty of time to weigh in before 5 pm.

10. SCORING: Combine total weight, 1 fish per species. Angler is responsible for deciding which 1 fish per species to weigh in. Minimum 16 "flounder and trout. SC slot for redfish is 15-23." All subject to a gut check. The prevailing rules as set forth by Bridges Prep Inshore Slam along with federal, state, and local statutes and regulations bind all competitors. All fish will be tail pinched when measured. Fish will be Any fish that appears to have been penned, mangled, mashed, mauled, or otherwise altered will not be weighed at the discretion of the weigh master. Fish must NOT be placed on a stringer at any time during the tournament. Ties shall be broken by most species caught for weigh in. Second tie breaker will be longest flounder. The team with the most combined overall weight will be deemed as the winner.