2025 Hangar Fishing Tournament Angler's Packet

Welcome to the Hangar Fishing Tournament!

We are excited to have you participate in this year's Hangar Fishing Tournament. This event is designed to promote sportsmanship, conservation, and camaraderie among anglers. Please review the following packet carefully to ensure a safe and enjoyable experience.

Tournament Schedule

Tournament Briefing: June 19, 2025, at 6:00 PM (Mandatory) Location: Hangar Entertainment

Tournament Start: June 20, 2025, at 8:00 AM Tournament End: June 20,2025, at 4:30 PM Weigh-In Deadline: June 20, 2025, at 5:00 PM

Awards Ceremony: June 20, 2025, at 5:30 PM) Location: Hangar Entertainment Center 1735 Wright

Avenue ,BLDG 835 Wheleer Army Air field , HI 96854

Rules & Regulations

 All participants must comply with Hawaii state fishing regulations and Hawaii Freshwater Fishing Association (HFFA) rules.

- All bass species are catch-and-release only.
- Fishing is permitted from boats, kayaks, and shore within designated tournament zones.
- Anglers' choice of Live bait or Lures is acceptable.
- Any form of cheating (e.g., use of unauthorized fishing areas, tampering with fish) will result in immediate disqualification.
- Only fish recorded and photographed by video from personal recording devise or cell phones will be counted towards your score. The tournament provided catch confirmation card must be visible in the video.
- Anglers must submit videos of catch and logs by the weigh-in deadline.
- Only the Evasive species CATCH is available for the side pool portion of the tournament.
- All Angler must register with DLNR via Link https://explore.ehawaii.gov/Web/Passes/AdvancePasses.aspx

Resident and military 16 yrs and over \$5

minors 9-15 yrs \$3

non-resident \$25

seniors 65 yrs and over free.

Scoring & Weigh-In Procedures

- Catch and Release Fish will be measured by length (inches) rather than weight.
- Side pool evasive species catch will be counted by Total FISH.
- In the event of a tie, the first angler to submit their catch will be awarded first to the Weigh master: Noah Blair (417) 838-8325
- Scoring Breakdown for Catch and Release:
 - Each inch of fish length = 1 point
 - Bonus Points:
 - Fish over 10 inches = +2 points per fish
 - Fish over 20 inches = +5 points per fish
 - Scoring Calculation: (Length) + (+2) or (+5) = Points
 - 80% of the entry fee will be distributed among the top winners
- Scoring Side Pool Breakdown for Total Number of Fish:
 - Each fish = 1 point.
 - Scoring Calculation: 1pt per fish =Total Points
 Total Prize Pool: (Total Number of Participants in Pool) × (Buy-In Amount) × 80%= Pay Out.
- Deductions:
 - Fish that appear to be mishandled or improperly measured may receive a
 1-3 point deduction at the discretion of tournament officials.
 - Late submissions (after the weigh-in deadline) will result in a 50% reduction of total points.
 - The angler with the highest total score will be declared the tournament champion.

Available Species for Catch

Participants may catch and submit the following species for scoring:

- Largemouth Bass (Micropterus salmoides) Catch and release only
- Smallmouth Bass (Micropterus dolomieu) Catch and release only
- Peacock Bass (Cichla ocellaris) Catch and release only
- Bluegill (Lepomis macrochirus) Catch and release only
- Channel Catfish (Ictalurus punctatus) Catch and release only
- Oscar (Astronotus ocellatus) Catch and release only
- Tilapia (Oreochromis mossambicus) Eligible for scoring, must be removed from the water.
- Snakehead (Channa spp.) Non-native species, must be removed from the water
- Clown knifefish (Chitala chitala) Eligible for scoring Non-native species, must be removed from the water

- Orinoco sailfin catfish (Liposarcus multiradiatus) Eligible for scoring Non-native species, must be removed from the water
- Asian needlefish (Xenentodon cancilia) Eligible for scoring Non-native species, must be removed from the water
- Suckermouth catfish (Hypostomus watwata) Eligible for scoring Non-native species, must be removed from the water
- Striped snakehead (Channa striatus) Eligible for scoring Non-native species, must be removed from the water
- Banded jewel cichlid (Hemichromis elongatus) Eligible for scoring Non-native species, must be removed from the water
- Pacu (Colossoma macropomum) Eligible for scoring Non-native species, must be removed from the water
- Jaguar cichlid (Parachromis managuensis) Eligible for scoring Non-native species, must be removed from the water
- Red devil (Amphilophus labiatus) Eligible for scoring Non-native species, must be removed from the water
- Chinese catfish (Claris fuscus) Eligible for scoring Non-native species, must be removed from the water
- Midas cichlid (Amphilophus citrinellus) Eligible for scoring Non-native species, must be removed from the water
- Red-bellied tilapia (Tilapia zillii) Eligible for scoring Non-native species, must be removed from the water

All anglers must follow size and possession limits as outlined by Hawaii state fishing regulations. Any fish outside of the eligible species list will not be counted toward scoring.

Safety & Limited Liability

- All participants fish at their own risk and are responsible for their safety while on the water.
- Life jackets must be worn while in a vessel.
- Alcohol consumption during fishing hours is strictly prohibited.
- The U.S. Army, MWR Hawaii, and City and County of Hawaii are not liable for any injuries, damages, or losses.
- Participants must sign the waiver before competing.

Fishing Zones & Map

A detailed tournament map will be provided, outlining designated shoreline, kayak, and boat fishing areas. Fishing outside of these zones is strictly prohibited. Please adhere to all boundaries and respect restricted areas.

Prizes & Categories

- Tournament Biggest Bass Fish (by length) 1st, 2nd, 3rd place
- Side Pool (Total Fish) (each or pieces of fish) 1st, 2nd, 3rd place
- Junior Angler Award Under 16 years old

Optional Side Competition

For anglers looking for additional competition, we are offering an Optional High-Stakes Pool. This is a voluntary participation event where anglers can contribute to a prize pool, with winnings distributed among the top competitors.

- Entry Fee Options: \$25, \$50, \$100, per participant
- Side pool: Evasive species catch will be counted by Total pieces of fish.
- Categories: ALL Non-native species.
- Payout Structure: 80% of the total pool will be distributed among the top winners.
- All entries must be made before the tournament starts.

This side competition is separate from the main tournament and is intended for those who wish to add an extra level of excitement to the event!

Contact Information

For questions or emergencies, please contact:

Tournament Director: Matthew Nelson – (808) 294-1795

Safety Officer: Noah Blair (417) 838-8325

Subject Matter Expert: Capt. Harvey (808) 282-5485 Emergency Services: Dial 911 or VHF Channel 16

We look forward to a fun and competitive tournament! Good luck and tight lines!