



The 2009 Sea Vee/ Mercury Mayor's Cup Entry Form

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY AND THOROUGHLY.
 Ensure every angler has filled out and signed their section of the entry form. For additional anglers (maximum of 6), please use an additional entry form to list the extra anglers.

TEAM NUMBER

TEAM/BOAT INFORMATION

TEAM NAME		BOAT DESCRIPTION (Brand, Size, Color, Engines)				
BOAT NAME (IF DIFFERENT)						
OPEN DIVISION OR AMATEUR DIVISION	O A	CLUB AFFILIATION	TOURNAMENT USE ONLY	BFC TEAM	PAID - AMOUNT	PAID - TYPE

**Team Captain/
ANGLER A** NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____ SEX M F

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

CELL PHONE _____ D.O.B. IF JUNIOR <16 _____

I acknowledge reading, understanding, and agreeing to all tournament rules. X

UNSIGNED ANGLERS WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE FOR PRIZES.

ANGLER B NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____ SEX M F

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

CELL PHONE _____ D.O.B. IF JUNIOR <16 _____

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ANGLER C NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ ST _____ ZIP _____ SEX M F

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

CELL PHONE _____ D.O.B. IF JUNIOR <16 _____

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ANGLER D NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

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TOURNAMENT ENTRY FEES

Every team is eligible for all the team and individual tournament prizes:

- All Team Prizes
- All Angler Prizes
- Top Female Angler
- Top Junior Angler
- All Fun Fish Prizes
- Billfish Championship
- Top Club Prize
- + 45 ways to win!

Each team receives:

- 4 angler entries
- 4 shirts
- 6 lines
- Captain's Bag(s)
- Sponsor goodies
- 4 social tickets

Entry Fee: \$1600 _____

Early Registration Savings
Before 01/07/2009 (\$-300) _____

Team Entry *included* _____

Fun Fish Entry *included* _____

Angler A *included* _____

Angler B *included* _____

Angler C *included* _____

Angler D *included* _____

Angler E (\$150) _____

Angler F (\$150) _____

Social Ticket \$20 x _____ = \$ _____

Regular Entry Fees **1** _____

+
Additional Prizes **2** _____

= Total Fees _____

*Make checks payable to
"Ocean Promotions"*

ADDITIONAL PRIZES

AMATEUR ONLY	Amateur Diamond Daily 70/30 (\$1000) _____
	Amateur Overall 50/30/20 (\$500) _____
OUTBOARD ONLY	Outboard Diamond Daily 70/30 (\$1000) _____
	Outboard Overall 50/30/20 (\$1000) _____
INBOARD ONLY	Inboard Diamond Daily 70/30 (\$2000) _____
	Inboard Overall 50/30/20 (\$1000) _____
ALL DIVISIONS	King's Ransom 100% (\$1000) _____
	Heavy Hitters 50/30/20* (\$5000) _____
	Fun Fish Fortune (\$500) _____

Teams must fit the criteria for amateur team described in the official rules. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to move teams from categories or divisions at the committee's sole discretion.

CALL WITH QUESTIONS
305-461-2700

PAYMENT OPTIONS

DROP OFF

Drop off your entry form and payment at any of tackle shop sponsors: Crook & Crook, Capt. Harry's, El Capitan, River Marine, or Complete Angler. Check site for additional locations.

MAIL

Ocean Promotions
2550 South Bayshore Drive, Suite 11
Miami, FL 33133

FAX

Fax to: 305-445-6179, then call 305-461-2700 for credit card processing.

ONLINE

www.MayorsCupTournament.com

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TOURNAMENT DATES & LOCATION - The tournament will take place from January 22, 2009 through January 25, 2009. The captains' meeting, weigh-in, check-out/in, awards ceremony and dock parties will take place at Monty's - Coconut Grove, 2550 Bayshore Drive, Miami, Florida.

REGISTRATION AND FEES - Entry fee is \$1300 per boat/team if received on or before January 7, 2009 or \$1600 if received after January 7, 2009. Each team entry includes 6 lines, 4 angler entries, tournament bag(s), 4 social bands, 4 tournament shirts, and other sponsor provided promotional items. Each registered team and angler is eligible for team and individual tournament prizes. Additional anglers may be added to each team for \$150 per extra angler. There is a maximum of 6 anglers per boat/team. Social bands/tickets may be purchased for \$20 per day per person.

