

You are Invited!

15th Annual DMS Invitational Surf-Fishing Tournament —October 8-10, 2021

The Delaware Mobile Surf-Fishermen, Inc. (DMS) invites you to join the 15th Annual DMS Invitational Surf-Fishing tournament.

On Saturday, October 9th, fishing locations are Delaware Seashore State Park, north of the Indian River Inlet or at Cape Henlopen State Park. On Sunday October 10th, all fishing will be at Cape Henlopen State Park.

Highlights include:

- Over \$4000.00 in total cash prizes
- Cash and trophies to top 3 finishers in Overall and Woman's Divisions
- Trophies and prizes to top 3 finishers in Youth Division (15 years of age and under)
- Optional Bluefish Calcutta for largest bluefish scored (16 years of age and older)
- Your choice of fishing area on Saturday
- **NEW 2021!** Friday "Meet and Greet" with light refreshments from 5-7pm
- Post-Tournament meal prior to Award Ceremony is open to all participants and families
 - Anglers are FREE, family and guests are \$5 each
 - Tickets are available at packet pickup for guests. CASH ONLY.

The DMS Invitational is a family friendly event. Entry is \$40 per adult (16 and older), with an additional \$10 for the optional Bluefish Calcutta. You must be 16 years or older to enter Calcutta (Parent must sign if under 18 years). Youth entry fee is \$20 and includes a rod/reel donated by Rick's Bait & Tackle.

Former entrants are reserved a spot provided their entry is postmarked no later than Monday, September 13, 2021. All entries must be postmarked by September 27, 2021. Be sure to include a legible e-mail address on your entry in order that we can confirm the receipt of your entry. Check the DMS Website or our Facebook page periodically for Tournament updates. **Mail your completed (and signed) application to: DMS Tournament c/o Lydia A. Schmierer-19077 Beaver Dam Road, Lewes, Delaware 19958**

In-person registrations will be accepted on Friday October 8th, between 1pm and 8 PM at Tournament Headquarters located at Youth Camp 3, 14628 Officers Road in Cape Henlopen State Park.

Don't wait to sign up for a great weekend of fishing, fun and camaraderie! Good luck! See you on the beach!

Questions? Email Tournament Chair, Lydia A. Schmierer @ lydia.schmierer@saas.k12.de.us. Include DMS Tourney in the subject line.

Tournament Headquarters: Youth Camp #3, 14628 Officers Road, Cape Henlopen State Park, Lewes, DE

Fishing area Saturday Oct 9th and Sunday Oct 10th: All surf fishing areas of Cape Henlopen State Park EXCEPT where closed. OSV crossings: Cape Point, Navy Crossing, Herring Point, Gordons Pond. Bathing Beach area is NOT in the competition area. Parking for walk-ons is available at all locations (may require a few minutes' walk to the beach). Signs will be posted at ends of the fishing area. DO NOT cross the dune other than at authorized crossings. Check Park regulations for 24-hour beach access points.

Additional Fishing area for Saturday Oct 9th ONLY: Designated surf-fishing areas of Delaware Seashore State Park between the Conquest Road Crossing to the Surfing Beach north of the Indian River Inlet. OSV crossings: Conquest Road and Faithful Steward (AKA Savages Ditch). Parking is available for walk-ons at Conquest Road. The 3Rs Road and the Indian River Inlet areas of DSSP are NOT included. Signs will be posted at ends of the fishing area. Do not cross the dune other than at authorized crossings! Check Park regulations for 24-hour beach access points. **Fishing times:** Saturday, October 9th: 7:00 AM to 3:00 PM. *Sunday, October 10th: 7:00 AM to 12:00 PM (*CHSP only)

Overall Division Prizes: (based on a minimum of 200 entrants. If less than 200 entrants, prizes are subject to adjustment. 1st Place Points: \$1000.00 and trophy; 2nd Place Points: \$750.00 and trophy; 3rd Place Points: \$500.00 and trophy 4th- TBD. Prizes Largest fish (any scoring species except BLUE FISH) of the Tournament: \$750.00

Woman's Division: Bonus prizes to be awarded to female anglers. **NEW 2019! Winners are eligible for prizes in the overall division if they declare entry into overall by 12 noon Sunday.** 1st Place Points: \$300.00 and trophy; 2nd Place Points: \$225.00 and trophy; 3rd Place Points: \$200.00 and trophy.

Youth Division: (15 years of age and under): 1st, 2nd and 3rd place points: trophy and prize. **New! 2021** DMS will recognize session winners for both days.

