



ROOSTER TAILS **2020** JACKPOT FISHING CONTEST RULES

Rooster Tail Members-only in good standing with paid dues and a signed liability waiver form on file may enter the Club's Annual Jackpot Fishing Contest by paying an **entry fee of \$20.00** to the Contest Chairman or Club Treasurer. The payment must be made 2 weeks in advance of your entry and any time between the starting and ending contest dates. No fish-entry will be accepted without a two-week prior entry fee payment. **The official contest competition is from January 1 through November 30 of each calendar year.** After the January breakfast meeting, only fish caught within the official contest term qualify for the contest. Contest cash prizes and recognition certificates will be awarded at the Rooster Tails Fishing Club's Annual Jackpot Contest Awards Ceremony. Jackpot entrants that do not have a winning Jackpot Contest fish entry will have a chance to win a proportionate cash prize based on a random drawing 'for-one-that-got-away' at the ceremony. Potential random contest winners must be present at the event to receive their prize.

Only the following fish species legally caught as defined by DF&W regulations in California inland waters or the ocean waters immediately adjoining the California coast or Delta qualify for an entry as listed on the Jackpot board:

- Kokanee
- Landlocked Salmon
- River or Ocean King Salmon
- Striped Bass
- Rainbow Trout
- Brown Trout
- Steelhead
- Lake Trout (Mackinaw)
- Large Mouth Bass
- Crappie
- Catfish
- Shad
- Ling Cod
- Halibut

Only the total length of the fish measured on a straight-line from the tip of the nose to the end of the longest lobe of the tail is to be documented on a contest entry form. No ties for the same length fish species, subsequent entries for the same species *must exceed* the current entry by a minimum of (1/2") one-half inch. Fish weight is only for informational purposes and has no bearing on entry parameters. Contest entrants are encouraged to release all fish not intended to be kept for table-fare. Catch and release entries are to be confirmed with a photo and witnessed by a current member of the Rooster Tails Fishing Club and documented with a photo of the fish on common measuring tape or ruler. **NEW** - 1/19, No contest entries will be accepted from private ponds, entries must be from public access waters only. **NEW** 1/19, No contest entries for fish caught with a hired fishing guide or from a guide boat. All final determination of Jackpot contest winners and the resolution of any conflicts is at the discretion of the Rooster Tail's Board of Directors.

The catch entry form along with a photo is to be submitted to the Contest Chairman by hand, mail, or email to info@roostertailsfishingclub.org within 30 days of the catch-date. Additional entry forms are available from the club web site under the club events tab and clicking on Jackpot Contest. Verbal entry information will not qualify as an official Jackpot entry. The leading entries will be posted on the Jackpot Contest Board displayed at every third Friday breakfast meeting.

ROOSTER TAILS FISHING CLUB - **2020** JACKPOT CONTEST ENTRY FORM

(KEEP A COPY OF THIS FORM IN YOUR TACKLE BOX OR BOAT!)

To qualify for a contest entry, this form must be completed with a photo of the fish entry.

Member: _____ Entry Date (*within 30 days of catch*): _____
A **\$20.00 entry fee** must be paid two-weeks prior to submitting a contest fish entry. The entry fee and a completed entry form are to be given to the Jackpot Chairman or Club Treasurer.

I hereby certify that I personally caught a _____, on _____
(Species, e.g. rainbow trout, kokanee) (Date the fish was caught)
from _____. The fish length was _____ inches long; and
(name of body of water, e.g. lake, river, Delta)

weighed _____ pounds/ounces; witnessed in the presence of _____.
(Witnessed and **Signature** of RT member (preferred), DF&W, or Certified by a Bait/Tackle Store)

Rules and **printable entry forms** are available at www.roostertailsfishingclub.org click-on 'club events'