

<u>Rules:</u> Kids age of 14 years or younger, three (3) catfish limit, saltwater species (hardheads or sailcats). Fishing in the Choctawhatchee Bay or estuaries there of. Fish may be caught in a boat on a dock or from the shoreline. Adults present may assist kids with handling fish but may not reel fish in for them. (Baiting and Casting and use of landing net only) Live or artificial bait, rod and reel only, no jugs ,cast nets, or noodling. Note: Catfish have three spines use caution when handling these fish. (Cut the line when the fish is in the boat, hooks are cheap.)

Scoring: Biggest weight for a single fish, and a combined weight of 3 catfish (saltwater species).

Entry Fee: \$20 per angler - All proceeds to benefit the Backpacks of Love Foundation.

All Fisher Girls and Boys will be awarded prizes.

The Top Five participants in each division will receive savings bonds along with prizes and trophies.

<u>Starting Point</u>: Anglers may start from their desired location in waters on or adjacent to the Choctawhatchee Bay in Okaloosa & Walton Counties. Tournament Starts at Safe daylight on Saturday July 7th.

Weigh In Time: 4:00-5:00 PM. Scale will open at 4:00 and close at 5:00 PM. Contestants must be checked in with a tournament official before 5:00 pm to have their catfish scored. Weigh-in will be at Nick's Seafood Restaurant 7585 Hwy 20 West Freeport, Fl 32439. 850-835-2222 or 850-830-6161

<u>Cancellation:</u> The tournament director may cancel or postpone the tournament at anytime for any reason including but not limited to inclement weather. Weather concerns should be addressed to Trey Nick at 850-835-2222 or 850-830-6161.

All Fisher kids must be registered by 7:00 pm Friday July 6th.

Mullet toss for all ages will be held following the weigh-in.

The Backpacks of Love program is designed to support and help children in need at Freeport Elementary School and other regions of Walton County. Each week, Backpacks of Love helps children dealing with hunger by providing them each week with a bag of non-perishable and kid-friendly food. This helps insure that—even when the kids are away from school—they all have enough to eat each week. Backpacks of Love also provides kids in need with shoes, socks, clothing, and other necessities. With the help of Nick's Seafood Restaurant, Portland United Methodist Church, and the support of the community, Backpacks of Love is able to help many, many children in need each week! All donations go directly to the children, and are greatly appreciated by them.

For more information, check out www.facebook.com/BackpacksofLoveFES
Help end hunger in our community, and support Backpacks of Love!

Questions? Contact TREY NICK at 850-835-2222 or 850-830-6161