



## 2023 TOURNAMENT RULES

1. All boats must leave Ocean City, MD. All fish must be caught within local Ocean City, MD waters - RT 54 - Fenwick Ditch to the Verrazano Bridge and through the Ocean City Inlet. No boat may pass the sea buoy before 5:00 am. No boat may begin fishing before 7:00am.
2. Fishing hours are from 7:00 am to 3:00 pm. No chunking/chumming prior to lines in. All lines must be removed from the water by 3:00pm. Fish hooked before 3:00 pm may be played until boated or released.
3. All fish must be weighed at Bahia Marina. Scales open at 3:30 pm and close at 7:30 pm. Catch may be trucked in the weighing station at Bahia Marina inside the Tournament area. In the event of a breakdown of the primary scale, fish will be weighed on a second (calibrated) manual device. All weight will be considered valid and final. No team member may fish more than two (2) days in the tournament.
4. Each angler is to weigh their best catch per day and it's their responsibility to bring their heaviest fish to the scales. The bluefish must be caught the same day it is weighed.
5. The winning bluefish will be determined by weight. In the event of a tie, the length of the bluefish will be used.
6. All cash prizes are determined by the Tournament Committee. All decisions are final. In the event of a protest, all parties will submit in writing their objections no later than 7:30pm on Sunday, June 4, 2023. (\$100 protest fee which is non refundable.)
7. A Junior Angler is anyone who is 15 years or younger. A 16 year old angler will qualify as an adult.
8. Tournament Officials have the right to disqualify any angler and/or team from the Tournament for any unsportsmanlike conduct or rule infraction with no monetary return. Entrance fee is non-refundable.
9. Participants enter at their own risk. Bahia Marina and Bahia Marina Tournaments, Blues for DU, employees of Bahia Marina, employees of Fish Tales, volunteers and all other sponsors will not be held responsible for any injury to any person or damage to any entrant or boat.
10. All Tournament official rulings are final.