

**\*\*RELEASE AUTHORIZATION\*\***

In consideration of being permitted into the 2022 Stoddard/Bergen Fire Department Foundation Big Walleye Tournament, I, for myself, my personal representatives, heirs and next of kin, hereby release, waive, and discharge the Stoddard/Bergen Fire Department Foundation and any of its officers, members, committee persons, or represent-atives for any loss or damages and any claim or damage therefore, on account of injury to my property or my person, including death, whether caused by the negligent acts or negligent omissions to act or otherwise by any or all of the above, while I am participating in the Stoddard/Bergen Fire Department Foundation Big Walleye Tournament.

**THE STODDARD/BERGEN FIRE DEPARTMENT FOUNDATION AND/OR SPONSORS SHALL NOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ACCIDENTS WHICH OCCUR DURING THE TOURNAMENT.**

**\*NEW\* All Participants: Agree to adhere to The CDC Guidelines For COVID-19. This includes but is not limited to; wearing face masks and social distancing.**

I have carefully read the foregoing release and rules of the tournament and know and understand the content thereof, and sign this release voluntarily.

Upon signing you are releasing use of your name or pictures for future promotions.

Signature and Date

Parent or Leg  
al Guardian Signature If Under Age 18 & Date



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**2022**

**33rd Annual**

**Stoddard-Bergen  
Fire Department  
Foundation**

**BIG WALLEYE  
TOURNAMENT  
FUNDRAISER**

**SATURDAY APRIL 30, 2022**

**On-Line  
Registration  
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Weigh-In Ends at 3:00 PM**



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**Fishing is from 7:00 AM – 3:00 PM**  
**Based on Covid restrictions we will update anglers on our website and Facebook page. Please watch for Friday and Saturday Event updates.**

**For more information call:**  
**(480) 233-2883 Steve Cibulka**  
**(608) 304-0502 Angie Pfaff**  
**[http: stoddardbergenfd.com](http://stoddardbergenfd.com)**  
**On-Line Registration available here**

**YES**, I wish to participate in the **2022 33<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL STODDARD/BERGEN FIRE DEPARTMENT FOUNDATION BIG WALLEYE TOURNAMENT FUNDRAISER**. I have read and will abide by the rules of the tournament and will adhere to all laws and have good sportsmanship. I also give permission for the use of my name and/or photographs of me for the future promotion of this tournament by the Stoddard/Bergen Fire Department Foundation.

## Fees and Registration

1. Persons fishing in the **ADULT** division must pay a **\$40.00 Entry Fee**.
2. **Persons aged 13 and under fishing in the JUNIOR division must pay a \$30.00 entry fee.**
3. **All adult and junior entries are included in the mystery fish drawing.**
4. There will be two **EARLY BIRD DRAWINGS** of **\$50.00** each for two applicants whose entries are received on or before **SATURDAY, MARCH 26, 2022**.
5. There will be unlimited entries with PAY OUT TO THE TOP 40 PLACES which includes trophies to the top three finishers in the **ADULT** division.
6. Payout is 80% and will be determined by the number of entries minus tournament fees and expenses.
7. Prizes (only) will be awarded to the top three in the JUNIOR division.
8. Entries shall be addressed to the **STODDARD/ BERGEN FIRE DEPARTMENT FOUNDATION, 188 NORTH MAIN STREET, STODDARD, WI 54658**. Please indicate **ATTN: TOURNAMENT ENTRY** near the bottom edge of the envelope.

## Rules and Regulations

1. Fish must be alive and in good condition. Dead fish will not be weighed in. Fish to be weighed in must be placed in a fish bag available at the weigh-in landings. One fish per bag with water, participants must register their own fish.
2. Pool 9 regulations has a protected slot limit of 20-27 inches for Walleye. Walleye within this slot limit is to be released immediately. No fish 20 to 27 inches long from Pool 9 will be weighed; absolutely no exceptions
3. All fish are subject to complete inspection by tournament officials and their DECISION IS FINAL. Registered fish will be RELEASED by SBFD Foundation appointed personnel only.
4. Weigh-ins will be located at the **Municipal Landing 1700 Marcou Dr. La Crosse (Pool 8-La Crosse), Stoddard Public Landing (Pool 8 – Stoddard) and the Dairyland Landing (Pool 9 – Genoa). Pool 7 Fishermen will have to lock through Dam #7 (507)895-2170, to register a fish at the Municipal Landing stated above.**
5. Scales are open at 9:00AM. Fish are eligible and will be weighed if you are in the weigh-in line at 3:00PM sharp. A spotter will mark the last eligible boat. **You must weigh-in fish at the scales via boat in the water.**
6. Winning fish are determined by weight, then length, then time fish is weighed.
7. To be an eligible participant, entries must be postmarked by Saturday, April 22, 2022. On-line registration ends at Midnight on April 22, 2022
8. **No hand delivered entries or drop offs will be accepted**

