



Michiana Steelheaders

OPEN RIVER TOURNAMENT

Oct. 16th, Oct. 30th, and Nov. 13th 2016

STEELHEAD ONLY

The entry fee is \$10 per person, with an optional entry fee of \$5 per person for Big Fish. A 90% payout of entry fees will be made at the tournament. Prize money will be determined upon the number of entries received. Prize money will be awarded to the top five steelhead caught:

1st 40%, 2nd 25%, 3rd 20%, 4th 10%, 5th 5% of payout

If only 4 fish are caught, percentages will be 45%, 30%, 15%, 10% of payout

If only 3 fish are caught, percentages will be 50%, 35%, 15% of payout

If only 2 fish are caught, percentages will be 60%, 40% of payout

If only one fish is caught 100% of payout

If no fish are caught, prize money will roll over to the next scheduled club tournament.

Tournament registration will be at **Rent-A-Center**. Located at 914 S Merrifield Ave Mishawaka, Indiana 46544 (574) 233-8800. Hours (M-F 10AM-7PM, Sat 9AM-6PM, Sun Closed).

REGISTRATION ENDS AT 6:00 PM THE NIGHT BEFORE EACH TOURNAMENT.

TOURNAMENT RULES

This tournament is governed by DNR rules.

The fishing times are from **6:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.** Eastern Time.

Fish hooked after 1:00 P.M. CANNOT be entered in the tournament. Fish hooked prior to but landed after 1:00 P.M. may be entered. No Lines in the water before 6:00 A.M.

Weigh-In will be held at **Crawford Park** in Mishawaka, Indiana (across the street from Merifield Pool). Roll call will be at 2:00 P.M. Anyone not present with their fish will be disqualified. The one and only exception will be if your boat breaks down. If this happens, you must contact **Dale Stark** (the tournament chairman) immediately at (574) 315-4689 before roll call ends. You or one of your crew must arrive before the weight-in is complete.

When weighing in your fish, it is your responsibility to choose your biggest fish to be weighed in. You cannot weigh more than one fish to determine which is the biggest.

You may fish the St. Joseph River only, from the Twin Branch Dam to the railroad bridge in St. Joseph, Michigan.

Entries are accepted on the honor system.

You may NOT fish any tributary of the St. Joseph River. For example, employees or members of the Isaac Walton League may not fish Juday Creek.

When fishing from a boat, all people in the boat must be entered in the tournament.

A formal dispute must be brought to the Chairman within 15 minutes of the closing of the scales.

All disputes will be settled by the Tournament Committee.