

# Shawnee - Supreme Invitational 2014 Trout Tournament Rules and Procedures

1. The following rules shall be in effect; Violation or non-compliance in any respect may cause disqualification of contestants. Interpretation and enforcement of these rules rest solely with the tournament committee whose decisions are final and binding.
2. **PARTICIPANTS AND ELIGIBILITY:** Participation in this tournament is open only to Shawnee and Supreme boat owners paying the required entry fee and signing a completed official entry form. Entry forms will be accepted only from two-person teams. Persons under 18 years of age must enter with a parent or other responsible adult. Written permission is required. The tournament committee reserves the right to refuse or withdraw the entry of any person if there is reason to believe such entry might endanger the safety of any person or cause unrest, confusion or disruption of the tournament. Entry fee money will be refunded if entry is refused or withdrawn by tournament committee.
3. **ENTRY FEE:** An entry fee of \$100 per team, first 125 boats only, made payable to Cotter Gassville Chamber of Commerce. Entry fee covers two (2) meal tickets and one (1) entry in the Shawnee Boat Raffle. Entry forms must be completed and postmarked by February 22, 2014. Please do not send cash. Check or money order only to Cotter Gassville Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 489, Cotter, AR 72626 postmarked no later than February 22, 2013. Additional entrée forms are available at Cotter Gassville Chamber of Commerce website: [www.cotterarkansas.com](http://www.cotterarkansas.com)
4. **EQUIPMENT AND FISHING METHODS:** All safe boating rules and regulations and AG&FC Trout Regulations must be observed at all times. No CB, two way radios, cell phones or similar communication devices will be used to communicate between tournament entrants.
5. **PERMITTED FISHING LOCATIONS:** Fishing area to be from Dam Catch and Release to Rim Shoals Catch and Release except within 50 yards of another contestant without permission. No boats allowed in Catch and Release Area. Any boat seen in Catch and Release Area will be disqualified. You must take-off and return to weigh-in in the same boat. Fishing from land or any other structure is not permitted. Once you have picked up your entry packet at Cotter, you may leave for designated locations only: AG&F Access at Cotter, Wildcat, White Hole and State Park. Failure to access at the designated access locations will be cause for disqualification. All fish to be weighed in must be returned to Cotter weigh-in by boat on river only.

6. **STARTING AND TAKE-OFF PROCEDURES:** Starting may be delayed in the event river, weather or other conditions may cause safety problems. Each boat must be registered at the check-in at the Cotter Spring Park entrance before proceeding to the starting area. Only those boats and contestants in compliance with safety standards and tournament rules shall be started. All live wells will be examined prior to launching by members of the tournament committee.
7. **ELIGIBLE FISH:** Brown Trout min. 24", Cutthroat Trout min. 16", Brook Trout min. 14" and Rainbow Trout (no min. length requirement).
8. **LIMIT:** This tournament limit shall be (4) four fish per boat. Only 2 fish may be Brown Trout.
9. **PENALTIES:** Official time will be kept at the tournament headquarters. Entrants are responsible to synchronize their watches with the official clock. For each minute contestants are late, a two pound penalty will be deducted from total weight. Any team more than fifteen minutes late will lose all score for the day. Dead fish cannot be weighed in. All live fish must be released.
10. **SCORING AND TIES:** Scoring will be by pounds and ounces. The combined weight of both team members will be recorded as a single score. **TIES:** In the event the combined weight of two or more teams are equal, the team weighing in first will be the winner.
11. **BIG FISH POT:** This is a separate event from the tournament. Entrants are eligible to enter in the Big Fish Pot. Entry fee at the time of application will be \$25 per team. The team weighing in the largest fish and having entered the Big Fish Pot will win the total amount of money in the pot. **SAMPLE** – if we have 100 entries in the pot, the winner will receive \$2500. If there is a tie the pot will be equally divided. Big Fish weight will not be deducted from your total fish weigh in.

**\$500 FLY FISHING BONUS:** If you are a designated Fly Fishing Only entrant and you have paid all required entry fees, and you catch the largest fish using only Fly Fishing Equipment, the Tournament Committee will pay you the Big Fish Pot plus a \$500 Bonus. To be eligible for this bonus both members of the team are limited to only Fly Fishing equipment and no other fishing equipment (conventional rod and reels) will be allowed in the boat.

