

13th Annual Kayak Derby Rules

Nootka Marine Adventures | Kayak Derby | Sept 3rd & 4th 2016

Human Powered Watercraft

Participants must fish from kayaks, pontoon boats, float tubes, row boats or any other human powered watercraft.

Rental Boats/ Bring Your Own Boat

Kayaks, pontoon boats and float tubes available for rent on a first come first serve basis. Competitors are also allowed to fish from their own boats.

Group Considerations

Only registered contestants are allowed to fish regardless of the total number of people on the boat.

Weigh-In

Available at Moutcha Bay Resort from morning through 5:00pm on September 3rd and morning through 4:00 pm on September 4th. We will be counting to nearest 1/10 of a pound. In event of a tie, first fish registered will win.

Rules & Regulations

Any individual may enter the Kayak Derby by purchasing a ticket and agreeing to abide by the rules herein.

1) Nootka Marine Adventures will appoint Derby Officials whose decision in respect to the application of any of the NMA Rules and Regulations shall be final and binding on all Contestants.

2) All derby anglers ("Contestants") will be issued a sticker for each rod that must be a affixed to the side of their watercraft and must be visible to Derby Officials. It is up to the ticket holder to decide upon how the sticker is affixed.

3) By purchasing a ticket the Contestant agrees that all fish will be caught in compliance with the NMA Rules and Regulations as well as Fisheries and Oceans Canada Regulations.

- 4) Once paid, tickets are non-refundable. The only exception is in case the Derby is cancelled.
- 5) Nothing in the NMA Rules and Regulations shall be interpreted in any way so as to change, vary or modify Fisheries and Oceans Canada Regulations.
- 6) Contestants are allowed to carry as many rods and reels in their boat as they wish but only 1 rod per entry fee may be used.
- 7) Boats must fish at least 30 feet from shore at all times. No boat shall make contact with any point of land, other boats (excepting patrol boats) or docks, besides Moutcha Bay Resort Marina dock. Contestants may return to the above docks and return to fishing if they wish, but they are required to check in and out with the NMA Derby Committee at the official check-in station.
- 8) All Contestants will be issued boundary maps. Patrol boats will be identified by and will carry yellow flags. They will roam freely and answer all calls on VHF Channel 6. VHF channels 16 will also be monitored.
- 9) Contestants observing any violation of the Rules and Regulations set out herein, or the Fisheries and Oceans Canada Regulations shall immediately report such violation to the nearest patrol boat.
- 10) Contestants must be in possession of a valid Canadian Pacific Tidal Fishing License and present it prior to their catch being weighed and to be eligible for prizes.
- 11) All salmon entered for prizes shall be inspected, weighed and certified by a Derby Official. If, in the opinion of the Derby Official, the salmon has post-rigor, or any other violation of the tournament Rules and Regulations is evident, the Contestant and all those within the Contestant's boat will be disqualified.



Weigh In Process

In the event of line-up at the weigh table at 5:00 p.m. on September 3rd or 4:00 p.m. on September 4th, each boat will be issued a number upon arrival at the docks. Fish will be registered in order of arrival. Boats arriving after the weigh in cut off time will not have their fish weighed-in.

Your Catch

Reminder: Fish are not to be cleaned before weigh in.

Fish will be disqualified if found to be foul hooked. Official weigh- in personnel will have final decision.

Fish Storage

Once your catch is officially weighed-in, participants will be able to store their fish at Moutcha Bay Resort's Fish Processing Facilities.

Fish Processing

Our Government Approved Fish Processing Facilities will be available to all derby participants should you choose to package your fish for storage and transport.

Tight Lines!