



Bonefish Bonnies

FLATS TOURNAMENT RULES

April 11, 2022

- All anglers must be members of the Bonefish Bonnies.
- Acceptable species: Bonefish, Permit, Tarpon, Snook, Redfish
- All fish must be released unharmed. Hooks should be released while the fish is in the water.
- Any fish photographed should be photographed in the water or in a net that is in the water.
- A maximum of two anglers per boat. Two anglers may fish simultaneously.
- Each angler **must** cast her own line and fight her own fish. **No one** may touch the angler, her reel or rod until time of release.
- Only light tackle may be used such as fly, spin and plug casting rods.
- The maximum line test is 16lbs and IGFA rules apply.
- The maximum length of double line and leader may not exceed 20 feet, with neither one being more than 15 feet.
- A leader includes a class tippet and optionally, a shock tippet. A butt or taper section between the fly and the class tippet shall be considered part of the leader.
- The class tippet must be at least 15 inches of nonmetallic material.
- A fly fish release is when the knot of the leader or double line touches the rod tip. A spin release is the rod length.
- The angler, guide or observer may release a fish.
- IGFA rules apply. In the event of any conflict between Bonefish Bonnies Rules and IGFA Rules the Bonefish Bonnies Rules will prevail.
- **No** treble hooks (or the like) are allowed.
- Organic bait, artificial lures, plugs and flies may be used but plugs, lures and flies must **not** be tipped with organic bait.
- Trolling and chumming are **not** permitted during tournament hours..
- Still fishing is permitted for all fish **EXCEPT BONEFISH**.
- Off limit waters: **Any** man-made canals or basins and open ocean waters.
- Boats **must** leave from and return to Ocean Reef or Key Largo Anglers Club waters.
- LINES IN: **8:00 am** LINES OUT: **3:30 pm** (unless fighting a fish)
- Signed Release Record sheets **must** be returned to the Scoring Committee at the Raw Bar Tiki Hut no later than **4:30 pm**.
- Ties will be broken by time, so be sure to note the times your fish were caught.

Captains Meeting – April 10, 2022 - Vineyard Vines – 5:00-6:30pm

Awards Cocktail Party – April 11, 2022 – The Point – 5:30 - 7:30pm