9. One fish per entrant in pay out - you are allowed to register up to your daily bag limit of 15"-Walleye, 15"-Sauger, or 15"-Saugeye. You must keep your copy of the weigh-in slip to be turned in for top 40 payout and to claim your prize.
10. No hand-line fishing allowed. Must use a rod, line, and hook. Both artificial and live baits are allowed.
11. **Entrant aged 13 and under will automatically be fishing in the junior division.**
12. **Both Junior and Adult division entrants must catch and register their own fish and must provide identification.** Trading, swapping, or catching anyone else's fish for registration is not allowed.
13. Those fishing in this tournament may not have any non-participants in the boat at any time during the hours of 6AM to 3:00PM of the day of the tourney. Fishing time starts at 7:00AM.
14. The fishable waters of the Mississippi River for this tournament are **Pools 7, 8 and 9 only**.
15. Participants are not allowed to fish, occupy, or otherwise attempt to fish any water after 7PM, the day prior to this tournament.
16. Participants must fish from a boat that is launched at a WI approved landing site. No Iowa or Minnesota landings are permitted. No shore, dock, or float fishing allowed. Legal transport of any fish for weigh-in is by boat only.
17. **YOU ARE REQUIRED TO LAUNCH YOUR BOAT FROM WI PUBLIC BOAT LANDINGS IN POOLS 7, 8 AND 9, NO EARLIER THAN 6AM AND YOU MUST STAY IN SIGHT OF THE LANDING UNTIL 7:00AM (Legal Fishing Time).**
18. Participants are allowed to launch 1 hour prior to the start of the tournament - no earlier - no exceptions. You are required to launch your boat from a WI public boat landing to facilitate inspection of your craft by tourney officials prior to departure. Any launch fees must be paid. After launching your boat, you must stay within sight of the landing until 7:00AM.
19. Officials reserve the right to check / observe participants prior to and the day of the tournament for compliance with the rules. Credible evidence indicating violations of these rules or DNR regulations, or boat launch fees can result in forfeiture of prizes and disqualification from this event.
20. **It is required that all participants clearly display a blaze orange colored ribbon. The ribbon is to be tied to the upper portion of the body, arm, hat, and/or front or back of boat. The ribbon must be visible in all directions from the hours of 6AM to 3PM the day of the tournament.** Ribbons will be available to all participants free of charge at the following businesses: Tuna's Bar –Genoa, Stoddard Village Hall, Thirsty Turtle –Stoddard, Ace of La Crosse
21. There will be spotters located throughout the tournament waters. **We remind participants to abide by the rules to assure honesty, fairness and above all, sportsmanship. Failure to comply with state DNR regulations and/or these tournament rules will result in forfeiture of any prize as well as future participation.**
22. NO CARRY-INS will be allowed at this event. **Remember, this is a FUNDRAISER!**
23. **Tournament official's decisions are final!**

PLEASE REMEMBER THIS EVENT IS BASED ON SPORTSMANSHIP AND HONESTY!

**PLEASE WATCH OUR WEBSITE AND FACEBOOKPAGE FOR UPDATES ABOUT FRIDAY AND SATURDAY EVENTS.**

## TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Make Checks to: SBFD Foundation  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ 188 N Main St  
Stoddard, WI 54658  
City \_\_\_\_\_  
State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: [ ] Junior + Mystery Fish (13 or younger) \$30 [ ] Adult + Mystery Fish \$40  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Legal Guardians Signature If Under Age 18 Email (For Updates Required): \_\_\_\_\_ Sign Release on The Reverse Side!

**No Entry Drop-offs. NO REFUNDS U.S. Mail or On-line Registration Remember Read the Major Rule change insert & to sign reverse side.**