

2024

# STAN HARRISON MEMORIAL "SPRING TUNE-UP" MUSKIE TOURNAMENT FUNDRISE

## TOURNAMENT RULES

1. Tournament limited to **ENTRANTS ONLY**. Pre-registration must be done using the "Entry Forms" page of our website [heartlandmuskies.org](http://heartlandmuskies.org) **no later than Sunday, April 21, 11:59 pm!**
2. Open to the Public. Limited to the first 100, two angler teams. **For angler safety, no single angler teams will be accepted**
3. **Tournament Headquarters** (check-in & awards banquet):  
  
**Community Center  
4 Weimer Street  
Ventura, IA 50482**
4. **Tournament hours:**  
  
**Check-In:** Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 pm – 9:00 pm, Food, refreshments & door prize drawings  
**Tournament:** Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 am - 4:00 pm  
**Awards Ceremony/Raffle:** Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 4:30pm-10pm
5. Tournament entrants will be provided an **official tournament sticker** which must be applied to an official measuring device & be visible in pictures.
6. All fish must be caught during tournament hours using legal Iowa sport fishing methods for Clear Lake. **Fishing outside of tournament hours is an automatic disqualification!**
7. All fish must be **released unharmed**. **Two pictures** must be taken with one showing the entire fish on the measuring device with sticker visible & another of the angler holding the fish. **Pictures must be shown to the tournament staff by 5:30 pm, April 27<sup>th</sup> prior to the awards ceremony** & will become the property of Heartland Chapter 10. **If both pictures are not presented, entry is disqualified!**
8. The tournament is based on the following **point system: A 30" fish will be awarded 4 points**. In addition, you will receive **1 point for each inch over 30" measured to the nearest inch**. Under ½" round down, over ½" round up. **½" measurements will NOT be accepted!** Tie breakers determined by **time of catch**. Judgment will be at the discretion of the tournament staff.
9. **No alcohol consumption** during the on the water portion of the event.
10. **Artificial baits only**. No live bait.
11. **Life vests must be worn** while operating above idling speed.
12. All entrants must adhere to all Coast Guard & Iowa DNR safety & fishing regulations, normal angling etiquette & **each angler may only fish two lines at a time**.
13. Any **fish killed by an entrant** becomes the property of the tournament staff until after the awards banquet. Report to the Tournament Director for instructions & a committee member will come pick up the fish.
14. **Unsportsmanlike conduct** will be not be tolerated at the discretion of the tournament staff.
15. Entrant boat must **not be tied to shore or dock** (except in case of emergency or safety concerns). **If tied to shore or dock, entrants may NOT fish!**

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## RELEASE OF LIABILITY

IN CONSIDERATION of being permitted to participate among and on boats under the auspices of Muskies, Inc. International and Heartland Chapter, I acknowledge, appreciate, and agree that:

1. "I am aware of the inherent risk associated with fishing and boating, including but not limited to the risks of collisions with other boats and stationary objects in and around the lake, including rocks, reefs or piers or other vehicles and trailers at landing areas. I am familiar with other risks up to and including death by drowning associated with rough water, changing weather patterns, heavy winds and lightning storms. I expressly assume all risks associated with this tournament and I hereby release Muskies, Inc. International and Heartland Chapter of Muskies, me. The host, sponsors, and tournament officials from all claims of negligence resulting from injury and/or property damages incurred in connection with the tournament."

2. I knowingly and freely assume all such risks, both known and unknown, even if arising from the negligence of those persons released from liability below, and assume full responsibility for my participation; and

3. I will comply with all rules and regulations. If I have any question, or observe any unusual or unnecessary hazard during my participation, I will immediately bring such to the attention of the nearest official; and

4. I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, hereby release, indemnify and hold harmless the Muskies, Inc. International and Heartland Chapter, the owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the tournament, their officers, officials, ("Releasees"), with respect to any and all injury, disability, death, or loss or damage to person or property, whether caused by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise, to the fullest extent permitted by law.

I have read this release of liability and assumption of risk agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I have given up substantial rights by signing it, and sign it freely and voluntarily without any inducement.

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## **FOR PARTICIPANTS OF MINORITY AGE**

(Under 18 at Time of Registration)

This is to certify that I, as parent/guardian of this participant, do consent and agree to his/her indemnification, release and hold harmless as provided above of all Releasees, and I, for myself and behalf of my heirs, assigns and next of kin, hereby release, indemnify and hold harmless the Releasees from any and all claims incident to my child's involvement in these programs even if arising out of the negligence of the Releasees, to the fullest extent permitted by law.