

# Stratford Professional Fire Fighters Burn Foundation Bluefish Tournament Rules

1. All fishing will begin at 6:00am on September 13, 2008. Any tournament participant to be found fishing before 6:00am will be disqualified.
2. All fishing will end at 2:00pm on September 14, 2008. Any tournament participants to be found fishing after 2:00pm will be disqualified.
3. All anglers must abide by all CT DEP fishing regulations.
4. The boundaries for the tournament are Long Island Sound. All fish entered for prizes must be weighed on the official tournament scale @ Birdseye Boat Launch provided by Stratford Bait and Tackle Stratford, CT. The scale is a CT State certified scale.
5. Anglers are ultimately responsible for their own safety.
6. Boat Captains are ultimately responsible for their crew and should make the decision as to safe sea conditions.
7. Each entrant must be registered with the tournament to be eligible for prizes.
8. All the parties fishing on any boat, entered in the tournament, must be registered in the tournament. If any party on a boat is fishing, and not entered in the tournament, all the parties on said boat will be disqualified.
9. 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place prizes will be awarded in each division by weight. Tie breaker will be length of fish in inches.
10. Weigh in station will close at 3:00pm. There will be no exceptions to the weigh in time. Tournament participants may weigh fish in at anytime during the day but only the heaviest fish per angler will be counted towards tournament prizes.
11. All fish weighed are subject to tournament committee inspection, the committee reserves the right to hold, reject or photograph for any reason any fish entered. All committee decisions are final. Any protests must be made to the tournament committee no later than 3:00pm on September 14, 2007
12. All entries must be received no later than September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2008. Anglers will be allowed to register at the Birdseye boat launch the day of the tournament from 6:00am to 8:00am.
13. Sportsman like conduct ashore and afloat is required by all participants.
14. No refunds of fees, for any cause, will be made.
15. Channel 72 will be the official channel for communications.
16. Tax deductible entry fees. "The amount of the contribution that is deductible is limited to the excess of any money contributed by the donor less the value of goods or services provided by the charity. We have determined that 75% of your entrance fee is tax deductible as 25% is being applied towards prizes awarded."