

**NJ's 14th ANNUAL GOVERNOR'S  
SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT**

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*The 14th Annual Governor's Surf Fishing Tournament, its sponsors and any persons connected with it shall be exempt from any liability whatsoever. It is expressly understood that all participants in this event enter at their own risk and assume responsibility for decisions regarding sea conditions and their own safety.*

**PARTICIPANTS MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN!!!**

Applicant's signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Enclose check or money order made payable to **G.F.T.** for the total amount:

Age 18 and older-**\$10**

Ages 13-17-**\$5**

Ages 12 and under **free**.

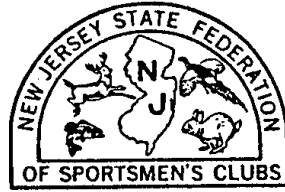
**Registration fees are non-refundable.**

Return application  
**Governor's Surf Fishing Tournament**  
**Division of Fish and Wildlife**  
**Nacote Creek Research Station**  
**PO Box 418, Port Republic, NJ 08241**

**Note:** If application is not received by September 9, you will be required to register in person at the tournament!

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FOURTEENTH ANNUAL  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

*GOVERNOR'S  
SURF FISHING  
TOURNAMENT*



**OCTOBER 2, 2005**

*Don't miss a day  
full of family fun!*

*Open to individuals  
of all ages.*

## THE TOURNAMENT

The Governor's Annual Surf Fishing Tournament is a great opportunity to learn more about the sport of surf fishing and take advantage of a great family activity! Funds raised by the tournament go toward marine education and restoration efforts, construction of access ramps for disabled saltwater anglers, and provide surf fishing access, surf fishing instruction programs and equipment as well as the purchase of specialized wheelchairs that provide beach access to the disabled and elderly. Appreciation of our marine resources through surf fishing will hopefully build a stronger advocacy for marine resource conservation.

Exhibits featuring sportsmen's clubs, conservation organizations and tackle manufacturers will be at Pavilion #1.

Entry to the park is free to individuals who register for the surf fishing tournament.

**NOTE: The purchase of a beach buggy permit is required to drive on the beach. Permit applications will be available at the park entrance. Call 732-793-0506 for information and fees.**

Visit  
[www.nfishandwildlife.com](http://www.nfishandwildlife.com)  
for more information.

## PRIZES

The Governor has been invited to present the prizes during a special awards ceremony at the beach concession area beginning at 2:00p.m. The individual catching the largest fish will receive the "Governor's Trophy" and have their name engraved on the Governor's Cup, which is permanently displayed at Island Beach State Park.

## RULES

1. Only the following fish exceeding the minimum length listed below are eligible for entry:  
**Bluefish**-14 in.      **Fluke**-16 1/2 in.  
**Weakfish**-13 in.      **Albacore**-no min.  
**Kingfish**-10 in.      **Blackfish**-14 in.  
**Red drum**-18 in., not over 27 in.  
**Striped bass**-34 in. or greater  
or 24 in. but no greater than 28 in.  
**NOTE: Minimum length for the tournament may differ from NJ saltwater regulations.**
2. All fish are measured. Length determines winner, not weight. **NO FISH CAN BE ICED PRIOR TO MEASURING.** In the event of a tie, the first fish entered and measured is the winner.
3. Participants are only eligible to win one category.
4. **Participants must be present to claim any prizes during this event.**
5. All anglers must sign an affidavit attesting to the authenticity and method of catch prior to entering their catch. A witness is required if the fish is to be measured and released.
6. All participants should register their first fish even if it is known that a larger fish has already been caught.
7. Fish caught from any boat, surfboard or other floating device will **NOT** be eligible.
8. Fish may be caught from any **OCEANSIDE** part of the park from the park entrance to the North Jetty, and the inlet to the dune line. **NO BAYSIDE FISHING OF ANY KIND WILL BE ALLOWED.**
9. Terminal tackle will be limited to 2 hooks. A plug counts as 1 hook. Individuals are limited to 2 rods when fishing.
10. IGFA guidelines/rules will be applied to the fly fishing category.
11. Only one fish per person per species will be eligible for prizes. Anglers may enter fish of more than one species.
12. Judges will make a vertical cut in the tail to show the fish has been measured, unless it is immediately released alive.
13. All established park regulations apply.
14. Please bring sufficient bait.
15. **All fish MUST be measured where caught!**
16. Refer to the current Marine *DIGEST* for saltwater fishing regulations.

## WHERE AND WHEN

Weather permitting, the competition will be held **Sunday, October 2, 2005** at Island Beach State Park in Ocean County.

Storm/hurricane date is Sunday, October 9th.  
**\*Note: It will take extreme conditions to force cancellation.**

### Schedule:

6:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Fishing
1:30 p.m.-2:00 p.m.	Raffle Drawing
2:00 p.m.	Awards Ceremony

### Mail in Registration Fee

(**Must be postmarked by September 9**)

Age 18 and older-**\$10**

Ages 13-17-**\$5**

Ages 12 and under **free**. Children 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult and are still required to register.



### Day of Tournament Registration Fee

(Registration opens 5:00 a.m. Sun. at Pavilion #1.)

Age 18 and older-**\$15**

Ages 13-17-**\$5**

### EARLY ENTRY INCENTIVE

If postmarked by September 9, 2005 you will:

- Save on adult registration fee!
- Be eligible for special prizes offered to pre-registrants on the day of the tournament.
- AVOID DELAYS!** Pre-registration will ensure timely entry to the park.



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