

Lake Thunderbird Conservation Committee
Fall Crappie Tournament – September 14, 2024

TOURNAMENT RULES and ENTRY FORM

On-Line Entry - You may type your info into this form, save it, and email it to: conservation@lakethunderbird.us.
Or, you may print it, fill it in, and mail it with your payment to LTA Conservation.

1. The entire lake is “NO WAKE” for participants during the tournament. All participants must register and all boats must be inspected prior to starting time. Any boat missing inspection will be ineligible to participate.
2. Tournament registration is from 5:00 to 5:30 a.m. Start time is 5:30 a.m. at the South Boat Launch. Any boat that starts fishing prior to the starting signal will be disqualified. Sunrise is at 6:38 a.m.
3. Only clip-on culling tags may be used.
4. All live wells must be in good working order, **able to recirculate continuously**, and will be inspected prior to the start of the tournament. Live wells must be dry prior to launching and no weeds can be hanging from the trailer.
5. Weigh-in will start at 1:00 p.m. You must return to the South Boat Launch by 1:30 p.m. Late arrivals will be disqualified.
6. There is a 10 fish weigh-in limit. No dead fish will be allowed. For this Crappie Tournament ONLY, minimum length size is 8 inches. There is an 8 ounce deduction for each fish under 8 inches.
7. Percentage Payout from total purse collected will be **40% for first place, 20% for second, and 15% for third.**
8. Fly rods may be used. Live bait may be used. Dumping of minnows in the lake is strictly prohibited.
9. Main motors and trolling motors are to be used for positioning only. **No trolling, fishing from docks, or shore!**
10. All entrants must follow the IDNR rules for availability and use of life jackets.
11. All boats must display valid state registration stickers and certificate numbers.
12. All LTA Member boats must have a copy of Liability Insurance on file and current LTA sticker. All other boats must provide proof of Liability Insurance or a copy of the Insurance Certificate during registration/check-in time. Lack of proper Liability Insurance Certificate means ineligibility for this tournament.
13. All boats without a valid LTA sticker **must be removed** from Lake Thunderbird by 1:30 p.m.

There may be members of the Conservation Committee on the water throughout the tournament.

Any reported violations of the above RULES will result in disqualification from this tournament and forfeit of entry fee.

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ENTRY FEES: \$50.00 - EARLY REGISTRATION VIA E-MAIL with tournament-day payment
\$50.00 - EARLY REGISTRATION/MAILED IN PAYMENT
\$60.00 - DAY OF TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION and PAYMENT

Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Partner's Name: _____ Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

I, hereby for heirs, executors, administrators, or myself, waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I have against Lake Thunderbird Association, Putnam, Illinois, and their agents for any losses or injuries suffered by me and/or my partner during this event.

Sign below at registration!

Signature: _____ Partner's Signature: _____

MAIL and MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO

LTA Conservation Committee

2 Lake Thunderbird Drive, Putnam, Illinois 61560