

Fort Fremont Marine's "Walleye Classic"
Tournament Rules

April 18th, 2026

6:00am-1:30pm

Entries:

1. Entries will be accepted until 6pm Friday, April 17th, 2026.
2. All Contestants must have a valid Wisconsin fishing license, if needed, at the time of the tournament.
3. Sportsmanship is required by all participants.
4. Registration will take place Friday, April 17th, 2026 from 4:00pm until 6:00pm at Fort Fremont Marine. A mandatory rules meeting will be held at 6:00pm. All teams must be represented by at least one team member, NO EXCEPTIONS.
5. This tournament will be run with the spectator in mind. We want your family and friends to be able to view your catch and enjoy the atmosphere.

Boats and Equipment:

1. All boats will conform to State and Federal Boating Rules and Regulations.
2. Kill switch tethers, if applicable, shall be in place and functional.
3. Life Jackets will be worn by participants when the main engine is running at speeds greater than slow-no-wake.

Fishing:

1. Walleye only tournament! Boundaries are the HWY 116 Bridge in Winneconne to County Rd. X Bridge in Northport.
2. Legal fish length is 14 inches, measured closed mouth, pinched tail, on the official measuring board.
3. **Participants may have their 6 fish limit, 3 per person, 5 of which will be weighed.**
4. Any tagged fish caught must be submitted to tournament director. Tags may be left in fish until after they are weighed in. If angler wants information about their fish, they may fill out a tagged fish information card.
5. Participation in big fish pot is a voluntary \$10.00 entry fee.
6. All boats shall have a working livewell to maintain live fish. If your boat is not equipped with a livewell, please see tournament director at the rules meeting.
7. **No dead fish penalty:** All fish weighed in are at the discretion of the tournament director. All director decisions are final. After weigh-ins, the fish are the responsibility of the catching team. If you choose to release your fish, place them in your livewell and determine if the fish are able to swim away under its own power. All fish must be released 250 yards away from the dock.
8. Only fish caught the day of the tournament will be eligible for weigh-in. There is one weigh in dock to bring your fish. No Stringers or Rock Hard Dead fish, this will result in a DQ.
9. You may not tie up to any man made dock, raft, seawall, another boat, friends anchor, bridge piling or anything that resembles a previously mentioned structure. Departure of your boat is prohibited. If clear evidence is provided, the guilty party will be disqualified.

10. Tournament hours are from 6:00am until 1:30pm, unless delayed or shortened due to weather or other unforeseen circumstances. There will be 2 flights. Boat numbers 1-40 will be in the first flight departing at 6:00am and will return at 1:00pm. Boat numbers 41-75 will depart at 6:30am and return at 1:30pm. **First & Second flight check-in will begin at 5:00am.**
11. Tardy rules: Teams checking in 1 second to 1 minute late will have half their weight deducted. Teams checking in later than 1 minute from their check in time will result in disqualification. All boats must check in and return their number card to ensure all participants have made it back safely.
12. Only registered team members may be in the boat.
13. The only stopping point is Fort Fremont Marine. In the event of an emergency seek help immediately. Then contact the tournament director. 920-446-3220. In the event of a mechanical breakdown, it is permissible for one Partner with their chosen fish from the disabled boat to transfer to another competitor's boat for transport to the check-in point. The Partner and the assisting boat must still arrive at the check-in point on time or face a late penalty or disqualification.
14. Ties: Both prizes will be combined and split equally between the tying teams. Plaques will be awarded at the flip of a coin.
15. Plaques will be awarded to the top 5 teams.
16. All decisions made by the tournament director are final.

**Prizes and Awards (based on 75 teams):
Will be Announced closer to tournament**