

APPLICATION TO CONDUCT A FISHING DERBY ON MAINE INLAND WATERS

Name of Organization: _____

Individual Making Application

Name: _____ DOB: _____

Address: _____
(Street)

_____ Zip Code: _____
(Town/City/State)

Tele: _____ Cell: _____ Email address: _____

Date(s) of Tournament: _____

The above named organization desires to hold a fishing derby or tournament on:

Water Body(s) _____ Town _____

Location of weigh-in station: _____ Tournament Start and End Time: _____

PLEASE INCLUDE: Tournament Rules, Fish Species & Prize Structure **Cash Value: \$** _____

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR DETAILS

***Please make sure that you have received your permit prior to any advertising of your event*

***Please make checks payable to: Treasurer, State of Maine*

***Mail to: Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, 41 SHS – 284 State St. Augusta, ME 04333-0041*

Signature of Applicant

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Approved (please circle): YES NO By: _____

Instructions (if needed):

Box containing the 'FOR OFFICE USE ONLY' section with approval checkboxes and instructions.

2.5 RULES PERTAINING TO FISHING DERBIES

A. SCOPE OF RULE

These rules shall be applicable only to fishing derbies as authorized by Title 12 MRSA, Section 12504 & 12504-A

B. DEFINITION

“Fishing Derby” as defined in Title 12, MRSA, Section 12504 & 12504-A, means an organized fishing event conducted on inland waters during which contestants compete for cash awards or other prizes for the purpose of this Chapter (2.04)

C. APPLICATIONS

1. An application for a permit to conduct a fishing derby shall be on such forms as the Department requires. The following information is required.
 - a. Name and address of the sponsor
 - b. Rules of the derby
 - c. Body(s) of water affected
 - d. Date(s) and time(s) of the derby
 - e. Prize Structure
2. A fee for the permit shall accompany the application
3. Applications for open water fishing derbies will be accepted after January 1 annually.
4. Applications for ice fishing derbies will be accepted after September 1 annually.
5. Applications for fishing derbies will be processed in order of receipt.

D. RESTRICTIONS

1. No fishing derbies will be permitted on any single body of water having surface area of less than 100 acres and managed by the Department for cold water fish species (trout, salmon and/or togue) or if the issuance of a permit would be inconsistent with the fisheries management objectives of the waters being affected.
2. Open water fishing derbies are not allowed to be held between April 1 – June 15, except where fishing derbies are consistent with the fisheries management objectives of the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.
3. No more than 4 derbies will be permitted on any single body of water in a calendar year. County-wide or state-wide derbies shall not be counted as a derby on any one body of water.
4. The total cash value of prizes to be awarded at any single fishing derby (excluding door prizes) shall not exceed \$10,000 except:
 - a. When a derby is of a regional nature, involves more than a single body of water, or only involves waters not managed by the Department for cold water fish species (trout, salmon and/or togue), the total cash value of prizes to be awarded (excluding door prizes) shall not exceed \$25,000 or:

E. REQUIREMENTS

1. Except as otherwise provided by law, all anglers in the derby must comply with the licensing requirements of Title 12, M.R.S.A., Sections 10751 to 10759.
2. A copy of the derby permit and a copy of the sponsor’s rules affecting the derby shall be conspicuously displayed during each derby at a location accessible to all derby contestants.