

2024/2025 RULES AND REGULATIONS "SPECK" TACULAR SERIES & TEXAS REDFISH RUMBLE

1- or 2-Man Teams

Live weigh in – ½ lb. penalty per dead fish

Registration will be online at specktourney.com or at the captain's meeting the Friday before the event. All Texas Parks & Wildlife's regulations apply.

RULES

- Must be in good standing with Specktacular tournament series, Texas Redfish Rumble Series, and GRS series
- Anyone under the age of 18 must fish with a legal guardian
- Each team will consist of 1-2 anglers. Each team will be allowed to designate one (1) alternate angler and only one (1) alternate angler for the entire series. The one (1) alternate angler will be the only substitute angler allowed to fish for the team if a member is not able to fish. Submit the name of your sub no later than the second tournament.

TROUT main stringer is 3 Trout with no fish under 2lbs.

• TROUT being weighed in must be over 15 inches and weigh at least 2lbs. There will be no outside communication during tournament hours unless it is an emergency or when submitting a trout video. No trout will be brought in for weigh-in. You must use a certified Catch Commander Digital Scale, we will not be providing these scales, you can purchase one on your own. You will need to follow these guidelines during the tournament. You must bring your scale to the captain's meeting the Friday before.

1. All fish must be caught on the tournament date and during tournament hours.
2. You can send pictures with a smartphone iPad, or any device you choose.
3. Once you have a fish and are ready to record a video, identify yourself, what team you're on, the time of day it is, what the fish weighs, and the key word of the day.
4. Make sure your scale is upright and zeroed out before weighing the fish.
5. Place your fish on the scale, ensuring the entire fish in the video.
6. Once the scale locks in the weight, the angler must call out the weight and show the weight on the scale clearly in the video.
7. After weighing, video the fish being released and swimming away.
8. Before submitting a video, send a text with your team's name, angler's name, and the weight of the fish in the video.
9. We will confirm that all submitted information has been received and is accurate.
10. The only scale allowed for this tournament is the Catch Commander.
11. Your team is responsible for video quality and accuracy.
12. The Weighmaster's decision on any matters related to the video submissions or weigh-in is final.

This is the way it will work:

- a. Catch a fish

- b. Zero out your scale on video
- c. Weigh your fish, ensure it is fully visible in the video
- d. Identify yourself, your team's Number, password, time of day, weight of fish.
- e. Release the fish on video and show it swimming away.
- f. Text tournament director team Number, anglers name, and weight of the fish from the video.
- g. Repeat

We will be keeping the weight of your three heaviest fish. ½ Lbs. dead fish penalty applies if a trout is not able to swim off.

To promote participation, we are adding in a "Kicker Redfish" that will go towards your stringer. You must bring this fish to weigh in and have it officially weighed to have it count towards your stringer. The redfish must be between 20 and 27 ½ inches. ½ pound penalty for any dead fish. You must have at least one trout on your stringer to use the "Kicker Redfish". The Kicker redfish must not exceed 27 ½ inches per stated measurement method, or the entire trout stringer will be DQ'ed.

Anglers in the Spektacular series must show up to weigh-in to have your weight counted. If you do not come to weigh-in, your weight will not be counted.

The final trout stringer weight with the Kicker Redfish final weight will be used to break ties in the TOY points system in the Spektacular Series.

REDFISH main stringer is 2 Redfish per team, any team bringing in a fish over 27-1/2 inches will be disqualified.

- REDFISH being weighed in must be from 20 to 27-1/2 inches long. You may have your legal Texas limit in possession. Ice may not be used to shrink oversize fish.
- If 2 anglers are fishing in the same boat, they must form 1 team. 2 anglers per boat max. If a person is not in the tournament, they may not be in the boat during tournament times. The only exceptions are if your boat is designated to be a camera boat, or for a special event.

Measuring Fish

- **TEXAS REDFISH RUMBLE & SPECKTACULAR SERIES** – The silver Check it Stik slant board with the kickstand is the official measuring device for the Texas Redfish Rumble & Spectacular Series.
- **TEXAS REDFISH RUMBLE & SPECKTACULAR SERIES** – Fish will be measured by placing the nose/bottom jaw of the fish against the "zero" end of the stick and utilizing the Perfect Pincher to the 26-1/2 inch mark to determine the longest point of the fish.
- All fish must be measured and agreed upon prior to reaching the weigh-in line.
- No fish may be altered in anyway. Any fish that appear to have cut, altered, or appear to have deformed tails are subject to review by the tournament directors. If there is question on a fish, the angler may be disqualified or polygraphed. Failure of a polygraph in this matter can result in being banned from any future tournaments.

Fishing Methods

- All fish must be caught by rod and reel with artificial lures. All fish must be caught during the day of the event during allotted times. Adults can cast kids, but the child angler must reel in their own fish. No sharing or pooling of fish. No natural (live) baits, dead or prepared baits are allowed on the boat or in possession during the event. Scented and spray on scents are legal for lure only events. Anglers may only use one rod at a time, no trolling or multiple rods. A cast must be fully retrieved before another is made.

