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2013 Fishing Contest Permit Drawing

For Fishing Contests to be Held During 2014

The Department of Fish and Wildlife invites you to this year's Fishing Contest Permit Drawings, to be held in both northern and southern California. The dates and locations are as follows:

Northern California Drawing
(For contests north of the Tehachapi Mountains)

Friday, July 12, 2013
National University, Sacramento
Campus Conference Room
10901 Gold Center Drive
Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Southern California Drawing
(For contests south of the Tehachapi Mountains)

Friday, July 19, 2013
DFW Field Office
4665 Lampson Avenue, Suite C
Los Alamitos, CA 90720

The permit drawings provide a forum for sponsors to efficiently coordinate their fishing contests for the following year. If you are planning fishing contests during 2014 that will offer prizes totaling more than $1,000 in value or attract more than 50 participants, we strongly recommend your attendance. We will provide updated information and forms at the drawing, and therefore also recommend the attendance of your tournament directors.

Please provide your proposed tournament schedules (dates and locations) to Rebecca Krogman by COB Wednesday, July 10th for the Northern Drawing and by COB Wednesday, July 17th for the Southern Drawing.

This will enable us to add all proposed events to our calendar and immediately identify conflicts among sponsors, which will facilitate conflict resolution at the drawing. All proposed schedules will be kept confidential until the day of the drawing. If you fill out any applications prior to the drawing, please use the most current version of Form FG-775 posted online at: http://www.dfg.ca.gov/fish/Administration/Permits/FishingContest/.

The current filing fee is $59.23/application. You must pay for approved applications at the time of the drawing to reserve the date and location. In addition, you must have all overdue contest reports from previous tournaments completed and turned in. **If you have overdue contest reports from the previous year, you will not be allowed to reserve dates and locations for 2014 fishing contests.**

Some lake operators require their own special use permit and may limit the number of contests held on their waters. This requirement is separate from and in addition to the DFW Fishing Contest Permit. We recommend checking with lake operators in advance to ensure you can obtain any special use permits required.

Please refer to the guidelines and agendas enclosed for a more detailed schedule of each drawing. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me at (916) 327-8849 or rebecca.krogman@wildlife.ca.gov.

We look forward to seeing you at the tournament drawing!

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Northern California
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Agenda

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10:15am	Announcements and Updates
10:45am	Review of Drawing Procedures for Event Permit Applications
11:00am	Listing of Tournament Schedules
11:30am	Resolution of Conflicting Events
1:00pm	Random Draw to Resolve Remaining Conflicts

Southern California
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Guidelines for Black Bass Fishing Contest Permit Draw

1. To participate in the drawing, applicants must appear in person at the scheduled drawing date and location; or may submit a completed Application for Permit to Offer Prizes for the Taking of Game Fish, Form FG 775 or facsimile (including application fee), for each proposed Event Contest of three days or less in duration.

2. **Mail-in applications must be received by COB the Wednesday before the drawing.**

3. Prior to the drawing applicants should submit a list of proposed tournaments to the Department at the address shown below and include the proposed date and location of the event(s). **All proposed tournament waters and dates must be received by the Department at the address listed below by COB the Wednesday before the drawing. No tournament proposals will be accepted after this date and prior to the beginning of the Draw event.**

4. All proposed contest waters/dates will be made available for all applicants to review no earlier than 30 minutes prior to the start of the draw event.

5. Applicants having water/date conflicts will be provided a reasonable amount of time to review the proposed schedule and are encouraged to resolve any schedule conflicts.

6. A random number will be assigned to each person (any natural person or any partnership, corporation, limited liability company, trust, or other type of association as defined in Sec. 67, Fish and Game Code) wishing to participate in the drawing. Only one number will be assigned to each person or the sponsor's representative including mail-in applications.

7. A single drawing for applications not in conflict will be conducted immediately and all non-conflicting applications accepted.

8. Following the drawing for all non-conflicting applications, a draw will be held for conflicting applicants waters/dates. Each applicant (and mail-in application[s]) will have their random number, assigned when they registered, placed in a hat for a random drawing. The first applicant drawn will have the opportunity to select one conflicted water/date. The unsuccessful applicant in this draw will have the opportunity to select (or be assigned as applicable) an unassigned or open water/date. This process will continue until all conflicts have been resolved.

9. Applicants who mail-in applications are encouraged to prioritize their proposed contests. If not prioritized, any conflicting waters/dates will be resolved in chronological order.

10. A completed Event Contest Application (Form FG 775) for each contest must be submitted to the DFW with all appropriate fees at the end of the drawing. Applications are available at: http://www.dfg.ca.gov/fish/Administration/Permits/FishingContest/.

Note: The appropriate exemption request form must accompany all applications where an exemption to Fishing and Game angling regulations is desired. These are also available on-line at the above website.

Please submit your list of proposed contest dates and locations to:

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Or email them to:

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