

“Guns & Hoses” Summer Spearfishing Tournament

June 16th and 17th 2018

Name _____ Telephone (____) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Certifying Agency, Level, and Number _____

Registration fee per diver - \$65.00

SHIRT SIZE: Med. _____ **Large** _____ **X-Large** _____ **XX-Large** _____

Please enclose this form and mail with payment to:
MBT Divers, 3920 Barrancas Ave, Pensacola, FL 32507.

Registration must be received no later than the Captains Safety Meeting which will be held on Friday, June 15, 2018 at 6:00 pm at MBT Divers. You may also register at the Captains Meeting or at MBT Divers any time.

RELEASE STATEMENT

I, _____, in consideration of permission granted me to participate in the Guns & Hoses Spearfishing Tournament do hereby agree that have read and agree to abide by all tournament rules. I am a certified SCUBA Diver. I am fully aware of the hazards associated with boating, diving, and spearfishing, and choose to enter the tournament freely of my own accord, accepting full responsibility for my own safety. I also agree to not hold any official or organization connected with said tournament responsible for any accident or damage to any person or property which may occur during or as a result of the tournament.

Done this _____ day of _____ 2018.

Signed _____

Printed Name _____

Witness _____

Signature of parent or guardian if entrant is under 18 yrs.

MBT Divers Presents:
16th Annual Pensacola
“Guns & Hoses”
Spearfishing Tournament
June 16th & 17th, 2018

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Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Certifying Agency and Number _____

Registration fee - \$65.00per diver. Fish Fry included!

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MBT Divers, 3920 Barrancas Ave, Pensacola, FL 32507

Registration must be received no later than midnight June 7th, 2013.

Captains Meeting will be held at Pensacola Yacht Club (1897 Cypress St.) at 6:30pm on Friday, June 15th.

WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY

I, _____, in consideration of permission granted me to participate in the Guns & Hoses Spearfishing Tournament (to be known hereon as “the tournament”) to be held June 8th & 9th, 2013 – or such dates as amended by the tournament - do hereby affirm that I have read and understand and agree to abide by all tournament rules. I am fully aware of the hazards associated with boating, diving, freediving, swimming, and spearfishing, and choose to enter the tournament freely of my own accord. I am responsible for the safe conduct of all activities associated with my participation in the tournament, and will ensure that all equipment is in safe working order. I agree to not hold MBT Divers, any tournament official, or any organization connected with the tournament responsible for any injury, accident or damage to any person or property which may occur as a result of my participation in the tournament.

Done this _____ day of _____ 2018.

Signed _____

Printed Name _____

Witness _____

Signature of parent or guardian if under 18 yrs.

2018 Pensacola “Guns & Hoses” Spearfishing Tournament Rules

1. Diving is open to all waters within 50 nautical miles of the Pensacola Sea Buoy.
2. Competition begins at 6:00 a.m. on Saturday June 16th, and ends at 4:30pm on Sunday June 17th. Scales will be open from 2pm until 6pm on Saturday and from 12 Noon to 4:30 pm on Sunday. Awards ceremony will begin at 5:30.
3. 6 consecutive hours without small craft warnings issued by the National Weather Service constitutes a valid tournament.
4. All SCUBA diving contestants **must** be SCUBA certified by a recognized SCUBA certification agency and possess a valid Certification Card, which must be available at all times. Contestants are responsible for and **must possess all appropriate licenses and registrations.**
5. All SCUBA Divers must ensure that all equipment is in safe working order. All Divers are responsible for their own dive safety.
6. **All fish MUST be speared by the diver while submerged and must be brought to the beach or boat by the diver that speared it. Fish caught by line or by means other than a spear are not eligible.**
7. Winning fish in the Snapper, Grouper, Cobia, and Flounder categories will be determined by weight. Lionfish will be divided into three categories: Greatest Number, Largest Lionfish by Weight, and Largest Lionfish by Length Caught (you may NOT use the same Lionfish for Greatest Weight and Greatest Length) as judged by tournament officials.
8. No ties will be considered. In cases of similar weights or numbers, first fish turned in will win. **Decisions by the WEIGHMASTER are final!**
9. Only rubber-powered or pneumatic spear guns, loaded by contestant’s muscle power, will be permitted.
Power heads, shark darts, or spears powered by explosive means, or chemicals, will not be permitted.
10. All fish are subject to autopsy. No frozen fish will be accepted. Any attempt to defraud or cheat in the tournament, in any way, will automatically disqualify the offender and all his/her fish.
11. All contestants must enter their own fish.
12. Winners must be present at the awards ceremony, or notify a tournament official personally in advance if a representative is to accept an award on their behalf.
13. All protests must be submitted in writing and given to the tournament President before the awards ceremony. **Decisions by the President will be final.**
14. All eligible species weighed in will remain the property of the contestant. Donations for the fish fry will be greatly appreciated. All Lionfish turned in will become the property of the tournament to be used for research purposes.
15. **Tournament rules are subject to change until the end of the captains meeting.**

Prizes and Awards

Prizes will be awarded to the **top 3 places (except the lionfish category)** in each category. Contestants may weigh all fish, but may only submit one entry in each category. Each winner will have a turn at the prize table. All 1st place winners will go first in order as drawn at the awards ceremony, then the 2nd place winner and then 3rd place winners in the same order.

This year, the lionfish division will feature one prize for each category: one for overall length, one for greatest weight, and one for greatest number of lionfish caught.

Eligible Species include: Snapper (All legal species), Grouper (All legal species), Cobia, Flounder, and Lionfish. Eligible species are subject to change due to changes in regulations.

DIVE SAFE AND GOOD LUCK!