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PRIZES

The Governor has been invited to present the prizes during the awards ceremony. The individual catching the largest fish will receive the "Governor's Trophy", high end rod and reel combo, and have their name engraved on the Governor's Cup, which is permanently displayed at Island Beach State Park.

**For more information about the
Tournament visit
www.njfishandwildlife.com
or call (609) 748-4347**

Governor's Surf Fishing Tournament
NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife
P.O. Box 418
Port Republic, NJ 08241



MAY 21, 2017

TWENTY-SIXTH ANNUAL
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TOURNAMENT

ISLAND BEACH STATE
PARK

SEASIDE PARK, NJ



TIME AND PLACE

Sunday, May 21, 2017

Island Beach State Park, Seaside Park

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

COST

Early Registration

Ages 18 and older: **\$15**

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.

Same Day

Registration opens 5:00 a.m. Sunday at Pavilion #1

Ages 18 and older: **\$20**

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

Ages 12 and under: **FREE**

Food and beverages will be available for sale.

EARLY ENTRY INCENTIVE

If postmarked by April 22, 2017 you will:

- Save on adult registration fee!
- Be eligible for a drawing for the Coastline Surf System. For more information visit Coastlinesurfsystem.com.



- Avoid delays! Pre-registration allows you to go directly to the beach.

RULES

1. Only the following fish exceeding the minimum length listed below are eligible for entry:
Black drum—16 in. Red drum—18-27 in.
Bluefish—14 in. Striped bass—28 in.
Kingfish—10 in. Weakfish—13 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 while fishing.
10. Only one fish per person per species will be eligible for prizes. Anglers may enter fish of more than one species.
11. Judges will make a vertical cut in the tail to show the fish has been measured, unless it is immediately released alive.
12. All established park regulations apply.
13. Please bring sufficient bait.
14. All fish MUST be measured where caught.
15. Refer to the current *Marine Digest* for saltwater fishing regulations.



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Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State/Zip: _____

Email: _____

Age: _____ Phone: _____

The 26th 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:

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Ages 12 and under: FREE

Registration fees are non-refundable.

Return Application to:

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NOTE: *If application is not postmarked by April 22, you will be required to register in person at the tournament.*

THIS BROCHURE MAY BE REPRODUCED.