



# GSH 23<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL SALTWATER FISHING TOURNAMENT



Join us at GSH to assist in funding the growth of the foundation in expanding students' knowledge and the efforts to further scholarships, student memberships and STEM educational outreach through this and other activities.

Help us help the future of our industry!

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- When:** Friday, October 6th, 2023
- Where:** Harborwalk Yacht Club and Marina 1445 Harborwalk Blvd, Hitchcock, TX 77563  
All Galveston Bay Complex
- Weigh-in:** Harborwalk Yacht Club and Marina under restaurant by 4pm on October 6<sup>th</sup>
- Captain's Meeting** Thursday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, Louis' Bait Camp and Restaurant,  
3510 Hwy 6, Hitchcock TX 3pm till Closing  
One person from each team needs to be present to represent team,  
but all anglers are encouraged to come and participate in the **CASH Fish Pots!**

**Registration Types:** Individuals and Teams (2-4 People)

**Division Types:** Standard Entries and CASH POTS Entries  
**More Cash in Pots = Better Payouts!!**

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### Early Bird Registration Options:

(all options before Sep. 30<sup>th</sup> 2023)

Individual ..... \$75 ea.  
Full Day on Guided Boat..... \$350 per person

### Standard Registration Options:

(all options after 12am Sep. 30<sup>th</sup> 2023)

Individual ..... \$90 ea.  
Full Day on Guided Boat..... \$400 per person

Individual meal/refreshment option..... \$25 per person

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**All fishing registrations fund/include Launch fee, Refreshments, Dinner, Trophies and Registration for a chance to win door prizes**

Payouts for cash pots will go to top 3 placements in all categories.  
Heaviest Stringer – Heaviest Trout – Heaviest Redfish – Heaviest Flounder  
\*Cash only for 1<sup>st</sup> Place Redfish Spot Pot

15% of all fish pots will be donated to the GSH for scholarships.  
Additional registration forms are attached below to participate.

**Contacts:** GSH 281-741-1624 or [office@gshtx.org](mailto:office@gshtx.org)  
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**We are looking forward to a big event this fall, and we encourage full family participation!**



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## Tournament Rules

- Registration closes and Tournament begins on the morning of 6<sup>th</sup> of October at 4:59 am.
- All boats may not leave the dock/boat ramp earlier than 5:00 am with lines in the water earlier than 5:45 am. **Strictly enforced!**
- Tournament participants must be visible at weigh-in by 4:00 pm with fish on the 6<sup>th</sup> of October.
- All registrants, individual or individuals on Team/Boat can only have one line in the water at any time during tournament.
- All contestants must register in advance to participate. **No walk-ups** after fishing the day are allowed.
- Only one boat per team is allowed, any team found fishing from multiple boats will be disqualified.
- Only eligible fish species will be weighed in: Redfish, Speckled Trout and Flounder. All must be within size of State regulations. No oversized Redfish or tagged Redfish will be weighed in. The weigh-in of any undersized or oversized fish will deem disqualification for Individual or Team.
- You are eligible to launch anywhere within the Galveston Bay Complex. All fishing will be within the Galveston Bay Complex's. No fishing is permitted past the jetties.
- **Fishing guides are allowed.** However, all fish weighed must be by registered anglers.
- All individual registrations cannot join a team after registration is closed.
- All contestants are personally/solely responsible for any fines/actions resulting from any violations of Federal or State game laws, boating laws, or any other law relevant to boating and/or fishing. You are strongly encouraged to practice safe boating and use common sense.
- All angler substitutes must be made before weigh-in time.
- **All Live, Dead and Artificial baits are legal**, and all fish must be caught by rod and reel only.
- Use of trotlines, seine/gill nets, gigs, dynamite, spear fishing, and any other illegal use defined by TPW are strictly prohibited and will render individual and team disqualification with no refund.
- **Weigh-in:** All fish submitted to weigh must be legal to TPW laws. All fish must be in tact of all parts and not gutted or mutilated in any manner. Weighmaster has full obligation to inspect fish in doubt or question once submitted to weigh. Please be aware of the fish you are weighing as a team or individually before coming to weigh station. **No** fish can be substituted, transferred or weighed more than once.
- Each Individual or Team may only weigh in one fish per eligible species slots or fish towards there stringer.
- Heaviest Stringer consists of maximum of 1 Redfish, 3 Trout and 1 Flounder. Fish can only be used in one registered category.
- Tournament Chairmen or Weighmaster will be final judge and will handle disputes or interpretations of tournament rules.
- **Tie Breakers:** In the event of a tie by fish weight; time of weigh-in will determine a winner.
- In the case of bad weather and/or tournament cancellation, sponsorships, registration fees and 15% of cash pots will be donated to the GSH. The GSH Fishing Tournament Chairmen and Board will make any/all decisions regarding tournament cancelation during the captains meeting up until the beginning of the tournament.
- All individuals/teams are subject to disqualification from the tournament, and may be administered a polygraph test, in the event of any violation of tournament rules or suspected of foul play, including the weighing-in of fish which appear to have been caught prior to the day of the tournament. Contestants will be responsible for the cost of polygraph testing if they fail.

