

2012 Perch Assault Tournament rules
UPPER Thompson Lake
ONLY fishing the part of Upper Thompson known as “Upper upper”
west of the bridge that separates the lake.

TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ENTRY TO ANY PERSONS/TEAMS FOR ANY REASON AT ANY TIME.

To avoid compromising this tournament, the following statement must be made clear:

Cheating will not be tolerated. If you are caught in a violation that could have a direct impact on your weight, therefore impacting the tournament results, then you have willfully violated the rules and are attempting to steal. If you attempt to steal from this tournament, you are stealing from every person entered. anyone caught in any willful violation of these rules will be dealt with harshly and publicly. We will prosecute to the fullest extent of the law!!!

(Simple mistakes will be judged on their intentionality and the potential impact on the results)

ALL DECISIONS ARE FINAL!!!

1. TEAMS

A: Will consist of 2 partners. (At least one member must be 18 or over.) Each partner may be substituted one time during the series. Teams must enter at least 2 of the 3 events to qualify for season championship.

B: Must not fish with anyone other than teammate during tournament hours. (PLEASE do not arrange to fish with friends, family members, etc. during this event. Don't hang around non-tournament anglers while fishing the event. Don't invite people to “meet me on the ice” during the event. *This is NOT a social event, it is a COMPETITION and as such, these rules will be enforced aggressively.*)

“In the event of a disqualification, for any reason, absolutely no refunds will be given. Any refunds for any reason MUST be requested prior to the close of registration for the event, which is 7:00 PM the Thursday before the event, and will be for a maximum of 75%, or full credit towards a future event.”

C: Teammates must remain within 30 paces of each other while fishing. Teams may not fish any closer than 10 paces from another team.

D: Teams must display their team number or id at all times during the tournament.

E: NO member of a team may pre-fish that weekend's lake for 36 hours prior to start of event. Any member (s) will be disqualified from that weekend's event if found in violation.

2: TOURNAMENT RULES

TEAMS MAY ONLY USE ATV'S, UTV'S, SNOWMOBILES ETC. NO PASSENGER CARS, TRUCKS, SUV'S ETC. TOURNAMENT STAFF DECISION WILL BE FINAL. ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST MAKE THEIR OWN DECISION AS TO ICE SAFETY.

A: At each event, every team must check in and pass thru inspection. ALL equipment brought onto the ice will be inspected. Please have trailers, ice houses, coolers, buckets etc. open and ready as you pass thru inspection. **NO PREPOSITIONED EQUIPMENT ON LAKE!!!!**

A:1 After inspection, teams will be directed to a "pre-start" area. Once all the teams have passed though inspection a rules meeting will held. From there, all teams will wait for signal, at which time you may proceed to your fishing area and begin. Teams must enter and exit the lake together, and assist no other teams in ANY way (except in emergency/life or death situations.) NO towing another team member or their equipment, on, off or around the ice via snowmobiles, quads, UTV's etc. EACH team is expected to get on, off and around on the ice under their own power, motorized or not. NO sharing of bait, lures, equipment, etc. once the tournament has begun. No inter team cell phone/two way radio use during the tournament. Emergency calls must be made/taken off the ice.

A:2 At least one team member must maintain personal control over their tournament fish at all times, and when exiting the ice that person/persons MUST report directly to an official and proceed directly to the weigh in area. At **NO TIME** may any team's tournament fish be within 10 paces of another team's fish until those teams are in the official weigh in line. You must be in line with your team's fish by the announced time or you will not be allowed to weigh in.

A:3 The tournament headquarters are as follows:*Fishing Access Site west of bridge that splits upper Thompson Lake You may only fish that part known as "Upper upper", west of the bridge that separates the lake.*

B: Each team will be allowed to weigh up to 10 perch at the end of the tournament. If a team chooses to weigh their catch prior to the official end of the tournament, then they are done fishing for the day. The total weight of the 10 perch will be the team's official score. The teams points will be the weight x 100, a tie will earn each team the same points but biggest fish will determine EVENT winner.

C: Fish must be kept alive in a bucket or other container prior to weigh in. NO ICE ON FISH. It is your choice what fish you will weigh, but you may not turn in more than 10 fish in your container. If you hand in 11 fish, we will not weigh your entry. Count them as many times as you must to be certain! Your weight will be recorded and a receipt given. In the event of a discrepancy, you MUST have this receipt.

D: All contestants must abide by all MONTANA FWP rules and all applicable local, state and federal laws. Anyone cited by law enforcement for any reason will immediately be disqualified from the tournament.

E: During tournament hours, you may only leave and re-enter the lake by the official entry area. (Bathroom breaks are excluded but you may not carry anything off the ice with you, nor bring anything back. **Violation will be grounds for immediate disqualification**)

F: Sponsors have expressed interest in offering special prizes/contingencies for winning, catching biggest fish etc. while using their products in competition. All participants agree to use of their image/testimonies in advertisement unless specifically requested to tournament directors. If claiming these prizes, a witness must attest to and sign affidavits along with you to qualify.

G: Tournament directors may update/amend these rules as need to ensure fair and equal opportunities for all participants. **ANY attempts to blatantly circumvent or avoid direct compliance with any rule will be considered grounds for disqualification from SERIES.**

PERCH ASSAULT 2012 ENTRY FORM

Jan 14th, 2012

UPPER Thompson Lake Libby, MT

\$5,000.00 Purse (with full field of teams)

Maximum 75 teams so sign up early!

\$75 Per Team - Entry MUST be received by Jan. 12, 2012 (5PM) - NO EXCEPTIONS!

Big Fish Pot \$20 (cash only - day of event)

Full Payment Required with completed Entry Form

Name of Team Member (Please Print)

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Mailing Address

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City State Zip

City State Zip

Contact name and number

Team Name (optional)

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY

The Perch Assault is a competitive ice fishing event. Participants understand that as such, certain dangers may exist. No ice should ever be considered safe and contestants must make their own decision on ice safety. TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS, OFFICIALS, SPONSORS OR ANY OTHER PERSONS OR ENTITIES ASSOCIATED WITH THIS EVENT ACCEPT NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR ANY CONTESTANTS SAFETY, INJURY OR DAMAGE TO PERSONAL PROPERTY WHILE COMPETING IN THIS EVENT. *Acknowledgement of this statement by your signature means you accept these conditions without exception, and that you agree to abide by all tournament rules, and understand that in the event of any discrepancy the decision of the directors is final.* You also authorize the use or release of any photos taken in conjunction with tournament events for promotional purposes.

Both Team Members Must Sign acknowledging the above statement.

Signature

Date

Signature

Date

RECEIPT

Entry received _____
Date

Cash

Check # _____

Return Form & Fees to:

Perch Assault

PO BOX 10 Columbia Falls, MT 59912

Or in person at Snappy Sport Senter in Kalispell