



ST. LOUIS RIVER MUSKIE SHOOTOUT

2023 OFFICIAL RULES

1. Tournament date **07/15/2023**, fishing hours **7:00 am** to **4:00 pm**.
2. A mandatory rules meeting will be held at **6:30 am under the Blatnik bridge** by the kayak/canoe landing. You will be required to turn in your signed liability form and you'll receive your tournament packet at that time.
3. No live bait will be allowed.
4. The minimum fish size is **34"**.
5. Maximum of 2 lines per person, even if fishing Wisconsin waters. This is a 1- or 2-person team event. No fishing from shore if you're fishing alone; you will be required to have a registered tournament participant to witness the fish.
6. Life vests must be worn while traveling from spot to spot.
7. Bump boards must be available for inspection.
8. Fish boundaries are anywhere on the St. Louis River from Duluth and Superior entries to the upstream boundary.
9. Boat number must be included in the photo of the fish along with the bump board. Make sure to take a clear photo; blurred photos will not be accepted.
10. Once a fish is caught, take a clear photo of it on a bump board and text the picture to either Curt or Dustin, see contact information below. Your text must include name of fisherman, boat number, and length of fish. You will receive a confirmation text back.
11. Record each fish length on the back of your boat number card.
12. Fish entries will not be accepted after the tournament ends, the ending time is listed above. All boats must be back to the boat launch and fish registration cards must be turned in at that time. If you're fishing a long way from the launch, make sure to give yourself time to get back. No exceptions will be made.
13. The Muskies Inc. scoring system will be used to determine the total points and ultimately the winner of the tournament. Measure fish to the nearest $\frac{1}{4}$ ". There are 8-pts for each 34" fish plus 1-pt for each additional inch.
 - Examples: 34" fish = 8 points, 34 $\frac{1}{2}$ " fish = 8 + $\frac{1}{2}$ = 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ points, 42 $\frac{1}{4}$ " fish = 16 $\frac{1}{4}$ points, and a 33 $\frac{3}{4}$ " fish is too short and does not count. Time of registration will be used to break ties so text your registration as soon as you can!
14. The awards ceremony will be held at Barker's Island Inn following the tournament. We hope all anglers will attend the awards ceremony. We will have \$3,000.00 worth of great prizes to raffle off and your odds of winning are extremely high.

Tournament Contacts

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