

2018 Tournament Rules

1. **Time and Place:** Tournament will start at 5:00 am on Saturday, May 5, 2018 and end at 4:00 pm unless otherwise noted. Headquarters and weigh-in-station will be held at Ralph and Kacoo's on the Causeway.
2. **Categories:** Speckled Trout, White Trout, Flounder and Redfish.
3. **Tickets:** Tickets are \$30.00 per person. All persons in the boat must have a tournament ticket. Pier fishermen are welcome to participate.
4. **Kids Tickets:** Tickets for 12 and under are \$10.00 person. Children must be accompanied by a paying adult. If a child wished to compete for the adult prizes he/she would have to purchase an adult ticket instead of a Kids ticket. (They must decide whether they wish to fish as adult or child – not both.)
5. **Conservation:** Applicable state and federal laws (including fishing license) will be strictly adhered to in this tournament.
6. **Weigh in:** Only one fish entry per category will be allowed per angler. Fish entries can be weighed between the hours of 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 pm on Saturday, May 5, 2018 at Ralph & Kacoo's on the Causeway You are not restricted to fishing or launching on the Causeway. You can launch anywhere as long as you fish in Alabama waters. Entries can be submitted to the Weigh Master only by the angler who caught the fish. Anglers must have their ticket stub to accompany their entry. All Redfish will be required to adhere to Alabama State Creel and Size Limits: 16" min – 26" max TL 3 per person. Each Redfish will **only** be measured with its head to the left of the UPC Weigh Master and the fish's belly facing the Weigh Master. Fish measured on this singular side only. No angler may intentionally try to manipulate the weight or length of any Redfish including large amounts of ice intended to "shrink" a fish, trimming its tail, dropping it on its nose or placing any objects down the fish's throat. Spit up objects, crabs, fish, etc. may not be placed back in fish for weighing. UCP Weigh Masters reserve the right to refuse any Redfish deemed to have been altered (accidentally or intentionally) and/or damaged sufficiently to make determining the exact length of the fish's overall tail non conclusive. Fish with abnormal, severely damaged (healed over or not) or deformed tails will not be accepted, **regardless of length**. Only fish with a majority of its tail (especially the top portion) intact, normal in appearance and having no fresh cuts, bleeding or damage and appears to be a "normal" tail when perfect pincher is applied will be accepted. No spoiled or rotted fish will be accepted in any category. Entries that have been handled in an unsportsmanlike manner will be disqualified. All entries must be caught on hook and line during the tournament hours, **not Before 5:00am** on May 5, 2018.
7. **Tie Breaker:** In the event of a tie, the first fish weighed at the tournament scales shall determine the winner. Entry times will be recorded by the Weigh-In Committee on a "first come, first served" basis.
8. **All decisions by the Rules Committee are final:** Any matter not specifically covered by these rules may be decided by (and to the sole discretion of) the Rules Committee.
9. **Awards:** Prizes will be given in each of the four categories from First through Third Place in the Powerboat Division. \$100.00 cash prize for breaking tournament record in each category, by minimum of 1 ounce.
10. **Kids Awards:** Prizes will be awarded in each of the four categories from First through Third Place in the Powerboat Division.
11. **Awards Presentation:** Immediately following the tournament, proceed to the Awards area at Ralph & Kacoo's on the Causeway at 4:30pm, May 5, 2018. All tournament awards will be distributed to the winners. If you are unable to attend the awards presentation, you may claim your prize by contacting the UCP office at 251-479-4900.
12. **Liability:** United Cerebral Palsy of Mobile, tournament committee members and volunteers shall not be liable for any bodily injury or damage to personal property before, during or after this tournament.
13. **Purpose:** The proceeds from this tournament are used to fund programs that support adults and children with disabilities throughout South and Central Alabama.