OFFICIAL TIME - The official time will be kept by the tournament director. It is urged that captains and anglers synchronize their watches with the director to avoid time related issues.

CAPTAIN'S MEETING - There will be a Captains' Meeting on Thursday January 22, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the tournament site. At least one representative from each boat/team must be present. All anglers are encouraged to attend. The rules of this tournament may be amended verbally or in writing at the time of the meeting. Anglers are responsible for being well informed of all rules.

LICENSES AND PERMITS - All participating anglers must possess necessary licenses and permits including, but not limited to Florida Saltwater Fishing License and the Atlantic Highly Migratory Species Angling Permit.

ELIGIBLE SPECIES:

BILLFISH - Sailfish, marlin, spearfish, swordfish.
FUN FISH - Dolphin, Tuna (blackfin & yellowfin), Wahoo, Kingfish.

BOUNDARIES - All teams must remain within a 25-mile offshore boundary. Teams must also remain south of Port Everglades (Latitude 26° 05' 35") and north of the Carysfort Reef Light (Latitude 25° 13' 15"). Fish caught within this area may be fought outside the area. No fish may be hooked while outside the designated area. Bait fishing may occur anywhere within or outside the boundaries.

COMMUNICATIONS - All participating boats should be equipped with a working VHF marine radio. The tournament committee will monitor VHF channel 82. The backup channel will be channel 80. Official times, releases, hook-ups, and other special notifications will be announced during the tournament on this channel. After releasing a billfish, notify the Committee Boat by radio with your boat/team number and the angler's letter. The Committee Boat will acknowledge information given with a confirmation number. Boats without radio contact shall contact another boat for a relay. This information will be acknowledged by radio to all participating boats. During the final 10 minutes of each day's fishing, all hook-ups (billfish and fun fish) must be called into the committee boat. **NO TOURNAMENT STANDINGS OR WEIGH-IN STATISTICS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE VHF RADIO.**

SUBSTITUTIONS - You may substitute anglers or boats. Boat and angler substitution may occur if done in writing and accepted by the tournament director before either day's fishing has commenced.

AMATEUR TEAM DEFINITION - The current season begins with the first day of the current Sailfish Kickoff and ends the day before the next Sailfish Kickoff. A person's status is valid for one season. A person's status is determined by the previous season's results.

Previous Season: Dec 1, 2006 - Nov. 29, 2008

Current Season: Nov. 30, 2007 - Nov. 29, 2009

you are not an amateur if either:

- Earned money from fishing during the previous season (i.e. as a mate, captain, guide, or part of a vessels crew); or
- Won in excess of \$5000 combined total in any fishing tournament(s) during the previous season

If any team member, captain, mate, or guest (not including the observer or press) on the boat is not an amateur, then the entire team is not classified as an amateur team. If there is any question as to you or your team's status, please contact the tournament director prior to submitting the entry form. The tournament committee reserves the right to move teams from divisions at the committee's discretion.

OBSERVERS - There are no observers in this tournament.

PHOTO PROCEDURE - Each team is required to use their own digital or video camera. Teams are encouraged to use video cameras, but at least a digital camera is mandatory. They are responsible for the proper operation of this camera and are urged to have a backup camera. Each team must take a photo of the check-out boat each morning to initiate their camera for that day's photos. This must be done each morning. Teams must take photos of each released fish during the fight and during the release. The photos must conclusively show the release AND the species of the fish. You will be required to take a photo of an item to mark the end of that fish's photo sequence. This will be announced by the radioman. Teams must submit their camera at the end of each day's fishing for examination. The camera is to be submitted with the release card. Cameras will be returned that same day. All photos and video become tournament property.

PHOTOS NOTES - Get acquainted with your camera. Most digital cameras experience "shutter-lag" which is a slight delay from when you press the button to when the photo is actually taken. Learn this and take PLENTY of photos. Taking the photo of the fish has now become part of the "official release" procedure. Just like touching the leader, taking a valid photo is now also necessary. If you do not have a photo of the release, then you do not have an official release. **No photo, no release.**

CHECK-OUT PROCEDURE - All boats must be visually checked-out at

the Committee Boat. The Committee Boat is located at the end of Dinner Key Channel in Miami. All boats will be visually and verbally checked-out from this location. This checkpoint will be manned by tournament staff from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 a.m. each fishing morning. Any boat wishing to check-out after 7:30 a.m. must contact the tournament director or member of the rules committee to arrange a check-out at the marina. Boats not checked out will be disqualified from that day's fishing.

