

“GET HOOKED” FISHING DERBY RULES & REGULATIONS 2018

1. All individuals must have a properly obtained wristband in order to enter onto the Fishing Derby site, and the wristband must be worn at all times. The Fishing Derby wristband must be displayed or showed upon the request of any Fishing Derby volunteer or staff. Failure to have or display a proper wristband will result in disqualification for all prizes and expulsion from the Fishing Derby site.
2. All participants must enter the Fishing Derby grounds through the approved front entrance regardless if entry is made by vehicle or on foot. Anyone attempting to enter the grounds via any other access or method will be removed from the grounds and disqualified from prize consideration.
3. All participants must only fish during the hours set forth for the Fishing Derby (Saturday, August 4, 2018 from 7:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m.). All Fishing Derby participants must only fish in the designated areas.
4. All participants must obey all City, State and Federal laws during the course of this event, including all applicable game and fish laws. If a participant is cited for a violation of an applicable law while on the Fishing Derby grounds they will be disqualified from any and all prizes and may be expelled from the Fishing Derby grounds. No wading or swimming allowed. In addition, the Fishing Derby does not allow the use of chum, boxed bait, chumming buckets, bait blocks or any other manner of fish attraction that does not use hook and line. Participants at the Fishing Derby are limited to two rods and reels, both of which may be in the water at the same time. No other means besides a rod and reel can be used to catch a fish.
5. **All participants 16 years of age or older are required to have a valid Illinois Fishing License in order to participate.** This has changed from the prior years' events. The Boys & Girls Clubs of the Mississippi Valley and the Fishing Derby are not liable for any violations of any participants who fish without a valid Illinois Fishing License.
6. Wristbands may not be upgraded during the course of the event. If you purchase a \$10 wristband you may not upgrade to a \$25 wristband during the event. Violations of this rule will result in disqualification from all prizes. Only \$25 wristbands are eligible for the grand prize, a 2018 Honda CR-V EX from Zimmerman Honda. To be eligible for the grand prize the participant must be 18 years of age and meet all state and local requirements for vehicle ownership.
7. You may claim a prize only for fish that you catch. You must present a live fish to claim a prize, dead fish are not eligible. You may not claim a prize for friends, family members or others. If you attempt to claim a prize for a fish that you did not catch you will be disqualified from further participation in this event and may be subject to additional penalties pursuant to Illinois law. You may take home any catfish that you catch, with a limit of six fish per person.

8. Alteration of a tag, fish or any other attempt to fraudulently obtain a prize will result in disqualification from further participation in this event and may be subject to additional penalties pursuant to Illinois law.

9. All alcoholic beverages are prohibited on the premises.

10. All individuals are prohibited from possessing any firearms on the premises whether concealed or open carry.

11. All participants are expected to conduct themselves in a true sportsmanlike, courteous, safe and ethical manner at all times. Failure to conduct themselves in such a manner may result in disqualification and expulsion from the grounds. Give your neighbor sufficient room to cast and land fish. Do not interfere with any other participants fishing activity. Any fish that is caught and claimed by more than one participant will be disqualified from prize contention. Possession of the disputed fish will be determined by a Fishing Derby Chairperson's ruling. In accordance with Illinois law, if a fish caught is cleaned on site, neither the entrails nor carcass may be disposed of into the lake.

12. Participants must be wearing their wristbands at all times. Children under age 12 are highly encouraged to wear a life preserver at all times.

13. In the event of inclement weather, or for other good cause, the BCGMV reserves the right to cancel the Fishing Derby. **IN THE EVENT OF THE CANCELLATION OF THE FISHING DERBY, NO REFUNDS WILL BE GIVEN.**

14. Participants are **strictly limited** to the use of three feet of shoreline if using one fishing pole, and six feet of shoreline if using two fishing poles. Fishing Derby staff and volunteers reserve the right to limit participants to the use of one fishing pole and three feet of shoreline in the event the Fishing Derby becomes overcrowded.

DO NOT WASTE FISH! IF YOU DON'T INTEND TO KEEP YOUR CATCH, RELEASE IT IMMEDIATELY. DEAD FISH SHOULD BE PLACED IN THE APPROPRIATE WASTE CONTAINER.

The Boys & Girls Clubs of the Mississippi Valley and the Fishing Derby do not discriminate on race, creed, national origin, color or gender. The Fishing Derby is not required to accept all registration applications and retains sole discretion on acceptance or rejection of any application.

Employees of the BCGMV, Members of the BCGMV Board of Directors, Zimmerman Honda employees, and Zimmerman Alfa Romeo Fiat employees are not eligible for the grand prize.

All participants release the Boys & Girls Club of the Mississippi Valley and the Fishing Derby from any and all liability as a result of any acts or omissions by the staff and/or volunteers

of the Boys & Girls Club of the Mississippi Valley and the Fishing Derby during any activity associated with the Fishing Derby.

All participants release the use of photographs, video or film of themselves taken or obtained during the course of the Fishing Derby or the use by the Boys & Girls Club of the Mississippi Valley/Fishing Derby without prior consent to royalties. All participants agree to cooperate with and perform as instructed by the Fishing Derby and all sponsoring businesses in the award of prizes and the publication or use of such awards by the Fishing Derby or the sponsoring business without prior consent or royalties. Failure to cooperate in the award of the prize may result in disqualification from the event and prize consideration. The Fishing Derby reserves the right to refuse to award a prize to anyone and all decisions of the Fishing Derby Chairperson are final.

FISHING DERBY FAQ

1. What time will the gates open?

6:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 4, 2018

2. What are the fishing times of the event?

7:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Saturday, August 4th, 2018.

3. How many poles can I have in the water?

You are allowed to have two poles in the water at a time.

4. Do I need a fishing license?

Yes, all participants 16 years of age or older are required to have a valid Illinois Fishing License in order to participate.

5. Does every person present need a wristband?

YES, everyone needs a wristband, even the people watching. Think of it as a donation to the Boys and Girls Club of the Mississippi Valley.

6. Where are the fish dumped in the lake?

There is no specific spot. They are spread throughout the lake.

7. Can I set up a tent or canopy the night before?

No, nobody is allowed on the premises until the gates open at 6:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 4, 2018.

8. Can I bring my own cooler?

Yes, you can, but alcoholic beverages are strictly prohibited.

9. Will bait be sold?

Yes, bait will be sold on the premises.

10. Do I have to be present to win?

Yes, you must be present to win both regular prizes and the grand prize.