Calcutta: Largest bluefish. \$10 entry fee required. 100% paid back to winner. Must be 16 years to enter with Parent's consent and signature.

Registration: Limited to the first 350 entries. Entries by mail or at check-in will be accepted only if the 350-angler limit has not been reached. Registration fees are refundable ONLY IF the Tournament is canceled for any reason.

Check-in: All entrants must check in at Tournament Headquarters to pick up their entry packet. If you have someone else picking up packet, please notify via email lydia.schmierer@saas.k12.de.us

Check-in is open Friday, October 8, 2021 from 1pm to 8:00 PM, and Saturday, October 9, 2021 from 5:30 AM to 7:00 AM.

Awards: Sunday, October 10, 2021 at 3:00pm PM. Awards will be presented at Tournament Headquarters.

Rules: Must be registered. No more than 2 rods, each equipped with not more than 2 hooks, may be fished at one time. Artificial lures and baits are permitted as manufactured. No limits on line type, sinkers or baits. No fishing other than in designated areas and during Tournament hours. Anglers must bait, cast and retrieve their own lines. Balloon rigs and kayaks are prohibited. All fish must be caught on hook and line and beached. Anglers must remove their own fish. Children may be assisted in un-hooking fish. All fish score 1-point release. Measured to closest ¼ inch. Under- sized fish should be released alive. All anglers must be in compliance with Delaware fishing license regulations. Licenses are available at most tackle shops and online. All participants are required to produce proof of a valid DE fishing license. All OSV vehicles must display a Delaware Surf Fishing Permit and carry required equipment. **A 3-day Permit will be available at Tournament Headquarters for an additional fee. NEW for 2021!** DMS requires notification at registration if a 3-day permit is requested.

NO GAFFS, NO CAST NETS, NO CHUM POTS DURING TOURNAMENT HOURS. UNSPORTSMAN-LIKE CONDUCT WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION. **Tourney Chair and Head Judge have final decision.**

Scoring: We encourage the live release of all fish. Scoring fish species, minimum sizes and point values TBA in Tournament Handbook. Fish are scored to the entrant who catches them. Judges will be available to score fish. Winners determined by total points accumulated. Head Judge will resolve all disputes. Fish will be measured to the nearest ¼ inch, rounded down. Points are scored for total length of fish (snout to tail), one point per full inch rounded down. No partial points. One additional point awarded for a witnessed (by a judge) live release. Fish to be kept will have a section of tail removed. Tiebreaker for most points: 1st - most fish; 2nd- largest fish. If still tied, prize money will be divided. Each Angler is responsible for their score sheets. Score sheets must be turned in no later than 30 minutes after close of fishing. **Note: for your convenience, judges will be collecting score sheets on the beach and at the off ramps for 30 minutes after closing of fishing. Score sheets turned in late will not be scored. Saturday score sheets turned in on Sunday will not be scored.**

Any questions should be addressed to Tournament Committee and Head Judge



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Deadline 9/13/21 to Mail in entry Please print clearly and sign below

NAME _____ Sex _____ AGE (if under 18) _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____ Cell# _____

E-MAIL _____ Calcutta? Y ___ N ___

NAME _____ Sex _____ AGE (if under 18) _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____ Cell# _____

E-MAIL _____ Calcutta? Y ___ N ___

ENTRY FEES: Total (16 and older) _____ @ \$40.00 each

Total Calcutta entrants _____ @ \$10.00 each (must be 16 or older)

Total Youth (15 and under) _____ @ \$20.00 each *includes rod/reel

New! 2021 T-Shirts are preorder to guarantee shirt size and SAVE MONEY! Preorder price \$20 each

Unisex Shirt size: Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ XL _____ 2XL _____ 3XL _____ Other _____
Total Shirt _____ @ \$20 each

Make checks payable to "DMS" _____ **Total Due**

Return to: DMS Invitational 19077 Beaver Dam Road, Lewes, Delaware 19958

In consideration of this entry, I waive any and all claims for myself and my heirs against officials and sponsors of this Tournament for any injury or illness which may directly or indirectly result from my participation. I further state that I am in proper physical condition to participate. By signing this entry, I acknowledge I have read the rules and will comply will all rules and regulations of the Tournament. **Minors must be accompanied by an adult. Minors age 16 or older are eligible for cash prizes with parental signature attached.**

Signature entrant #1 _____

Signature entrant #2 _____

REMINDER - ALL ENTRANTS! SIGN THIS ENTRY FORM!

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