## Provided Guided Boats

The price disclosed is as a per person structure. It includes a fishing trip with a professional local guide from the Galveston Bay area and bait & tackle.

**Please be sure to organize this early so we can coordinate the guides correctly for you.**

**Also, please bring a cash tip for your guide and an ice chest for your fileted catch. They work hard for you too!**

## Fish Pot Rules

- All fishing pots are per team and individual
- You are only eligible to win the pots you enter
- One fish per team or individual for Heaviest Trout, Redfish, Flounder and Spotted Redfish
- One stringer per team for Heaviest stringer
- All Pots at \$30.00, Top 3 Places will be awarded (50%,25%,10%) after 15% has been donated to GSH
- Redfish spots will be counted only if they make a complete circle. Spots touching or joined do not count.
- Spot pot 1<sup>st</sup> place only awarded (85%) after 15% has been donated to GSH. No redfish with spots is entered then 85% of proceeds will be divided back to entries.



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## Early Registration Form

Team Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Boat Captain: \_\_\_\_\_

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Anglers:

(captain) 1. \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### Fees Associated:

Tarpon Sponsorship ( <i>Platinum</i> )	\$2000	_____
Redfish Sponsorship ( <i>Gold</i> )	\$1500	_____
Trout Sponsorship ( <i>Silver</i> )	\$1000	_____
Flounder Sponsorship ( <i>Bronze</i> )	\$500	_____
Drum Sponsorship ( <i>Steel</i> )	\$100	_____
Team/Boat Entry	\$300 <b>p/boat</b>	_____
Full Day w/Guide Entry	\$350 <b>p/person</b>	_____

### Fish Pot: (optional)

To participate in the fish pots please indicate which categories the individuals/teams want to enter. Individuals/Teams will be able to enter into the fish pots until the end of on-site registration at 4:59 AM October 6th, 2023. Redfish Spots till Weigh-in ends at 4:00 pm on the 6<sup>th</sup>.

**15% of the fish pots will be donated to the Geological Society of Houston (GSH).**

Heaviest Stringer	\$30 pp	_____
Heaviest Trout	\$30 pp	_____
Heaviest Redfish	\$30 pp	_____
Heaviest Flounder	\$30 pp	_____
Redfish Spots	\$20 pp	_____

### Payment Information:

Registration fee: \_\_\_\_\_ + Sponsorship \_\_\_\_\_ + Fish Pots \_\_\_\_\_ = Total Paid \_\_\_\_\_

Name on CC \_\_\_\_\_ **Call GSH office w/info** \_\_\_\_\_ CC Address: \_\_\_\_\_

CC Type \_\_\_\_\_ CC# \_\_\_\_\_ Exp: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Check# \_\_\_\_\_

By entering the "GEOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF HOUSTON (GSH) SALTWATER FISHING TOURNAMENT" We hereby waive all liability claims against tournament sponsors, hosts, officials and all persons associated with said tournament. We acknowledge that we have received a copy of, understand and agree to abide by all tournament rules, and understand my team will be disqualified for violation of any rules. We agree to abide by tournament official's rulings. We understand our entry fee is non-refundable.

**Signature:**

**Date:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Email/Call with Credit Card Authorization Form or check payable to:

### GSH SALTWATER TOURNAMENT

Geophysical Society of Houston (GSH)

1790 W Sam Houston Parkway N, Houston TX 77043, phone 281.741.1624, [office@gshtx.org](mailto:office@gshtx.org)



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## Sponsorship Levels and Coverage

**All Sponsorships Include: Logo on Website\* – Logo Displayed at Event\* –  
Banner at Event\*\* – Recognition at Event**

*\*Please provide .jpeg for images*

*\*\*Please contact Nathan Lenz for Banner Info*

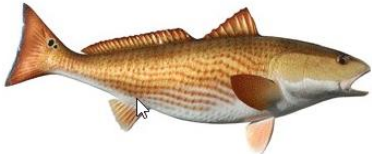
### Tarpon Sponsor (Platinum)



**\$2000**

**4 Registrations or  
Team/Boat Registration for 4**

### Redfish Sponsor (Gold)



**\$1500**

**3 Registrations**

### Trout Sponsor (Silver)



**\$1000**

**2 Registrations**

### Flounder Sponsor (Bronze)



**\$500**

**1 Registration**

### Drum Sponsor (Steel)



**\$100**

**One Dinner/Refreshments**

### Payment Information:

Registration fee: \_\_\_\_\_ +Sponsorship \_\_\_\_\_ +Fish Pots \_\_\_\_\_ =Total Paid \_\_\_\_\_

Name on CC Call GSH office w/info CC Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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