

# INSHORE COMPETITION RULES

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**As a requirement of Club's Constitutional Rules, each boat must have an operational 27Meg/hz Marine radio on board when taking part in Club outings.**

**All competitors taking part in any outings are expected to conduct themselves in an honest and fair manner and promote the objects of the Club.**

### **Nominations for each competition:-**

All competitors must register preferably with the Competition Secretary or, in unforeseen circumstances, the Captain by 7.30p.m. on Thursday prior to any Club competition.

### **Weigh-out Procedure:-**

Competitors are required to attend the designated weigh-out area 30 minutes prior to start time. If unable to attend the weigh-out by the scheduled time, please contact either the Captain, Vice-Captain or Competition Secretary as early as possible

**Should a competitor choose to leave from an area other than the designated weigh-out area, the Competition Secretary or Captain are to be notified at time of nomination. Contact with Captain by radio is essential immediately on launching vessel. Late starters must contact the Captain by radio on launching their vessel. If unable to contact Captain ensure you contact one of the inshore committee members who will pass on your message.**

**If it be necessary to leave the competition early, contact the Coastguard of your intention and the Captain will retrieve details before the weigh-in.**

The Captain can designate new boundaries for the competition or cancel the trip in the event of bad weather conditions. This decision will be made at the weigh-out time and Coastguard advised of the decision.

### **Weigh-in Procedures:-**

All fish are to be in weigh-in area by the designated time to be eligible for points to be recorded. In the case of extenuating circumstances it will be up to the Inshore Captain to make a decision in regards to weighing in or not. Competitors can weigh their catch earlier if the Weighmaster agrees and is at the weigh-in area. Captain or Vice-Captain must also be present in case of any disputes.

**NOTE:- Competitors who do not weigh in must declare "NO FISH" to register as taking part in the competition. All fish to be weighed in whole. Mutilated fish will not be accepted for weighing.**

Any undersized fish presented to the Weighmaster will receive a 25 points penalty per fish. Should four or more undersized fish be presented the total catch will be disqualified. All penalty points will be deducted from total points accrued to date. There are no exceptions. All fish are deemed to be presented when placed in the Weighmaster's bin. All visitors must declare their catch. Any visitor taking part in three or more trips is expected to lodge an application for membership with the Club.

### **Fishing lines:-**

A maximum of 3 lines per angler in the water at any one time. This includes hand lines.

### **Boundaries of Inshore Competition:-**

All waters entering or connecting to Moreton Bay.

**Northern Limit - Comboyuro Point to Skirmish – up Pumicestone Passage to bridge.**

**Southern Limit - Inside of the entrance to Southport Seaway Bar.**

**Eastern Limit - Swan Bay to North Western Tip of South Stradbroke Island  
Inside South Passage Bar (Amity Point to Readers Point)**

**Brisbane River is out of Bounds.**

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## Weigh and Measures:-

Bag Limits will attract a bonus of 20 points for species listed below:-

<u>SPECIES</u>	<u>BAG LIMIT</u>	<u>MINIMUM LENGTH</u>	<u>BONUS WEIGHT</u>
Bream	10	26 cm	.80 kg
Mangrove Jack	2	35 cm	2.00 kg
Jew	5	45 cm	5.00 kg
Luderick	5	26 cm	1.00 kg
Mackerel	5	60 cm	2.00 kg
(Spanish)	5	75 cm	2.00 kg
Morwong	5	30 cm	1.50 kg
Parrot	5	30 cm	1.50 kg
Squire/Snapper	5	35 cm	1.50 kg
Grass Sweetlip	5	30 cm	.90 kg

**The trophy for heaviest Sweetlip will no longer be limited to Grass Sweetlip. Any species of Sweetlip will now qualify. Legislated minimum sizes apply.**

Tailor	10	30 cm	.80 kg
Whiting	10	25 cm	.400 kg
Cobia	5	75 cm	5.00 kg
Cod	1	35 cm--max 80 cm	5.00kg
Sole	5	25 cm	N/A
Flathead	5	40cm – Max Length 70cm	1.50 kg

**NOTE:- There will be a bag limit of 5 for all other species and no bag limit points will apply. Fish such as Gar, Yellow Tail Pike, Scad, and all baitfish, including mullet, are excluded from weigh-ins. Only one Cod will be allowed per trip for weigh points only.**

**All other species must be a minimum of 25cm, (or longer as per Fisheries Regulations) and scale bearing to be eligible for weight points.**

## POINTS SYSTEM:-

Maximum points for any one fish	150 points
Maximum points for any one species	250 points
Weight	1 point per 100gms
Species	10 points per species
Fish	1 point per fish
Bonus weights	20 points per fish

Designated **Trip Species** will be nominated on Itinerary and the heaviest of the day will attract an extra 50 (fifty) bonus points. The Ladies and Juniors **will** each receive the bonus points on their day competitions.

## Handicaps:-

The Trip winner will be handicapped 20 (twenty) points per trip and will accrue to end of the Fishing Year, but **will not affect the total points for Club Trophies**. Eg. Winner of trip will need to accrue 20 points on subsequent trip before he/she begin to accumulate trip points. Should that same member win the subsequent trip with the 20 point handicap he/she will be handicapped another 20 points for the next trip etc.

Ladies/Juniors Days competitors will attract a 10 (ten) point handicap under the same circumstances.

Should a TIE eventuate at the end of the Fishing Year, the **Trophy** will be awarded to the Competitor with the **least** number of fish caught during the year. This will acknowledge those members who caught quality fish.

**Two separate competitions will be fished for the Juniors, one being for the overall Junior competition and one for the Ladies/Juniors day competition. To qualify for the overall Juniors Trophy, a minimum of 3 trips must be fished. These can be all Ladies/Juniors trips, all open trips or any combination of either.**

**Two separate competitions will be fished for the Ladies, one being for the Ladies Open competition and one for the Ladies/Juniors day competition. To qualify for the Ladies Open Trophy, a minimum of 4 inshore open trips must be fished. These can be all Ladies/Juniors trips, all open trips or any combination of either.**

## INSHORE TROPHIES:- (Club or otherwise)

To be eligible for End of Year club trophies for inshore competitions, **competitors must compete in at least 30%** of inshore competition trips for that year.

Heaviest Species for End of Year Trophies are:- **Heaviest overall** (this fish will not be eligible for heaviest of species), **Bream, Flathead, Mangrove Jack, Luderick, Mackerel, Morwong, Parrot, Squire/Snapper, Sweetlip, Tailor, Whiting, Jew.**