

ATLANTIC HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES (HMS) TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION – **changes highlighted for OMB review**



Thank you for registering your Atlantic HMS fishing tournament with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS). Please send this completed and signed form via one of the following:

Mail:
HMS Tournament Registration
National Marine Fisheries Service
263 13th Avenue S.
St. Petersburg, FL, 33701

E-mail:
HMStournamentregistry@noaa.gov

Fax:
(727) 824-5398

Additional information is available at www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms or www.nmfspermits.com.

Tournament Name _____

Tournament Location _____ **Date(s):** _____
City State

Tournament Mailing Address _____
Street/P.O. Box

City State Zip

Phone (_____) _____ - _____ **FAX** (_____) _____ - _____

E-mail Address _____

Has this tournament operated in previous years? (Y/N) _____ ; **Most recent year** _____

Former Event Name (if applicable) _____

Please check the HMS box below for which points or prizes are awarded for either fish released or landed.

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| Billfish | | | |
| White Marlin..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | Swordfish | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Blue Marlin..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Sailfish..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Longbill Spearfish..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Roundscale Spearfish..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Sharks | | | |
| Large Coastal Sharks: | | | |
| Ridgeback Sharks..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Non-Ridgeback Sharks..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Small Coastal Sharks..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| Pelagic Sharks..... | <input type="checkbox"/> | | |
| | | Tunas | |
| | | Bluefin Tuna..... | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | Yellowfin Tuna..... | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | Bigeye Tuna..... | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | Albacore..... | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | | Skipjack Tuna..... | <input type="checkbox"/> |

NMFS will post tournament information, such as tournament name, date(s), city, state, and target species, for public viewing at www.nmfs.noaa.gov/sfa/hms/Tournaments/index.htm. Please direct website corrections to (727) 824-5399.

Check if you wish to have Atlantic HMS regulation booklets and other outreach materials sent to you. Please provide the number of people you expect to distribute this information to: _____

Director/Operator _____
Printed Name Signature Date

This information will be used to estimate tournament fishing effort and landings of HMS for stock assessments and national statistical reports.

If available, please send a copy of the tournament brochure and rules.

Thank you for helping NMFS track HMS recreational activities. For more information about HMS or for current regulations, call the following phone numbers:

- Billfish, Swordfish, and HMS Tournament Registration: 727-824-5399
- Sharks: 301-713-2347
- Tunas: 978-281-9260

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