

Rules & Regulations

- ❖ To be eligible for prizes, contestants must hold a current Wyoming Fishing License, must be registered and have paid an entry fee to the Meeteetse Visitor Center. Any unregistered fishermen will be disqualified. Any fishing before 8:00 am or after 2pm will be an automatic disqualification. Judging will be from 1:00 until 3:00 pm each day. You may fish on either the Upper or Lower Sunshine on each day. Judging will be on the flat area above the bathrooms, on the Lower Sunshine Reservoir on both days.
- ❖ Registration marker cannot be transferred and **MUST BE VISIBLE** at all times on the Derby participants.
- ❖ Wyoming Game & Fish regulations apply to all registrants, and all registrants must have a current fishing license. WGF personnel could be present at the Fishing Derby. **Any G&F violation will result in automatic disqualification of the entire team.** To qualify for prizes, there is a maximum of two (2) rods per person. **Only 6 fish total will be judged for derby.** You may enter from 0-6 fish on either day but the fish judged must be caught that day. **Remember the daily and possession limit on the Sunshine Reservoirs is six (6) trout.**
- ❖ The May Days in Meeteetse Fishing Derby is a HARVEST CONTEST. **No culling will be allowed** and would result in immediate disqualification. Any fish caught that is not to be counted in the creel limit shall be immediately released to the water with as little injury to the fish as possible. Any fish placed on a stringer, in a container, in a live well, or not released immediately to the water, shall be considered to be reduced to possession of the angler and shall be killed prior to being transported from the water of origin. – Wyoming Fishing Regulations 2016-2017.
- ❖ Gutting or any other alteration of the fish will result in disqualification. **NO FROZEN FISH WILL BE ACCEPTED.** Fish with white eyes or other signs of being frozen may be sliced open by Tournament Official to check for internal signs of freezing. **Information on the number of fish caught and kept or caught and release will be recorded so all participants must check in at the end of each day when applicable.**
- ❖ To determine winners, fish will be measured by length, using a Wyoming Game & Fish measuring board, added to the girth of the fish, for a grand total measurement on each day of fishing. Weight will be measured by Derby or WYG&F officials. 6 fish may be judged to give a grand total for a team. All decisions by the Tournament Director are final.
- ❖ Please keep the area clean. Garbage cans are provided. Do not dump in the lakes. Pack out your trash.
- ❖ The Meeteetse Visitor Center, it's Board of Directors, Employees and Members claim no responsibility for the condition of any roads used to access this Fishing Derby on Upper Sunshine Reservoir, and Lower Sunshine Reservoir, Meeteetse, Wyoming. Further, the above claim no responsibility for accidents at the Reservoirs or the surrounding area as a whole. You are on the premises at your own risk. Please limit traffic on the lakes to a minimum.
- ❖ All registered fishermen and guests must sign an affidavit of Derby rules and compliance located on the entry form.
- ❖ Tournament pays 1st through 5th place. Calcutta pays out 1st through 5th place of Calcutta participants, if there are enough participants. There will be less placements with less participants.
- ❖ **All entries are non-refundable unless Derby officials cancel the event for any reason.** In the event the event is cancelled, all entries will be refunded after a 15% handling charge is deducted. If you have received your Derby marker, no further check in is required. **You must have completed your registration and received an official marker in order to have your fish judged.**