



TIMBERLAKE ACTIVITY COMMITTEE FISHING DERBY OFFICIAL RULE 2024

The 2024 Annual Fishing Derby is sponsored by the *Timberlake Activities Committee* with the support of the *Timberlake Board of Directors*. It is for the enjoyment of the *member's* children, grandchildren, and authorized guests. As a sponsor, *Timberlake Activities Committee* reserves the right to establish these rules of participation. The purpose of this Fishing Derby is to provide an enjoyable environment for participants to become acquainted with their neighbors. Fishing will be in accordance with Washington State fishing rules and regulations.

ELIGIBILITY

Derby participants must be the children, grandchildren, or authorized guests of Timberlake Community *members*.

The age limit for participants is 5 through 15. fifteen years of age is defined as through the fifteenth year to one day before the sixteenth (16) birthday.

No participant will be discriminated against because of race, color, creed, national origin, disability, or sex, in keeping with the ideals of the *EEOC*.

AGE GROUPS

Age will be determined by the participant on *Registration Day* May 25, 2024, 8am-12pm at the *French Toast Breakfast* being held at the *MPC*.

The three age groups on the day of the Fishing Derby are the following:

- 5-7: Minimum of five (5) years of age through age seven (7) but not yet eight (8).
- 8-11: Minimum of eight (8) years of age through age eleven (11) but not yet twelve (12).
- 12-15: Minimum of twelve (12) years of age but not yet sixteen (16).



PRIZES

Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place will be given to the participants that catch the biggest fish in each age group. There will be a *Grand Prize* given for the largest fish caught out of the all the Derby entries.

Special Prize available if a *Tagged* fish is caught during the Derby.

REGISTRATION

There is no fee to register. All expenses are paid by the *Timberlake Activities Committee*.

Participants will receive a registration *Tag* and *Lanyard* at the time of registration.

The registration *Tag* and *Lanyard* must be worn at all times during the Fishing Derby.

The purpose of registration is to speed up the judging and to properly forecast the lunch supply requirements.

*First stage of *registration* will take place on Saturday, May 25, 2024, between the hours of 8am to 12pm at the Multi-Purpose Building (*MPC - 2880 East Timberlake Drive West*), an hour before and after the *French Toast Breakfast*, also sponsored by the *Timberlake Activities Committee*. All participants (*children*) must be present with *Adult/Guardian* at the time of registration.

*Second Stage of registration will also take place at Island Park (*1300th Block of East Timberlake Drive East*) on the day of the *Derby*, May 27th, between 6:00am - 8:00am.

DERBY HOURS

Derby hours are 8am to 12pm on Monday, May 27, 2024. Participants have **30 minutes** to reach *Island Park* where the official weigh-in/check-in will commence no later than 12:30pm.

The Fishing Derby judges reserve the right to disqualify any fish that appears to have been previously caught. All decisions made by the judge(s) will be final.



WARNING SIGNALS

Contestants do not need to be on *Island Park* at the start of the *Derby*. The following signals that'll be heard throughout the lakes will be as followed:

- Start of the Derby: 1 *Long Air Horn Blast* at 8am
- End of Derby Warning: 2 *Short Air Horn Blasts* 11:30am
- End of Derby: 1 *Long Air Horn Blast* at 12pm

RANKING

Fish must be caught during the before mentioned hours and must be brought to the Fishing Headquarters (*Island Park - 1300th Block of East Timberlake Dr. East*) by 12:30pm for the participant to be eligible to receive a prize.

For ranking purposes, the fish must be in its normal state, not cleaned, and with the head and tail intact. Weight and time will be recorded at check-in.

Fish which have been altered in any manner will be disqualified. The Derby Committee reserves the right to thoroughly examine any winning fish.

Fish must be caught within the *Timberlake Community* on *Big Timberlake*, *Little Timberlake*, and the "Swamp" across from *Island Park* on *Big Timberlake*.

LUNCH

All registered participants are entitled to a picnic lunch provided by the Activities Committee.

WINNER SELECTION

After polling the check-in data, the winners will be announced.

The winner will be based on weight with the heaviest fish being the winner. Ties will be broken by comparing length with the longest fish of the same weight of the tied winner.

As in all situations, the decision of the judge(s) is final.