FISHING TIMES - The official start time is at 7:30 a.m. each day. This will be marked by a radio announcement of "lines-in." The official end time is 4:00 p.m. on Saturday and 3:00 p.m. on Sunday. These end times will be marked by a radio announcement of "lines-out." All anglers must discontinue fishing immediately except in the case where a fish was hooked-up and called into the committee boat during the last 10 minutes of fishing for that day.

BAIT FISHING - Teams may fish for their own bait or purchase bait for this tournament.

FISHING RULES - Unless otherwise stated elsewhere in these rules or amended at the captains' meeting, I.G.F.A. rules apply throughout the tournament. Live or dead bait chumming is strictly prohibited. Live or dead bait teasers, dredges, or daisy chains are also prohibited. Other boats may not chum on behalf of another boat. Any boat/team violating the chumming rule will be disqualified for the entire tournament. The "No Chumming" rule does not apply to bait fishing. The maximum length of a double line is 5 feet. The maximum length of a leader, not including the double line, is 15 feet. These leader rules supercede I.G.F.A. rules.

HOOKS - As per the NMFS, all teams must use non-offset circle hooks.

RELEASE CARDS - Each team will be given release cards at the beginning of the tournament. Additional release cards are available at the tournament site. Teams are responsible for COMPLETELY and ACCURATELY filling out the information on the release card. A team member must turn in the release card to the tournament committee at the end of each day's fishing. Incomplete or improperly completed cards may be rejected by the tournament committee.

BILLFISH SCORING - All billfish should be released unharmed. Any angler bringing a billfish into the weigh station shall forfeit any claim he/she and their team may have to tournament prizes. Each successful release of a billfish will earn the angler 200 points and their team the same number of points. A successful release is when a team member touches the leader (not the double line), or the swivel attaching the leader touches the rod tip, or the knot attaching the leader to the fishing line touches the rod tip, or in the case where a float is used: when the float touches the rod tip and the swivel AND a successful photograph has been taken of the release and the billfish.

FUN FISH SCORING - The fun fish categories pertain to all anglers in the tournament. There is no designation in these categories. All teams are included and compete together. All fish presented for weigh-in must be in fresh, edible condition and caught that tournament day. No mutilated fish (based on tournament committee's opinion) will be accepted. Minimum acceptable weight of 10 pounds is required for entry into the tournament. All participating anglers are urged to release those fish not to be entered into the tournament. The release of fish should be in keeping with the best conservation methods to ensure continued life. All entries must be weighed at the certified scale at the official weigh-in location in the presence of the boat/team entering them. Any fish may be examined by any means necessary. No more than 3 fish of any eligible species may be weighed in per team per day. The fish will be weighed to the nearest tenth (1/20) of a pound. There will be a prize awarded for the single heaviest fun fish of each species for the entire tournament. All teams are eligible for the fun fish prizes.

PRIZES FOR OVERALL TOURNAMENT - Team Awards will be awarded based on the overall score of the entire team.
Amateur Class and Open Class
1st Place - 2nd Place - 3rd Place - Top Angler - Top Captain
Either Class
Top Female Angler - Top Junior Angler
(not reached 17th birthday by beginning of the tournament)
Top Dolphin, Wahoo, Kingfish, Tuna

ADDITIONAL PRIZE CATEGORIES - There are additional prize categories that are elective. These prize categories are scored as are the overall tournament billfish releases. Every prize is a 95% payout. The percentages below reflect the balance AFTER the tournament has retained 5%.

Amateur Class

Amateur Diamond Daily - This prize is divided into two daily prizes. Saturday: Top team wins 35%, second team wins 15%. Sunday: Top team wins 35%, second team wins 15%. The team entry is \$1000.

Amateur Overall - The top three teams with the most billfish release points win. First = 50%, Second = 30%, Third = 20%. Team entry is \$500.

Open Class - Outboard

Open Outboard Diamond Daily - This prize is divided into two daily prizes. Saturday: Top team wins 35%, second team wins 15%. Sunday: Top team wins 35%, second team wins 15%. The team entry is \$1000.

