

ASA HOUSTON FISHING TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2026



TOURNAMENT AND CALCUTTA RULES

TO PARTICIPATE, THIS ALL DOCUMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5:00 P.M. SEPTEMBER 22.

The primary contact for each team must be with an ASA Houston Chapter member company (or GC Partner company) or a member of the AGC Vets in Construction in good standing.

1. Guided boats can have a team of four (4) people (total of five people onboard including the guide).
2. Non-guided boats cannot have a licensed guide (within the last two years) as one of the five (5) individuals onboard.
3. All-Women category with payout to 1st place (\$300):
 - Guided boat: Four women plus ASA-HC provided guide (or self-hired guide if registered as "Team Guided")
 - Non-guided boat: all five individuals must be women.
4. All fish must be caught on rod and reel, in strict accordance with Texas Parks and Wildlife rules, regulations and Game laws (must have valid Texas Fishing License). All fish must be caught the same day as the tournament.
5. All fish must be kept in fresh and edible condition. Any fish presented that has been mutilated, gutted or frozen will be disqualified and not accepted. If any fish are disqualified, they can NOT be replaced.
6. Tournament fishing limited to public, accessible areas of the Galveston Bay Complex which includes: East Bay, Upper and Lower Galveston Bay, Christmas Bay, Chocolate Bay, Bastrop Bay, West Bay, Dickinson Bay, Clear Lake, Trinity Bay, and all adjoining lakes and waterways and the contiguous beachfront from San Luis Pass to Rollover Pass (this includes the Galveston jetties).
7. Start time: 7:00am. The Team may launch from any location within the boundaries of the tournament listed in Rule 6.
8. Live bait and/or artificial lures are acceptable. (Cost of bait is not included in registration.)
9. Bring only fish to be weighed into the weigh-in area.
10. Minimum length for flounder is 15".
11. Speckled Trout will be a slot of 15" to 20".
12. Redfish will be a slot of 20" to 28".
13. Most Spots on Red entries will be judged by counting spots on one slot Redfish. Spots touching will be counted as one spot. Redfish can only be used once in any category. Final ruling on count is at weigh master's discretion. Redfish spots must be minimum 11/64, approx. size of a #2 pencil eraser. Weighmaster will make the final decision.
14. This is a team and individual tournament. Team stringers will consist of a total of five (5) fish. A combination of reds (max two redfish) and trout or all fish may be trout. Individual categories are single largest (15" to 20") slot speckled trout; single largest (20" to 28") slot redfish; single largest flounder (15"+); most spots on one slot redfish. NO TROPHY TROUT ALLOWED. All fish caught must adhere to [Texas Fishing Regulations](#). Violation of these laws will result in disqualification.
15. Guide's fish may be included in the total stringer weight but may not be weighed in on any of the side pots.
16. The Weigh-in will be from 1:00 pm to 2:00 p.m. Each team must be in line with fish "in hand" by 2:00 p.m., NO EXCEPTIONS. The weighing of the fish may extend past "Weigh-In" time, but you must be in line.
17. Each fish may only be weighed one time. If the fish is part of the team stringer it may not be used for the individual event.

Protests must be presented to the Weigh Master within 30 minutes of the final weigh-in.

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18. If a tie in the weight exists, the earliest weigh-in breaks the tie.
19. All decisions of the Weigh Master are final.
20. In the event of dangerous weather, cancellation of the tournament will be at the discretion of the tournament committee.
21. All boats must be in accordance with all safety standards required by state and federal enforcement agencies.
22. The total team must fish from the same boat. There can be no separation of team members into separate boats. Wade fishing is permitted. No pooling of fish.
23. The Weigh-In will be held Top Water Grill, 815 Ave. O & 9th Street, San Leon, 77539
24. Boats that are not purchased for the Calcutta by 12 p.m., Friday, September 18th will go up for auction at the **MANDATORY** Captains' Meeting 4:00 pm on Tuesday, September 22nd at Chamberlin Roofing & Waterproofing, 4545 Langfield Rd., Houston, TX 77040. **Each team MUST have at least ONE person attend the Captains' Meeting on September 22nd regardless of participation in the Calcutta.**
25. **GUIDE/TEAM DRAWING**
A Facebook Live drawing of teams and guides will take place at 2:00 p.m., Friday, September 18, 2026.
26. **SIDE POTS**
All teams will be entered into side pots: \$25 per team per side pot will be allocated into the pot. 75% of the pot will go to the winner in each category, 25% to ASA-HC.
27. **CALCUTTA SETUP**
50% of the money raised in the Calcutta will go to ASA-HC's general fund. 50% of the Calcutta money will go to a prize pool and be returned in prize money as follows:
1st Place: 60% of prize pool 2nd Place: 30% of prize pool 3rd Place: 10% of prize pool
The Calcutta will be held in person at Chamberlin Roofing & Waterproofing (4545 Langfield Rd., Houston, TX 77040) Tuesday, September 22nd from 5:00-6:30 pm (exact time frame for the event is subject to change).
27. **CALCUTTA RULES**
 1. Each team will have the initial opportunity to buy half of their boat for \$400 (the second half of the boat will be auctioned off at the Calcutta) or their full boat for \$750 (their boat will not be a part of the auction).
 2. If the team declines to purchase a portion of their boat, the full boat will be auctioned to the highest bidder.
28. **TOURNAMENT DAY**
 1. Both the team and the captain are responsible for bringing a printed set of the rules on board the boat.
 2. **Tip is not included in the registration price. Tipping guides is not required, however it is highly encouraged. Average tip is around \$15-\$25 per person.**
 3. Share with your guide the prize payout possibilities (Calcutta, Women's Team, Side Pots, Guide Payout). These amounts will be emailed to the person listed as the registration contact on the registration form the day prior to the tournament.
 4. Bring a cooler to take your catch home from the tournament.
29. **GROUND FOR DISQUALIFICATION**
 1. ASA Reserves the right to refuse participation in the tournament by any entrant for any reason.
 2. All fish caught must adhere to [Texas Fishing Regulations](#).
 3. Anyone who has been disqualified for intentional fraud, cheating or banned in any fishing tournament will not be allowed to participate.
 4. Participants who hold a TPWD Fishing Guide License or advertise/promote themselves as a guide in the past two years cannot participate in non-guided boat teams.
 5. Anyone choosing not to participate in a polygraph upon request will be banned from this tournament for life.

ALL WINNERS ARE SUBJECT TO POLYGRAPH TEST