

2024 Hawaii Coffee Association Fishing Tournament Kailua-Kona, Hawaii

Saturday, May 18, 2024

The 2024 Hawaii Coffee Association Fishing Tournament will be held on Saturday, May 18, 2024 in Kailua-Kona.

Check-In/Fish box check will be at Honokohau Harbor ramp starting at 4:30 am. If not launching from Honokohau Harbor a Fish Box check will be done at the Green Buoy.

Start fishing at 6:00 am. All Boats must be behind the Green Buoy.

Round up times are at 9:00 am and 1:00 pm.

Stop fishing at 3:00 pm. Boats must be in the weigh-in line by 4:30 pm.

All boats must give a tournament check out call or text when entering Honokohau Harbor to confirm the boat's safe return. Any boat may choose to stay out fishing but they will be considered out of the tournament. Any fish caught after checking out does not qualify for the tournament.

Weigh-in is at Honokohau Harbor. Any fish estimated over 300 lbs will be brought to the Kona Charter Desk scale house. Weigh-in line closes at 4:30 pm. Boats must be in line before 4:30 pm.

Fish hooked up before stop fishing and called in to tournament control before stop fishing will be given fight time to return to Harbor. <u>VERY IMPORTANT TO CALL IN. NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE!</u>

Video Call will be done for verification after stop fishing is announced and you are hooked up.

Example - A hook-up is called in at 2:50 pm and landed at 3:30 pm. A photo is texted to tournament control. The boat will have 40 minutes after the weigh-in line is closed to be in the weigh-in line.

Modified Jungle Rules – Any type of electric reels, rods, basket, palu ahi etc. method is allowed.

Green Stick is NOT ALLOWED!!!

Live baiting is allowed but needs to be caught after start fishing.

Palu and dead bait is allowed.

No bang stick or shooting allowed due to liability purposes.

Fish must be called in at hookup and acknowledged by Control. Lost fish must be called in. Landed fish with the minimum weight will require a photo with HCA placard and thumbs up sign immediately after landing. Captains must send the photo with text message reporting estimated weight to tournament control at **808-990-9713** (primary) or **808-756-0896** if no response from primary.

Minimum Weight

Ahi 50 lbsMarlin 100 lbsOno and Mahi 10 lbs



Mandatory Captain meeting will be conducted at 4:30 pm Friday, May 17, 2024 at the Honokohau ramp parking lot. Please look for the popup tent. The Captain or a Team member must be present at this meeting. Captain's packet will be distributed during the meeting. It will contain an HCA placard with team number, rules etc. Collection of side Jackpot money will be done at this time. No tournament entry refund will be given if you are unable to attend.

Entry Fee is \$300. No refunds after May 17, 2024. Make \$300 entry fee Check or Cashier Check payable to: Hawaii Coffee Association.

All Tournament entry fees will be split as prize awards to the four flag fish categories, largest aku and Hawaii Coffee Association (HCA) for Hawaii's coffee industry. HCA will be using the proceeds towards education and promotion of Hawaii coffee. For more information about HCA please visit website link https://hawaiicoffeeassoc.org/event-5605577

Mutilated fish will be disqualified, more info capt. meeting.

Fish prize categories by weight

- Ahi 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place
- Marlin 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place
- Ono 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place
- Mahi 1st Place, 2nd Place, 3rd Place
- Aku Largest
- Grand Champion Total weight minimum 2 flag fish

Option Jackpot – Total Payout. Cash only. No checks please.

- Ahi \$100, \$50
- Marlin \$100, \$50
- Ono \$100. \$50
- Mahi \$100, \$50

Mail entry form and payment to:

HCA Fishing Tournament

PO Box 168

Kealakekua, HI. 96750

Deadline for entry must be postmarked by April 26, 2024. No late entries will be accepted.

Awards banquet will be held at the **Hawaii Big Game Fishing Club** located in Honokohau Harbor starting at 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm. BYOB and DD.

No alcoholic beverages consumption is allowed in the harbor parking lot.

Please keep the area clean!

Mahalo for supporting the Hawaii Coffee Industry!