Open Outboard Overall - The top three teams with the most billfish release points win. First = 50%, Second = 30%, Third = 20%. Team entry is \$1000.

Open Class - Inboard

Open Inboard Diamond Daily - This prize is divided into two daily prizes. Saturday: Top team wins 35%, second team wins 15%. Sunday: Top team wins 35%, second team wins 15%. The team

Schedule at a Glance

Thursday, Jan. 22, 2009

- 5:00 pm : Early Registration Opens
- 6:00 pm : Atlantico Rum Bar Opens
- 7:00 pm : Official Start of Captain's Meeting

Friday, Jan. 23, 2009 "Off Day"

Saturday, Jan. 24, 2009 - "Day 1"

- 6:30 am : Boat Check-out begins
- 7:30 am : Lines-in
- 4:00 pm : Lines-out
- 5:30 pm : Weigh-Station Closes

Sunday, Jan. 25, 2009 - "Day 2"

- 6:30 am : Boat Check-out begins
- 7:30 am : Lines-in
- 3:00 pm : Lines-out
- 4:30 pm : Weigh-Station Closes
- 6:00 pm : Awards Dinner

entry is \$2000.

Open Inboard Overall - The top three teams with the most billfish release points win. First = 50%, Second = 30%, Third = 20%. Team entry is \$1000.

Open Class - Inboard and Outboard

King's Ransom - This is a winner-take-all prize. The team with the most billfish release points during the tournament wins. 100% to top team! Team entry is \$1000 per team.

Heavy Hitter - This category is only open to teams in across the board and pays First = 50%, Second = 30%, Third = 20% if 10 or more boats enter. 70% to first, 30% to second if 9 or less boats enter. Team entry is \$5000.

Billfish Championship Bonus - This prize category is closed for the Mayor's Cup

Prizes Open to All Classes

Fun Fish Fortune - The prize money is divided equally into four and paid out to the top in each of the fun fish species. Team entry is \$500.

WEATHER CONDITIONS - In the event of unsafe weather conditions, the tournament committee may choose to cancel a day of fishing for the tournament. If one day has been canceled, the tournament will be decided on the results of a single day. Captains are ultimately responsible for their crew and should make the decision as to safe sea conditions.

PROTESTS - Any protests concerning the conduct of an angler or rules violations must be filed in writing with the tournament committee no later than the close of the weigh station on the day of the alleged violation. Protests will be handled by the rules committee. The decisions of the rules committee are final.

REFUNDS - No refunds will be given for any reason including, but not limited to acts of nature, war, national security, or travel restrictions.

TIES - All ties will be broken based on time. The earlier billfish release or earlier fun fish weigh-in will win the tie.

POLYGRAPH - Polygraph will be administered both days of competition. Each registered angler specifically agrees and consents to voluntarily submit to a polygraph examination or examinations at any time until all prize winners and awards are determined and announced. Further, each registered angler agrees to obtain the agreement and consent of each and every occupant of the boat from which he or she fishes during the tournament (including but not limited to the captain and crew) to submit to a polygraph examination or examinations as described above. The method and conduct of all polygraph examinations, and the interpretation of the results thereof, shall be in the sole judgment of the polygraph examiner appointed by the Tournament, whose opinion shall be final. If any registered angler or occupant of a vessel refuses to submit to a polygraph examination, or if any registered angler or occupant gives a response which, in the sole opinion of the polygraph examiner, is untruthful, then all registered anglers on the boat shall be immediately disqualified without further notice from the Tournament. Any registered angler so disqualified shall not be entitled to any prize, award, or entry fee refund.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY - It is expressly understood that all participants in the Tournament enter at their own risk and that the Tournament or Ocean Promotions and Events, LLC, their officers and directors and all persons connected directly or indirectly with the operations of the tournament, or any sponsor of the tournament shall be exempt from any liability for slander, loss, damage, negligence, harm, injury or death suffered by any participant, entrant, anglers or their companions, boat captains, mates, crew members, guests, vessels and equipment which may occur during the tournament.

SIGNING OF THE ENTRY FORM - By signing the entry form, the angler agrees to follow the above tournament rules and that the tournament and/or its sponsors may use without payment or restriction any photographs and/or video in which he or she appears for any purpose whatsoever but not limited to resale, advertising, commercial or promotional material. All anglers are required to sign their entry blank form as certification that they have read and agreed to abide by all rules and the above liability release.