Alcohol

- The boat operator may not consume alcohol until he/she reaches the weigh in parking lot. If you feel you are in contention for the win, please do not consume alcohol until after the polygraph.

Polygraph and Protests

- All winners will be subject to a polygraph test onsite or offsite, on a later date at the request of the tournament directors before collecting their prize.
- Protests made by contestants must be made no later than 30 minutes after the last fish are weighed. Written protest must be accompanied by a \$300 deposit, which will be refunded if the rules committee upholds the protest.
- Any angler not following any of these rules can be disqualified from this or any future events.
- The weigh master and staff have the right to retain any fish for further inspection.

Weather Cancellations

- If the weather looks inclement, it is the angler's responsibility to check Facebook or call 713-248-0207 to see if the event is on. If you do not see or hear a message, the event has not been cancelled. If it is cancelled, messages will be posted by 12am. This will be posted on the Specktaular and Texas Redfish Rumble Facebook page.

Times / Scheduling

- Weigh in sites and take off times will be announced on Specktaular Series at: <https://www.specktaularseries.com/rules> and on Facebook under Specktaular Series, <https://www.facebook.com/specktourney>.
- There is no morning check in.
- You may fish up until weigh in, however you must be in line with your fish before the official end time of the tournament, or you will be disqualified. **Weigh in times is between 2pm and 4pm on the day of the tournament. You must be in line prior to 4pm.**

The Take off from Launch immediate area and Start Fishing Time are the same. The boat may be in the water but can not leave the immediate launch area until the stated Take Off Time.

- In the event of a tie, the first team to weigh-in shall be the winner.

Communications

- No radios or cell phones (including Text Messages) may be used to contact or be contacted by anyone with any fishing related questions or information until the angler arrives at the boat ramp. If someone sends you a text message asking how you did, do not reply!! This will include Twitter, Facebook, Snapchat, etc... It is in your best interest not to post, comment, email, Tweet on anything of that nature until you have arrived at the weigh-in parking lot.
- If an emergency occurs, please contact the proper authorities **first**, and **then** contact the tournament director at **713-248-0207**.

Specktaular Series anglers can communicate via text and video to the tournament director John Langley at 832-509-7544

Tournament Boundaries

- Boundaries shall be the Colorado River from the south Matagorda Jetty Northward to the LA/TX border which is all of Sabine Lake. If you can fish with a Texas fishing license and do not require a LA fishing license, then you can fish that area. All bayous/rivers/ponds in between these areas are permitted. Beach and Jetty fishing are permitted up to ½ mile off each structure for either event. Any person fishing out of the boundaries will be disqualified. Behind weirs/dams or private ponds or lakes are off-limits. Along with any locations that you know are off limits but may have access or have fallen/ signs.

Launch/Wade Areas

- You must launch your boat/kayak at any public boat ramp or at a private slip if you are the owner within tournament boundaries prior to take off time. You cannot take off until the official time listed on the main page. Boats leaving from a private slip and are not the owner of the private slip, must leave 30 minutes after the designated takeoff time. You must stay 50 yards from the ramp/ private slip before designated take off time. You must stay 50 yards from the ramp or private slip that you launched from. Walk in Waders may not enter the water until the designated start time.

Fishing Distances

- Contestants fishing as a team must fish no farther than 300 yards apart if wading from a boat or 300 yards if fishing from a kayak. Waders must stay within 300 yards of their boat.
- Waders or boaters must remain 75 yards away from another wader or boat in competition unless passing through a navigable channel. If closer, they must be okayed by the other angler, if one angler is waved in all anglers may enter the area. Use courtesy rule with non-competitors. Anglers must not exceed 5mph when within 50 yards of another boat, unless passing through a navigable channel.
- Hole Sitting is not allowed.

Captain's Meetings/Optional Divisions

- On-site registration will be between 6:30-7:30pm the Friday before the tournament. Location will be listed at specktacularseries.com and will be on Facebook. Questions may be answered at this time.
- A captain must be designated upon registration.
- There are no mandatory captains' meetings for the Texas Redfish Rumble.

Mandatory Captain's meeting for the Specktacular Series

Payouts / Entry Fees

For Specktacular and all Texas Redfish Rumble Events –

- Membership Fee onetime payment \$20 per person
- Entry Fee is \$150 per person (\$300 Total for 2 Man Team)
- 50/50 Entry Fee is \$75 per person (\$150 Total for 2 Man Team). Reduced entry fee with a chance at 50% of the payouts if you place!
- Optional side pot for Specktacular trout series is \$50 per team for big trout and small stringer. Small stringer must be live fish.
- Optional side pot for Texas Redfish Rumble series is \$50 per team for Big redfish and small stringer. Small stringer must be live fish.
- Main Division Payout is 80% of entry fees to 20% of the field

Late Registration

- \$40 per person late fee, no exceptions – will be assessed for any entries between 7:30pm – 11:59pm the Friday evening before event (PayPal only)

<https://www.specktacularseries.com/registers/new> using PayPal with a credit card only.