



West Coast Boat Angling Club / Wes-Kus Boot Hengelklub

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West Coast Boat Angling Club 10 Species Fishing Competition (To be held at False Bay Yacht Club)

COMPETITION RULES & INFORMATION

1. One day fishing competition 24 or 25 March 2018.
2. Date of skipper briefing: 22 March 2018
Time: 18h30, Oceana Power Boat Club
3. This competition is open to all members of the public including other clubs.
4. The boat owners and skippers must ensure that all crew and craft documents are up to date and legal and have present on day of event if required. (These documents must be submitted as part of the online entry process)
5. Competitors may fish as far as their boat is legally registered.
6. The launch is from 5am. Entry fee does not include harbor launch costs, at R100 per vessel for non FBYC members
7. The entry fee is R250 for members, R300 non-members and R150 for juniors. NOTE: Entries must be submitted online and paid for by 6 pm 20 March 2018. Entries will be done through an online entry process, whereby skippers will need to upload Skippers tickets, COF for vessels, Indemnity for all crew onboard, and finally payments will be made via this same online entry process.
8. All fish entered will be returned to their rightful owners once weighed, however random fish will be gutted to check the insides.
9. Any person caught being dishonest will be named and shamed publicly.
10. Sponsors are permitted to enter however many not win the main prizes.
11. Commercial vessels are not permitted to enter.
12. Jet Ski's and Paddle ski's may not enter, as this competition is strictly for boat Anglers.

- 13.** Two days are set aside for the event and the committee will make a weather call on the day and their decision is final as this is a one day competition.
- 14.** All nominees will NOT receive a refund of entry fee in the event of cancellation of the competition due to weather or any other reason. The competition will be postponed, and new dates will be decided by the WCBAC committee.
- 15.** Lines UP on the competition day is at 14h00.
- 16.** The weigh in will be between 14h00 and 17h00. Anyone not in the queue at the official "Weigh-In Area" with a fish to be weighed will be deemed ineligible to be weighed in and therefore outside the official finish time. All fish must be measured on the official measuring mat provided by the organisers to be eligible.
- 17.** Any person breaking the rules will be disqualified.
- 18.** No political attire is permitted.
- 19.** Prize giving will be held at the FBYC from 18h30 on the day of the competition.
- 20.** Launch time will commence at 6am and starting gun fired at 7am. This will be announced after the bridge boat has given the all clear.
- 21.** No spectators allowed on board other than accredited members of the media.
- 22.** Any tagged fish caught must please be handed to the committee for record purposes and will then be returned to its rightful owner.
- 23.** Please note that commercial fishermen have the right of way on the day so please respect their profession.
- 24.** The use of alcohol is restricted to the bar / function area at FBYC. No alcohol other than what is purchased at the bar will be allowed on the premises.
- 25.** Club Chairman's decisions are final and based on information gathered from other committee members and their relevant sub committees.
- 26.** All Participants shall be required to complete the official online application form which will also be used as the clubs indemnity on the day of the competition. The competitor acknowledges that the West Coast Boat Angling as well as FBYC, the organizing committee and sponsors, accept no liability for any injury, loss or damage to any person or property in the course of excursion and the competition generally when such injury or loss is due, or alleged to be due to, any act, neglect or default on the part of the West Coast Boat Angling Club or any official/committee member thereof. Skippers acknowledge that they will get the necessary parent/guardian consent in the case of crew under 18. All competitors fully understand that in so participating they do so entirely at their own risk and agree to abide by all rules and regulations.
- 27.** Marine protected areas are to be strictly adhered to during this competition. Any vessels found to be fishing in any of the MPA's will be immediately disqualified, and will not be entitled to win any of the prizes. The organizing committee will have vessels on the water checking this.

- 28.** All species entered for prizes will be measured and not weighed. Points will be awarded based on the % of the measurement (cm) of the fish, vs the SA record.
- 29.** The following 10 species will count for the competition:
- 1) Snoek
 - 2) Yellowtail
 - 3) Kob – *release only*
 - 4) Geelbek – *release only*
 - 5) Mackerel
 - 6) Hottentot
 - 7) Elf / Shad
 - 8) Gurnard
 - 9) Squid (*Loligo Vulgaris*)
 - 10) Katonkel
- 30.** Kob and Geelbek both considered Red list, over exploited and vulnerable species are no kill species for the comp and are to be returned safely to the water after being measured and photographed, clearly showing the total length measurement from tip to tail (a measuring mat will be provided on the day of the comp per vessel).
- 31.** All other species *can* be landed, and will be measured at the weigh in, however, the organizing committee highly recommend that anybody wanting to release their catch (all species) can do so, and points will be awarded based on photographic evidence as per point 30 for Kob and Geelbek.