

# Brewster Salmon Derby Rules and Regulations

1. The Derby Committee must have you officially registered by Midnight on the Thursday prior to fishing start on Derby Friday. You will then be eligible for any cash and prizes. **IF YOU DO NOT HAVE A DERBY TICKET (i.e. lost, forgot, left in boat, etc.) YOU WILL NOT BE ISSUED A DUPLICATE AND CANNOT WEIGH ANY FISH. All registrations must include address AND phone number or a ticket WILL NOT be issued. All tickets must be purchased either online or in person.** WILL CALL this year will be to pick up any tickets previously purchased. **YOU MAY TRANSFER TICKETS PURCHASED TO ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL ONLY AFTER YOU CONTACT DERBY OFFICIALS AND GET APPROVAL.**
2. All Contestants must fish according to applicable Washington State laws and Dept. of Fish and Wildlife Regulations. **JIGGING: DUE TO THE "INTERPRETATION" OF WHAT'S LEGAL "JIGGING", AND THE DISQUALIFICATION OF PARTICIPANTS SOME YEARS AGO, JIGGING WILL NOT BE ALLOWED DURING THE DERBY.** Any infractions to the law and regulations will result in disqualification from the Derby. Any On-The-Water violations will also result in disqualification from the Derby. We want everyone to be safe and have fun. Safety is our #1 priority. Be Smart, Be Safe & Have Fun!!
3. **Everyone** in any boat fishing the derby **MUST** have a derby ticket and a wrist band. If anyone in the boat is entered in the derby with a valid ticket, then everyone in the boat must have a derby ticket. Any violation will result in not having any fish from that boat allowed to be weighed. Your boat must have an approved marker visible to any and all Derby Marshalls.
4. Official Derby Fishing times: Friday of the Derby 5:00am-6:00pm. Saturday 5:-00 a.m.-6:00 p.m. And Sunday 5:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. **DERBY ENTRANTS ARE NOT ALLOWED TO FISH INSIDE DERBY POOL BOUNDARIES OUTSIDE OF OFFICIAL DERBY HOURS, BEGINNING AT MIDNIGHT THURSDAY PRIOR TO DERBY FRIDAY. ANYONE CAUGHT FISHING INSIDE DERBY BOUNDARIES; OUTSIDE OF DESIGNATED HOURS, WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.**
5. All Derby King Salmon and Sockeye entries must be caught within the legal description boundaries between the Brewster Bridge, the Okanogan River Bridge and the Corps of Engineers Safety Zone Marker just above the Bridgeport Bridge. "Fishing from a floating device prohibited downstream of Chief Joseph Dam from the boundary marker to the Corps of Engineers safety zone marker." (2017-18 Regulations). Fishing from Shore Upstream of the Bridgeport Bridge is Prohibited. **ANY FISH CAUGHT UP RIVER MUST BE BROUGHT BY BOAT TO WEIGH STATION. ANY BOAT WANTING TO PULL OUT AT BRIDGEPORT AND RELAUNCH AT BREWSTER MUST CHECK IN A WEIGH STATION FOR BOAT INSPECTION.**
6. **Official Derby weigh-in station hours are Friday and Saturday 10:00am – 12:30pm and 2:30pm – 6:30pm, Sunday 9am – 12:30pm.**
7. To certify each King Salmon, each entrant must present their Derby ticket and Salmon to the check station weigh master. **In order for a Salmon to be certified and weighed, it must have been caught from "Set to Net" by the Fishermen wanting certification of their Salmon.** There will be only one weigh-in station located at Columbia Cove boat launch in the park gazebo. All Salmon weighed will be marked by a hole punch in a fin or cut tail fin.
8. All Derby fish may be inspected at the time of weigh-in by Washington State Biologists and Derby Officials. All fish may be subject to dissection.
9. **Contestants observing violations of the Derby rules should immediately report to Derby Officials.** Violators will be disqualified from the Derby and could be barred from future competitions. Derby Officials may be contacted at **509-449-0605** or report to the weigh station immediately. Any false reporting will also disqualify entrant from Derby. **Any Fish under dispute will not be weighed and certified until a final ruling of the Derby Committee.**

10. Each Derby entrant may have only one fish eligible for Derby cash or prizes. If you weigh in multiple Salmon, only the heaviest salmon qualifies the ticket for cash or prizes. Youth/Child entrants may only weigh one Sockeye per Day.
11. Each Derby entrant may weigh in two King Salmon per day for the Total Weight Side Pot, or Team Average Total Weight Side Pot. Teams consist of 2 persons minimum and 4 persons maximum per team only. Once a team is selected, it cannot be changed during the derby. All Team members must buy in for the same day(s).
12. Scoring will be by weight, length and girth. Weight will be the initial factor and scored to the .01 lb. (ie 25.06lb) Length will be the first tie breaker measured from the snout to the V-notch in the tail. Scoring will be to the 1/8". Girth will be the second tie breaker scored by circumference just in front of the dorsal fin of the Salmon. Scoring will be to the 1/8".
13. All Salmon must be fresh-caught by legal sport fishing rules. No Gill or Dip-Netted or Foul-Hooked Salmon may be entered. Any evidence of netting, spoilage, frozen or foul –hooked Salmon will disqualify entrant from the Derby.
14. **The Derby Committee shall have the final word on any and all disputes regarding Derby Rules and Award of Prizes. ALL DERBY COMMITTEE DECISIONS ARE FINAL!**
15. Award presentations and Raffle drawings will begin at approximately 1:00 p.m. on Sunday at the gazebo in Columbia Cove Park. All prizes must be collected at the awards presentation, by the ticket holder, unless prior arrangements are made with the Derby Committee.
16. No one under 18 years old is eligible for raffle or drawings of any type per Washington State Gaming Rules.
17. The Derby WILL NOT be cancelled due to inclement weather.
18. **RULES FOR YOUTH AGE 8 AND YOUNGER!!!!!!**
  - a. Child MUST do all reeling from "set to net". This means a parent may set the hook as long as the child keeps hands on the pole, the parent may then hold one hand on pole as the child reels. Assistance to net the fish is allowed.
  - b. Any questions or clarifications of this rule should be directed to the Derby Director.
19. By entering the Brewster King Salmon Derby and/or entering to win the Derby Series Grand Prize Boat, each angler or participant acknowledges and agrees that his or her contact information may be made available to select Derby Series sponsors and Northwest Marine Trade Assn; and each entrant further acknowledges that he or she may be contacted by the Derby Series sponsors. Anglers and participants who prefer not to be contacted by sponsors should send an email to [info@nmta.net](mailto:info@nmta.net) advising the Northwest Salmon Derby Series not to share their contact information with third parties.
20. **The Brewster Salmon Derby and Brewster Chamber of Commerce reserves the right to use any photograph/video taken from the Event without the expressed written permission of those included in the photograph/video. Any person who does not want their image used will notify the Derby Committee by mail at Brewster Salmon Derby, P.O. Box 1087, Brewster, WA 98812 or [BrewsterSalmonDerby@gmail.com](mailto:BrewsterSalmonDerby@gmail.com).**

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