

2017 MOE'S ORIGINAL BBQ PADDLE BATTLE RULES

1. The tournament's entry fee places the angler in both categories—flounder and red drum.
2. The primary payouts go to the anglers with the single longest flounder and the single longest red drum.
3. The one fishing day is Saturday, August 26. The tournament will reserve the right to hold Sunday, August 27, as an optional foul weather day.
4. This is a human-powered tournament only, either paddle or pedal power. No motorized crafts are allowed.
5. Fish must be caught during tournament hours. Participants can launch their kayaks/SUPs from a ramp accessible to the public starting at 6:00 am.
6. All anglers must be in the check-in line at Moe's Original BBQ by 4:00 p.m. Check-in will open at 2:00 p.m.
7. The tournament uses a photo release scoring system determined by the length of each fish. Each angler is required to have their own "Hawg Trough" style measuring device, and the tournament will issue a unique marker (provided at Friday's Registration) to include in the photo.
8. Fish will be measured nose to tail. Mouths of fish must be closed and the nose up against the backstop. Red drum tails can be pinched.
9. Photos must be taken using the tournament-approved measuring device with the unique marker visible. No bringing fish to check-in to measure.
10. All fish must be caught from the kayak/sup. No wade or shore fishing.
11. Anglers may not receive assistance including but not limited to following a non-participant boat, the placing of markers by a non-participant, being towed or riding motored vessels, and/or receiving electronic, voice, or data communication from a non-participant.
12. There are no checkouts and no boundaries.
13. Any angler, if directed by the tournament committee, must submit to a polygraph test within 72 hours after the last fish has been checked in. This decision is at the sole discretion of the tournament committee. Should the test be failed or if the angler fails to participate in the polygraph test within the 72 hours, the tournament committee reserves the right to forfeit all winnings awarded to the winner in question.
14. All protests made to the tournament committee shall be accompanied by a \$200 cash deposit. All protests shall be made no later than one hour after the last fish has been checked in. The \$200 cash deposit will be returned if the tournament committee upholds the protest. The \$200 cash deposit will become the property of Moe's Original BBQ Paddle Battle if the protest is not upheld. All decisions of the tournament committee shall be final.
15. The two TWTs (tournament within a tournament)—Single Big Speckled Trout TWT and Aggregate (one flounder/one red drum) TWT—both have a payout ratio of 1st—50%, 2nd—30%, and 3rd—20%. Participants in the tournament are not required to enter the TWTs. They are offered as another way for you to win money.
16. Prizes are awarded solely on the basis of fish length. In the event of identical lengths, the first fish checked in shall be declared the winner.
17. All fish must be caught on hook and line. Artificial bait, dead bait, and live baits are allowed.
18. By signing the entry form, the captain and crew, etc. consent that Moe's Original BBQ Paddle Battle may use without payment or restrictions any photographs in which he or she appears for any purpose whatsoever, including but not limited to resale, advertising, commercial, or promotional material.
19. An angler may win once in the Flounder category and once in the Red Drum category, but an angler may not win more than once in the same category. In addition to any primary prizes, an angler may also win once in one or both of the TWTs, but an angler may not win more than once in the same TWT.
20. The Junior Angler must be 14 years of age or younger. Anyone 14-years-old or younger is automatically considered a junior angler. This prize is based on the longest single fish—either red drum or flounder.
21. The Lady Angler prize is based on the longest single fish—either red drum or flounder.
22. The Senior Angler must be at least 60 years of age. Any male 60-years-old or older is automatically considered a senior angler. This prize is based on the longest single fish—either red drum or flounder.
23. To qualify for payouts in the Aggregate Secondary Prize and the Aggregate TWT, an angler must submit in both a flounder and a red drum.
24. The tournament committee has the right to refuse entry from any applicant. If an entry is refused, then 100% of the applicant's entry fee will be returned.
25. All anglers are responsible for reading and following all rules and regulations set forth by the Moe's Original BBQ Paddle Battle.