**Requirements:**

1. \$100 entry fee paid per team.
2. \$25 Big Fish entry
3. On the Application Form you designate your team as Fly Fishing Entrant Only.
4. Receive Fly Fishing Inspection Form from starters at the launch point.
5. Rule 14 Polygraph Test will be fully enforced for this bonus.

- 12.**PROTESTS:** Any contestant wishing to protest the conduct or score of another contestant must do so in writing and file the protest with the tournament committee within (30) thirty minutes from final weigh-in. The tournament committee may however, at any time, at its own discretion, take up and decide questions relating to any contestants' conduct or score.
- 13.**QUALITY ASSURANCE TEST:** By his or her signature on this entry form and/or participation in this tournament, contestants agree to submit to quality assurance tests. These may include all or part of the following: Polygraph tests, urinalysis, blood tests, and observer, in or out of boat. Refusal to submit by, either or both anglers, will result in immediate disqualification. If the angler is unsuccessful with any or all of the above tests, the angler's partner may submit to the tests, at the team's expense within the next 7 working days, subject to examiner's schedule. If still unsuccessful, the team's weight shall be 0.00 lbs. The observer portion does not apply to the partner.
- 14.**POLYGRAPH TEST:** All winning entrants are subject to an independent polygraph test. Failure to pass polygraph will result in disqualification, loss of entry fee, and any winnings.
- 15.**WINNINGS:** ALL FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL TAXES AND LICENSING AND REGISTRATION FEES ARE THE WINNER'S SOLE RESPONSIBILITY. Winner of boat drawing will pay sales tax before MSO issued. Published prize fund is based upon 100 entries. Final entries less or greater will generate a revised prize fund pro-rated based upon 100 entries.
- 16.**NO REFUNDS.** Except as described in Paragraph 2.
- 17.**FISHING LICENSE:** Fishing license(s) and trout stamps are a must.
- 18.**TEAM NUMBERS:** Take-off goes by team numbers. Team numbers can be picked up at the tournament site. Team number will be assigned by order they were received.
- 19.**LODGING:** See Cotter Gassville Chamber of Commerce website for discounts for out of town entrants: [www.cotterarkansas.com](http://www.cotterarkansas.com)

APPLICATION  
SHAWNEE – SUPREME INVITATIONAL  
2014 TROUT TOURNAMENT  
March 8, 2014 7:00 AM – 2:00 PM  
**(PLEASE PRINT)**

Captain's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Boat Registration Number (Hull): \_\_\_\_\_  
Boat Manufacture: Shawnee \_\_\_\_ Supreme \_\_\_\_  
Year Manufactured: \_\_\_\_\_  
Make of Engine: \_\_\_\_\_  
Partner's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_  
Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**WE ARE DESIGNATED FLY FISHERMAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE #11:** \_\_\_\_\_

I/we have read and understand all rules and regulations associated with the Shawnee – Supreme Invitational 2014 Trout Tournament, and waive all other contestants, sponsors, volunteers, tournament officials and Cotter Gassville Chamber of Commerce and all claims for injury or damages incurred in connection with the 2014 Tournament. I/we also waive all above mentioned persons from any and all claims for injury or damages in the event that a minor under the age of eighteen is fishing. In signing this tournament application, I/we do agree to submit to any truth verification testing provided by Cotter Gassville Chamber of Commerce and I/we agree to abide by the outcome of any such testing.

My signature on application below signifies that I have read and understand the agreements listed above.

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ CAPTAIN DATE \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ PARTNER DATE \_\_\_\_\_

ENTRY FEES: \$100.00 per team. Limited to the first 125 entries. Add \$10.00 each for extra meal tickets. \$25 for Big Fish Pot. Entry forms will not be processed without enclosed fee.

AMOUNT SUBMITTED:  
Entry fee: \_\_\_\_\_  
Big Fish Pot: \_\_\_\_\_  
Extra Meals: \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL AMOUNT SUBMITTED: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Do not send cash. Please send check or money order only to Cotter Gassville Chamber of Commerce, P.O. Box 489, Cotter, AR 72626 postmarked no later than February 22, 2014. (870) 321-1243**

(For Office Reference Only)  
Team No. \_\_\_\_\_ Fly Fisherman Only \_\_\_\_\_  
Extra Meal Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Paid Check # \_\_\_\_\_  
Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_