

## PROVISIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

### FISHING SCHEDULE AND DATES

The 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Puerto Calero Marlin Cup will take place on the 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, and 7<sup>th</sup> October 2023. The skippers' meeting will be held on the 5<sup>th</sup> October and fishing will take place on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> of October.

Participating boats will depart at 09:00 from Puerto Calero. Boats will be able to wait on the start line between the first mark (75 metres south of the tower) and the second mark (250 metres from the previous one in a westerly direction, parallel to the breakwater). The marks will both be red. At 17.00 lines are to be reeled in and boats must return to Puerto Calero.

The Trophy Presentation Dinner will take place on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 20.30.

### FISHING

Both days of fishing will be restricted to the TAG AND RELEASE OF BILLFISH (blue marlin, white marlin, spearfish, or swordfish) exclusively. No marlin may be brought into port to be weighed and no other species will qualify.

### QUALIFYING FISH:

- Blue marlin: - 500 points
- White marlin, spearfish, or swordfish: - 100 points.

### FISHING ZONE AND TYPES OF FISHING

The fishing area is unlimited, although restrictions imposed by the licence or authorisation of each vessel must be respected, as well as the distances from the coast and the general rules applicable to the existing marine reserves. Under all circumstances, the Chinijo archipelago marine reserve area is excluded for all participants.

The fishing method will comprise trolling, using artificial lures or dead bait rigged exclusively with circle hooks (J-hooks within bait are forbidden).

There is no limitation of anglers or rods per boat and the IGFA rules will be applied, bearing in mind that only one single angler will be involved in the fishing from start to finish.

### CATCH CERTIFICATION

In order to certify released catches, photographic or video proof of the catch will be required, including a visual indication of the password supplied by control or the relay boats.

Digital cameras or smartphones may be used to supply the photographic or video evidence, which must be handed over to the weighing judge on arrival in port for verification. The video sequences must not include any cuts or signs of tampering.



Images should preferably be taken with the marlin held by the bill, with the nylon inside the reel and rod, and only the leader outside the reel.

In order to facilitate validation, and to avoid any ambiguity, it is advisable to take several images of the billfish, including the fins, the eye, as well as the whole body.

Images showing mutilations on the fish caused by gaffs, propellers or other parts of the boat, or sharks, etc. will not be accepted. It is also important to remember that in order to certify a catch, at no time may gaffs or any other instrument be used to bring the fish closer to the boat. If during the competition any sign of the use of the gaffs is perceived, the catch will be disqualified. (It is permitted to use a bill-holding device).

Photographs, videos, files or cards must be handed in to the weighing judge for the certification of the released catches, at the end of each fishing day. Please have the necessary cables or connections to import the files to the jury's computer.

The jury reserves the right to consider these images as valid.

Photographs, videos and cards to be certified will not be accepted after 19.00. Boats with files to be certified must be inside the harbour by 19:00 at the latest.

The jury may ask any boat that has made a catch to demonstrate the equipment used, in order to check that it complies with the rules of the tournament (line strength, leader size, hook set-up, etc.). Failure to comply with this requirement may result in disqualification of the catch.

#### COMMUNICATION

Before leaving the Port, boats must communicate with tournament control on VHF Ch. 72.

All participating boats are reminded that they must comply with the Port regulations and not to exceed the established speed limit within boat channels. Communications will be made to Tournament Control or to the relay boats. Relay boats will be identified at the skippers' meeting.

Communication with control must be effected:

- at the time of a bite
- when the fish has been caught
- when the fish is released or lost

#### DISTANCE BETWEEN BOATS

All participating boats shall retain at least half a mile's distance from commercial fishing boats, avoiding any kind of interference in their activities at all times.

#### FISHING LICENCES

All participating boats must be in possession of the "AUTORIZACIÓN PARA EMBARCACIONES DEDICADAS A LA CAPTURA DE ESPECIES SOMETIDAS A MEDIDAS DE PROTECCIÓN DIFERENCIADAS EN

PESCA MARÍTIMA DE RECREO” (Authorisation to Catch Species Subject to Protective Measures for Recreational Maritime Fishing) and SPORT FISHING LICENCES for each of the anglers.

### PRESENTATION AND SKIPPERS' MEETING

On Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October, at 20:00 in the Plaza de Las Carpas, the presentation and meeting of the registered skippers will take place in order to deal with last minute matters and clarify any doubts about the tournament.

### REGISTRATION

The deadline for registration is 21.00 on the 5<sup>th</sup> October.

The registration fee, up until the 24<sup>th</sup> of September, will be 300€. From the 25<sup>th</sup> September onwards, the fee will be 350 €. The registration fee is be paid to the following account number account number:

IBAN ES81 3058 6142 7427 2000 2727

Account Holder: PUERTO CALERO MARINAS SL

(Please reference the name of the boat when making the transfer)

-Send a copy of the receipt by e-mail (phernandez@caleromarinas.com): together with the following documents:

- Pre-Registration Form,
- Copy of the boat's third-party insurance policy
- Copy of the vessel's current third-party insurance policy
- Copy of the Authorisation to Catch Species Subject to Protective Measures
- Copy of the Sport Fishing Licences of each of the each of the anglers together with their personal ID.

### PRIZES

TOP PRIZE - Nº OF POINTS/KILO

BLUE MARLIN TOP SCORER AWARD

HIGHEST SCORE FOR A WHITE MARLIN AWARD

PRIZE FOR THE ANGLER UNDER 18 YEARS OLD WITH THE HIGHEST SCORE

SPECIAL PRIZE FOR THE MOST SUSTAINABLE BOAT

SPECIAL PRIZE FOR THE BEST PHOTOGRAPH - CANARIAS LURES

### PROTESTS

Protests for each day can only be submitted until 19:00 hours on the same day. Protest forms are available from the weigh-in judge on request.



## JURY

Juan José Farray

Gian Maria Cogliati

Santiago González

Weighing Judge: Antonio Beltrán Correa

NB: The organisers reserve the right to refuse registration.

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2023 QUALIFYING EVENT