

# 3rd Annual Mafia Madness

## Deepwater Mafia Tournament

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January 01 – December 1, 2020

### **Categories:**

Snapper, Greater Amberjack, Grouper, Lionfish, Cobia, Sheep Head, Mangrove Snapper, Youth, and other.

Snapper is **Any** species of snapper, besides Mangrove Snapper, legal for harvest and within **Open** state and or federal season.

Greater Amberjack is Greater Amberjack **ONLY** (Almaco, Crevalle, etc. will be in the Other category) legal for harvest and within **Open** state and or federal season.

Grouper is **Any** species of grouper legal for harvest and within **Open** state and or federal season.

Other includes Any fish legal for harvest and not included in the above categories (Tuna, Wahoo, Almaco, Barracuda, Crevalle Jack, etc.)

Lionfish will be a Biggest, Smallest (by length), & total count of lionfish harvested over the duration of the tournament.

There will be a Mississippi water contest, coinciding with the Jimmy Sanders Lion Fish Tournament for the length of the Tournament.

King Spearfisherman Award – Points will be added up for all categories do determine winner

GrandFather Award - Points will be added up for all categories do determine winner, and age must be 55 and over.

Novice Award - Points will be added up for all categories do determine winner. You must Have 3 years or less from Open Water Certification.

### **Rules**

1. Weighmasters/ tournament officials have final say. In the event the officials disagree on an issue, club president will make the deciding vote. Officials for 2020 tournament are Heath Powell & Marcus McDavid.

2. Boundaries are open to all waters and competition begins Jan 1<sup>st</sup> ,2020 at 12:01 am and ends on December 1, 2020 12:01 am.

3. All legal fish are open for harvest and within **Open** state and or federal season.
4. All contestants must be a Deepwater Mafia member in good standing for duration of the tournament.
5. All contestants must be certified in their area (scuba / freedive) and conduct themselves properly.
6. Category winners are determined by biggest fish (by weight). (LionFish by Length)
7. All fish must be taken by speargun or polespear with or without float lines and while submerged in water. (**No shooting from boat!**)
8. No ties will be considered. The first entry logged is the winner if two fish have the exact weight.
9. Participant can only win in one slot in each category. You can not have a 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> fish in one category.
10. There will be a dedicated Marco Polo chat for video shots of the catch. With the scale set at zero then weighing fish.
11. A picture **MUST** be emailed with a shot of certified scale for **official entry**. You have 7 days from the day of harvesting to turn in your entry.
12. You **MUST** have a current Mafia Member present when your fish is weighed.
13. The picture of the fish on a certified scale with name of witness or name of boat, must be emailed to: [MafiaMadness@DeepWaterMafia.net](mailto:MafiaMadness@DeepWaterMafia.net) within those 7 days.
14. This is a friendly club tournament. Any attempts to cheat, defraud, or otherwise unlawfully bend the rules set forth will result in disqualification and will result in probationary status with review in front of the board.
15. No fish may be entered without a signed registration and waiver on file. (You can't get a big fish, then decide to sign up for tournament.)
16. Youth category consist of any Deep Water Mafia Club Member that are 18 and under. Youth entering into tournament is free and must have a Parents signature on the wavier.

You **MUST** have signed registration/waiver on file **BEFORE** you go to shoot a fish.

There is a \$100.00 registration fee. This will help with prizes and trophies given at the DWM Christmas Party.

Preferred payment is PayPal [Treasurer@DeepWaterMafia.net](mailto:Treasurer@DeepWaterMafia.net) Cash and checks are acceptable

There will be a Photography contest. Entry for photo contest is free, but you have to sign a waiver to participate. The dates for the photos end on November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 and Tournament Committee will pick 6 photos and post them on the DWM Facebook page and Group Me App. The pictures with the most likes will win the Photo Contest.

There will be a drawing for a Speargun, all contestants of the DWM Tournament are eligible and will be entered upon registration. Speargun will be presented at the DWM Christmas Party. You must be present to win. If not present, another name will be drawn.

Other prizes to be determined at a later date.

Thanks to the Mississippi Gulf Fishing Banks in their support in the Deep Water Mafia's 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Mafia Madness

