

19th Annual NW Ice Fishing Festival

FISHING CONTEST RULES

Contest Fishing time 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. ALL fishing contest participants must check in to complete registration and get a number assigned, at the Molson Grange Hall in advance, and be licensed to fish.

Grand prize of a \$500 check and a \$500 gift certificate will be awarded to the adult contestant with the largest combined weight of either one fish or a total of five fish. Youth prizes do not include money but will have prizes for each category.

For questions or communication with Festival Officials at the lake visit:

- the Weigh Station – Clay Warnstaff
- the Molson Grange Hall – Rocky Devon or Peggy Shaw

The opinion of the panel of judges is final for contest placements. If you are declared a winner, all of your fish must be present with you at the Molson Grange Hall. All winning contestant's fish will be opened/inspected. In the event of ties, the weight of the biggest fish will be used as a tie-breaker. Your registration must be readable and complete. It is your responsibility to follow WA Department of Fish and Wildlife rules to fish.

You and persons with you are participating in the NW Ice Fishing Festival at YOUR OWN RISK and must sign our liability waiver. Use your own judgment concerning safety at all times.

The Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife rules **MUST** be followed for fishing. Five (5) Fish limit. No catch and release. All fish need to be weighed at the Weigh Station immediately. You must be in line to weigh your last fish prior to and no later than 3:00 pm. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** Awards & Raffle results will follow in the Grange Hall.

All holes must be augured no larger diameter than 10 inches. There will be no axes, chain saws or other tools or equipment allowed to put a hole in the ice. Use an abandoned hole if possible.

- No fishing in open water or within 100 feet of open water
- Parents are to be responsible for their children and pets.

PROTECT OUR HIGHLAND FREEDOMS, PLEASE:

- If you have a pet, please clean up after them. Pets must not bother other visitors.
- Do not leave garbage. Please haul out your own trash. You may bring ice huts, chairs and iceboxes, etc. There will be food and beverages at the Grange Hall.
- PLEASE KEEP PARKING SPOTS OPEN for Emergency Services, which will be on site.
- Parking is free. Please do not park in festival staff spots.
- All assigned prizes must be picked up by contestant or representative on that day.
- Raffle winners must be present to win, however you may have a friend hold your ticket for you and take possession of any prizes you are awarded.

Your participation assumes your agreement with all rules. Anyone in violation of the rules will be disqualified. THANK YOU

