



## INFORMATION, RULES AND GUIDELINES

A) **WEIGHT CATEGORIES:** Each entering billfish category will be classified for the first, second, third and baby Grand Prize according to weight individually. The rest of the fish categories will also be classified for first, second, third, fourth and fifth according to weight individually.

**Fish Category:**

**Minimum Weight:**

- Billfish  
100 lbs.
- Tuna (Yellowfin, Dogtooth, Bluefin)  
20 lbs.
- Wahoo  
20 lbs.
- Barracuda/Spanish Mackerel  
20 lbs.

B) **PRIZE RESTRICTIONS:** A boat may only win one (1) prize per category (place). For exam-

ple, it **cannot** win 1st and 2nd prizes in one category. It can, however, only win prizes in different categories. A fish that is entered in one category cannot be used in other categories.

C) **TEAM BRIEFING:** All teams must attend TEAM BRIEFING at Drop Off Bar & Grill on **Thursday, May 25, 2017. Time is 5:00 p.m.**

D) **ENTRY FEE:** Registration is \$100 ending at the end of Team Briefing on May 25, 2017. Late registration thereafter, is \$125. Maximum number of people on a team's boat is 5. Additional member thereafter is \$10 each. To be eligible for the Baby Grand Prize, an additional \$100 fee is required to participate. Please make check payable to PSFA (Palau Sport Fishing Association).

E) **RELEASE OF LIABILITY:** To be eligible, the boat captain must sign the registration/liability form, provided by PSFA, to represent and be responsible for all members on the team boat in case of emergencies.

F) **TOURNAMENT DAYS & FISHING HOURS:** Saturday, May 27 - 5:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Sunday, May 28 - 5:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Note the Ladies Derby is Sunday 6a.m. – 4p.m.

G) **FLAGS:** All boats must check-in at Drop-Off Bar & Grill for inspection and obtain a flag before departure each day. At the end of each day, all boats are required to check-out and return flags. A \$5 deposit is required at the time of registration for lost or unreturned flags. Any un-returned flag (i.e. failure to check in) each day of the tournament before 6pm will be **disqualified** from the tournament and/or disqualified from participating in future PSFA tournaments. The \$5 deposit will be reimbursed upon the return of the flag by 6pm on Sunday May28th.

H) **BOAT SAFETY REGULATIONS:** All participants must observe all boat safety regulations.

I) **PROHIBITED GEARS for all Etpison Cup Participants (Derby and Ladies Derby)**

- Electric Reels
- Wire Lines
- Leaders exceeding 40 ft
- Gaffs exceeding 8 feet of flying gaffs which rope exceeds 30 feet
- Firearms

J) **PROHIBITED FISH HANDLING:** Shooting, Harpooning, or lancing fish being played during any stage is prohibited.

K) **CONSERVATION PRACTICES:** Participants are encouraged to release small fish (if they are not heavily injured) as a conservation measure.

L) **OBSERVANCE OF NATIONAL, STATE AND TRADITIONAL LAWS**

All participants must observe all national and state conservation laws, and must stay away from "no fishing zones" which include the following closed areas:

- Ngemelis –Half mile from reef in observance of the traditional bul
- Ngerukeuid Islands Wildlife Preserve