

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
GOVERNOR'S SURF FISHING TOURNAMENT

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*The 23rd 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:

- Ages 18 and older: \$15
- Ages 13-17: \$5
- Ages 12 and under: FREE

**Registration fees are non-refundable.**

Return Application to:  
**Governor's Surf Fishing Tournament**  
**NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife**  
**PO Box 418**  
**Port Republic, NJ 08241**

**NOTE:** If application is not postmarked by April 21, you will be required to register in person at the tournament!

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# FUNDS

The funds raised by the tournament go toward:

- ◆ Marine education
- ◆ Marine restoration efforts
- ◆ Surf fishing access
- ◆ Construction of access ramps for disabled saltwater anglers
- ◆ Surf fishing instruction programs and equipment
- ◆ Purchase of specialized wheelchairs that provide the disabled and elderly beach access

NJ Division of Fish & Wildlife  
Nacote Creek Research Station  
P.O. Box 418  
Port Republic, NJ 08241



# ISLAND BEACH STATE PARK

# May 18, 2014

# JOIN US FOR A DAY OF FAMILY FUN!

# TOURNAMENT

The Governor's Annual Surf Fishing Tournament is a great opportunity for families and friends to get outdoors and enjoy the sport of surf fishing! 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 Mobile Sportfishing Vehicle Permit (MSVP) is required to drive on the beach. If the vehicle you will be driving on the beach is not registered in your name make sure to contact the park office for compliance information. Permit applications will be available at the park entrance. For information and fees call 732-793-0506 or visit:**

[www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/parks/island.html](http://www.state.nj.us/dep/parksandforests/parks/island.html)

# PRIZES

The Governor has been invited to present the prizes during a special awards ceremony at Pavilion #1 beginning at 2:00 p.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. Red drum—18–27 in.  
Weakfish—13 in. Black drum—16 in.  
Kingfish—10 in. Striped bass—28 in.  
*\*\*\*Summer flounder will be an eligible species if in season according to Fish and Wildlife regulations*  
**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.

# TIME and PLACE

The tournament will be held Sunday, May 18, 2014 at Island Beach State Park in Ocean County.

## 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

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.*

## Day of Tournament Registration Fee

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

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

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

Ages 12 & under: **FREE**

## EARLY ENTRY INCENTIVE

If postmarked by April 21, 2014 you will:

- Save on adult registration fee!
- Be eligible for special prizes offered to pre-registrants on the day of the tournament, including an early entry raffle for a surf rocket ([www.surfrocketfishing.com](http://www.surfrocketfishing.com)).
- Avoid Delays! Pre-registration will ensure timely entry to the park.

Breakfast, lunch and beverages  
will be available for sale from  
**C.T.'s BAR-B-Q**

For more information visit [www.njfishandwildlife.com](http://www.njfishandwildlife.com)